

Minutes of the Sanitation Task Force Meeting (STF)

Date : Wednesday, 16th of January 2008
 Time : 15.00 PM
 Venue : Ministry of Water Supply and Drainage Board
 Chairperson : Mr.Majeed (Additional Secretary - Water sanitation & Drainage)

AGENDA ITEM:

<p>1. International Year of Sanitation (IYS)</p>	<p><i>Summary of Discussion</i></p> <p>It has been suggested to support the activities related to IYS in 2008. Need for a basis for a plan of action with key dates was stressed. Further, a five member committee was appointed to draft the core of the action plan with the key dates (Ananda of Unicef, MoH, NWSDB, Ranjith of SriWASH and Tom of Oxfam).</p> <p>Activities related to world water day which falls on 22nd March were discussed. Ranjith stated that not only water supply perspective other aspects to be considered.</p> <p>IFRC announced about the upcoming workshop on 21st of January 2008 at Kaluthara to train the PHI's with respect to the Eco-Sanitation.</p> <p>Publishing an article in the newspaper about IYS was discussed.</p> <p>It was agreed that Takuya to be informed by all members of STF about all ongoing activities with respect to sanitation and solid waste management.</p>		
	<p>Action Required</p>	<p>Person Responsible</p>	<p>Deadline</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promoting the best technologies to society and private sectors involvement - Creating the awareness of proper sanitation among schools - Advocacy and social marketing of ecological sanitation - Introducing communication programs and organizing events such as; exhibition, demonstration - Pilot projects for demonstration of advantages of improved sanitation 	<p>STF to organize stakeholder consultation for action plan</p> <p>Five member committee to draft the action plan</p>	<p>16th February 2008</p>
<p>2. Ecological Sanitation</p>	<p><i>Summary of Discussion</i></p> <p>The next step after the issue of the circular is to institutionalize Eco-Sanitation through training of PHIs and promote through local government agencies.</p> <p>Discussions were held in the NCM and appointed Ranjith and DS to prepare National Work Shop on Ecosan.</p> <p>It was discussed that, after the workshop at Kaluthara to train the PHIs, the national level workshops could be initiated with full force.</p>		
	<p>Action Required</p>	<p>Person Responsible</p>	<p>Deadline</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Tentative dates for the National Workshop on ecological sanitation from secretary to be obtained. -- Agenda/Action plan for the workshop to raise awareness on the eco-san circular among the health officers and others to be prepared. 	<p>Ranjith</p> <p>DS/Ananda</p>	

3. Constructed Wetlands	<i>Summary of Discussion</i> The IOM appointed independent consultant shall assist in facilitating a workshop to educate the community and local authorities on the benefits of the wetland treatment plant to bring about the completion of the wetlands treatment plant project in Navrithanveli division, Ampara district by gaining the support of local authorities and the community.		
	(Not discussed) The IOM appointed consultant submitted her field report in this regard. (Report shall be mailed to members). The context of the report is that, Chairman & DS are willing to give a 3 months trial period if and only if, a written agreement between community bodies to decide on the wetland treatment system after the trial period. And the related community bodies stated that they required two weeks of time to decide on the above agreement.		
	Action Required	Person Responsible	Deadline
--Follow up related community bodies' decision on the agreement on the wetland treatment system after the trial period	Takuya, Aleem & Dev (IOM)		

4. Sludge Management Paper	<i>Summary of Discussion</i> -- Oxfam agreed to support consultant inputs to prepare the paper and a draft is being prepared. - Probable date requested for appointing consultant, report of the consultant will be reviewed by CEA, MOH, NWSDB, and MOWSD as agreed.		
	Action Required	Person Responsible	Deadline
	-- Potential experts to review the findings and recommendations of the consultants to be listed --Contact Jagath Manatunga at University of Moratuwa	All Tom Skitt	Feb 2008

5. Solid Waste Management	<i>Summary of Discussion</i> Demonstration of successful pilot projects; Eg:- SWM – Sevenatha -- It was agreed that the same five member committee shall prepare the TOR for STF -- Ananda suggested contacting CEA for available data and information. More statistics should be gathered for IYS on the impacts and practice of SWM in this country. -- IFRC stated that they will send an open invitation for meeting related to solid waste management on 28 th of Jan 2008. -- Energy forum, Sevenatha have been invited for the meeting, but not present at the Meeting.		
	Action Required	Person Responsible	Deadline
	-- Link STF with ongoing SWM activities -- Energy forum, Sevenatha, Practical Action, CEA to be invited to the next meeting (Contact UNPS Ampara also) -- Development of a PHAST tools for SWM -- Meet (CEA) on the studies carried out on SWM.	Ananda & Takuya , Aleem All Constanze Tom	

6. AOB	<p>-- Malteser International has planned to conduct awareness program for the year of IYS (Broachers, T-Shirts)</p> <p>-- Health ministry worked out action plan to be reviewed (Focal point: Mr.Mahepala??)</p> <p>--Pass policy of rural sanitation? Ministry shall prepare the policy and Mr. Lateef to review on 13th Feb 2008 at meeting.</p> <p>-- The importance of an agenda for the STF Meeting was discussed.</p> <p>-- It has been emphasized to revise the TOR for STF to suit the IYS activities in 2008. Mr. Tom of Oxfam emphasized to define the role of STF clearly.</p>		
	Action Required	Person Responsible	Deadline
	Draft the TOR of STF and make it available at HIC web site	Ananda	13 th of Feb 2008

Next Sanitation Task Force Meeting will be 13th of February 2008 at 14.30 am.

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