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No. F.3/DJB/M(WS)/2024/ 430

Dated: 11.03.2024

Instruction Order regarding borewells

A meeting was taken by worthy CEO on dated 11.03.2024 in light of accidental death incurred in the complex of Keshopur STP on dated 10.03.2024 at an abandoned borewell.

Worthy CEO has directed all CEs to give a report that all the abandoned/defuncted tube wells/borewells in their jurisdiction have been sealed and capped in addition to borewells running as well by putting a plate duly welded to avoid risk of accident by falling inside it.

As directed by undersigned on 10.03.2023 through whatsapp groups, all concerned have to inspect their sites and ensure that such incident does not happens in future, a report to this effect be submitted to Sh. S.K.Singh, CE(EDP) and copy to this office by 02:00PM dated 12.03.2024 positively.

Besides above, instructions were issued vide letter no. DJB/CE(GW)/2024/653 dated 01.03.2024 in which it was directed to submit a monthly report to CE(GW) on or before 7th of every month by the concerned CEs. The copy of detailed guidelines as directed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India as a remedial measure to be taken for prevention of fatal accidents due to these abandoned/defuncted borewells are also enclosed/reiterated for compliance strictly by all concerned.

Encl.: As Above

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(S.L.Meena) 3 2024 Chief Engineer Nodal (Water)

1. All CEs(Civil/E&M)

2. All SEs(Civil/Maintenance)

3. All Executive Engineers(Civil/E&M)

4. EE(EDP): with the request to upload the guidelines as enclosed on DJB website

5. Consultant(PR): To release as a public notice as enclosed in leading newspapers & TV Channels

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- The owner of the land/premises, before taking any steps for constructing bore well/ tube well must inform in writing at least 15 days in advance to the concerned authorities in the area, i.e., District Collector, District Magistrate/Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat/any other Statutory Authority/concerned officers of the Department of Ground Water/Public Health/ Municipal Corporation, as the case may be, about the construction of bore well/tube well.
- Registration of all the drilling agencies, namely, Government / Semi Government/Private etc. should be mandatory with the district administration/Statutory Authority wherever applicable.
- Erection of signboard at the time of construction near the well with the iii. following details:-
- a. Complete address of the drilling construction/rehabilitation of well. agency
- b. Complete address of the user agency/owner of the well.
- Erection of barbed wire fencing or any other suitable barrier around the well during construction.
- Construction of cement/concrete platform measuring 0.50x0.50x0.60 meter (0.30 meter above ground level and 0.30 meter below ground level) around the well casing.
- Capping of well assembly by welding steel plate or by providing a strong cap to be fixed to the casing pipe with bolts & nuts.
- In case of pump repair, the tube well should not be left uncovered.
- Filling of mud.pits and channels after completion of works. Viii. IX.
- Filling up abandoned borewell by clay/sand/boulders/pebbles/drill cuttings etc. from bottom to ground level.
- On completion of the drilling operations at a particular location, the ground conditions are to be restored as before the start of drilling.
- District Collector should be empowered to verify that the above guidelines are being followed and proper monitoring check about the status of boreholes/tube wells are being taken care through the concerned State/Central Government agencies.
- District/Block/Village wise status of bore wells/tube wells drilled viz. No. of wells in use, No. of abandoned bore wells/tube wells found open, No. of abandoned bore wells/tube wells properly filled up to ground level and balance number of abandoned bore wells/tube wells to be filled up to ground

is to be maintained at District Level. In rural areas, the monitoring of the above is to be done through Village Sarpanch and the Executive from the Agriculture Department. In case of urban areas, the monitoring of the above is to be done through Junior Engineer and the Executive from the concerned Department of Ground Water/Public Health/ Municipal Corporation etc.

If a borewell/tube well is 'Abandonediat any stage, a certificate from the concerned department of Ground Water/Public health/Municipal Corporation/Private contractor etc. must be obtained by the aforesaid agencies that the 'Abandoned' borewell/tube well is properly filled up to the ground level. Random inspection of the abandoned wells is also to be done by the Executive of the concerned agency/department. Information on all such data on the above are to be maintained in the District Collector/Block Development Office of the State.

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