(5th ROUND OF VERIFICATION)

DLI #1 VERIFICATION PROTOCOL

2023

Atal Bhujal Yojana

5th Round of DLI#1 – Verification Protocols

1.0 Background:

Disbursements under the incentive component are linked to the performance of states against the identified Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs), duly verified by an independent Third-Party Government Verification Agency (TPGVA). To carry out independent verification of results in respect of the DLIs, M/s Quality Council of India (QCI) has been engaged as the TPGVA by the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India.

DLI#1 incentivizes improvement in the overall quality of groundwater monitoring and data dissemination by the participating States. Till now, four rounds of verification have been conducted for DLI#1 between December 2020 and December 2022.

A comprehensive verification protocol was developed for each round and was followed during the desktop as well as the field verification by QCI.

The protocol for 5th round of verification of achievements against DLI#1, has been developed based on the Program Guidelines Ver.1.1 and the Program Appraisal Document of the World Bank and incorporating the observations and feedback from previous verifications.

Description of DLI-1	A State is verified to have achieved the DLI if the monitoring and disclosure of ground water-related data has improved.
Scalability o	f
Disbursements	Yes
(Yes/No)	
Data Source/Agency	State and Central (e.g., CGWB) Governments records and data verification
Verification Entity	TPGVA

Table 1: Verification	protocol for D	LI #1 (5 th Round)
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Verification for DLI-1

Only the selected states/blocks/GP will be considered for the DLI. For a given state/block/GP the achievement of the DLI will be measured using following sub-indicators on:

Disbursing indicators:

(a) The number of observation wells for which water level monitoring data are available and disclosed

(b) The number of observation wells for which water quality monitoring data are available and disclosed

(c) The number of program blocks for which 'Hydrogeological Reports' with information pertaining to groundwater level and water quality monitoring is available

The above mentioned indicators are subject to Public Disclosure of data at regular intervals at Gram Panchayat level through different fixed display modes/mechanism.

Non-Disbursing indicators:

(d) The number of State-level accredited groundwater quality laboratories

(e) The number of wells equipped with functional meters for measuring energy consumption or volumetric groundwater usage

(f) Public disclosure of data by States through different modes/mechanism¹

- a) For all four rounds of verifications of DLI#1, separate verification protocols were developed and shared with the IAs (which also forms part of the final TPGVA reports)
- b) Non-disbursing indicators would be considered for arriving at overall performance of state based on qualitative analysis
- c) This protocol shall be read in continuation of the protocol developed for previous rounds of verification of DLI#1

¹ Disclosure of data specific to Water level, Water Quality and HGR to be available in public domain.

2.0 Protocol for Verification towards DLI#1 - 5th Round:

2.1 SPMU will upload the data in respect of all the sub-indicators of DLI#1 on 'DLI Verification module' of Ataljal MIS (ataljal.mowr.gov.in) by **25th November**, **2023**, in the prescribed formats given in annexures for:-

(a) Annexure – 1.1 and 1.2 (Template for WL Data)

(b) Annexure – 2.1 and 2.2 (Template for WQ Data)

2.2 For this round of verification for achievement of DLI -1, the criteria of qualifying with respect to each sub-indicator is as follows:

1. Water Level (Format is provided in Annexure – 1.1 and 1.2)

- a. The updation of water level data for pre and post-monsoon period of 2023 for at least 90% of observation wells which were disclosed and meeting the respective verification protocols in the first, second, third & fourth round of verification (Annexure 1.1) shall be mandatory and will be considered for evaluating state performances.
- b. New observation wells established from 2022 onwards essentially including piezometers constructed under Atal Bhujal can also be disclosed with both pre and post-monsoon data of 2023. Detail of the year of establishment to be mandatorily provided. (Annexure 1.2)

Water Quality (Format is provided in Annexure – 2.1 and 2.2)

- a. The Updation of water quality data of 2023 for at least 90% of observation wells which were disclosed and meeting the respective verification protocols after the first, second, third & fourth round of verification (Annexure 2.1) shall be mandatory and will be considered for evaluating state performances
- b. New observation wells established from 2022 onwards can also be disclosed with mandatory data of pH, EC / TDS, Ca, Mg, Na, K, CO3/HCO3/Total Hardness, Cl, SO4, NO3 and F for the year 2023. Details of the year of establishment to be mandatorily provided. (Annexure 2.2)

