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To

The Project Directors, State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG) - Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand & West Bengal

Subject: Minutes of the 25th Joint Meeting of Audit Review Committee and Budget Review Committee of National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)-reg.

Minutes of the 25th joint meeting of the Audit and Budget Review Committee of NMCG held on 11th November, 2024 are attached herewith.

2. SMCGs are requested to submit an action taken report to the NMCG by 31st December 2024.

Encl. as above.

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Copy along with a copy of the Minutes, with a request to furnish an Action Taken Report to the Finance Wing of the NMCG by 31st December 2024.

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1. PS to Director General, NMCG
2. PS to Executive Director (Finance), NMCG

Minutes of the 25th Joint meeting of the Audit Review Committee (ARC) and the Budget Review Committee (BRC) of National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) held on 11 November, 2024 at NMCG office, New Delhi.

The 25th Joint meeting of the Audit Review Committee (ARC) and the Budget Review Committee (BRC) of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) was held at 02:00 PM on 11 November 2024 in NMCG office New Delhi under the Chair of Director General, NMCG. A list of participants is at **Annex I**.

2. At the outset, Executive Director (Finance), NMCG welcomed Director General, NMCG and other participants from NMCG, D/o Drinking Water & Sanitation (DoDWS) and State Missions for Clean Ganga (SMCGs). Thereafter, with permission of the Chair, he made a detailed presentation on Agenda items.

I. Budget Review Committee

Expenditure Plan for Q-3 and Q-4

The Committee was informed that NMCG has drawn Rs. 1,401.60 crore so far and disbursed Rs. 1,015 crore to implementing/ executing agencies. During second Quarter of the current FY, Rs. 495.02 crore has been disbursed. A proposal to draw the next installment of assignment limit from the Ministry of Jal Shakti will be initiated shortly.

ED(F)-NMCG informed that as directed in the last meeting of the BRC, Annual Expenditure Plan has been submitted by all SMCGs. State-wise status is discussed below.

SMCG-Uttarakhand

- SMCG-Uttarakhand has projected an expenditure of Rs. 90.93 crore for Q-3 and Q-4 of current FY. The total projected expenditure for FY 2024-25 is Rs. 120.16 crore.
- NMCG has allocated Rs. 6.66 crore to SMCG-Uttarakhand so far in current FY. The allocation is low because there is unspent balance with its executing agencies.
- SMCG-Uttarakhand has spent Rs. 28.99 crore from the funds transferred to their executing agencies in last FY. An amount of Rs. 17.92 crore has been refunded by SMCG-Uttarakhand as per Ministry of Finance (MoF) instruction for on-boarding of executing agencies on Hybrid TSA.
- Director (Finance), SMCG-Uttarakhand informed that a fund demand of Rs. 24 crore for the 3rd quarter will be submitted shortly.

SMCG-Uttar Pradesh

- SMCG-Uttar Pradesh has projected a requirement of Rs. 512.04 crore for next two quarters, including Rs. 328.46 crore for Q-3. ED(F)-NMCG stated that higher fund projections for Q-3 are because of the 3 Mahakumbh related projects at Prayagraj (Sanitation Infrastructure, Bioremediation of 22 untapped drains & IEC activities), for which

a total of Rs. 187 crore has been projected. He enquired about the likely timelines for submission of demand for the said projects.

- Director (Finance), SMCG-Uttar Pradesh responded that the demand for Maha Kumbh 2025 will be submitted within a week. It was also informed that tendering for the Bioremediation project has been completed, and Letter of Award (LoA) has been issued. Agencies have also been empaneled for the Sanitation Infrastructure Project.

SMCG-Bihar

- SMCG-Bihar has projected a total requirement of Rs. 190 crore for the 3rd and 4th quarters. It was informed that decision on few variation proposals from Bihar are awaited and their fund requirements may change depending on decisions in this regard. Bihar's projection also includes a requirement of Rs. 16 crore for the RFD-Patna project.
- SMCG-Bihar informed that works for 16 ghats have been completed, while work is ongoing for 3 ghats under the RFD Patna project (Mahavir ghat, Nauzar ghat, and Bhadra ghat). ED(P)-NMCG stated that it needs to be confirmed whether these ghats are part of the project scope.
- SMCG-Bihar informed that demand for third quarter will be submitted within a fortnight.

