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Dated: Shimla-1, the

To

1. All CCFs/CFs (T & WL) HP
2. CPD (IDP) Solan
3. CPD (JICA) Shimla

Subject: Minutes of Meeting regarding Jal Bhandaran Scheme held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Nisha Singh, IAS, ACS (Forests) on 29.06.2021 in Armsdale Committee Room, HP Sectt. Shimla.

Memo:

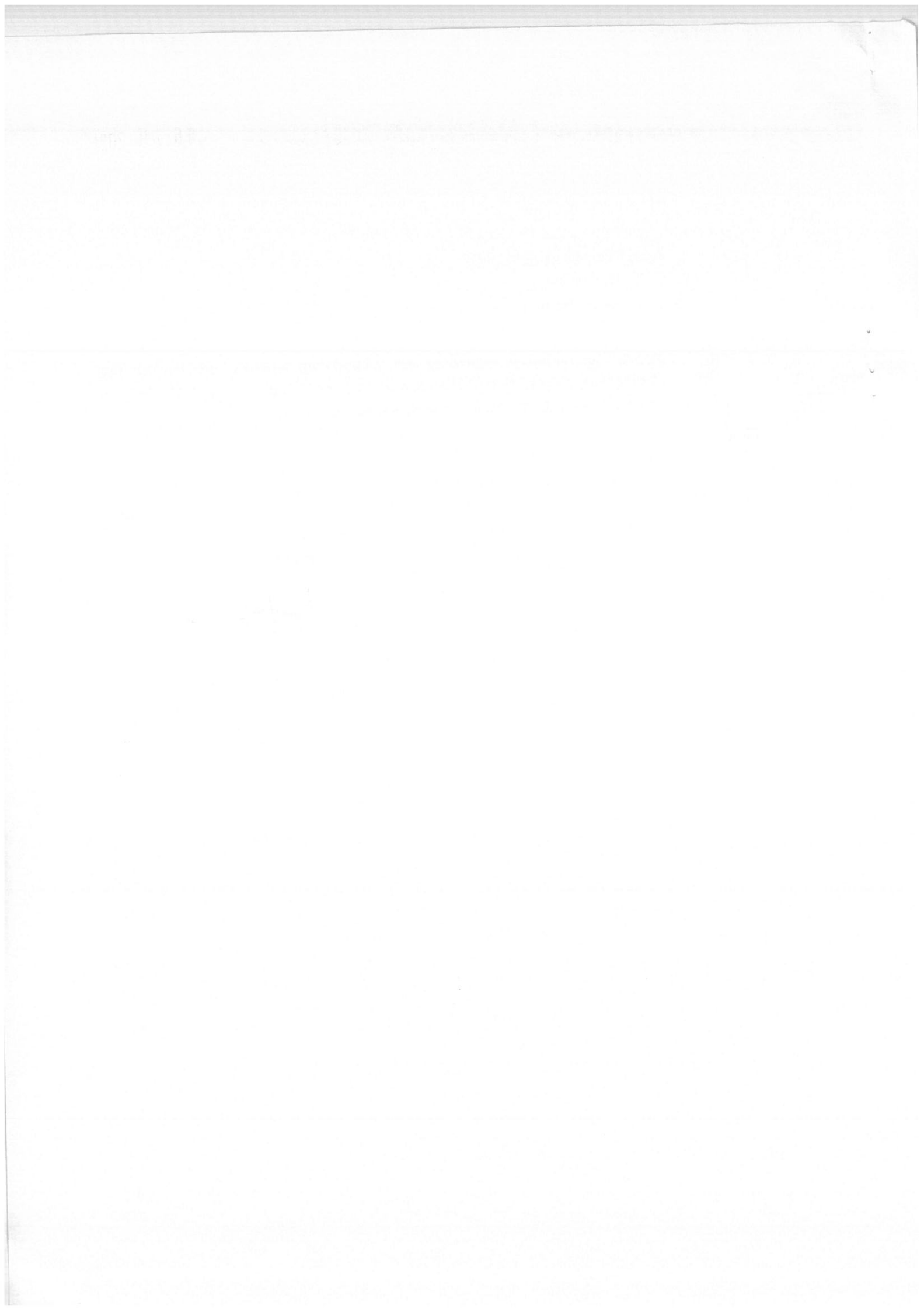
Please find enclosed herewith minutes of meeting regarding Jal Bhandaran Scheme held under the Chairmanship of Smt. Nisha Singh, IAS, ACS (Forests) on 29.06.2021 in Armsdale Committee Room, HP Sectt. Shimla for information and necessary action. You are requested, to ensure compliance with decisions taken in the meeting.