2. Hydrogeological Reports

As regards to the block wise Hydrogeological reports, the SPMU to undertake:

- a. Updation of Hydrogeological reports, which were disclosed after meeting the protocols in the previous rounds of verification to be mandatorily updated and will be considered for evaluating state performances
- b. Uploading of additional block wise Hydrogeological reports can also be disclosed, which could not qualify as per the protocols in previous rounds of verification

For the purpose of 5th round of verification, the criteria for qualifying with respect to this subindicator is as follows:

- (a) Adherence to the template shared with the states shall be the basis for verification of blockwise hydrogeological reports for water level and water quality monitoring information. Each report submitted by the states shall be evaluated for
 - a. Completeness of basic information,
 - Availability of six (6) maps (Location map, Hydrogeological map, location of observation wells for monitoring water levels and water quality, updated pre-and post-monsoon water level maps, map showing distribution of Specific Electrical Conductance. The map showing cross-section of sub surface regional aquifer system is optional and may be included if available
 - Availability of three (3) Tables (Basic data of WL/WQ observation wells, ground water level data and ground water quality data. It may be ensured that the water level and water quality data in the Hydrogeological reports is updated for the year 2023 and should be consistent with the data uploaded by the States on the MIS
- (**b**) The Hydrogeological reports already disclosed during the first, second, third and fourth round of verification are to be updated for water level and quality data for the year 2023 and uploaded on the MIS
- (c) The maps in the Hydrogeological reports should be updated for the pre and post monsoon for 2023

3. Water Quality Testing Laboratory (Format is provided in Annexure – 3)

The data in respect of Water Quality Testing Laboratories accredited and equipped with modern groundwater quality monitoring systems shall be uploaded by SPMU in the prescribed format on the MIS (DLI Verification Protocol).

The accreditation of the Water Quality Testing Laboratories shall be verified through the accreditation certificate issued by the accrediting agency (NABL, etc.) to be enclosed with Annexure 3.

4. Wells with functional energy consumption / volumetric groundwater usage meter (Format is provided in Annexure – 4)

The data in respect of wells fitted with functional energy consumption / volumetric groundwater usage meter, shall be uploaded by the SPMU in the prescribed format on the MIS (DLI Verification Protocol).

These wells shall be verified based on availability of proof of the existence of the meter(s) in the form of geotagged photographs.

- a. In the case of wells with energy meters, proof in the form of electricity bills for the last
 6 months shall be mandatory
- b. In case of water meters, records of register/ Mobile App Atal Bhujal/ MIS where the data is being recorded shall be collected as proof. The register is to be maintained by DPMU and is to be produced during verification.

Public Disclosure (Format is provided in Annexure –5.1 and 5.2)

Public disclosure of data must be done by States at Gram Panchayat level at regular intervals through different modes/mechanism. Proof of such disclosure at GP level shall be maintained at the level of SPMU, in the form of geo-tagged photographs for all the GPs.

This shall be authenticated through declaration forms to be filled by SPMU (Annexure 5.1) and DPMU (Annexure 5.2) at state and district level respectively.

Mode of Disclosure:

For the benefit of the community, the data needs to be made public through various means such as placing on state web portals, putting notice boards with data at appropriate places including Panchayat office, posters, banners, printed booklets, pamphlets/leaflets, holding public meetings as well as using social media platforms, and other means. For verifying the public disclosure of data, the following modes of disclosure are accepted for verification:

S No	Mode of Public Disclosure	Details	Frequency of Disclosure	Verification Methodology
1	Permanent Fixed Displays	 Gram Panchayat office notice boards Digital Display Boards near observation wells on Water Levels and Water Quality. Boards to also indicate if water is potable or not. Wall Paintings Iron Boards 	Updated on Regular basis	Geotagged images
2	Print	• Pamphlets/Leaflets	Semi-annual	Imagesofpamphlets/leaflets
3	Social Media	 Creating GP specific Groups on Facebook/WhatsApp/Twitter and any other Social Media Platform 	Continuous basis	Link
4	Public meetings	• Gram Sabha meetings	Continuous basis	Minutes of the meeting
5	Online Disclosure	Atal Jal portalWeb portals of statesMobile App	Continuous	Checking the disclosure semi-annually

Table 2: Acceptable modes of public disclosure under DLI #1

Based on the above categories, permanent fixed display to be mandatorily present for the field verification. In addition to the above indicators, QCI team shall observe the water related awareness generated through the above. The on-field assessment shall cover presence of public disclosure mechanism at Gram Panchayat level and awareness amongst the citizen for the same.

