

GOVERNMENT OF RAJASTHAN
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

No. F-3(1)AS/I/Cell/2014 /1528

Jaipur, Date 25/2/16

:: ORDER ::

Vide this department order no. F-4(14)lrg/65 dated 08.01.1970 Criteria for Adoption of Benefit Cost Ratio for Minor Irrigation Works were issued.

The Four Waters Concept intervention involving erection of Micro Storage Structures (Micro Irrigation Tanks, Micro Storage Tanks & Check Dams etc) is analogous to WIIS/Check Dams/Anicuts that are constructed for multidimensional-multifaceted benefits viz:- Ground Water Recharge and Replenishment, Community & Livestock Use, Irrigation, Social Forestry etc. It is extremely difficult to monetise the real benefits and work out the opportunistic cost of Water, as this intervention involves harnessing of surplus water for socio-economic development of mankind, which otherwise flows unutilized. In broader perspective, it is an intervention envisaged as a civic amenity. Hence, the projects under Four Waters Concept are to be treated at par with other projects contemplated and implemented to address/mitigate basic civic needs where minimum Benefit Cost ratio is never a rider for selection and execution of such projects.

The sanction of the Government is hereby conveyed to make amendment in Order no. F-4(14)lrg/65 dated 08.01.1970 for exempting the works under the Four Waters Concept Intervention from fulfilment of minimum Benefit Cost Ratio (B.C. Ratio) criteria with the condition that all such projects are technically approved by Executive Committee constituted under Section 6 of Rajasthan River Basin and Water Resources Planning Act, 2015.

This bears the concurrence of the Finance Department vide I.D No. 101504741 Dated 18.12.2015.

(Pankaj Ojha)

Dy. Secretary to Govt.

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Copy to following for information & necessary action.

1. P.S to Hon'ble Chairperson, Rajasthan River Basin & Water Resources Planning Authority
2. P.S to Pr. Secretary, Finance Department in reference to ID no. 101504741 dt. 18.12.2015
3. P.S to Secretary WRD /SWRPD
4. Chief Engineer, WRD, Jaipur / Kota.
5. Chief Engineer, Rajasthan River Basin and Water Resources Planning Authority
6. Addl. Chief Engineer, WR Zone Jaipur/ Jodhpur/ Udaipur

Dy. Secretary to Govt.