

**MODIFIED GUIDELINES FOR THE
ACCELERATED IRRIGATION BENEFITS PROGRAMME (AIBP)
EFFECTIVE FROM DECEMBER 2006**

A) ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FUNDING

1. Major, medium and Extension, Renovation & Modernization (ERM) irrigation projects (a) having investment clearance of Planning Commission (b) are in advanced stage of construction and can be completed in the next four financial year (c) are not receiving any other form of financial assistance can be considered for inclusion in the programme. Components of the projects not receiving any other form of financial assistance can also be considered for inclusion in the programme. The eligibility criteria as per prevailing guidelines for selection of ERM project will continue. New project could be included in programme only on completion of an ongoing project under AIBP on one to one basis EXCEPT FOR projects benefiting (a) drought-prone areas; (b) tribal areas; (c) states with lower irrigation development as compared to national average; and (d) districts identified under the PM's package for agrarian distress districts. The list of the projects included in the PM's package is given in Annexure-I.

2. Surface minor irrigation (MI) schemes (both new as well as ongoing) of states of North-East, Hilly states (Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Jammu and Kashmir and Uttaranchal) and drought prone KBK districts of Orissa which are approved by State TAC / State Planning Department will be eligible for assistance under the programme provided that (i) individual schemes are benefiting irrigation potential of at least 20 ha. and group of schemes (within a radius of 5 km) benefiting total ultimate irrigation potential of at least 50 ha. (iii) proposed MI schemes have benefit cost ratio of more than 1 and (iv) the development cost of these schemes per ha. is less than Rs.1.00 lakh.
For Non-special category states, only those minor irrigation schemes with potential more than **50 hectare** which serve tribal areas and drought prone areas could be included under AIBP. The schemes to be taken up will be decided in consultation with Planning Commission.

B) TERMS OF FUNDING AND MODE OF DISBURSEMENT

1. The central assistance will be in the form of central grant which will be 90% of project cost in case of special category States*, projects benefiting drought prone area, tribal area and flood prone area and 25% of project cost in case of Non-special category States**. The balance cost of the project as the state's share is to be arranged by the state government from its own resources.
2. During a financial year, the sanctioned grant will be released in two installments. The first installment based on projected outlay and the second installment after confirmation of expenditure. The grant component amounting to 90% of the total grant sanctioned will be released immediately and balance 10% will be released when 70% of the agreed expenditure is incurred. Funding for the years subsequent to the first year will be based on the confirmation of expenditure of the previous years.
3. The grant component along with the state share must be released to the project authorities by the state governments within 15 days of its release by the Government of India.
4. State governments will be required to enter into an MoU with the MoWR **(Annexure II for major/medium projects and Annexure III for minor irrigation schemes)** for each individual project under the programme indicating balance cost, balance potential, year-wise phasing of expenditure vis-à-vis balance potential and agreement to create targeted irrigation potential in four financial years for major/medium projects and two financial years for minor irrigation schemes along with target date of completion. In addition to above, for minor irrigation schemes in Non-special category states, the state government would give an undertaking (Annexure-IV) for their completion on schedule in two financial years and formation of Water Users Association for post construction maintenance.

5. The Utilization Certificate shall be issued by the Chief Engineer of the project and countersigned by Secretary (Water Resources/ Irrigation)/ Secretary (Finance) of the state government. The Utilization Certificate must contain physical achievement of Irrigation Potential as agreed to in the MoU on year to year basis. In case, the physical achievements in a particular year are less than that agreed to in the MoU, further grant will be released only on achieving physical target. The final target date of completion will however not be changed from that entered into MoU.
6. If the State Governments fails to comply with the agreed date of completion, the grant component released will be treated as loan and recovered as per usual terms of recovery of the Central Loan.
7. The States would be required to submit audited statements of expenditure incurred on the AIBP component of the project within nine months of the completion of the financial year. The release of central assistance of the following years will not be considered if audited statement of expenditure is not furnished within nine months of release of central assistance.
8. The State Governments should confirm the project specific budget provision for work to be done under AIBP on year to year basis.

C) MONITORING OF PROJECTS

1. A comprehensive physical and financial periodical monitoring of major/medium projects will be carried out by Central Water Commission/Ministry of Water Resources and Ministry of Programme Implementation with emphasis on quality control.
The monitoring visit and submission of Status Reports will be carried out by the Central Water Commission at least twice a year for the period ending March and September of the year. The releases of subsequent installments will be based on physical and financial verification and the recommendations

of Central Water Commission to the satisfaction of Ministry of Water Resources. The latest techniques such as monitoring through Remote Sensing Technology may be used by the Govt. of India to monitor the progress of works specifically, the Irrigation Potential created and States are required to provide necessary input details of Project to the Central Govt. from time to time even after completion of Project.

