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Subject: Summary record of discussions of the meeting taken by Principal Secretary to PM on the Scheme of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY) on 10.09.2014 at 03:00 p.m. at South Block, New Delhi

Please find enclosed, for further necessary action, a copy of the record of discussions of the meeting taken by the Principal Secretary to PM on 10.09.2014 at South Block, New Delhi, on the above subject matter.

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_ Subject:

Meeting taken by the Principal Secretary to PM on the Scheme of **Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)** on 10/09/2014 at 3 P.M. at South Block, New Delhi

In the Budget of 2014-15, it was announced that a Scheme "Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)" will be initiated to improve access to irrigation which will mitigate risk to the farmers by providing assured irrigation as bulk of our farmland are rainfed and dependent on monsoon.

- 2. In this regard, Principal Secretary to PM has conducted a meeting to discuss the contours of PMKSY. A List of Participants is annexed.
- 3. Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) made a presentation in this regard explaining the basic design of the Scheme which has been proposed for the approval of the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC).
- 4. After the discussions, following points were decided for taking it forward and necessary follow-up by the concerned Ministries/Departments:
 - (i) The proposed design may be recast so as to fulfil the basic objective of the Scheme i.e. "Har Khet ko Pani and per drop more crop".
 - (ii) The objective should be to increase: gross irrigated area, agricultural production, productivity of respective crops by appropriate use of water and bridge the gap between irrigation potential created vis-a-vis the actual utilisation of created potential.
 - (iii) The programme design may consider providing flexibility to States in planning and executing the schemes with measurable outcome with respect to stated objectives.
 - (iv) For this purpose, comprehensive irrigation plan may be prepared at District level duly factoring the watershed/command area approach keeping in view the existing potential of surface and ground water availability.
 - (v) The design may also consider increasing the outcome in terms of optimum income to farmers with the provided irrigation potential and sustainability thereof. In this regard, it was decided that a Committee may be constituted to draft PMKSY guidelines under

the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation. The Committee may include Secretaries of Department of Agriculture & Co-operation, Department of Rural Development, Department of Land Resources, two representatives from State Governments may also be included as Members of the Committee who may be Principal Secretary in their respective States in the Public Works Department/Irrigation or Agriculture Department. Representatives from Agricultural Universities who are water experts may also form part of the above Committee. This Committee may consider all available options and give its report in two weeks time.

List of participants

- 1. Ms. Vandana Kumari Jena, Secretary, D/o Land Resources
- 2. Shri Ashish Bahuguna, Secretary, D/o Agriculture & Cooperation
- 3. Sh. Ratan P. Watal, Secretary, D/o Expenditure
- 4. Shri L.C. Goyal, Secretary, M/o Rural Development
- 5. Shri Alok Rawat, Secretary, M/o Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation

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- 1. Shri BVR Subrahmanyam, Joint Secretary
- 2. Shri A.K. Sharma, Joint Secretary
- 3. Ms. Anu Garg, Joint Secretary
- 4. Shri Brajendra Navnit, Director