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Dear Sir,
Happy New Year Greetings!

I am extremely pleased to share that we, in this Ministry, are taking various steps to bring back the initial momentum of Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana and I sincerely solicit your support and guidance to take the programme to further heights for realizing Mahatma Gandhi's dream of transforming 'swaraj' into 'su-raj'.

2. In order to usher in the acceleration process, we have recently conducted a two-day orientation workshop for the **representatives of Members of Parliament on 20th-21st Dec'21** to understand the pain points and also to leverage the active involvement of the Members of Parliament. The participants voiced their disapproval over our claims that the District Level Committees and the State Level committees are reviewing the scheme implementation regularly and providing their full support to the Hon'ble MPs and taking remedial action against the bottlenecks of the scheme implementation. The same has been echoed in the recent DO letter from MoRD Secretary to your Chief Secretary (copy enclosed). May I, therefore request you to take necessary action to conduct these meetings regularly and direct the District Collectors and Charge Officers to maintain proper liaison with the representatives of Hon'ble MPs for effective implementation of the programme.

3. While the Ministry gratefully acknowledges the contribution and efforts of some of the State Governments in the immediate past to have achieved significant progress in creating model Gram Panchayats, it has been observed during the monthly VC review meeting of State Nodal Officers, that many of the State Governments are taking the scheme lightly. I would appreciate if you could review the progress of the scheme and provide directions to the officers concerned to expedite the implementation process.

4. Further, I am happy to mention that we are exploring the possibilities to tie up with the institutes enrolled under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan to address the development challenges being faced by the SAGY GPs through appropriate technologies as an endeavor to aid you in scheme implementation.

5. In light of the above, I request you to provide all guidance and directions to the State machinery to energize this programme and create "Adarsh Grams" as per the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

With warm regards,


10/01/2022

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To
All Principal Secretaries, RD/PR (in-charge of SAGY), All states

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Dear Chief Secretary,

As you are aware, the Hon'ble Members of Parliament have identified around 2300 Gram Panchayats under Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY). The implementation of SAGY in these GPs depends on convergence of resources from various existing schemes of the Central and the State Governments. Along with the active involvement of the MP, continuous monitoring at State/District level is vital for the implementation of the programme.

2. You will also appreciate the fact, that as per data available in the *saanjhi* portal, the performance of SAGY programme needs to be improved. In order to understand the pain-points and to leverage the active involvement of the Members of Parliament, a two day workshop was conducted by the Ministry for orientation of the representatives of Members of Parliament regarding the programme.

3. During the workshop, concerns were raised by MPs' representatives that the District Level Committee (DLC) meetings to review SAGY implementation under the District Collectors/District Magistrate concerned in the presence of the Hon'ble MPs are not being held, and also the MPs' office is not being briefed on the progress of SAGY implementation. They expressed that they need much more support from the District administration.

4. I would also like to reiterate that as per SAGY Guidelines, the State Level Empowered Committee (SLEC) meeting under your Chairmanship is mandated to be held quarterly. It was communicated by the participants that SLEC meetings are not being convened regularly and it is affecting the progress of SAGY scheme.

5. Hence, in the light of the above observations emanating from the workshop, I would request you to kindly hold SLEC meetings regularly and also direct the District Collectors to be more pro-active and sensitive towards actualizing the visionary idea of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India behind the SAGY programme and hold regular meeting of the DLEC as well.

With warm regards and wishing you a fulfilling
2022.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Secretaries/Advisors to Administrators of all the States/UTs.