Dear Sir,

As you are well aware, MoUD’s AMRUT scheme provides funding for sewerage and septage projects for 500 chosen towns/cities, in accordance with its guidelines.

2 For non-AMRUT towns and cities which have become ODF, septage management becomes a natural extension of the Swachh Bharat Mission objectives. These cities, in addition to managing solid waste, are looking towards adopting integrated waste management or incorporating liquid waste management, especially as they move towards total sanitation.

3 For this purpose, they are considering funding liquid waste management projects through different sources such as the 14th Finance Commission Funds, State grants, Donor funding etc.

4 In this context, in these ODF, non-AMRUT towns, capacity building initiatives for such septage management projects, namely, DPR preparation, TA advisory for kickstarting implementation, IEC/BCC activities etc (as described in Section 13.2 of AMRUT guidelines) can now be undertaken if a part of the SWM capacity building fund is unutilized by the city.

5 Needless to say, AMRUT towns and cities can continue to undertake septage management activities under AMRUT scheme.

I hope that these measures will be instrumental in furthering the cause of septage management.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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