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To,  
Chairman  
Central Water Commission  
Sewa Bhawan, New Delhi

**Sub : Covid-19 vaccination on priority for all employees of Central Water Commission by declaring as frontline workers engaged in early warning activities - regarding.**

Sir,

The CWPESA is deeply concerned with growing numbers of Covid-19 infections/fatalities suffered by the families of the employees of Central Water Commission in HQ as well as in field set up. Such news is distressing and has the potential of demoralizing effect on others.

Whereas, Central Water Commission is engaged in flood forecasting activities and falls under the category of early warning agency as per various Circulars issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The Government of India started on priority vaccination of health care workers and other frontline workers since February, 2021.

The flood season, 2021 has already started from 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 and the employees of Central Water Commission at field formations are working 24x7 to collect hourly water level data, water sample collection and submission to laboratory for testing. Site inspections by officers at various levels are also going on in vulnerable situations.

The DoWR, RD & GR vide letter dated 04/05/2021 intimated initiative taken by the Ministry for organizing vaccination camp at Shram Shakti Bhawan for its employees, which is an appreciable effort.

CWPESA requests that CWC administration may take a similar initiative for vaccination of its employees working in and around Sewa Bhawan in association with CEA to safeguard the employees from Covid-19. In addition, all the employees of Central Water Commission in the field offices may be vaccinated for Covid-19 on priority by declaring the employees as frontline workers engaged in early warning activities.

An immediate action, in this regard, is solicited please.

Yours Sincerely



(Bhakti Prasad Sonowal)  
Secretary General, CWPESA

*Copy for kind information & necessary action to :*

1. Joint Secretary (Admin), DoWR, RD & GR, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi
2. Director, SMD, CWC with a request to get this letter uploaded on CWC website.