

**Recommendations to the Govt. of Rajasthan by the ‘All Party Committee’ Structured under the CUTS Initiated “Vidhayak Samvaad”**

| Water Related   | Electricity and Energy Related   | Urban and Rural Development Planning Related   | Regulation Related   |
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| <p><u>Specifically for proposed ‘State Water Policy’:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The government should finalise and announce the ‘State Water Policy’ immediately.</li> <li>• The ‘State Water Policy’ should not be contradictory in nature <i>vis-à-vis</i> other developmental policies.</li> <li>• The ‘State Water Policy’ should incorporate the entire water resources status of the state.</li> <li>• The government should give immediate priority to improve the ground water level in declared “dark zone areas” of the state.</li> <li>• The government should make legally binding for housing and commercial buildings to adopt rain water harvesting.</li> <li>• The water tariff needs to be logical. The tariff should be fixed up on “usage” and “standard of living” and the government should make metering mandatory in entire urban and rural areas.</li> <li>• There should be immediate compliance of the Supreme Court of India verdicts to retrieve water catchment areas.</li> <li>• The government should give</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In absence of competent ‘Research and Development’ (R&amp;D) institutions in the state, the infrastructure development is not possible. Hence, more &amp; more R&amp;D institutions, in line with international standard, should be established. The state should have patent up on inventions by these institutions.</li> <li>• There is greater urgency to promote solar and wind energy to meet out the energy demand. To popularise it, the public should be provided with higher subsidy. In this direction, initially, the government should make usage of solar energy compulsory for all government institutions (from the state capital down to village level).</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Due to lack of coordination among the various departments of in the state, development work does not receive intended pace. Hence, the government should take some concrete steps to ensure coordination among the various departments.</li> <li>• The government should immediately control the migration from rural areas to urban areas.</li> <li>• The government should immediately establish cell/wing in relevant urban and rural institutions/bodies providing necessary technical and other relevant information about rain water harvesting to the urban and rural citizens.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Along with finalisation of the ‘State Water Policy’, the government should establish ‘Water Regulation Commission’ on a priority basis.</li> <li>• The government should immediately fill the vacant positions of the Chairman and other Member/s of the ‘Rajasthan Electricity Regulation Commission (RERC)’. Also, must ensure regular meetings of State Advisory Committee of the RERC.</li> </ul> |

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| <p>high priority to the hard water purification plants and development of essential infrastructure for the purpose.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsidies should be maximised to promote the sprinkler irrigation and stringent rules must be framed to control the water misuse.</li> <li>• Selected best water management models in the world should be introduced in the state. For instance, the Israeli water management model could be useful for the state.</li> <li>• Considering the vital role of environment in water conservation, adequate direction should be laid down.</li> <li>• Based up on attractive subsidies, directions should be laid down for revival and development of traditional water resources.</li> <li>• Considering the quantum of water availability, in a region particular, the schemes should be formulated accordingly and it all should be envisaged in “master plan” of the region particular.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
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**The ‘All Party Committee’ meeting was held on June 04, 2008 at Rajasthan State Assembly.**