Encl: As above.


Adll. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests

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CEO, HP State Authority (CAMPA)



No. FFE-B-A (4)-2/2019
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Forests.

From

Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

To

1. The Secretary (Rural Development) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Secretary (Jal Shakti Vibhag) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF).
Himachal Pradesh, Talland, Shimla-171001.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife).
Himachal Pradesh, Talland, Shimla-171001.
5. The Additional Pr. CCF-cum-CEO.
Himachal Pradesh State CAMPA, Talland, Shimla-01.
6. Engineer-in-Chief (Jal Shakti Vibhag)
Himachal Pradesh Shimla.
7. The Director, Rural Development .
Kasumpti, Shimla-171009.
8. The Chief Project Director.
IDP, Solan, Distt. Solan, H.P.-173212.
9. The Chief Project Director, JICA Assisted H.P. Eco System
Management and Livelihood Project, Potter Hill, Shimla-05
10. The Director, Agriculture
Krishi Bhawan, Boileauganj, Shimla, H.P.-171005.
11. The Director, Horticulture
Navbahar, Chotta Shimla, H.P.-171002

Dated: Shimla-2, the


2nd July, 2021.

Subject:- Minutes of the meeting regarding Jal Bhandaran Scheme held under
the Chairpersonship of Smt. Nisha Singh, IAS, ACS (Forests) on 29-06-
2021 at 3:00 PM in Armsdale Committee Room, HP Sectt., Shimla-02.

Sir /Madam.

I am directed to enclose herewith photocopy of minutes of the meeting held
under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Nisha Singh, IAS, ACS (Forests) on 29-06-2021 on the
subject cited above for your information & necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