2. Monitoring of the minor irrigation schemes has to be done by the State Government themselves through agencies independent of construction agencies. These schemes would also be monitored periodically on sample basis by Central Water Commission and assessed against predetermined targets by the Ministry of Water Resources.

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* The Special Category States covers the North Eastern States, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, and Uttaranchal. The projects in the undivided Koraput, Bolangir and Kalahandi (KBK) districts of Orissa will also be treated at par with Special Category States.

** All other states not covered in special category shall be Non-Special Category States

ANNEXURE - I

The following projects have been identified for completion under the Prime Minister's package for distressed districts of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Kerala:

MAHARASHTRA	1	Wan
	2	Upper Wardha
	3	Pothra Nala
	4	Utawali
	5	Purna
	6	Lal Nala
	7	Kar
	8	Arunavati
	9	Lower Wardha
	10	Bembla
	11	Sapan
	12	Pen Takli
	13	Khadakpurna
	14	Chandra Bhaga
	15	Dham
	16	Nawargaon
	17	Lower Pedhi

KARNATAKA	1	Malaprabha
	2	Ghataprabha Stage-III
	3	Votehole
	4	Hippargi
	5	Markendeya
	6	Mod. of Bhadra
	7	Huchanakopplu Lift
	8	Kanchanahalli Lift
	9	Kamasamudra
	10	Rameswara Lift
	11	Ballary Nala
	12	Restoration and augmentation of Bhima samudra tank
	13	Harangi
	14	Hemavathi
	15	Yagachi
	16	Dudhaganga
	17	Chiklihale

ANDHRA PRADESH	1	Flood flow canal from Sriram Sagar Project
	2	Gundlakamma Reservoir
	3	Shriramsagar Stage-II
	4	Palemvagu
	5	Rallivagu
	6	Mathadivagu
	7	Gollavagu
	8	Peddavagu
	9	Rajiv LIS(Bhima Proj)
	10	Veligallu
	11	Alisagar LIS
	12	Guthpa LIS
	13	J Choka Rao (godavari LIS)
	14	Neelwai
	15	Kinner Sane
	16	Dummududam N S Tail Pond
	17	Sripada Sagar LIS
	18	Rajiv Sagar LIS (Dummugudam)
	19	Pranahita-Chevella
	20	Koil Sagar LIS
	21	Singur Canal
	22	Indira Sagar LIS (Dummugudam)
	23	Komaram Bhim
	24	Choutapally Hanumanth Reddy LIS
	25	Modikuntavagu

KERALA	1	Chitturpuzha Project
	2	Karapuzha Project
	3	Malampuzha
	4	Koriarkutty Karapa
	5	Bansurasagar
	6	Kanjirapuzha

Note: AIBP assistance to these projects is subject to projects getting investment clearance from Planning Commission.

ANNEXURE-II

Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India and Government of on completion of irrigation project.

1. This memorandum of understanding is made between the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India and the Government offor the completion of ongoing ----- irrigation project in the next four(4) financial years under the Central Assistance (CA) programme of the Government of India.
2. The..... irrigation project was approved by the Planning Commission in.....for Rs.....crore to irrigate.....ha. annually.
3. According to the State Government, the latest estimated cost of the project is Rscrores, at..... price level and the latest estimated cost approved by Central Water Commission is Rs.....crore atPrice level. The expenditure up to is Rs.....crore and a potential of..... ha has already been created.
4. The balance cost for completion of the project is thus Rs..... crore with a balance potential ofha. The physical and financial details of the components to be covered under this programme are annexed. The physical year-wise target* for creation of irrigation potential will be as under:
 - 1st year - No target
 - 2nd year – Atleast 30% of total irrigation potential included in AIBP
 - 3rd year - Atleast 60% of total irrigation potential included in AIBP.
 - 4th year - 100% irrigation potential included in AIBP
5. The Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India agrees to extend Central assistance to cover the full balance cost of Rs.....crore for the completion of the project in the next four (4) financial years subject to the following conditions:

- i) The project will be completed by the Government of by..... . Its completion will be informed immediately thereafter to the CWC, Ministry of Water Resources and the Planning Commission for deleting the project from the list of on-going projects.
- ii) The Central assistance will be given in two installments 1st, 90% and 2nd, 10% of total grant to be released on year to year basis.
- iii) The balance second installment of 10% of the grant will be released after 70% of the agreed expenditure is incurred and physical target of potential creation for the year is also achieved and indicated in Utilization Certificate.
- iv) The project will be closely monitored by the Central Water Commission/ Ministry of Water Resources and the release of the subsequent installment will be based on the recommendations of the Central Water Commission /Ministry of Water Resources.
- vi) The State Government shall ensure required quality control in the execution of the works. This aspect will also be covered by the Central Water Commission in their monitoring report.

