Minutes of the third meeting of State Level Co-Ordination Committee for CETP

The 3rd meeting of State Level Co-ordination Committee for CETPs was held on 17/06/2014 in the Chamber of Hon'ble Chairman, MPCB (HQ) at 11:30 Hrs. Shri. Jatinder Singh Sahni, Chairman, MPC Board Chaired the meeting.

List of Committee members, NEERI representatives and MPCB Officials who were present for the meeting is enclosed.

Chairman welcomed the members and addressed the meeting he briefed about the past meeting. The meeting was held with the objective of:

1) Detailing of draft report of inventorization and performance evaluation with proper bifurcation of different steps of inventory and monitoring.
2) The outcomes of the inventorization should be well explanatory for the performance evaluation.
3) Verification of the selected institutions with respect to availability of trained manpower and laboratory facilities.

The following points were discussed:

1) All the past records of discussions held with CETP representatives and selected institutes were considered and discussed. It was decided that the overall assessment of the CETPs would involve studying the designing, effluent characteristics and maintenance issues.
2) A concern was raised about the verification of the capability of the concerned institutions with respect to adequacy of trained manpower and laboratory facilities. It was felt also necessary to ensure uniform work methodology for all the institutions in assessing their respective CETPs.
3) A need for further clarity was discussed at each stage of the assessment. Inventorization study should be able to identify major problems with the CETPs and encompass the entire requirements for the performance evaluation. Performance evaluation should focus mainly on the functioning of the CETP and its member industries. These two phases of study should be ensured sufficient coupling.

4) A template should be prepared by NEERI for the inventorization draft report to be circulated to all the participating institutions. The template would include a detailed flowchart providing information on CETP (i.e., background information, member industry details, their effluent characteristics and quantity, the details of the CETP and its disposal point).

5) All the issues related to the CETP should be addressed in the report with an exhaustive list of the details regarding current scenario, challenges faced, limitations and scope for improvement along with suggestions. It was also decided to highlight any quick resolving issue during the inventorization stage itself. An overall clarity should be maintained about the expected outcome of the inventorization. The template format (TOR) for the work order would be provided by NEERI by 24th June, 2014 for circulation along with work order to all the local institutions. The completed inventory draft report would be submitted by the local institutions by 15th July, 2014 to the NEERI.

6) The duration and detailing of performance evaluation study would necessarily be decided depending on the results of inventorization report.

7) Along with designing aspects, the managerial issues regarding O & M and related matter would also be identified with capability of CETP to perform their duties.

8) It was agreed to study a currently well functioning CETP and understand the working. A similar need was also recognized to consider past mistakes.

9) The personnel involved in the actual performance evaluation should be clear with respect to the details of information needed from the
inventorisation study. They should also be necessarily well equipped with adequate laboratory facilities and trained manpower to undertake the necessary evaluation. A need was also felt to encourage the participating institutions to obtain recognition from NABET or other recognized accreditation to increase resourcefulness.

10) Dr. Rakesh Kumar informed that the representatives of the partner institutes are knowledgeable and capable to carry out the work of inventorization. However they may find it difficult to analyze the samples collected form CETPs or some representative industry from the cluster in the laboratory of the institutes.

11) Dr. Rakesh Kumar and Dr. Y. B Sontakke informed that the institutes are ready to complete the inventorization along with the sampling and analysis as stated above for Rs.75,000/- per CETP (for amount of work equivalent to 15 man days approx.) excluding taxes as may be applicable.

12) Mr. Iyer, Member of Committee opined that since all the CETPs have well equipped laboratories, the institutes who does not have laboratory facility can use these CETP laboratory facilities or can get sample analyzed from MoEF approved laboratory.

Following decisions were taken;

1) Draft report format shall be submitted by NEERI for inventorisation by 24th June based on their experience of TEPS Tarapur CETP. This draft report format shall be attached to the work order for ready reference and submission accordingly. This will ease NEERI to finalize the report for submission to committee.

2) NEERI to prepare checklist for probable issues that may come up during inventorisation and monitoring.
3) The draft work order shall be circulated to the members of the committee by 24th June to obtain their opinion/views/suggestions if any and accordingly final work order shall be issued.

4) The partner institute shall submit the draft report of inventory on or before 15th July, 2014 to NEERI for further scrutiny and finalization.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.