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**Minutes of the meeting on implementation of the Climate Change
Action Plan held on 15.03.2013 under the Chairmanship of
Chief Secretary, Odisha in his Conference Room.**

List of the participants is given in **Annexure**.

A brief overview on State Climate Change Action Plan was presented before the Chief Secretary. Initiating the discussion, Principal Secretary, Forest and Environment Department indicated that activities of the Climate Change Action Plan have been prioritized and sector-wise prioritized activities have been provided to MoEF, Govt. of India.

Chief Secretary directed that activities of all Departments shall be focused around the following three broad objectives.

- a) Reduction in energy consumption
- b) Reducing pollution/ emission
- c) Mitigating the pollution overload

Chief Secretary suggested that each department may come up with suggestion of 4/5 priority activities conforming to the above objectives.

Secretaries of Water Resources, Forest and Environment, Energy and F & ARD Departments and representatives of H & FW Dept., Agriculture Dept. and OSDMA outlined the activities prioritized by them under the Climate Change Action Plan.

Following decisions were taken in the meeting.

1. All Departments/ Agencies relating to sectors covered under CCAP:

- (i) Each Department/ agency shall focus on activities relating to –
 - (a) Reduction in Energy Consumption
 - (b) Reduction in Pollution/ Emissions
 - (c) Mitigation of pollution overload
- (ii) 4 to 5 measures out of the CCAP activities relating to the above objectives will be taken up and proposals will be prepared on action plan mode.

- (iii) Actionable plan should be prepared for posing before DFID or other funding agencies.
- (iv) Annual Action Plan and 5 year perspective plan will be prepared by each Department/ Agency by 15th April detailing the measureable targets and funding requirements and furnished to F & E Department.
- (v) Services of Young Professionals may be utilized by the Departments for the Climate Change Action Plan related work.
- (vi) All Departments/ agencies should keep research component relating to Climate Change issues in their Action Plans.

2. Energy Department

- (i) 'Green Energy Development Corporation' is being set up by the Energy Department, without any additional government funding.
- (ii) For meeting the target of reduction in T & D losses, the revised estimate is Rs.8000 Crore of which Rs.5000 Crore can be mobilized under various schemes leaving a gap of Rs.3000 Crore.
- (iii) Energy Department should prepare plan for promoting the use of LED's to reduce energy consumption.
- (iv) Energy Audit may be promoted.
- (v) Works Department may be requested to implement the provisions of Energy Consumption Building Code (ECBC) mandatory for buildings above a threshold plinth areas (say, 1000 sq feet). H & UD Department may be asked to advise all planning authorities to mandate ECBC provisions for all buildings above a threshold area.
- (vi) The Renewable Power Obligation (RPO) should be increased aggressively and progressively from the existing level of 0.5%.

3. Water Resources Department

- (i) Focus should be given on creation of large water bodies. Such water bodies in areas of more than 200 acre may be taken up in high pollution areas like Jharsuguda, Talcher, Angul etc. Excavation may be in mechanized mode.
- (ii) Expert help may be taken to assess the carrying capacity of rivers and drainage congestion may be given priority.

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- (iii) Expansion of hydrometry network may be given thrust.
 - (iv) W.R. Department should pilot the use of solar powered pump sets.
 - (v) Development of flood forecasting models.

4. Commerce & Transport Department

- (i) Opening of inland water transport from Angul to Dhamra may be prioritized.

5. Housing & UD Department

- (i) Energy efficient pumps should be used for urban water supply programmes. Possibility of purchase of energy efficient pumps to replace old pumps with payments on annuity basis in future may be explored.

6. Fisheries & ARD Department

Focus may be given to conservation of indigenous livestock varieties, fodder production, Gobar gas and research, besides other priority activities.

7. Agriculture Department

Priority may be given to research, reducing the use of chemical fertilizers, increasing the water use efficiency, adoption of SRI method, mechanized de-weeding etc.

8. Health & FW Department

- (i) Soak pits should be planned for all hand pumps through GKS's with NREGS funding.
- (ii) Rural drainage channels should be taken up.
- (iv) Gambusia fish availability should be aggressively increased, with support of Fisheries Department.
- (iv) Safe drinking water should be planned with support of GKS's.

9. Forest & Environment Department

- (i) Plantation of trees, management of fire hazards, ensuring water and fodder for wildlife, conservation of wetlands and pollution control should receive priority.
- (ii) New technologies for forest fire extinction should be studied and inducted.

- (iii) Replacement of boats in Chilika with non-polluting boats should be taken up as priority activity.

Monitoring & Implementation related issues

- (i) Annual Action Plan for implementation of State Climate Change Action Plan shall be prepared by each department for the financial year 2013-14 and implementation shall be monitored on quarterly basis.

(Action: All Depts./Agencies concerned)

- (ii) All concerned Departments/ Agencies shall nominate a Nodal Officer for implementation of Climate Change Action Plan.

(Action: All Depts./Agencies concerned)

- (iii) The Climate Change Action Plan Cell shall function as Project Management Unit for preparation of relevant plan/ schemes and coordinating their implementation. About 4 or 5 senior level personnel may be inducted with attractive remuneration for the unit.

(Action: F & E Department)

- (iv) It was suggested that additional space required for the purpose may be availed in the twin tower coming up near Heads of Department Building. Till that period, temporary accommodation should be availed in State Pollution Control Board.

(Action: F & E Department)

- (v) Some of the priority activities identified by the respective departments in Climate Change Action Plan may be taken up as part of the ongoing schemes without waiting for its funding from other sources. The activities may be taken up with the programmes in normal departmental budget and additional requirement may be availed from external funding agencies.

(All Depts./Agencies)

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.


Chief Secretary

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Annexure

Meeting on Climate Change Action Plan

Members Present

1. Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department.
2. Principal Secretary, Forest & Env. Deptt.
3. Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Fisheries and ARD Department.
4. Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Energy Department.
5. Additional Secretary, Health and F W Department.
6. Additional Secretary, Rev. Disaster Management Deptt.
7. Additional Secretary, Industries Department.
8. Managing Director, O.S.D.M.A.
9. Director, Env.-cum-Spl. Secretary, Forest and Env. Department.
10. Director, SIHFW.