Signed on the day200 at New Delhi.

For and on behalf of the Govt. of.....

 Secretary ,Government of.....

For and on behalf of Government of
 India

 Commissioner(PROJECTS),Ministry of
 Water Resources

* Deviation in the programme of potential creation would be with the concurrence of CWC/MoWR.

ANNEXURE-III

Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India and Government of on completion of Minor Irrigation Schemes.

1. This memorandum of understanding is made between the Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India and the Government offor the completion of.....ongoing Minor irrigation Schemes in the next two (2) financial years under the Central Assistance(CA) under AIBP of the Government of India.
2. The irrigation Schemes was approved by the State Planning Commission/ State Govt. infor Rs crore to irrigate ha. annually.
3. According to the State Government, the latest approved estimated cost of the project is Rs.....crore at.....price level. The expenditure up to is Rs.....crore and a potential of..... ha has already been created.
4. The balance cost for completion of the project is thus Rs crore with a balance potential ofha. The physical and financial details of the components to be covered under this programme are annexed. The physical year-wise target* for creation of irrigation potential will be as under:

1st year - 10% irrigation potential included in AIBP
2nd year – 100% irrigation potential included in AIBP
5. The Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India agrees to extend Central assistance to cover the full balance cost of Rs..... crore for the completion of the project in the next two (2) financial years subject to the following conditions:
 - i) The project will be completed by the Government of by.. .. Its completion will be informed immediately to the Ministry of

Water Resources for deleting the project from the list of on-going projects.

- ii) The Central assistance will be given in two installments 1st, 90% and 2nd, 10% of total grant to be released on year to year basis.
- iii) The balance second installment of 10% of the grant will be released after 70% of the agreed expenditure is incurred and physical target of potential creation for the year is also achieved and indicated in Utilization Certificate.
- iii) The project will be closely monitored by the Ministry of Water Resources and the release of the subsequent installment will be based on the recommendations of the Ministry of Water Resources. Quarterly progress report in respect of the Surface Minor Irrigation Schemes being implemented under AIBP shall be submitted to the Government of India by 7th January, April, July and October positively.
- vi) The State Government shall ensure required quality control in the execution of the works.

Signed on the day200 at New Delhi.

For and on behalf of the Govt. of..... Secretary ,Government of.....	For and on behalf of Government of India Commissioner(PROJECTS) Ministry of Water Resources
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* Deviation in the programme of potential creation would be with the concurrence of CWC/MoWR.

ANNEXURE-IV

UNDERTAKING BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT FOR INCLUSION OF NEW SURFACE MINOR IRRIGATION SCHEMES IN NON-SPECIAL CATEGORY STATES

To

The President of India,
Acting through _____,
(Name, Designation),
Ministry of _____,
Government of India,
New Delhi.

In consideration of the President of India, acting through _____ having agreed for providing Central Assistance to Surface Minor Irrigation Schemes under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP), the Governor of the State of _____ acting through (name, designation) _____, Ministry / Department of _____ Government of _____ hereinafter referred to as "the SG", do hereby declare and undertake as follows:

- i) The SG agrees for the completion of surface minor irrigation schemes on schedule.
- ii) Quarterly progress report in respect of the Surface Minor Irrigation Schemes being implemented under AIBP shall be submitted to the Government of India by 7th January, April, July and October positively.
- iii) The SG will form water users association for post construction maintenance and formation of such water users association shall be intimated to the Government of India within one year from the date of signing of the undertaking.
- iv) In case of failure, the Central share provided to the SG under the programme shall be treated as withdrawn and recovered in one lump-sum installment with interest as prescribed by the Ministry of Finance.

Date:-----
Place:-----

Signature-----
Secretary(WR/Irrigation)
Govt. of-----
For and on behalf of the Governor
of the State _____

In presence of

(Witness)