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Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation
Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)

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To
The Addl. Chief Secretaries/Pr. Secretaries/Secretaries
In charge of Rural Sanitation
All States/UTs.

Subject: Capacity Strengthening activities to be taken up by the State Governments under SBM(G) Phase-II – reg.

Madam/Sir,

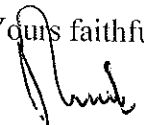
As you are aware, like in SBM(G) Phase-I, capacity strengthening of key stakeholders in the States/UTs is one of the key activities under SBM(G) Phase-II. Having achieved the ODF status of villages, capacity strengthening of the key stakeholders in the States/UTs including members of VWSCs, functionaries of Block and District Water and Sanitation Missions/Committees, Swachhagrahis, ASHAs, Anganwadi workers, SHG members, masons, CSOs/NGOs, etc, is required to be made on various aspects of ODF Plus through trainings and orientation workshops.

2. As per the SBM(G) Phase-II guidelines, trainings / refresher trainings / orientation workshops will be conducted for sensitization, awareness generation and technical know-how to build the capacity of human resources at State, District, Block and GP levels, to plan, implement and monitor ODF Plus initiatives. Annual action plan for State, District, Block, GP level training activities are to be prepared along with identification of the training institute/agency, training components and the intended trainees, etc. with definite timelines. The training/orientation workshops are to be conducted as per the approved annual action plans.

3. DDWS also coordinates to collect the best practices of different States/UTs for knowledge management and to facilitate cross learning of the stakeholders.

4. As it is the early phase of the programme and phase II provisions need to be understood and disseminated properly, all the States/UTs are requested to conduct such trainings departmentally but if Development Partners and non-governmental Organizations are being involved, it needs to be ensured that trainings are aligned with the National Programme. Further, it is requested to regularly intimate the details of trainings/refresher trainings/orientation workshops planned to be conducted during each month to this Department well in advance. We will try to depute a resource person from this Department. This will enrich the quality of training and will also help in the dissemination of best practices to other States.

Yours faithfully,



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