

Minutes of Meeting

18th Meeting of State Ganga Committee (SGC), Uttarakhand dated 01.08.2025

The Eighteenth meeting of Uttarakhand State Ganga Committee was held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Govt. of Uttarakhand on 01.08.2024 at Chief Secretary Meeting Hall, Uttarakhand Secretariat. The meeting was attended by Ex-officio members of SGC or their representatives, along with officials from concerned departments and special Invitees. All the Chairman of the District Ganga Committees (DGCs) of the Districts of Garhwal and Kumaon divisions via video conferencing from their respective NIC centers. The list of participants is annexed.

At the outset, Program Director (PD), State Mission for Clean Ganga (SMCG) welcomed the Chairman, Members and Chairman of the District Ganga Committees and apprised the Committee about the constitution and mandate of SGC along with decisions taken in the seventeenth meeting of SGC.

Thereafter the agenda wise discussion held and decisions taken are as follows:

Agenda 1: Compliance of Decisions taken in 17th meeting of Uttarakhand State Ganga Committee (SGC):

Agenda 1.1: Status of sewerage infrastructure in the State: -

- Program Director apprised to the Committee that an estimated sewage generation is 553 MLD in the State and for its treatment, there are existing 70 STPs with the capacity of 430.915 MLD with the capacity utilization of the existing STPs is only 317.67 MLD.
- Further in order to address the gap, 14 projects with 31 nos. of STPs with the capacity of 150.672 MLD are under different stages of execution and 22 nos. of STPs with the capacity of 106.300 MLD are proposed/tendering stage.
- Secretary Drinking Water & Sanitation reiterated that in order to bridge the gap of sewage generation and its treatment, a detail assessment to be done of the Ganga town and its tributaries and accordingly the proposal shall be prepared. He also emphasized that options of fecal sludge Treatment Plant/ septage co-treatment should also be considered in the hilly towns, where STP and sewerage network is costly affair.
- Chairman also raised the concern of slow progress of ongoing projects and land transfer issues of STP projects like I&D and STP projects at Gauri Kund Tilwada, Narender Nagar STP and Roosi pond, Nainital Projects.



- In order to evaluate the performance of 70 installed STPs, it has been apprised that 40 STPs are equipped with Online Continuous Emission/Effluent Monitoring System (OCEMS) and are linked with Ganga Tarang Web Portal. For the installation of the OCEMS on the rest of the STPs, Jal Nigam is preparing the proposal/DPR.
- Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment emphasized that online monitoring system is the effective tool for the assessment of the performance of the STPs and needs to be installed in each and every STPs.
- Regarding the Industrial Pollution abatement, it has been apprised that total 1089 water polluting Industries having 112.3 MLD with 03 CETPs of 17 MLD are operational and are complying.
- It has been updated that the proposal for Interception & Diversion/STP of 09 nos of Drains for Solani River and abatement of pollution at Sanjay Lake has been prepared by the Jal Nigam and needs to be submitted to State Government for sanctioning.

Chairman emphasized that a Committee has been constituted for the feasibility assessment of liquid waste management and septage management in the State. The committee should examine the feasibility potential taking into account the floating population and accordingly all new sewerage / septage projects are to be taken up as per the recommendations of the committee.

The executing agencies must ensure timely completion of the ongoing projects (Roosi Pond, Nainital and Narender Nagar, Tehri) with regular monitoring of the projects under trial run in the polluted stretches. Further the issues of Pollution abatement and mixing of Industrial effluent into Kalyani River needs to be properly addressed.

Jal Nigam to submit the proposal for abatement of the pollution of Solani River and Sanjay Lake to the state Government for sanctioning.

For effective monitoring of the domestic and industrial treated water, all STPs and CETPs must be connected to the online monitoring system. Proposal for establishment of online portal / Dashboards at State level needs to be submitted to State Government.

(Action: SMCG, UDD, UKPJN, UJS & DGC-USN)

Agenda 1.2: Flood Plain Zoning in Uttarakhand:-

- Irrigation Department updated that the Notification of 697.60 KM River Stretches (Alaknanda, Bhagirathi, Mandakini, Bhilangna , Ganga, Assan And Rispana river) as Flood Plain Zone under the Uttarakhand Flood Plain Zone Act, 2012.
- The Survey and Hydrological work has been completed in 1030.40 kms (Gola, Kosi, Suswa, Jakhan, Chandarbhabha, Yamuna, Pinder, Dhauliganga, Nandakani,

Malin, Ratmau, Nandhaur, Ladhiya, Ramganga and Song river) and initial notification is under progress.