SMCG-Jharkhand

- SMCG-Jharkhand has been allocated Rs. 33.15 crore in the current FY, out of which they have expended Rs. 23.24 crore so far.
- SMCG-Jharkhand has projected a requirement of Rs. 22 crore for the 3rd and 4th quarters for the Phusro and Ramgarh project.

SMCG-West Bengal

- SMCG-West Bengal has projected a requirement of Rs. 60 crore for the 3rd and 4th quarters.
- However, the Project Director of SMCG-West Bengal stated that no additional funds are required immediately as current unspent balance of Rs. 19.68 crore is sufficient to meet their immediate needs.
- She informed that major projects in the State are HAM Projects. Further, two variation proposals for (i) Hoogly-Chinsurah, (ii) Berhampur and Jangipur are currently awaiting approval from NMCG. If these proposals are approved, SMCG-West Bengal will be able to spend a higher amount.
- Project Director, SMCG-West Bengal also informed that the Financial Bid Evaluation Report for Tolly-Nullah project has been finalized. On award of the project, a substantial amount will be required for release of mobilization advance to the contractor.
- It was informed that the next demand from SMCG-West Bengal is expected in late December 2024.

Assessment of Projected Fund Requirements

- Summarizing the fund requirements, ED(F)-NMCG apprised the Committee that total requirements for the next two quarters projected by the SMCGs are Rs. 873.75 crore. After adjusting unspent balances of Rs. 203.04 crore, additional requirements are estimated as Rs. 670.71 crore.
- So far as the HAM projects are concerned, a requirement of Rs. 676.54 crore was projected for the last two quarters, of which only Rs. 40.54 crore has been transferred to escrow accounts (for Saharanpur and Kanpur Projects) during Q-3. DG-NMCG directed ED(P)-NMCG to expedite demand for the HAM projects.
- CPCB has projected a fund requirement of Rs. 40 crore for the 3rd and 4th quarters. However, no demand has been received yet. CPCB has recently refunded Rs. 3 crore from unspent balance of last year.
- A demand of Rs. 22.45 crore has been received for biodiversity projects, against a projected requirement of Rs. 113.58 crore for Q-3 and Q-4. A major part of the fund demand (Rs. 91.13 crore) is yet to be received.
- DDG-NMCG projected a requirement of Rs. 74.14 crore for various activities under his Division, including Smart Laboratories for Clean River (SLCR), River Cities Alliance (RCA), Online Continuous Emission Monitoring System (OCEMS), Information, Education & Communication (IEC) activities for Maha Kumbh and outreach activities of NMCG & SMCGs. Research projects of Centre for Policy Research (CPR), Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) and Survey of India (Sol) would require around Rs. 10 crore. Other miscellaneous expenditure like software licenses, Geographic information system (GIS) survey etc. would be around Rs. 30 crore and for IT infrastructure around Rs. 10 crore. The OCEMS tender for the first batch of STPs is currently at the technical evaluation stage.
- ED(T)-NMCG informed that fund requirement for the Common Effluent Treatment Plant (CETP) Jajmau project is expected to be Rs. 50 crore.
- ED(F)-NMCG highlighted that several executing agencies have unutilized limits. The Urban Development Department of Madhya Pradesh was assigned a limit of Rs. 5 crore on 26th September, 2024, but nothing has been drawn so far. Similarly, IIT Kanpur, C-Ganga (Rs. 24.06 crore), WII (Rs. 10.29 crore) and CPCB (Rs. 23.28 crore) also have significant undrawn limits that need to be utilized.

Hybrid TSA:

- ED(F)-NMCG informed that the Treasury Single Account (TSA) system has now been extended to the Executing Agencies at the third level and below. NMCG had issued a detailed advisory to all implementing/ executing agencies on 29 May, 2024, followed by a workshop with CGA experts on 12 August 2024. All SMCGs need to complete on-boarding of executing agencies at third level and below on extended TSA (Hybrid TSA) immediately, if not already done. Besides Proponent Units in NMCG also need to ensure on-boarding of private agencies.
- Update from the SMCGs on present status of operationalizing Hybrid TSA:
 - ✓ SMCG-West Bengal confirmed that they are ready to implement Hybrid TSA Model.

