

**Minutes of meeting of
IIIrd Meeting of River Rejuvenation Committee, Uttarakhand**

Date: March 15, 2019

**Venue: Office of the Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment,
Govt. of Uttarakhand**

The IIIrd meeting the River Rejuvenation Committee (RRC), constituted by the Government of Uttarakhand vide its Office Order ref. no. 976/X-3-18-15(96)2019 dated 05.12.2019 was held on dated 15.03.2019 under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary, Forest and Environment, Govt. of Uttarakhand. Following officials were present in the meeting:

1. Shri Anand Vardhan, Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment, Govt. of Uttarakhand.
 2. Shri D.J.K. Sharama, Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Environment & Climate Change), Deptt. of Forest, Uttarakhand.
 3. Shri S.P. Subudhi, Member Secretary, UEPPCB, Dehradun.
 4. Shri S.S. Pal, CEO, UEPPCB, Dehradun.
 5. Dr. Ankur Kansal, EE, UEPPCB, Dehradun.
 6. Shri V.C. Purohit, Chief Engineer, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Dehradun.
 7. Shri K.C. Pathak, Addl. Director, Deptt. of Agriculture, Uttarakhand.
 8. Shri Sanjeev Kr. Srivastava, SE, Deptt. of Irrigation, Uttarakhand.
 9. Shri Ravi Pandey, SE, Directorate of Urban Development, Uttarakhand.
 10. Shri Sushil Bhatt, AE, SIIDCUL, Dehradun.
 11. Shri Kamal Bhatt, Directorate of Urban Development, Uttarakhand.
 12. Ms. Pallavi Gupta, Deputy Director, Deptt. of Industry, Uttarakhand.
 13. Dr. Rajendra Singh, ASO, UEPPCB, Dehradun.
2. Principal Secretary welcomed all participants. Member Secretary, UEPPCB highlighted the directions issued by the Hon'ble NGT on 20.09.2018 and 19.12.2018 in the matter of Original Application No. 673/2018, along with background of identification of polluted river stretches. He also informed that all 9-Action Plans of polluted river stretches viz. Rivers Bhela, Dhela, Suswa, Kichha, Kalyani, Ganga, Kosi, Nandhor and Pilakhar of Uttarakhand have been prepared and placed before the River Rejuvenation Committee (RRC) in its IInd meeting held on 31.01.2019. The Committee considered the action plans along with inputs given by the Regional Directorate, Central Pollution Control Board, Lucknow and with due deliberations and discussion, the RRC approved all 9-action plans considering with following limiting factors:
- i) Most of the rivers are seasonal and not having perennial water flow, therefore maintaining water quality of Class "B" all the time, would be difficult.
 - ii) The identified activities would be successful only after timely available of funds.
 - iii) For creating infrastructure availability of land would also be limiting factor.
3. It was informed that all 9-action plans were forwarded to the Central Pollution Control Board, Delhi as directed by the Hon'ble NGT on dated 31.01.2019, for

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approval. Presentation of action plans for Priority-I & II polluted river stretches were made before the Task Team of CPCB on 10.02.2019. Further, CPCB vide its letter dated 20.02.2019 informed that since said action plans are merely based on preliminary information, therefore, the Task Team has not considered for approval of action plans submitted by Uttarakhand State. Action Plan are to be prepared based on detailed gap analysis w.r.t. the sewage, industrial effluent and waste management in the catchment of polluted river stretches covering all aspects as directed by the Hon'ble NGT vide order dated 20.09.2018 and 19.12.2018.

4. Member Secretary, UEPPCB also presented the summaries of action plans of priority- I & II river stretches consisting of length of polluted river stretches; major drains, major town located in catchment, sewerage generation, existing treatment system, MSW generation, major polluting industries located in catchment, water consumption and wastewater generation; etc. before the RRC. It was also informed that copy of compiled action plans, which were approved by the RRC and submitted to the Central Pollution Control Board, has been communicated to all concerned departments by the UEPPCB on 25.02.2019 for further necessary action the light of orders of the Hon'ble NGT and letter dated 20.02.2019 of the Central Pollution Control Board. All action plans are also available in the website of the UEPPCB at: <http://www.ueppcb.uk.gov.in/pages/show/166-river-rejuvenation-committee,-uttarakhand>.
5. Chief Engineer, Jal Nigam informed that interception and diversion plan of rivers Rispana and Bindal have been approved by the NMCG and tendering process is being carried out. He also informed that 20 MLD STP at Mothrawala and 5 MLD capacities STP at Indiranagar have been commissioned.
6. The RRC after discussion and deliberations decided following action points:
 - i) The Uttarkhand Jal Nigam shall identify the drains and their discharge into polluted river stretches and shall make a plan for their interception /diversion and augmentation of treatment capacities. Action plans along with gap analysis, budgetary requirement and time lines shall be submitted to the RRC. Jal Nigam shall also explore funding for execution of plans within stipulated time lines.
 - ii) The Directorate of Urban Development shall also assess the gaps in implementation of Solid Waste Management Rules in all Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) located in the catchment of polluted river stretches and shall prepare plans accordingly stating with gaps analysis, budgetary requirement and timelines for execution with concerned ULBs.
 - iii) Similarly, the individual Department shall also prepare their plans for identified activities and work out time line for executions. In case of non-applicability of activity(ies) and/or left over activities, same shall be communicated to the RRC along with reasons thereof, so that same can be placed before the Hon'ble NGT and CPCB.

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- iv) UEPPCB shall compiled the data of industries w.r.t. nos. of water polluting industries their water consumption, wastewater discharge, treatment system, hazardous waste management etc. as per requirements.
 - v) UEPPCB shall start water quality monitoring at downstream of confluence of rivers Suswa and Song near Kasro and river Song at Nepali farm, to evaluate the actual length of river for which action plan is to be executed.
 - vi) All concerned department shall nominated Nodal Officer and shall forward details with email & mobile number to UEPPCB. UEPPCB has nominated Dr. Rajendra Singh, ASO, UEPPCB (E-mail: rskathait2009@gmail.com; Mob. No. 09412383118) as a Nodal Officer for coordinating with various departments.
7. Chairman, RRC also directed that respective departments shall be forward their plan(s) with required details to the RRC by the end of May, 2019.
 8. The RRC also decided that DG, Health, Govt. of Uttarakhand may be included in the RRC for looking the issues related to Bio-medical wastes.
 9. The RRC also discussed the issues of achieving water quality class "B" representing organised mass bathing. Considering the seasonal nature of rivers, despite of interception and diversion of drains, it would not be possible to meet the desired water quality; therefore it should be indicated in respective action plan(s). However, the State will ensure that no untreated effluent be discharged in to the water bodies.

Meeting ended with thanks to and from the chair.

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(S.P. Subudhi)
Member Secretary

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**River Rejuvenation Committee, Uttarakhand
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उपस्थिति पत्रक

श्री आनन्द बर्द्धन, प्रमुख सचिव, वन एवं पर्यावरण विभाग, उत्तराखण्ड शासन की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 15.03.2019 को पूर्वान्ह 11.30 बजे प्रमुख सचिव, वन एवं पर्यावरण विभाग, उत्तराखण्ड शासन के कार्यालय-कक्ष में आहूत River Rejuvenation Committee (RRC) की तृतीय बैठक में उपस्थिति:-

क्रमांक	प्रतिभागी सदस्य	पदनाम	मोबाईल नम्बर	हस्ताक्षर
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