(Sat Pal Dhiman) 2-7-2021
Joint Secretary (Forests) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.
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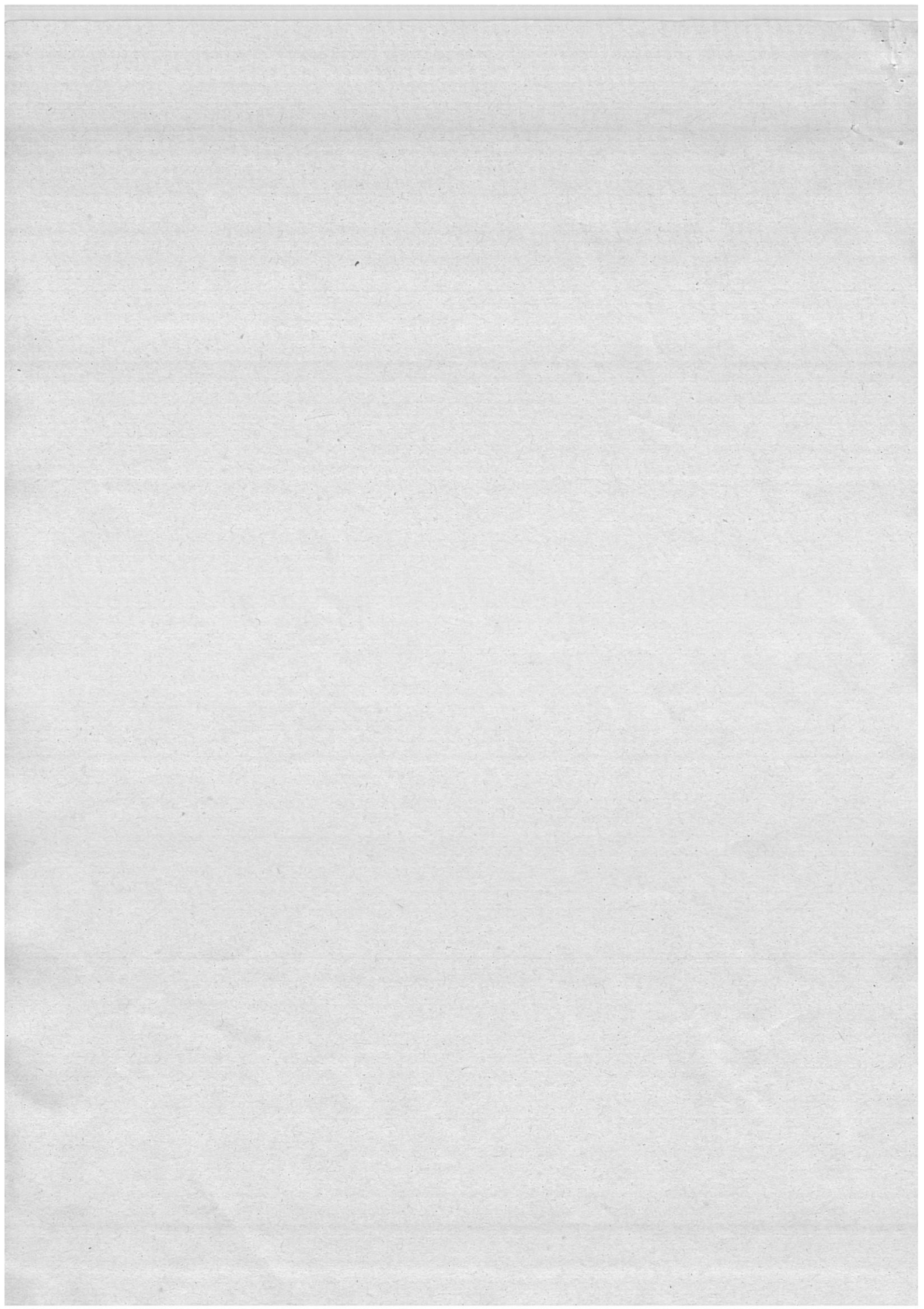
Minutes of the meeting regarding Jal Bhandaran Scheme held under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Nisha Singh, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary (Forests) on 29/06/2021 at 3.00 PM in Armsdale Committee Room Himachal Pradesh Secretariat Shimla-02

The list of officers who participated in the meeting is enclosed as Annexure-I

At the outset, PCCF (HoFF) welcomed the Chairperson and all other officers present in the meeting. She informed that the Hon'ble CM has announced a new scheme to construct 300 Dams each having water pondage capacity of about 8-10 Lac litres in order to enhance moisture content in forest areas and increase water storage. These structures are to be constructed during current and next Financial Year.

Sh. R.K. Gupta APCCF-cum-CEO, CAMPA gave a small presentation on this *Jal Bhandaran Yojna* and informed about its objectives and scope. He broadly discussed about the steps to be taken for site selection, technical and scientific designing, strict supervision during the execution and monitoring of work through E-Green Watch Portal.

The Chairperson told that JSV, RDD, Horticulture and Agriculture are important stakeholder Departments and their assistance in successful implementation of this scheme would be required. During discussion she told that there should be Core Team comprising of Project officer (RDD), Hydrogeologist/Hydrologist (JSV), DFO(s), XEN(s) Design, Sub-Divisional Soil Conservation Officer, SMS (Agriculture & Horticulture) etc. to deliberate and give their suggestions for effective implementation. Concerned Deputy Commissioners can convene meetings initially for better inter-departmental coordination and thereafter concerned CCFs/CFs can take over and convene regular meetings with members of the Core Team. Stakeholder Departments can issue instructions to the District level officers to take active participation and offer their valuable suggestions during these meetings. These

