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Dear Ramakant

Government of India has launched National Water Mission (NWM) under National Action Plan for Climate Change guided by Hon'ble Prime Minister's Council. The main objective of NWM is "conservation of water, minimizing wastage and ensuring its more equitable distribution both across and within States through integrated water resources development and management". Under the mission every State and Union Territory is being supported to formulate a State / UT Specific Action Plan (SSAP) for Water for sustainable development and management of their water resources by linking with the respective State/UT Action Plan for Climate Change and other sectoral plans. The SSAP includes preparation of State Water Budget.

On the subject, NWM has organized a National Workshop on SSAP inviting all the States and UT's on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2017. One of the recommendations of the workshop was to formulate a model template for SSAP in consultation with various stakeholders. Accordingly, NWM has undertaken extensive consultation with various Government of India Ministries'/Departments, expert institutions and experts including CWC, CGWB and State Nodal officers on the subject. Accordingly, a tentative draft is getting ready and is to be finalized in consultation with the State Governments. Now NWM is organizing a meeting with 11 State officers to finalize the SSAP draft template on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017.

In this regard given your expertise and understanding of waters' big picture, may I earnestly request you to kindly grace the meeting and offer your valuable suggestions to enrich and finalize the SSAP template. The venue of the meeting is Department of Bio-Technology Conference Hall, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Block-3, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003.

Eagerly awaiting your kind and gracious presence.

Yours truly,

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