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Ministry of Jal Shakti
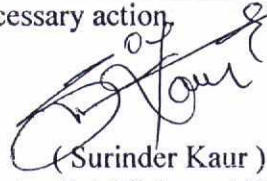Central Water Commission
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Subject: Forwarding the File/Case to D/o WR, RD & GR for vetting of Counter Affidavit by Department of Legal Affairs- Instruction of D/o, WR, RD & GR – reg.

It has been observed that on many occasion, CAT / Court Case files for vetting of Counter Affidavits by Department of Legal Affairs (DoLA), M/o Law & Justice are sent to this office only 2-3 days before the date of next hearing, thereby creating unnecessary complications. This has been viewed seriously.

2.   Therefore, all the field offices are hereby advised to send all such files to the CWC Headquarters at least three weeks in advance to the next date of hearing. The Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (DoWR, RD & GR), Ministry of Jal Shakti send these files to Department of Legal Affairs, Ministry of Law and Justice for vetting of counter affidavit, after a thorough examination of the case which is also a time consuming job at the level of both the departments viz. DoWR, RD & GR as well as DoLA. Therefore, it is necessary that all such files should reach the DoWR, RD & GR at least 15 days in advance so that the counter affidavits can be vetted in time.

3.   If the time is less than three weeks for the next hearing, then the concerned administrative Section/ field organization should seek extension form the CAT / Court for filing of Counter Affidavit and record on file that extension has been sought, before sending the file to CWC Headquarters.

4.   All field organizations, are therefore, requested to take note of the above direction of D/o WR, RD & GR and send such cases to CWC (HQ) at least 21 days before the date of next hearing so that the same can be examined and sent to the Department for necessary action.

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                All Establishment Section in CWC (HQ) for compliance of the instruction.

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