Annexure – 1.1.

Template for updation of Water Level Data for Observation Wells

S. N	lo. State	District	Block	GP	Village	TYPE	SOURCE	Well ID	Site_Name	Latitude	Longitude	Well Depth	Aquifier	Pre_2015	Pst_2015	Pre_2016	Pst_2016	Pre_2017	Pst_2017	Pre_2018	Pst_2018	Pre_2019 P	st_2019	Pre_2020	Pst_2020	Pre_2021	Pst_2021	Pre_2022	Pst_2022	Pre_2023	?st_2023
1	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Akhoni	Akhoni.	Dug wells	SGWB	W182345074514501	Akhoni.	18.395834	74.862503	12	Basalt	8.9	4.2	9.2	2.8	11	3.2	8.2	7.5	11.5	3.2	8.55	2.9	9.3	3.1	6.8	4.1		
2	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Babhulgaon	Babulgaon Khalasa	Dug wells	SGWB	W184110075030001	Babulgaon Khalasa	18.686111	75.050003	12	Basalt	10.2	Dry	Dry	3.3	Dry	1.3	6	5.3	11.7	8.2	11.95	0.95	11.8	1.8	6.7	4.1		
3	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Bahirobawadi	Bahirobawadi.	Dug wells	SGWB	W183550075001501	Bahirobawadi.	18.597221	75.004166	14.9	Basalt	14.5	13.5	14	3.8	14.5	6.5	13.2	11.2	14.5	12.5	14.5	3.9	14.5	2.5	6.9	4.2		
4	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Baradgaon	Baradgaon Sudrik.	Dug wells	SGWB	W182655074490001	Baradgaon Sudrik.	18.448610	74.816666	11	Basalt	8.1	4.5	7.2	3	5.5	1.8	6.5	5.6	10.5	1.52	6.25	1.35	4.9	2.3	6.8	3.9		
5	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Chincholi	Chicholi Kaldat.	Dug wells	SGWB	W183825075014501	Chicholi Kaldat.	18.640278	75.029167	13.5	Basalt	12.1	10.6	13	3.15	Dry	4.3	8.9	8.5	13	5.5	11.8	3.2	13.2	3.4	6.6	5.1		
6	Maharashtra	Ahmednaga	ar Karjat	Jalapur	Jalalpur.	Dug wells	SGWB	W182845074440501	Jalalpur.	18.479166	74.734726	10.5	Basalt	9.6	5.2	8.4	2.8	6.2	1.8	6.2	2.5	8.25	2.5	3.85	1.25	5.1	1.7	7.1	3.8		

Annexure – 1.2.

Template For Uploading Water Level data for New Observation Wells

S. No.	State	District	Block	GP	Village	TYPE	SOURCE	Well ID	Year of Well Establishment	Site_Name	Latitude	Longitude	Well Depth	Aquifier	Pst_2022	Pre_2023	Pst_2023

Annexure -2.1.

