PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING REGARDING TO CURB THE UPCOMING DROUGHT SITUATION DURING SUMMER, 2016 HELD ON 04.03.2016 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF WORTHY DEPUTY COMMISSIOENR SHIMLA.

The following officers attended the meeting:-

Sr.N o.	Name	Department	Designation	Mobile No.
1.	Sh. B.S. Rana	IPH	Shimla SE	094181-28032
2.	Sh.G.C.Negi	Revenue	ADM(P)	094184-99992
3.	Dr.H.R.Thakur	Health	DHO Shimla	094187-77675
4.	Sh.S.K. Sharma	IPH Rampur	Executive Engineer	094180-31677
5.	Sh.Jitender Garg	IPH Circle Rohru	Executive Engineer	094184-73100
6.	Sh.Virender Thakur	IPH	Executive Engineer	098054-19001
7.	Sh. Rajesh Dhiman	RDD	PD DWDA, Shimla	098160-79779
8.	Smt. Bhawana Sharma	RDD	DD cum PO DRDA Shimla	094184-54544
9.	Sh. Amit Thakur	Police	DySP(T)	088947-28007
10.	Dr. R.K. Sharma	Animal Husbandry	Deputy Director , Shimla	094184-87402
11.	Sh. Gireesh Saklani	Revenue	DRO Shimla	094180-16600
12.	Sh.Rajeshwar Parwa	Horticulture	SMS	094180-55979
13.	Sh.Adarsh Bhola	SDO Water Supply	SDO	094180-71484
14.	Sh.Dheeraj Bhaik	Public Relations	APRO	098161-60913
15.	Sh. Rakesh Kumar	DDEE	DDEE, Shimla	094181-78590
16.	Sh.Rakesh Sharma	DDHE, SML	Science Consultant	094180-60448
17.	Sh.Navneet Yadav	DDMA: Shimla	Consultant DEOC	098166-78898
18.	Smt.Neha Sharma	DDMA: Shimla	Training and Capacity Building Coordinator	098573-79885

At the very outset, Worthy Chairman welcomed all the participants attending the meeting and after brief introduction expressed his views that the rainfall/snowfall has been less than normal during winter season and as such the drought situation can arise in the coming days and there will be likelihood of scarcity/shortage of water in the coming summer season. This will adversely affect the standing crops/fodder and water level may also go down. The Chairman directed all the representatives from concerned departments to have proper assessment of situation, identification of the vulnerable areas and to take preventive measures in advance in areas of agriculture, horticulture, drinking water and others.

1. Deployment of Tankers:

The Worthy Chairman asked the representative of IPH department regarding their preparation to face the scarcity of drinking water during drought situation. The representative from IPH apprised that though there is no drought like situation at

present but in the coming days, the contingency plan needs to be prepared on the basis of atleast past 4-5 year's experience. The Worthy Chairman directed the concerned department to prepare a report on estimated demand and prepare a contingency plan for distribution of water during summer season and to report within a week.

(Action by Municipal Corporation, IPH)

2. Repair of Drinking Water Supply Schemes:

The Worthy Chairman directed IPH and Municipal Corporation, Shimla to prepare an action/contingency plan for distribution of water. These departments will also prepare a report on estimated demand and will also identify the most vulnerable panchayats for distribution of water. Water can also be supplied from natural water sources after proper purification. During the discussion, the Worthy Chairman decided to have a separate meeting with IPH department and MC Shimla very shortly.

(Action by Municipal Corporation and IPH)

3. Repair of de-functional hand pumps and Installation of hand pumps:

To tackle the problem of water shortage the Chairman felt need for establishment of hand pumps hence, directed all the concerned departments to give detailed report about most vulnerable panchayats/areas for its installation to tackle the problem of water shortage. The Executive Engineer, IPH Rampur requested regarding allocation of budget for the installation of hand pumps. The Worthy Chairman directed to submit the demand along with inspection report to this office for further necessary action.

(Action by Municipal Corporation and IPH)

Repair and maintenance of existing bowries/water sources:

Water in natural sources should be tested for future supply as most of the samples of the sites have failed.

(Action by Municipal Corporation, IPH)

6. Discussion on H1 N1 virus:

The Worthy Chairman asked the representative from Health department about H1N1 virus. Regarding the deadly virus the concerned department informed that regular awareness campaigns have already been organised on regular interval regarding different methods for water purification and stocks of drugs are sufficient and monitoring thereof are being done regularly. The chairman directed to organise regular meetings of SDMs at sub-divisional level with all the departments within their jurisdiction immediately this month and every fortnightly thereafter.

(Action by Health Department, Revenue Department, IPH)

7. Evaluation of quality of water being provided in government schools:

The matter regarding quality of water in government schools was discussed. Worthy Chairman desired that school children should be made aware about

various water conservation methods. The Worthy Chairman directed the concerned department to supply purified drinking water in schools by installing water purifier and also to organize awareness camps in schools. The P.O. (DRDA) apprised the chairman that the school children are being educated and messages are being given to save water. To tackle the problem District Disaster Management Authority in coordination with SDM's, BDOs and IPH can organise water conservation programmes in schools. The representative from IPH Rampur apprised that they have installed water purification systems in some schools.

(Action by DDMA: Shimla, SDM's, BDO and IPH)

8. Livestock related issues:-

Thereafter, the Chairman asked the representative from Animal Husbandry regarding availability, collection and distribution system of fodder. The representative from Animal Husbandry apprised that huge quantity of fodder is collected from the areas of Shimla (Rural) and small /marginal farmers are identified for the distribution of fodder. The Worthy Chairman directed the representative from Animal Husbandry to identify the vulnerable families and directed to send the list thereof to this office. The Worthy Chairman also directed the representative from Animal Husbandry to make Sub-Division wise list of Livestock, estimated demand and submit to this office to meet out the same.

(Action by Animal Husbandry)

9. Horticulture:-

The Worthy Chairman asked the representative from Horticulture to submit suggestions and initiatives on horticulture crops due to arising drought.

(Action by Horticulture Department)

In the end, the Worthy Chairman once again directed all the concerned departments to submit the detailed reports especially on points discussed during this meeting within 10 days.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to and from the chair.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,

SHIMLA

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- The Addl. Chief Secretary (Revenue) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh Shimla for information please.
- 2. The Divisional Commissioner, Shimla Division Shimla for information please.

3. All the participants department for immediate necessary action.

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