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Dear

**Subject : - Clarification regarding different issues related to
Implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission.**

During the interaction with the various State Governments and ULBs in the video conferences, few more queries were raised by the State Government Officials / Municipal Commissioners in respect of implementation of the Swachh Bharat Mission. The following are the clarifications/response of these queries/questions:

Q1: As per the guidelines of SBM the Central Government has allocated a sum of Rs.4000/- as an incentive to the beneficiaries to help them construct the individual household toilet. Please clarify whether the bulk construction of household toilet is possible by engaging an identified contractor/ Self Help Group (SHG) by the ULB so that the task can be completed early as compared to each individual household identifying the contractor and then building the toilet themselves.

Ans: Yes, this is acceptable to the Ministry. This will help in the speedy construction of toilets and also ensure quality control. However, the ULB shall ensure that the contractor has the requisite experience in building toilets and its related treatment units as per the State Government procedure. The ULB can also periodically inspect the construction to ensuring quality control. The ULB shall obtain the funds from the Central and State Government and the same shall be paid to the contractor/Self Help Group (SHG) by the ULB. The beneficiaries shall be asked to pay their contribution directly to the contractor/SHG engaged by ULB.

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Q2: Whether States/Cities have the option of appointing a consulting firm outside the list of agencies empanelled by the Ministry for preparation of DPR for Solid Waste Management?

Ans: Yes, States/Cities have the option of appointing a consulting firm outside the list of agencies empanelled by the Ministry for preparation of DPR for Solid Waste Management. The list of 47 agencies empanelled for providing support to the cities/ towns for solid waste management has been uploaded in the SBM website: https://swachhbharaturban.gov.in/Circulars_Notifications.aspx?id=b80c0932cb6f7be27c8d37b4c847a8bd

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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