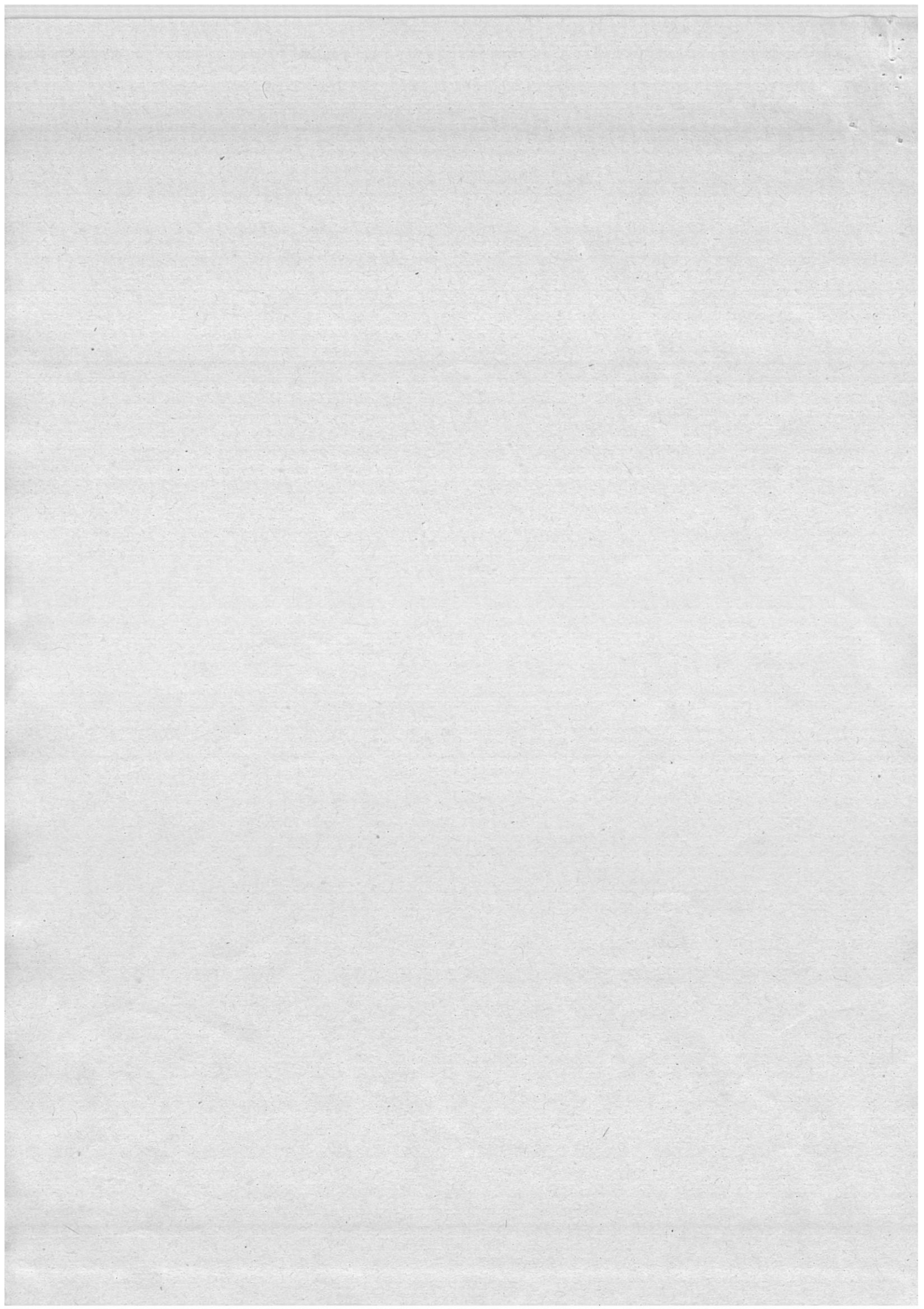


Departments can also suggest potential sites for constructing these Dams if they are not able to take them up being located in forest areas.

The Chairperson was also of the view that we should make efforts for implementing this scheme through convergence since all stakeholder Departments and the EAPs in the Forest Department have funds for water and soil conservation in one or the other scheme. HP State CAMPA funds can also be used in a major way as per CAMPA Rules. Financial resources and technical knowledge available within the Stakeholder departments can be pooled for better results. Director, RDD also informed that such proposals can also be considered for funding through MNREGA.