Template for updation of Water Quality data for Observation Wells

S.No.	State	District	Block	GP	Village	Site_Name	Type of well Source	e Well ID	Latitude	Longitude	Well Depth Aquifier type/ formation	Year	Year (Created)	pH E	C TD	S Total Hardness	Calcium	Magnesium	Sodium	Potassium	Carbonate	Bicarbonate Su	ılphate	Chloride 1	Fluoride	Nitrate
1	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2015	2015	7.69 3	890 238	988	218	111	428	12		529	480	658	0.31	104
2	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2016	2016	8.12	650 39	4 196	45	21	58	1		186	29	90	0.38	20
3	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2017	2017	7.52 34	400 209	5 896	198	100	360	10		500	440	532	0.35	104
4	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2018	2018	7.67 1	710 104	0 520	112	60	150	2		431	148	224	0.38	40
5	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2019	2019	7.73 14	480 89	452	101	50	130	2		402	100	196	0.36	38
6	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2020	2020	8.63	740 44	0 224	45	28	65	2	10	152	100	78	0.44	20
7	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2021	2021	7.85 12	224 83	2 530	117.8	57					80	172	0.06	38
		~	_			Gundewadi		3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2022	2022	7.05	575 3	4 142.69	34.92	13.48	0.46	99.66		356	12	83.38	0.24	52.88
9	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	Gundewadi	PZ SGWI	3 020109b	16.8169	75.0941	45 Basalt	2023														
10	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2015	2015	7.91	850 51	6 260	59	28	74	1		225	64	112	0.35	20
11	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2016	2016	8.04	940 56	18 276	62	30	88			245	58	134	0.58	24
12	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2017	2017	7.91 1	130 68	6 336	75	37	102	2		304	74	151	0.38	32
13	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2018		7.62 1			104	52	128	2		402	120	196	0.44	32
14	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2019	2019	7.73 14	490 90	2 460	101	52	128	2		397	112	196	0.42	34
15	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2020	2020	8.2 14	425 86	0 508	90	71	90	2		73	164	280	0.39	110
16	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2021	2021	7.25 14	456 99	0 588	141	69					68	212	0.02	34
17	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2022	2022	7.54 13	339 73	388.43	96.82	35.62	1.03	90.58		154.368	13.99	236.24	0.25	32.45
18	Karnataka	Belgaum	Athni	Jambagi	Jambagi	Jambagi	PZ SGWI	3 020116a	16.8441	75.0075	96.34 Basalt	2023														

Annexure – 2.2.

Template for Uploading Water quality data for New Observation Wells

Sr.No	State	District	Block	GP	Village	Site Name	Well Type	Source	Well ID	Year of Well Establishment	Latitude	Longitude Well Depth	Aquifer	Year	pН	EC	TDS	Total Hardness	Ca	Mg	Na	K	CO3	HCO3	SO4	Cl	F	NO3
														2023														
														2023														
														2023														

Annexure -3

Details of Accreditation of Water Quality Testing Laboratories

					WATER TESTING LAB				
State	Name of Accredited Water Testing Lab	Laboratory ID	Accreditation Certificate No.	Lab Address	Ownership (Government/Semi-Govt)	Name of the Accrediting Body	Date of Accreditation (dd/mm/yyyy)	Accreditation Valid up to (dd/mm/yyyy)	No. of samples analysed annually

Template for Uploading Data in Respect of Water / Energy Meters

Annexure -4

OBSERVATION WELL WITH ENERGY / WATER METER

Please note : All the photographs uploaded should have a unique ID with respect to Meter/Owner's name

State	District	Block	GP	Village	Name of the Owner of the Well	Type of well	(Tube well/Dug well/Bore well etc.)	Latitude	Longitude	Type of Meter Installed {Energy	Energy/Water Meter Geotagged Photograph	Date of Installation (DD/MM/YYYY)	*Photograph of Energy Consumption Meter	(energy meter) Bill

Please note: Copy this template in a word document/Excel file and fill in the required information/data as per the headings given in the template and upload the same on the MIS (DLI verification protocol)

*Insert the photograph inside the table in the Jpeg format

SPMU DECLARATION

Annexure -5.1

I, ______ (Name), ______ (Designation), authorised representative under State Program Management Unit (SPMU) declare that the information related to ground water data/information and reports under DLI#1 were publicly disclosed in ______ (count of) Gram Panchayat

It is hereby confirmed that the name of the Gram Panchayats mentioned below in which public disclosure of ground water data/information and reports available is vetted & approved by the undersigned officer

S.NO.	DISTRICT	BLOCK	GRAM PANCHAYAT
E.g.	Tumakuru	Tiptur	Honnavalli

Name of Officer: _____

Designation of Officer: _____

State: _____

District: _____

SPMU Office address: _____

Seal and Signature of authorised DPMU official:

Date: _____ Time: _____

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DPMU DECLARATION

Annexure -5.2

I, ______ (Name), ______ (Designation), authorised representative under District Program Management Unit (DPMU) declare that information related to ground water data/information and reports under DLI#1 were publicly disclosed in _____ (count of) Gram Panchayat of ______ District

It is hereby confirmed that the name of the Gram Panchayats mentioned below in which public disclosure of ground water data/information and reports available is vetted & approved by the undersigned officer

S.NO.	DISTRICT	BLOCK	GRAM PANCHAYAT	MODE OF PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

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Seal and Signature of authorised SPMU official:	Date:	_ Time:
DPMU Office address:		
District:		
State:		
Designation of Officer:		
Name of Officer:		