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Record of discussion of the Review Meeting, taken by the Additional Chief Secretary on 28.09.2018 at 11.30 A.M. at Jalasampad Bhavan to monitor the progress of upkeep and cleaning of drainage channels in and around Kolkata

The Additional Chief Secretary, Irrigation & Waterways Department chaired the meeting.

The following were present.

## List of attendees:-

- 1. Sri Naveen Prakash (Additional Chief Secretary, I & W Department)
- 2. Sri. Gautam Chattopadhyay (Secretary, I & W Department)
- 3. Sri Debasish Roy (CE South, I & W Directorate)
- 4. Sri Jayanta Das (Superintending Engineer, Eastern Circle, I&W Directorate)
- 5. Sri Subhamay Sarkar (Superintending Engineer, GCDC, I&W Directorate)
- 6. Sri Sanjoy Kundu (Superintending Engineer, MDC, I&W Directorate)
- 7. Sri Goutam Adhikari (Executive Engineer, MDD-II, I&W Directorate)
- 8. Sri Ashis Dutta (Executive Engineer, UD Division, , I&W Directorate)
- 9. Sri Jagabandhu Bandhopadhyay (Executive Engineer-II, Canals Divisions, I&W Directorate)
- 10. Sri Asesh Kumar Saha (Executive Engineer, SDD, I&W Directorate)
- 11. Sri Devendra Kumar Singh (Executive Engineer, MDD, I&W Directorate)
- 12. Sri Kalyan Kumar Dey (Executive Engineer, C.D.O.D, I&W Directorate)
- 13. Sri Kousik Mandal (Executive Engineer-I, Canals Division, I&W Directorate)
- 14. Sri Debabrata Sarkar (Executive Engineer, MDD-I, I&W Directorate)
- 15. Sri Soumen Misra(Executive Engineer, Bidhyadhari Drainage Division, I&W Directorate)
- 16. Sri Biplab Mukhopadhyay (Deputy Secretary(Works-I), I & W Department)

The Executive Engineers responsible for maintenance of drainage channels in and around Kolkata made separate power-point presentations showing videos and photographs on the upkeep and canal cleaning works ongoing in their respective jurisdictions. Thereafter, the Investigation & Planning Division (South) showed videos of different drainage channels,

taken through drone camera in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of September with a view to independently monitor the status of upkeep and cleaning of drainage channels. The Additional Chief Secretary emphasised on ensuring the removal of weeds and jungles from the slope and adjoining inspection paths and disposal of removed water hyacinth, solid waste, debris etc to a suitable place away from the Canal bank.

After discussion, the following decisions were taken:

1. All the Maintenance Contracts on canal cleaning and upkeep would be for one year period from January to December each year. If any of the existing AMCs on canal cleaning terminates prior to December-2018/2019 then a separate Maintenance Contract is to be executed for the balance period till the next December and fresh

AMC thereafter from January to December is to be implemented.

2. The scope of such AMCs should include removal of weeds and jungles also from the slope and adjoining inspection paths trimming of shrubs and trees on the canal slope and disposal of removed water hyacinth, solid waste, debris etc to a suitable

place away from the Canal bank.

3. The Executive Engineers will continue sending fortnightly reports to the Department in the format already provided by the Department, stating therein the length of the channels cleaned during that particular period, and also any stretch that remained unattended with cogent reason.

4. The status of upkeep and cleaning of drainage channels will be continued to be monitored by Investigation & Planning Circle-I by taking photographs and video through drone cameras in November-2018 and April-2019.

[Naveen Prakash] Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of West Bengal Irrigation & Waterways Department Memo No. 465 -IB IW/O/IB-Misc-14/2011(Pt-V) Dated: 10/10/2018

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1. P.S to Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge, Irrigation & Waterways Department 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Jalasampad Bhavan, Salt lake, Kolkata-91

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- 1. Chief Engineer (South), Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Jalasampad Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kol-91.
- 2. Superintending Engineer (Eastern Circle), Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Jalasampad Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kol-91.
- 3. Superintending Engineer (Metropolitan Drainage Circle), Irrigation & Waterways Directorate, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Jalasampad Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kol-91.
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