Minutes of the meeting held on 21st November 2025, under the Chairmanship of DG, NMCG/ PD, NRCD to review the progress of the Mahanadi River basin under the Condition Assessment & Management Plan (CAMP) project.

A meeting to review the progress of Mahanadi River basin under the CAMP project was held on 21st November 2025, under the Chairmanship of DG, NMCG & PD, NRCD, at O/o NMCG. The list of participants in the meeting is annexed.

2. JS, NRCD, DoWR, RD & GR welcomed all participants in the meeting and requested the Consortium Institutes i.e. NIT Raipur and NIT Rourkela to make their presentations on the progress of the project.

3. NIT Raipur submitted that all 17 reports generated have been shared with the State Government of Chhattisgarh for their comments. It was told that a meeting was conducted between NIT Raipur and stakeholders including Secretary, Water Resource Department, Government of Chhattisgarh on 4th November, 2025 wherein the said 17 reports were discussed. Another meeting with all stakeholders is likely to be held in December, 2025.

4. Secretary, WRD, Chhattisgarh confirmed receipt of the aforesaid 17 reports and that the same have been shared with all stakeholders in the State for their comments which are awaited.

5. Similarly, NIT Rourkela also informed that all 17 reports generated have been shared with the Member Secretary of Odisha State Pollution Control Board and a meeting was held on 7th November, 2025 with all stakeholders in the State of Odisha wherein the said 17 reports were discussed. It was told that comments of the stakeholders are awaited.

6. PD, NRCD appreciated the efforts of the CIs in maintaining a good progress of the project especially in respect of Nirmal Dhara and the actionable points listed by the CIs vis-à-vis the study conducted and the reports generated so far for the States of Chhattisgarh and Odisha.

7. PD, NRCD, however, observed that there is a need to enhance the involvement of the State Governments of Chhattisgarh and Odisha being the beneficiaries of this project in terms of Mahanadi River Basin Management.

8. Actionable points emerged during the meeting:

a. PD, NRCD directed that nodal officers from Water Resources Department and Environment Department are to be nominated from each States and it applies to

all Basins. Further, he directed NRCD to follow up with the State Government of Chhattisgarh and Odisha in this regard .

(**Action: NRCD/ cGanga**)

b. **PD, NRCD directed** NIT Rourkela, to have a meeting with the Secretary, Water Resources Department, State Government of Odisha without fail at the earliest and to share the reports with them for their comments and if any problem take the help of NRCD.

(**Action: NIT Rourkela**)

c. PD, NRCD directed cGanga to ensure adoption of common methodological framework for all river basins and to issue a direction to all CIs for referring to the CPCB report as a baseline regarding pollution aspects of river and its basin.

(**Action: cGanga**)

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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ANNEXURE

List of Participants

1. Shri Rajeev Kumar Mittal, DG, NMCG/ PD, NRCD (**In Chair**)
2. Shri Karan Singh, JS, NRCD
3. Shri J.P. Singh, Director, NRCD
4. Shri S K Srivastava, Scientist 'F', NRCD
5. Shri A.P. Singh, Scientist 'F', NRCD
6. Dr. P.N. Rymbai, Scientist 'C', NRCD
7. Shri Mahesh Kumar Kashyap, Under Secretary, NRCD
8. Preeti Sinha, RA, NRCD
9. Dr. Ishtiyaq Ahmad, Associate Professor, NIT Raipur
10. Dr. Kshitij Upadhyay, Project Scientist, NIT Raipur
11. Dr. Shashikant Verma, Project Scientist, NIT Raipur
12. Dr. Amit Shukla, Project Scientist, NIT Raipur
13. Dr. Sandeep Soni, Senior Project Scientist, NIT Raipur
14. Dr. K. K. Khatua, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, NIT Rourkela
15. Prof. Kakoli Karar Paul, NIT Rourkela
16. Dr. Angana Sarkar, NIT Rourkela
17. Dr. Jatin Anand, NIT Rourkela

18. Dr Snigdha Sarita Mohapatra, NIT Rourkela
19. Mr. Piyush Paritosh Saranagi, NIT Rourkela
20. Ms Jayashree Ojha, NIT Rourkela

Participants who attended through VC

1. Shri Rajesh Sukumar Toppo, Secretary, WRD, Chhattisgarh
2. Shri Jayant Kumar Bisen, Executive Engineer, Water Resources Management, Chhattisgarh
3. Dr. Mani Kant Verma, Associate Professor, NIT Raipur
4. Shri Samir Bajpai, Coordinator, CAMP Mahanadi, NIT Raipur
5. Shri Niranjan Malik, Chief Environment Scientist, Central Lab, Odisha
6. Shri Vinod Tare, cGanga, IIT Kanpur
7. Shri Rahul Ramachandran, Senior Project Engineer, cGanga, IIT Kanpur
8. Shri Rajith K, Senior Project Associate, cGanga, IIT Kanpur