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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY  
Government of India  
Department of Land Resources  
Ministry of Rural Development

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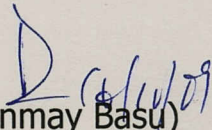
Dear

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that difficulty is being faced in operating the Watershed Development Fund (WDF) set up for the maintenance of assets created under watershed projects and handed over to them after the project implementation is over and the PIA exits. This is happening mainly due to lack of rules and procedures for operation of the WDF. This is a very urgent matter, as scheme can be successful only if it is sustainable and it is only through maintenance of the assets that the village community will be able, not only to maintain, but also build upon the assets created under the watershed programme. Hence, we will be grateful if you can put in place Watershed Development Fund rules for your State after required consultations. Please send a copy of the same to this Department as well.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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(Chinmay Basu)

To

**The Principal Secretary/ Secretary  
All State Govts.**