- With reference to DO letter of NMCG dated 26.05.2025 regarding the compliance with NMCG authority notification, 2016, it was mentioned by Irrigation department that the protective work of retaining structure at Gangotri Ghats have been carried out after getting due approval at state levels. Department has neither done any encroachment in the Bhagirathi River at Shri Gangotri Dham, nor will the said work have any adverse effect on the environment or ecosystem. The work has been undertaken solely for the protection of Shri Gangotri Dham from erosion of river flow and for the safety & convenience of the pilgrims.

Chairman directed Irrigation Department to notify the flood plain zoning for the remaining river stretches. Also, assessment of the ecological assessment of the works being undertaken at Gangotri Dham to be done by engaging NIH and Action Taken Report to be submitted for consideration.

(Action: Irrigation Department, SMCG)

Agenda 1.3: Social & Environmental Audit of the STPs constructed under Namami Gange Program:-

Program Director apprised that SMCG with GIZ technical support through Swami Rama Himalayan University (SRHU) conducted Social and Environmental Audit of STP and I&D across nine locations in the districts of Haridwar, Tehri, Dehradun and Nainital.

In the key findings, it has been observed that poor sludge management practices has been reported at all the STP sites. Also Operational strain faced at Haridwar and Muni-Ki-Reti, there by STP operates beyond its designed capacity.

Chairman directed to share the template incorporating the findings and the recommendations of the audit team to ensure the compliances of the recommendations of the Environmental & Social Audit. Further proper sludge management plan needs to be prepared by engaging technical expertise and ensure its compliance as pointed out by the audit team.

(Actions: SMCG, UKPJN & UJS).

Agenda 2: Status of Solid Waste Management: -

Urban Development Directorate (UDD) apprised to the committee that

- ISWM Plant Operational- 16
- Sanitary Land Fill (SLF) Constructed- 04 (Dehradun, Haridwar, Kirtinagar & Joshimath)
- CBG plant Constructed/functional- 02 (Rudrapur & Missourian)
- MRF plant operational- 85



- Plastic Compactors Operational - 84
- NADEP/Compost Pit constructed- 663.
- Quantity of Total Legacy Waste in State- 20.13 Lac MT
- Total Quantity of Legacy Waste Remediated- 6.72 MT (33.38 %)
- Remaining quantity of the legacy waste- 13.41 MT.

UDD to ensure the proper management of Solid Waste in all the Ganga towns and its tributaries in the State and further make an action plan with timelines for the remediation of the 37 legacy waste sites. District Magistrate to take regular review the progress made for management of Solid Waste and remediation of legacy waste in the DGCs meetings.

(Actions: UDD, DMs)

Agenda 3: Safe Reuse of Treated Water Policy – Uttarakhand

Committee was apprised that in line with National Framework on Safe Reuse of Treated Water (SRTW), Uttarakhand State Policy on SRTW has been prepared with support of GIZ-SGR together with SRTW Working Group constituted by Secretary, Drinking Water & Sanitation, Govt. of Uttarakhand. The finalized SRTW Policy has been put-up to State Govt. by SMCG for notification process.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

(Vishal Mishra)
Program Director
&
Member Convenor,
State Ganga Committee

Letter No. 469/SMCG/Namami Gange/SGC

Dated: 26/08/2025

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11. Staff Officer to Chief Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand.
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13. Secretary, Irrigation, Government of Uttarakhand.
14. District Magistrate, Dehradun, Haridwar, Tehri Garhwal, Pauri Garhwal, Rudraprayag, Chamoli, and Uttarkashi, Udham Singh Nagar, Nanital, Bageshwar, Champawat, Pithoragarh, Almora.
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17. Dr. Santosh Rai, Scientist 'D', Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG), Dehradun.
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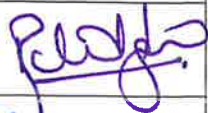
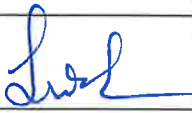
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Date: 01-08-2025

Time: 04.30 pm

Venue – Chief Secretary Meeting Hall, Secretariat, Dehradun

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