- ✓ SMCG-Uttarakhand informed that they have successfully on-boarded their executing agency on Hybrid TSA and has started assigning limits.
 - ✓ SMCG-Uttar Pradesh confirmed that UP Jal Nigam has been on-boarded and payments will be processed as per the Hybrid TSA Model.
 - ✓ Representative of BUIDCo informed that they have been on-boarded on Hybrid TSA, and a demand has been raised accordingly.
 - ✓ SMCG-Jharkhand informed that bank account of the Executing Agency has been opened as per the Hybrid TSA, and payments will now be processed through this system.
- ED(F)-NMCG stated that in spite of repeated advice from the Finance Wing, so far only one private agency has been on-boarded on Hybrid TSA. He requested Proponent Units to ensure on-boarding of private grantees on TSA before recommending release to them.
 - ED(F)-NMCG also emphasized that with implementation of TSA, implementing agencies (such as SMCGs, Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), State Forest Departments (SFDs) etc.) can only assign limits to executing agencies below them. Physical transfer of funds is prohibited. Further, neither the SMCGs (or other implementing agencies at second level) nor the executing agencies below them are allowed to transfer any limit to their own Bank accounts (except for the purpose permitted by the MoF in their instruction dated 9 March 2022).

Utilization Certificate (UCs):

- ED(F)-NMCG stated that UCs are an important instrument of financial control. In order to streamline the system of UCs and ensure submission of UCs in proper manner by the grantees, the Finance Wing has issued several self-contained advisories. The quality of UCs has improved, but some of the organizations are still not following the General Financial Rules (GFR) mandated guidelines. The UCs submitted by the Central PSEs are not signed by their Finance Department officials. The UCs submitted by the State Forest Departments are not aligned to Financial Year cycle. In addition to several general Advisories, the Finance Wing of NMCG has recently issued an Advisory only on the deficiencies observed in the UCs from the CPSEs. ED(F)-NMCG requested Proponent Units to ensure a preliminary check as per Finance Advisories before forwarding the proposals to the Finance Wing.
- ED(F)-NMCG also emphasized that all UCs must be accompanied by an “Outcome Achieved” report, detailing the outcomes achieved from utilization of the grant. The advisories issued by the Finance Wing contain indicative formats for reporting of outcomes, but the grantee organizations are free to modify the reporting format depending on the nature of the project. Important point is UCs without evidence of physical progress of work does not convey a meaningful picture.
- ED(P)-NMCG suggested that Finance Wing should organize a workshop to sensitize the Proponent Units about the essential features of UCs. ED(F)-NMCG stated that this will be done immediately.

Status of UCs from Executing Agencies:

- Q-1 UCs have been received from all SMCGs. Among the major grantees, Q-1 UC is awaited from the CPCB.
- Q-2 UC has been received from SMCG Bihar. ED(F)-NMCG requested remaining SMCGs to submit their Q-2 UCs expeditiously. Project Director, SMCG-West Bengal clarified that their Q-2 UC has also been furnished.
- DG-NMCG directed ED(T)-NMCG to ensure immediate submission of Q-1 UC by the CPCB.
- The SFDs are submitting their UCs based on the Annual Plan of Operations cycle. ED(F)-NMCG requested ED(A)-NMCG to instruct the SFDs to submit UCs according to the usual Financial Year cycle.

Booking of expenditure

- ED(F)-NMCG informed the Committee that the Audit has been pointing out that NMCG books expenditure based on unaudited UCs. NMCG, being an Autonomous Organization, needs to prepare its Annual Accounts within three months of Financial year close. These Accounts are then submitted to C&AG for Audit.
- NMCG's grantees are also mostly autonomous organizations. As per the extant rules, they need to complete their Audit by September of the Financial Year following the FY for which accounts are to be audited. Therefore, the audited accounts of grantees are never available at the time of finalization of NMCG's Audited Accounts. However, NMCG makes an attempt to take balance confirmation from each Grantee before finalization of Accounts.
- In view of the repeated Audit observations, it is proposed to obtain audited UCs from grantees after finalization of their accounts. While by that time NMCG's own Accounts will be closed, any difference between the reported balance and audited balance will be disclosed in next year's accounts.
- ED(F)-NMCG requested SMCGs to submit audited UCs for FY 2023-24, along with Audited Accounts for the said year by 30 November 2024.

