

CENTRAL GROUND WATER BOARD
MONTHLY SUMMARY TO THE CABINET IN RESPECT OF CGWB-July 2020

(a) Significant Findings from Aquifer Mapping Programme:

- During the month of July 2020, 04 high discharge wells have been drilled by CGWB, one each in the State of West Bengal, Jharkhand, Karnataka and Kerala. The discharge of the wells drilled ranged from around 180 to 1620 litres per minute (lpm).

(b) Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY- HKKP GW):

- Central assistance of Rs 33.306 crore has been released to Manipur Government for creating additional irrigation command of 2057 ha by ground water.
- Central assistance of Rs 8.66 crore has been released to Mizoram Government for creating additional irrigation command of 553 ha by ground water.

(c) Meetings:

- Officers of SUO, Agartala attended the first meeting of the "**Tripura State Irrigation Council**" held on 07.07.2020 in Civil Secretariat, Agartala. The meeting was chaired by the Sh. Jishnu Debbarma, Deputy CM, Govt. of Tripura.
- Review meeting regarding progress of PMKSY (HKKP) was held on 15.07.2020 through Video-conferencing under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (IC&GW), DoWR, RD&GR, MoJS,
- A presentation was made by CGWB on "Water Quality Issues in India" during a meeting chaired by Secretary, DoWR, RD&GR on 20/7/2020.
- Secretary DoWR, RD&GR chaired a meeting on Ground Water Regulation in India on 23/7/2020 in which a presentation was made by CGWB.
- Secretary, DoWR, RD & GR chaired a meeting on Finalization of comments/ proposal by different Organisations under DoWR, RD & GR on Key Performance Indicator (KPIs) for Composite Water Management Index (CWMI)- NITI Aayog on 3 July 2020. Secretary, DoWR, RD & GR advised all organizations for necessary modifications/ changes in the proposal.
The proposal/ comments of CGWB were finalized in the follow-up meeting chaired by Joint Secretary (GW & IC), DoWR, RD & GR on 7 July 2020.
- Chairman, CGWB participated in the meeting convened by NWM on revision of Mission document of National Water Mission on 27/7/2020
- A meeting between CGWB, NWIC and Adviser to the Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti was held on 17th July 2020 to discuss issues related to integration of CGWB data with the proposed IT enabled system being developed by NWIC.
- Regional Director, ER, Kolkata attended a meeting with District Magistrate Purba Medinipur on 13.07.2020 to hand-over the 33 nos. of exploratory wells constructed by CGWB in Mednipur district
- CGWB, NR, Lucknow participated in the State Level Scheme Sanctioning Committee (SLSSC) meeting chaired by the Principal Secretary, Namami Gange and Rural Drinking Water Supply for approval of schemes under 'Jal Jeevan Mission – Ghar Ghar Jal' on 01.07.2020.
- Regional Director, CGWB, Chandigarh attended online meeting held under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti on 01.07.2020 regarding roof top rain water harvesting structures to be constructed in schools of Yamuna Nagar and Kurukshetra districts of Haryana.
- Regional Director, CGWB, Chandigarh attended a meeting on implementation of NHP under the chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary (A & FW) at Haryana Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh on 10.07.2020.

- Nodal officers of CGWB participated in an online Interactive sessions with the participating teams and evaluators of Smart India Hackathon 2020 on 25-7-2020.
- Nodal officer from CGWB, Ahmedabad attended the Video Conference with State Government to monitor drought parameters under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Drought Management), DAC&FW, New Delhi held on 03.07.2020.
- The Regional Director/ HoO/ Officers concerned from CGWB MER- Patna, WCR- Ahmedabad and NCR- Bhopal attended 5th Meeting of Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for conducting Environmental Evaluation studies of completed Water Resources Projects of Tapi, Kosi and Ukai river irrigation system through video conferencing held on 15.07.2020.
- Representatives from CGWB attended the Meeting of Crop Weather Group for Drought Management (CWWGDM) and Video Conference with State Governments to monitor drought parameters under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (Drought Management), DAC&FW, New Delhi through video conferencing held on 17.07.2020.

(a) Workshops/Seminars/ Lecture/Talk:

- Dr. P.K. Jain, HoO, CGWB- Bhopal made online (MS Teams) presentation on Tapi Mega Recharge before the Additional Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi on 20-07-2020.
- Officers of CGWB attended the “15th WATER TALK- Halma - A Jan Andolan: Fighting water crisis through local traditions” Organised by National Water Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resource, RD & GR on 17th July 2020 . The Water talk was live streamed on social media pages of CGWB also.
- Dr. Amlanjyoti Kar, Head of Office, CGWB, Kolkata delivered a lecture on Rain water Harvesting and Artificial Recharge at the Intellectual Property Rights Office in Kolkata on 10.07.2020.
- A Webinar on Ground Water Conservation and Rain Water Harvesting was hosted by Udbhav Social Welfare Society, Bareilly on 05.07.2020 with technical support from CGWB to share current issues related with Ground water conservation. Shri Santosh Gangwar, Hon’ble Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Labour and Employment was the Chief Patron. Prof Hazarika, Member, UGC was the Chief Guest, and Shri P K Tripathi, HoO, CGWB, NR was Guest of Honour. The webinar was joined by around 200 participants, which included mainly teachers and students from various states, viz. UP, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Bihar, Punjab, Tamilnadu, Haryana, Karnataka, Assam, Manipur, Telangana, Gujarat, Andaman Nicobar, Rajasthan.

(f) Other Activities

- CGWB Officers and Team of Implementing Agency conducted field inspection of activities under PMKSY - HKKP (GW) scheme in Naogaon District, Assam.
- Regional Director, SWR, Bangalore with the Nodal officer along with RD&PR, Govt. of Karnataka carried out field inspection of water conservation structures (Multi Arch Check Dams) constructed in the water Stressed Block - Gouribidanur Taluk, Chikaballapur District, Karnataka on 21.07.2020.
- A tripartite MoU involving CGWB, GSI and DWS, Jharkhand for studies on Fluoride contamination in Jharkhand was signed on 15th July 2020.