## Minutes of meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of River Rejuvenation Committee, Uttarakhand

May 17, 2019

Venue: Office of the Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment,

Govt. of Uttarakhand

The 4<sup>rd</sup> 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 17.05.2019 under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary, Forest and Environment, Govt. of Uttarakhand. Following officials were present in the meeting:

1. Shri Chadresh Kumar, Additional Secretary, Urban Development, Govt. of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.

2. Shri S.D. Singh, APCCF/Nodal Officer, NGT matter, New Delhi.

3. Shri S.P. Subudhi, Member Secretary, UEPPCB, Dehradun.

- 4. Dr. Dheeraj Pandey, Additional Secretary, Forest & Environment, Govt. of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
- 5. Shri V.C. Purohit, Chief Engineer, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Dehradun.
- 6. Shri K.C. Pathak, Addl. Director, Deptt. of Agriculture, Uttarakhand.
- 7. Shri Sanjeev Kr. Srivastava, SE, Deptt. of Irrigation, Uttarakhand.
- 8. Shri Ravi Pandey, SE, Directorate of Urban Development, Uttarakhand.
- 9. Shri Sushil Chandra Bhatt, AE, SIIDCUL, IT Park, Dehradun.
- 10. Dr. Rajendra Singh, ASO, UEPPCB, Dehradun.
- 2. Principal Secretary welcomed all members of River Rejuvenation Committee and other invitees. Member Secretary, UEPPCB highlighted the directions issued by the Hon'ble NGT on 20.09.2018; 19.12.2018 and 08.04.2019 in the matter of Original Application No. 673/2018. Member Secretary informed that the Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Dehradun and Directorate of Urban Development have submitted required information. Committee observed that since Rivers Dhela, Bhela and Kichha are nonperennial water bodies and flash floods are occurs only during monsoon months; therefore flood plain zoning is not required for these rivers. Similarly maintaining environmental flow would not be possible in these rivers. Representative of Irrigation Department stated that assessment for flood plain zoning of river Suswa was carried out in the year 2017 and proposal with financial requirement of Rs. 86.76 Laks has been submitted to the State Government and flood plain zoning of river Suswa would be completed within 18 months after approval of the State Government.
- Chief Engineer, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam informed that proposals for the action plans submitted to the RRC have also been submitted to the State Government for allocation of funds.
- 4. Member Secretary, UEPPCB informed that based on proposal/information submitted by the various departments, draft action plans of 4-rivers viz. Rivers Bhela, Dhela, Suswa and Kichha of priority-I&II have been finalized. The River Rejuvenation Committee (RRC) discussed proposed activities in details and unanimously approved all 4-action plans.

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- 5. The RRC, Uttarakhand also decided that the Member Secretary, UEPPCB will forward all 4-action plans to the Central Pollution Control Board for approval.
- 6. The RRC, Uttarakhand also discussed the issues of achieving water quality class "B" representing organised mass bathing in the said polluted river stretches. It was observed by the Committee that considering the non-perennial nature of rivers, interception and diversion of drains and achieving environmental norms may not bring the water quality of these rivers into desired water quality class. However, the State will ensure that no untreated effluent be discharged into the water bodies.

Meeting ended with thanks to and from the chair.

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(S.P. Subadhi) Member Secretary

12.05.19

River Rejuvenation Committee, Uttarakhand
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Date: 13/06/19

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- 3. Dr. Dheeraj Pandey, Additional Secretary, Forest & Environment, Govt. of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
- 4. Shri S.D. Singh, APCCF/Nodal Officer, NGT matter, New Delhi.
- 5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest/ Chief Conservator of Forest, Environment, Deptt. of Forest, 85/87, Rajpur Road, Dehradun.
- 6. Director, Industries, Industrial Area, Patel Nagar, Dehradun.
- 7. Shri V.C. Purohit, Chief Engineer, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Dehradun.
- 8. Shri K.C. Pathak, Addl. Director, Deptt. of Agriculture, Nanda Ki Chowki, Premnagar, Uttarakhand.
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