Pending UCs from DoDWS:

- ED(F)-NMCG stated that following deliberations in the meeting of the Empowered Task Force (ETF) held on 10 September 2024, updated UCs have been received from all States, according to which pending UCs have come down to Rs. 99.10 crore from Rs. 130.98 crore reported to the ETF. Uttarakhand has refunded unspent balance of Rs. 6.11 crore. With this, they have almost fully utilized grants received under the Namami Gange Programme.
- DG-NMCG observed that the reduction in unspent balance is mainly due to efforts of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. There has not been much progress in respect of remaining 3 States (Bihar, West Bengal and Jharkhand). He requested DoDWS to make concerted follow-up with Rural Sanitation Missions of the aforesaid 3 States.
- ED (F)-NMCG stated that Bihar has reported increase in utilization, but there has not been commensurate reduction in unspent balance in revised UCs. Representative of the Lohia Swachh Bharat Mission (Bihar) clarified that initially the sharing pattern for SBM was 75:25

between the Centre and the State. But it was later changed to 60:40 as per the recommendations of the Fourteenth Finance Commission (FFC). However, mistakenly the unspent balance in all UCs from Bihar was calculated on 60:40 sharing basis. This has now been corrected by applying 75:25 sharing ratio to the pre FFC grants in revised UCs leading to increase of unspent balance against central share.

- Consultant (CA)-NMCG confirmed that adjustments had been made in the UCs, but the UCs still show both the central share and the Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) share, which makes it difficult to isolate the exact expenditure incurred from the central grant. It was decided that the representative of Lohia Swachh Bharat Mission will discuss the issue separately with Consultant (CA)-NMCG immediately after the ARC meeting.
- ED(F)-NMCG stated that State Rural Sanitation Missions have accumulated significant interest (Rs. 124.92 crore) on grant-in-aid received from the DoDWS. He emphasized that according to the GFR, {GFR Rule [230(8)]}, interest earned on grants-in-aid should be refunded to the Consolidated Fund of India. DG-NMCG has written twice on this issue to the DoDWS. It was emphasized that along with UCs, States should submit a report on outcomes achieved. ED(F)-NMCG also requested the DoDWS to furnish a report detailing outcomes achieved from NMCG's grants for record.
- Finally, ED(F)-NMCG stated that as per the TSA guidelines unspent balance should be refunded by all implementing/ executing agencies and they should take fresh assignment limits on "Just-in-time" basis, rather than keeping funds parked.

II. Audit Review Committee (ARC)

The following Agenda Items were discussed: -

- C&AG Audit of Annual Accounts of NMCG for FY 2023-24 & Action Taken on Audit Report
- Status of Internal Audit of NMCG & SMCGs
- ATR on observations in Internal Audit Report
- Status of NMCG's Tax Audit
- Status of Certification Audit for World Bank Assisted Projects
- Audit of Annual Accounts of SMCGs

C&AG Audit of Annual Accounts of NMCG & ATR on Audit Report

ED(F)-NMCG informed that for third year in succession all timelines prescribed in the GFR regarding audit of annual accounts of NMCG have been adhered to. Annual Accounts of NMCG were submitted to the C&AG on 27th June, 2024 (as against the deadline of 30th June, 2024) and the C&AG audit was conducted from 1st July to 16th July, 2024. Draft Separate Audit Report (SAR) was received on 24th July and NMCG's comments were furnished on 31st July, 2024. Final SAR has been received on 29 October, 2024. The Committee was informed that there are only 4 substantive observations in the audit report. ED(F)-NMCG informed that observations of the audit have been noted and necessary action has been taken wherever required. Point-wise action taken/comments were also placed before the Committee.

The next step is adoption of the Audit Report by the ETF, after which the audited accounts will be laid in both the Houses of the Parliament.

