Constitution of Multi Stakeholder Platform Steering Board to facilitate Optimal, Sustainable and Efficient Approaches and Solutions in Water Management.

Government of Maharashtra
Water Resources Department,
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Madam Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
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Preamble:

Water is increasingly becoming a scarce commodity in the State of Maharashtra. About half the state is considered deficit or highly deficit in regard of water availability. A key Agro-Hydro Economic Analysis conducted by 2030 Water Resources Group (“2030 WRG”) shows that the agriculture sector in Maharashtra has grown over the last few years, however, it is highly variable and remains heavily dependent on the rainfall during any particular year.

Based on the analysis and various multi-stakeholder discussions, the Government of Maharashtra have decided to (i) pursue implementation of participatory integrated water resources management practices, (prioritizing rain-fed agriculture areas) (ii) mobilize investment in water-related infrastructure, and (iii) deliver coordinated, multi-stakeholder solutions to promote water security for sustainable social and economic growth across the state.

2030 WRG is a public-private-civil society partnership that supports governments to accelerate reforms in sustainable water resources management for long-term development and economic growth. 2030 WRG has taken up following initiatives in close collaboration with the Government of Maharashtra:

- A Hydro-Economic Analysis was conducted on “Opportunities to Improve Water Use in Agriculture Sector”.

- In collaboration with the Government of Maharashtra and the World Bank, 2030 WRG is developing a comprehensive project proposal, ‘Scaling Adaptation in Maharashtra Rain-fed Agriculture’ for grant funding from the Green Climate Fund, which compliments the World Bank’s ‘Project on Climate Resilient Agriculture’ for the State Government. This collaborative effort aims to de-risk the livelihoods of rain-fed farmers in drought prone areas of Maharashtra, that will help farmers access water with new community infrastructure, improved on-farm water use efficiency with technology and better farming practices, and enhance their income with improved market linkages.
2030 WRG also convened key stakeholders in Aurangabad District to develop an initiative to streamline and enhance CSR investments in the water sector prioritizing drought prone villages identified for Jalyukta Shivar interventions. Complementing and building on government investments, this project will further strengthen corporate leadership in the water sector.

**Government Order**

In view of the above, and in order to formalize the governance of water resources management, Government of Maharashtra is pleased to set up the **Multi-Stakeholder Platform (MSP) Steering Board**.

(i) The MSP Steering Board will serve as the Apex body and guide coordinated multi-stakeholder efforts to promote water use efficiency, long-term economic growth, improved livelihoods and ecological protection in the state with a focus on:

- Accelerating **water security in agriculture, urban and industrial applications** in the state;
- Generating **water use efficiency, sustainability**, creating frameworks for **governance/policy reform, innovative financing and partnerships**;
- Enabling **strategic planning** in the water sector amidst rapid urbanization, industrialization, and climate change;
- Creating **specific workstreams** to deliver innovative results on the ground to address water resources management in the state;
- Providing **overall direction** of the State’s water partnership with 2030 WRG, and supporting the establishment and progress monitoring of workstreams/working groups.

(ii) **Members :**

- **On behalf of Government of Maharashtra :**
  1) Chief Secretary (Chair), Government of Maharashtra
  2) Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department
  3) Principal Secretary, Finance Department
  4) Principal Secretary, Water Conservation Department
  5) Principal Secretary, Urban Development Department
  6) Principal Secretary, Industries
  7) Principal Secretary, Agriculture
  8) Chief Engineer and Joint Secretary (WR) (Member Secretary)
b) **On behalf of the Industry and private sector:**
1) Director General, Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI),
2) President, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII),
3) Director General, IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry,
4) State Level Banker’s Committee (Convener: MD and CEO, Bank of Maharashtra)
5) Director General, Mahratta Chamber of commerce, Industries and Agriculture (MCCIA),
6) Chairman, Maharashtra State Co-operative Sugar Factories Federation Ltd.

c) **On behalf of civil society and academia:**
1) Representative, BAIF Development Research Foundation,
2) Representative, Watershed Organisation Trust (WOTR)
3) Representative, Advanced Center for Water Resources Development and Management (ACWADAM),
4) Representative, Centre for Technology Alternatives for Rural Areas (CTARA), IIT Bombay,
5) Representative, India Water Works Association (IWWA),

(iii) **Invitees:**
International organizations/multi-laterals/donors/technical experts.

(iv) **Secretariat:** 2030 WRG will co-ordinate the meetings of the MSP Steering Board and will serve as secretariat.

(v) **Roles and Responsibilities**
   (i) Formulation of strategic policies and administrative structures for consideration of government.
   (ii) Fostering of collaboration with various local stakeholders and organisations across public/private sector and civil society for the identification, development and funding of projects, programs, policies and procedural changes.
   (iii) Proposals for reforms in the sector, including adoption of best practices and technologies.
   (iv) Programs to be implemented under the 2030 WRG, including timelines.
   (v) Identification of needed analyses, awareness and capacity building programs.
   (vi) Inter-departmental issues and coordination.
   (vii) Monitoring workstreams activities and implementation progress.
Frequency of Meetings

The MSP Steering Board is proposed to meet at least two times a year.

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

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Government of Maharashtra.

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