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Government of India
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation
Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)

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To,

1. The Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretary
In-Charge of Rural Sanitation
All States/UTs
2. The Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretary
In-Charge of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj
All States/UTs

Subject: Advisory on funding provision for 'Retrofit to Twin Pit Abhiyan' under Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen).

Sir/Madam,

In continuation of this Department's earlier communication regarding launch of Retrofit to Twin Pit Campaign, the States and UTs are required to take necessary actions in the Preparatory Phase (2nd October, 2022 to 18th November, 2022) regarding the SBM(G) IMIS Module 1 (PM 67A) in the run up to the Campaign from 19th November, 2022 till 26th January, 2023.

2. It may be noted that as per the Operational Guidelines of SBM(G) Phase II 2020, the activities recognized as Retrofitting are defined as follows:

"Retrofitting is an action or measure to address a technological gap/problem affecting a toilet's functionality and excreta management process including its sanitary status e.g., incorrectly constructed pits, faulty pipes and chambers, absence of 'Y' junction, weak or damaged superstructures, pit cover and poor plinth foundation, inappropriate distance between pits, depth of pits, or wrongly built septic tanks. These technological problems can usually be addressed with few low cost and easy solutions. States and Districts shall undertake necessary IEC and IPC interventions to motivate households to retrofit their toilets, wherever needed."

3. During the Campaign, the States/UTs are advised to undertake activities as prescribed for the instant Campaign. For this purpose, the resources that may be utilized are as below:
 - i. Upto Rs.5,000/- for retrofitting per toilet from 15th Finance Commission grant or in convergence with MGNREGS.
 - ii. If the above funds are insufficient, the States/UTs may use other sources like MPLAD/MLALAD, etc., available with them for retrofitting.

4. States/UTs are to update the progress on the IMIS Module as prepared by the NIC and on social media under #RetrofittoTwinPitAbhiyan/#RetrofittingCampaign and actively participate in the Campaign where the best performing States/UTs would be considered for awards during SSG 2023 event. Since retrofitting of toilets is one of the key activities under the SBM(G), the States may also issue suitable instructions to the Panchayats for deploying resources available under the tied components (water and sanitation) of the 15th Finance Commission Grants on priority for this purpose.

5. States/UTs with highest percentage of villages completed baseline updation in Module 67A, will be facilitated in the virtual conference of the States and District Teams to be held on 21st November 2022.

This is for your kind information for needful action.

Yours sincerely,



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