Tax Audit of NMCG

The Committee was informed that the Tax Audit of NMCG for assessment year 2024-25 (FY 2023-24), as required under Section 12 A of Income Tax Act was conducted from 12 - 20 September, 2024. The Tax Audit Report was uploaded on the Income Tax Portal on 27th September, 2024 as against the deadline of 30th September, 2024. Income Tax return for FY 2023-24 was filed on 8th October, 2024 (as against the deadline of 31st October, 2024).

Internal Audit of NMCG

ED(F)-NMCG presented major observations in the Internal Audit Report for Q-3 & Q-4 of FY 2023-24 to the Committee. The observations of internal audit were broadly in 3 categories; i) statutory compliance, ii) accounting principles, iii) unadjusted ledgers.

On the statutory compliances, the Committee was informed that the internal auditor had observed a few cases of short deduction of TDS under GST and income tax. However, 7 out of 8 cases of short deduction of TDS under GST cited by the Auditor pertain to Government agencies/PSUs, for whom TDS is not required, as per notifications dated 5th November, 2018 and 31st December, 2018. Similarly, except for one case, instances of short deduction of TDS under income tax mentioned in the Report relate to Grants-in-aid on which TDS is not applicable. However, in one case each for TDS under GST and TDS under Income Tax, the Auditor was right and necessary corrections have since been made.

So far as accounting principles are concerned, observations relate to fixed asset registers, treatment of depreciation, prior period expenses etc. These observations have been noted and necessary clarifications have been provided to the auditor. The cases on unadjusted ledgers have been shared with the Administration Division and necessary actions have been taken by them. ED(A)-NMCG pointed out that there are two pending stale cheques, for which details are not available. ED(F)-NMCG advised that being more than three years old, these claims have become time barred [GFR 225 (xix)]. He advised Administration Division to move a proposal accordingly so that necessary entries can be made in NMCG's Books of Accounts. So far as 16 unadjusted ledgers are concerned, ED(F)-NMCG clarified that these cases pertain to different Divisions. A list was earlier circulated showing Division-wise pendency, which Finance will recirculate to enable the Divisions concerned to examine these cases.

ED(F)-NMCG also informed the Committee that a detailed ATR has been shared with the Internal Auditor.

Annual Accounts of SMCGs

The Committee was informed that Audit of Annual Accounts have been completed for SMCGs of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. They have also filed requisite Return of Income under the IT Act. For SMCG-Bihar, audit of Annual Accounts has been completed. Final report is expected shortly.

ED(F)-NMCG requested SMCGs to share their Audited Accounts with NMCG by 30 November 2024.

Status of Internal Audit

The Committee was informed that internal audit for the first quarter of FY 2024-25 has been completed for SMCG Uttarakhand, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal. Draft audit reports have also been received and SMCGs concerned will shortly submit their comments to the internal auditor. For NMCG, internal audit for the first quarter has been completed and comments on the draft report have been submitted. Final report is expected shortly. For SMCG-Uttar Pradesh, the Audit has been done. But the Internal Auditor has informed that the report will be finalized after their next visit to the State.

ED(F)-NMCG emphasized that the observations in the internal audit report need to be given due considerations and corrective actions may be taken wherever required to improve internal control system. He pointed out that NMCG regularly report observations in internal audit reports and action taken thereon to its Audit Review Committee (The ATR on the Q-3 and Q-4 internal audit reports of last FY is reported to the ARC in its current meeting). He requested SMCGs to similarly report action taken on internal audit observations to their respective Audit Review Committees regularly.

Certification Audit

The Committee was informed that certification audit for World Bank assisted projects have been completed for NMCG and SMCGs of Uttarakhand, Bihar and Jharkhand. Audit Certificates have also been received for SMCGs of Uttarakhand and Jharkhand, which have been shared with the World Bank. Audit Certificate is awaited for NMCG and SMCG Bihar. The certification audit is presently underway for SMCG, Uttar Pradesh and is expected to be completed shortly.

