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Office Memorandum

National Mission for Clean Ganga, in association with State Governments, have taken various sewage management interventions towards the rejuvenation of the River Ganga and its tributaries with a vision to saturate the towns with creation of adequate sewage treatment capacity and ensure that no untreated sewage is discharged into the rivers. With these interventions, some towns have already been saturated or will be saturated upon completion of the projects under implementation.

2. However, with increasing population, development of new habitations and redefining/extension of municipal limits of the towns, new drains will keep emerging. These drains, even if minor, if not suitably addressed, will discharge untreated sewage into rivers, thereby defeating the saturation objective.

3. To ensure that proactive measures are put in place soon after such new drains emerge, and existing I&D structures are maintained properly, NMCG has developed below mentioned draft protocols for cities covered under Namami Gange Program

a) Protocol to Sustain Zero Untreated Sewage Discharge into the River (Annexure-I)

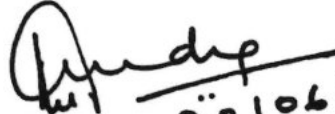
b) Protocol for Maintenance of I&D structures and related Drains (Annexure-II)

4. The compliance of these protocols has been envisaged to be ensured by District Ganga Committees with support from concerned ULB and other relevant departments of the State Government.

5. It is requested that the draft protocols may be reviewed and comments/observations, if any, for further improvement may be shared with NMCG in four weeks.

6. This has the approval of the Director General, NMCG.

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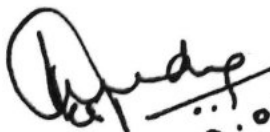
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Annexure -I

Protocol to Sustain Zero Untreated Sewage Discharge into the River for cities covered under the Namami Gange Program

The following activities need to be taken by the DGC for the cities/towns either saturated with adequate sewage treatment capacity or will be saturated with projects under implementation, through the concerned ULB and/or state departments:

- a. Undertaking drone surveys of the river stretches in the municipal limits every year in January to identify the emergence of new drains.
- b. Physical ground verification of the new drains and fixing their geo-coordinates.
- c. Investigation of the reasons for the emergence of new drains, i.e., new habitation in the municipal limits or maintenance issues in the existing I&D arrangements.
- d. In case of major flow, get the flow measurement done.
- e. A view needs to be taken on whether the drain can be merged with/ incorporated into existing sewage treatment infrastructure, or additional (minor /major) infrastructure is needed.
- f. In case of minor additional infrastructure requirements, the ULB will take up the work from its own sources.
- g. In case of major infrastructure development, the ULB will develop a feasibility report/detailed project report for the I&D and treatment and explore funding sources for implementation.
- h. The drone survey videos need to be preserved, made part of the DPR, and also shared with NMCG.


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Annexure-II

Protocol for Maintenance of I&D structures and related Drains for cities covered under Namami Gange Program

1. DGCs to get the bi-annual (October and March) **inspection of the existing I&Ds** to ascertain if there are overflows and maintenance issues. The inspections may be undertaken by the state's executing agency (ULB / Jal Nigam / PHED / Development Authority / etc.,) and/or land owning department (ULB / Irrigation / Development Authority etc.,).
2. Report of the field inspection team submitted to DGC will be further worked upon by the nominated department for redressal of shortcomings. In case of deficiencies, the rectification measures are to be initiated through the executing/operating agency concerned.
3. In order to avoid disposal **of floating waste into the river from drains** as well as to maintain the visual cleanliness and capacity of the drains being tapped under I&D structures, screens along with floating trash booms (minimum 2 numbers; at 500m upstream and 1000m upstream of the screen) need to be provided by land owning department/ULB.
4. Suitable arrangements for regular removal of trapped waste, at the screen and two trash booms, and its disposal need to be made through the concerned ULB. It should be ensured that the arrested and extracted waste does not flow back into the drains by ensuring timely disposal.
5. Similarly, **pre-monsoon desilting exercise** of these drains should be carried out to ensure that the natural capacity of these drains is retained and I&D structures are utilized optimally. The desilted material should be timely disposed.
6. In addition, desilting exercise of the drains may be carried in January if need arises.


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