



## ABSTRACT

Groundwater – Implementation of Scheme on Artificial Recharge to Groundwater through Dug Wells in the existing Dug wells of the farmers in the identified over exploited, critical and semi critical blocks with the Central Assistance through NABARD and Lead Banks – Instructions to the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and the Chief Engineer (State Groundwater & Surface Water Resources Data Centre) - issued.

### Public Works (R2) Department

G.O.(Ms) No. 173

Dated: 29.05.2008

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2039

Read:-

G.O.(Ms) No. 84, Public Works (R2) Department, Dated 02.04.2008.

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### ORDER:

In the G.O. cited above, the Government ordered the constitution of State Level Steering Committee and District Level Implementation and Monitoring Committee in connection with implementation of the scheme on Artificial Recharge to Groundwater through Dug wells in the over exploited, critical and semi critical blocks with central assistance. The Government also ordered that the State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre of the Water Resources Department be the Nodal Department and the Chief Engineer of this centre be the Nodal Officer. Accordingly, certain responsibilities have been attached to the Nodal Department and Nodal Officer in the implementation of the said scheme.

The Government have since examined the need for evaluating the performance of the Nodal Department and the Nodal Officer and accordingly issue the following instructions: -

- i) The Nodal Department will henceforth report to the Engineer-in-Chief instead of directly reporting to the Government on all matters relating to the implementation of the Scheme.
- ii) The Nodal Officer (i.e. Chief Engineer-SG&SWRDC) will consult the Engineer-in-Chief, on all issues and aspects and seek his advice effectively in implementing the scheme.
- iii) The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department shall oversee the implementation of the Scheme through constant monitoring of the performance of the Nodal Department and Nodal Officer.

- iv) The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department should be present in all the meetings convened by the Government and make the presentation about the progress made and on other related issues.
- v) The Nodal Officer will continue to have all the responsibilities for effective and timely implementation of the Scheme. He is solely and jointly responsible for any deficiency or shortfall in the implementation of the scheme. The services of the Engineer-in-Chief are sought only as a measure of additional support to the Nodal Department.
- vi) The Secretary to Government, Public Works Department will hold a weekly meeting on every Friday at 10.00 a.m. in his chamber to review the programmes.

The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and the Chief Engineer (SG&SWRDC), Water Resources Department should acknowledge receipt of this order immediately.

/BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR/

S.AUDISESHIAH,  
Secretary to Government

To  
The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department, Chepauk, Chennai-5.  
The Chief Engineer (State Groundwater & Surface Water  
Resources Data Centre), Water Resources Department,  
Tharamani, Chennai-113.  
All District Collectors.

Copy to

The Secretary (SR) to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-9.  
The Senior PA to Minister (Public Works & Law), Chennai-9.  
All Irrigation Sections in Public Works Department, Chennai-9.  
The Finance (PW II) Department, Chennai-9.

/Forwarded by order/

Section Officer