Certification audit for SMCG, West Bengal has not commenced yet as State AG is insisting on a formal change in the name from the "West Bengal State NGRBA Programme Management Group" to "West Bengal State Mission for Clean Ganga. Project Director, SMCG-West Bengal informed that the name change proposal was placed before the State Ganga Committee in its meeting held on 6th November, 2024 and formal approval on name change is under process. As soon as the name change is notified, Office of State AG will be requested to undertake certification audit.

ARC/BRC Meeting of SMCGs

ED(F)-NMCG informed the Committee that SMCGs of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal have convened meetings of their ARC/BRC meetings recently. This is a positive development as all SMCGs except SMCG-Jharkhand have held at least one meeting of their ARC/BRC this year. However, SMCG-Jharkhand is yet to convene a meeting of their ARC/BRC since July 2022. He requested SMCG-Jharkhand to immediately convene a meeting of the State level ARC/BRC. It was emphasized that State level ARC/BRCs are very important instrument of internal control and all SMCGs should regularly convene meetings of the said committees. In particular, observations/ recommendations of the Internal Auditor and action taken thereon should be reported to the SMCG level Audit Review Committee regularly.

Action Taken on the decisions taken in the last (24th) meeting of the ARC/BRC

ED(F)-NMCG apprised the Committee about action taken on the decisions taken in the 24th meeting of ARC/BRC held on 12 July 2024. While action has been taken/ completed on all decision points, it was observed that further action is required on the following issues:

- I. ED(P)-NMCG and ED(F)-NMCG to jointly undertake another review of physical and financial progress of projects State-wise.
- II. DDG-NMCG to pursue pending UC against rolling advance to the Bureau of Outreach & Communication (formerly DAVP).
- III. Reconciliation of Accounts to be completed with 5 CPSEs, and SFD-Bihar

Actionable Points

The major actionable points are summed up below:

- (i) SMCGs to submit their Q-3 demand at the earliest.
[Action: All SMCGs]
- (ii) Fund requirements for Q-3 and Q-4 are to expedited by all Proponent Units. ED(P)-NMCG) to review fund demand for HAM projects.
[Action: All EDs/Divisional Heads]
- (iii) Unspent Assignment limits with implementing/executing agencies to be monitored.
[Action: ED(P)/ED(T)/DDG]
- (iv) Proponent Units to review project architecture and ensure on-boarding of executing agencies at third level & below and private grantees on Hybrid TSA.
[Action: All EDs and Divisional Heads]
- (v) PUs to ensure compliance with extant instructions and Finance Advisories issued on Utilization Certificates. A workshop to be organized by the Finance Wing to sensitize PUs about essential features of UCs.
[Action: All EDs and Divisional Heads]

- (vi) SMCGs (other than Bihar & West Bengal) to expedite Q-2 UC. CPCB to submit Q-1 UC.
[Action: SMCGs concerned/ED(P)/ED(T)]
- (vii) SMCGs to furnish Audited UCs for FY-2023-24 along with Audit Accounts for last FY to NMCG by 30th November, 2024.
[Action: All SMCGs/ED(P)]
- (viii) DoDWS to take up pending UCs with Rural Sanitation Missions of Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal. DoDWS also to furnish an “Outcome Achieved” report to the NMCG in respect of grants released under the Namami Gange Programme.
[Action: DoDWS]
- (ix) A meeting of the Empowered Task Force (ETF) to be convened for adoption of NMCG’s Annual Accounts for FY 2023-24.
[Action: ED(A)]
- (x) SMCG-West Bengal to complete the name-change process, followed by Certification Audit of World Bank assisted projects by 15th December, 2024.
[Action: SMCG-West Bengal]
- (xi) Administration Wing, NMCG to initiate a proposal to liquidate 2 stale cheques as per GFR provisions on time barred payment.
[Action: ED(A)]
- (xii) A list of 16 unadjusted ledgers to be circulated by the Finance Wing.
[Action ED(F)]

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to all participants.

Annex I

List of Participants present in the 25th Joint meeting of the Audit Review Committee (ARC) and Budget Review Committee (BRC) of National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) held on Monday, on 11 November, 2024 at NMCG, New Delhi.