After detailed deliberations the following decisions were taken.

1. A Core Team at Circle level having Subject Matter Specialists such as Executive Engineer, Design (JSV), Hydrologist (JSV), Geologist (Industries), concerned DFO (T/WL), DPO (IDP), SMS (Agriculture), SMS(Horticulture) etc. shall be constituted and notified under chairmanship of concerned CF/CCF. A proposal shall be submitted by PCCF (HoFF) for constitution of this Core Team. Initial meeting of the Core Team shall be convened by the concerned Deputy Commissioner for better inter-departmental coordination and thereafter CCF/CFs can take over and convene further meetings as and when required.
2. The Stakeholder Departments i.e JSV, RDD, Horticulture and Agriculture shall intimate the potential locations for building the Dams to the PCCF (HoFF) latest by 20th July, 2021.
3. All the Stakeholder Departments shall issue instructions to their respective field officers at district level to take active participation in the meetings of Core Team and offer their valuation suggestions. These Departments shall also designate Nodal Officers at District level for this scheme.
4. The CPD (IDP) Solan and the CPD, HPFE&L(JICA), Shimla shall intimate to PCCF(HoFF) by 15th July as to how many of these structures (alongwith locations) can be built with the project funding in their respective areas of operation. Similarly PCCF (WL) shall also intimate the

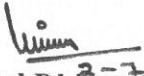


number of locations where these structures can be built preferably from Kol Dam funds under HP State CAMPA.

5. The Forest Department shall also send some proposals for constructing structures to the Rural Development Department under MNREGA latest by 15h July, 2021.
6. The Forest Department shall also explore the possibilities of taking services of experts available in different Departments. There is a panel of retired officers in the World Bank aided Horticulture project. There must be some experts such as Hydrogeologists in the MPP&Power Department, SJVNL and in the Hydrology Institute. The Department shall try to avail their services so that the designs of these structures are scientifically and technically robust.
7. PCCF (HoFF) shall designate a Nodal Officer at Direction office level who shall be the main contact point and will coordinate with Stakeholder Departments. The Department shall submit the SOPs of this scheme immediately latest by 15th July, 2021. The SOPs shall also be shared with the Deputy Commissioners.
8. The Forest Department shall conduct webinars for officers of rank RFOs and above to build their capacities in spring rejuvenation and water pondage structures. A document (training material) for training of young officers be also got prepared.
9. The Department shall finalize at least 25 locations/ sites (2-3 sites in each Forest circle) for construction of these structures latest by 15th July, 2021 and prepare the estimates by the end of this month so that work on ground could be started immediately after completion of codal formalities.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair

[This has approval of ACS(Forests)]


(Sat Pal Dhiman) 2-7-2021
Joint Secretary (Forests)
To the Government of Himachal Pradesh

Annexur-I

List of Officers who participated in the meeting.

Sr. No.	Name of Officer	Designation	Department
1.	Mohan Sharma	PD WDC-PMKSY	RDD
2.	Hem Chand Sharma	IDH Directorate of Horticulture	Horticulture
3.	R K Gupta	APCCF-cum-CEO, CAMPA	HP Forest Deptt.
4.	Rajesh Sharma	CCF (F) o/o PCCF(HoFF)	H.P Forest Deptt.
5.	Sanjeev Kaul	C.E(JSV)WSO Shimla	Jal Shakti Vibhag
6.	Nagesh Guleria	CPD, JICA Forestry project	H.P Forest Deptt.
7.	K. Thirumal	Executive Director, IDP Solan	IDP Project, Solan
8.	Dr. Pawnesh Sharma	Chief Project Director, IDP Solan	IDP Project
9.	D.V Sharma	Jt. Director	Agriculture
10.	Archna Sharma	PCCF (WL)	Wildlife, HPFD
11.	Rugved Thakur	Director , RDD	Rural Development and Panchayati Raj
12	Sat Pal Dhiman	Joint Secretary (Forests)	Forest Department