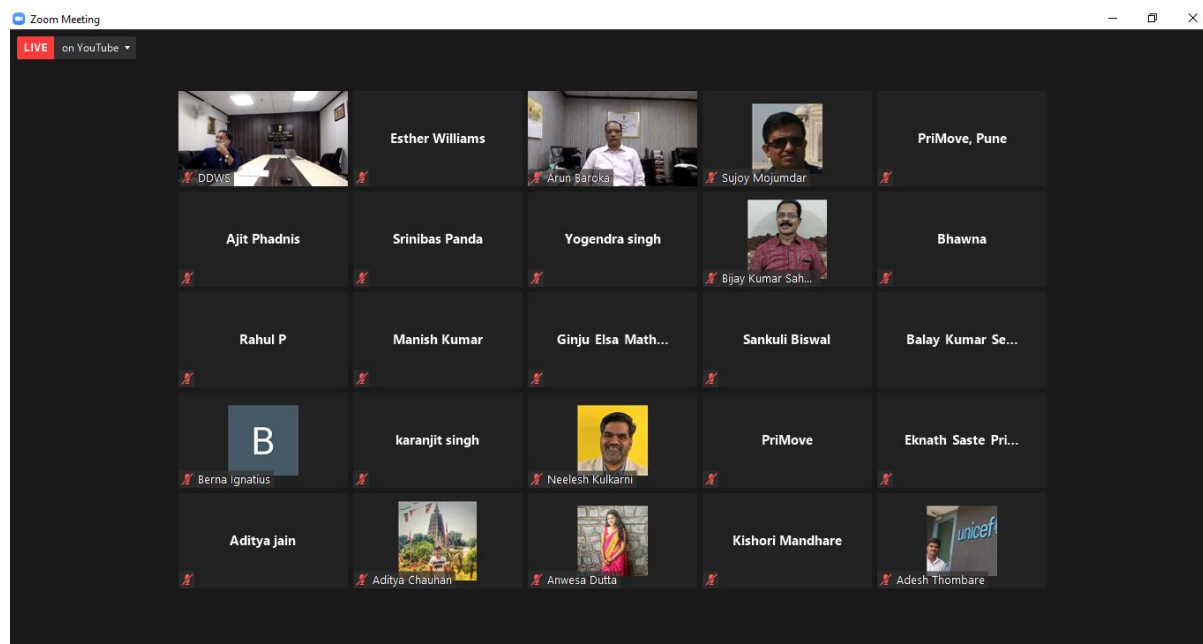


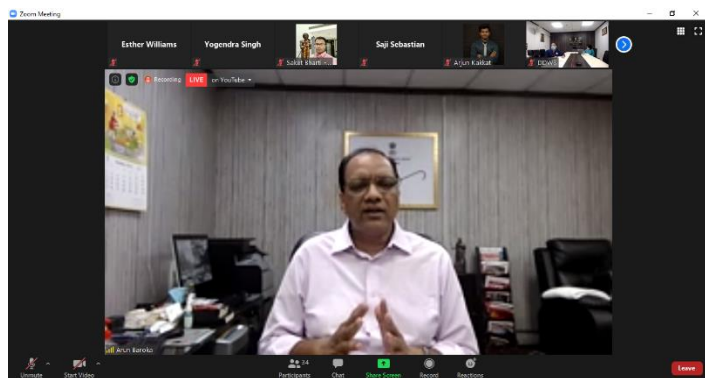
Orientation of State-wide Master Trainers on SBM-G II



In continuation of its capacity strengthening initiatives, the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS) is organising a series of orientation programmes to apprise all the stakeholders of the priorities of the programme in SBM Phase II. The first of the series was an e-Orientation for Master Trainers and Field Trainers held on September 25, 2020.

During the last year, all Master Trainers from both State Training Management Unit (STMU) and District Training Management Unit (DTMU) had completed the 'Swachh and Sujal Gaon training' organised with the support of development partner - UNICEF.

The e-Orientation was intended to help the Master Trainers understand issues pertaining to SBM-G Phase II and their priorities in order to make villages ODF Plus - including management of solid and liquid waste, operation and maintenance, retrofitting of sanitation infrastructures and financing provisions for implementing these interventions.



In his opening remarks, **Mr. Arun Baroka, Additional Secretary (AS), Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti** talked about the ODF journey in Phase I of SBM-G and the achievements made with over 10 crore toilets built. It had led to a jan andolan with the massive

participation of people at GP, District and State levels to make rural India ODF.

He said that the focus has now shifted from ODF to ODF Plus with a focus on ODF sustainability and solid and liquid waste management. Phase II of the Mission, he emphasised was approved by the Cabinet with financial provisions clearly laid out.

The Additional Secretary encouraged the Master Trainers who are important stakeholders in taking forward the Phase II of the campaign. He reiterated that SLWM was more technical and complex, based on GP specific topography and issues, making every village a project in itself. Calling for solutions suitable for each village, he said the DDWS aims to simplify solutions so that the technology used can be understood by Sarpanchs and Panchayat Secretaries alike, in addition to other stakeholders.

Operating Principles for SBM G Phase II

1 Ensuring No one left Behind	7 Operation and Maintenance integral to planning
2 Community Assets for SLWM to be prioritized	8 Encouraging technologies with low O&M Cost for SLWM
3 Utilization of existing SLWM infrastructure	9 Flexibility to States in choosing Technology options best suited to local needs
4 SLWM Reuse to be promoted	10 Clustering of Villages for maximum economic efficiency
5 Convergence with other schemes primarily 15 th FC and MGNREGS	11 Priority to villages on Ganga and other water bodies
6 Developing Business Models	

During his presentation, the AS highlighted the definition of ODF Plus; what makes a village ODF Plus; activities in SBM-G Phase II; operating principles for SBM-G Phase II, funding provisions and the four broad thematic areas that come under SLWM: Biodegradable waste management; Greywater management; Plastic waste management and Faecal Sludge Management.

Mr. Sujoy Mojumdar, WASH Specialist-UNICEF shed light on the 721 PRI training programmes on Sujal and Swachh Gaon that have been implemented in cascade mode so far, under which 31,372 stakeholders were trained from 14,456 GPs. Having their own cascading training plans in place,

States would just need to roll them out and master trainers would need to take this forward.

Mr. Neelesh Kulkarni Director-Primove introduced his team of capacity building experts who presented the processes and technical options for Solid Waste Management, Liquid Waste Management and Faecal Sludge Management. Having been involved in capacity building as a part of Sujal and Swachh Gaon in Phase I of SBM-G, he said that sufficient awareness had been created among field level trainers and equipped with technology booklets and toolkits, they have created a road map to take forward the 3 verticals.