List of Participants

NMCG

1. Shri Rajeev Mital, Director General, NMCG ---- In Chair
2. Shri Nalin Kumar Srivastava, Deputy Director General, NMCG
3. Shri S. P. Vashisth, Executive Director (Administration), NMCG
4. Shri Brijendra Swaroop, Executive Director (Project), NMCG
5. Shri Anup Kumar Srivastava, Executive Director (Technical), NMCG
6. Dr. Bhaskar Dasgupta, Executive Director (Finance), NMCG
7. Shri Varun Parkash, Section Officer, HR & Administration, NMCG
8. Shri Subrata K. Basu, Senior Consultant (Finance), NMCG
9. Shri Rajendra Bharti, Consultant (Finance), NMCG
10. Shri Manan Mudgal, Financial Management Specialist, NMCG
11. Shri Harish Shishodia, Consultant (Finance), NMCG
12. Shri Achyut Pathak, Project Assistant, Clean Ganga Fund, NMCG
13. Ms. Jigyasa Sharma, CA (Consultant), NMCG
14. Ms. Neema Joshi, Institutional Associate, NMCG

DODWS, Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi

15. Ms. Swapna Devireddy, Director, Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi
16. Dr. Ravindra Bohra, Team Leader, Namami Gange Cell, Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi

SMCG-Uttarakhand

17. Shri Jaipal Singh Tomar, Director (Finance), SMCG Uttarakhand
18. Shri Pradeep Bhatt, Sr. Financial Management Specialist, SMCG Uttarakhand
19. Shri S. K. Varma, Project Manager, Uttarakhand Pay Jal Nigam, Uttarakhand

SMCG-Bihar

20. Shri Dheeraj Kumar, General Manager (Finance), BUIDCo, Bihar
21. Shri Girish Kumar Chaudhary, Assistant Finance Manager, Bihar Rural Livelihood Promotion Society, Bihar, (representative of Lohia Swachh Bharat Mission)

SMCG-Jharkhand

22. Shri Sumit Kumar Mahato, Assistant Project Director, SMCG, Jharkhand
23. Shri Alok Kumar Mandal, Deputy General Manager, JUIDCo, Jharkhand
24. Shri Bibhuti Kumar, MIS/ GIS Specialist, SMCG Jharkhand

Through video conferencing:

SMCG-Uttarakhand

- 25. Shri Birendra Bhatt, Community Development Specialist, Swajal, Uttarakhand
- 26. Ms. Himali Joshi Petwal, Unit Coordinator Operation and Social Development, Swajal, Uttarakhand
- 27. Ms. Chanda Malasi, Assistant Manager, (Finance), SMCG Uttarakhand
- 28. Shri Piyush Singh, River Basin Management, Specialist, SMCG Uttarakhand

SMCG-Uttar Pradesh

- 29. Shri Vijay Kumar Singh, Director Finance, SMCG, Uttar Pradesh
- 30. Shri Sandeep Kumar, Chief Engineer (Ganga), Uttar Pradesh Jal Nigam, Uttar Pradesh
- 31. Shri Mithilesh Kumar Misra, Unit Head, Knowledge & Planning, SMCG Uttar Pradesh
- 32. Ms. Priya Agarwal, Sr. Financial Management Specialist, SMCG Uttar Pradesh
- 33. Ms. Sonalika Singh, Communication Manager, SMCG Uttar Pradesh

SMCG-Bihar

- 34. Ms. Priyambada, State Finance Manager, Lohia Swachh Bharat Mission, Bihar
- 35. Shri Devendra Kumar Suman, Project Officer cum Additional Director, Urban Development Housing Department, Bihar
- 36. Shri Ramavatar Sah, Team Leader, SMCG, Bihar

SMCG-Jharkhand

- 37. Shri Sharvan Prasad Gupta, Accountant, SMCG Jharkhand

SMCG-West Bengal

- 38. Ms. Nandini Ghosh, IAS, Program Director, SMCG West Bengal
- 39. Shri Prantik Ray, Chief Engineer, GAP Sector, Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority, West Bengal
- 40. Shri Abhinash Sarkar, Sr. Financial Specialist, SMCG- West Bengal
- 41. Shri Debajyoti Basu, Accountant, SMCG- West Bengal.