

Guidelines/Illustrative Points to be included in the Report

1. Selection of Watershed Project for Evaluation:

The selection of watershed is to be made randomly by the Institute. While preparing the report, the evaluator should, inter-alia, include brief socio-economic features of the districts including its topography. Separate report needs to be submitted for each of the selected watershed project under DPAP, DDP and IWDP of 500 ha. giving all basic information about its location (specific area), details of its project cost, complete address of the Zilla Parishad/DRDA and PIA implementing the project, ownership pattern of land community, government, private, forest land etc., may also be indicated in the report.

2. Verification of financial and other records:

- (i) The records of the project, financial as well as other records etc.:
- (ii) The expenditure has been incurred within the permissible limit of the guidelines for the items indicated therein.
- (iii) Measurement books, receipt books, muster rolls, vouchers etc.
- (iv) Whether watershed committees exist after completion of the project? If exist, what kind of activities are being undertaken for maintenance of the structures created under the project?

3. Community participation

The success of the watershed projects depend upon the community participation from the beginning. The details of community organization works should be verified whether they are as per needs and at the behest of the village community. It should be highlighted how community participation has been ensured in the implementation of the project and what activities have been undertaken as the entry point activities, their impact and details of the beneficiaries.

4. Qualitative parameters

- (i) How village level institutions are functioning (UGs, SHGs, Watershed Committee etc.)?
- (ii) Whether records of the meetings being kept properly and up to date ?
- (iii) Whether partnerships with scientific institutions has been established for required technical support ?
- (iv) Whether Watershed Development Fund has been collected ? if collected, what is the arrangement made for its utilization for maintenance of assets created under the project during the post project period ?

- (v) Number of Self Help Groups, their coverage, savings, bank linkages, purpose for which loans are being taken & how are they functioning ?
- (vi) What plans have been developed for sustainable and equitable use of common Property Resources (CPRs)?
- (vii) Have the interests of women, Dalits and landless been protected ? In what specific ways?

Quantitative
5. Qualitative parameters

- (i) Rise/recharge of ground water table/water availability;
- (ii) Additional area brought under cultivation/horticulture/afforestation;
- (iii) Changes in cropping pattern and intensity;
- (iv) Changes in agricultural productivity;
- (v) Changes in fodder & fuelwood availability;
- (vi) Changes in size and character of livestock holdings;
- (vii) Status of grazing land and their carrying capacity;
- (viii) Employment generated i.e. no of mandays created due to implementation of the project;
- (ix) Change in incomes for each household category, total & source wise;
- (x) Freedom from debt and reduction in the degree of dependence on moneylenders (including qualitative change in situation to be recorded through some specific examples);
- (xi) Reduction in out-migration (including qualitative change in situation to be recorded through narrative case studies/examples);
- (xii) Reduction in drought-vulnerability of the watershed (including qualitative change in situation to be recorded through narrative case studies/examples);
- (xiii) Detailed case studies of specific impact on farmers by the project;
- (xiv) Photographic documentation of the work and its impact;
- (xv) Mechanism for maintenance of the assets created under Watershed Programme.

6. Learning and process documentation:

What can be the experience sharing i.e. how the programme could be implemented better, constraints, if any improvement possible, changes made etc. may be indicated as a separate chapter in the report. The evaluation report should be prepared by a team having the background of social science, managements, civil/agriculture engineering & plant science.

Reporting format :

01	Preface
02	Executive Summary
03	Socio-Economic Features of the district viz. location, climatic & rainfall, soil & crops, demographic profile, literacy, work force, land use pattern etc.
04	Project-wise Analysis (IWDP, DPAP & DDP) (i) Background & general feature of the watershed (ii) Selection & planning of watershed (iii) Physical and financial target (iv) Community participation (v) Employment generation activities (vi) General impact
05	Overall impact of watershed projects (pre-project situation vis-à-vis Post Project Situation)
06	Conclusion & recommendations
07	List of tables and list of graphs