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Sub: **CREATION OF INFRASTRUCTURES ONLY AFTER ENSURING THAT THE SAME IS IMMEDIATELY USABLE ON THE COMPLETION OF WORK.**

DDA constructed two underground reservoirs of 3.5 MGD capacity each between February, 1997 and February, 2000. However, these reservoirs could not be operationalized even after five years of their completion due to lack of water. Public Accounts Committee (14th Lok Sabha) observed that there was clear mismatch between the actual the then requirement and the water being supplied by DJB. Hence, the expenditure on construction of these structures without immediate prospect of their utilization was not justified. The Committee expressed their serious displeasure over the DDA's inability to link the construction of these underground reservoirs to the actual requirements as well as the prospect of availability of water and consequent failure to operationalize them, which was nothing but an indication of poor planning and lack of co-ordination with concerned civic agencies on the part of DDA. Construction of these structures take a period of three years period was not accepted by P.A.C. despite the fact that it was responsibility of DJB to supply bulk water.

In this regard, it is pointed out that in future any infrastructure project is conceived, phased requirement of various services should be worked out and all concerned civic authorities such as BSES, NDPL, DJB etc. should be contacted. Firm commitment should be obtained before creation of such infrastructural facilities by DDA so that the scarce resources are properly utilized. Only infrastructures which are actually required and are immediately usable on completion of work should be created so as to ensure that the expenditure incurred does not remain idle. These activities should be co-ordinated by the CEs and problems, if any, should be brought out to the notice

of EM/VC, DDA for action needed, if any, at higher level. Taking up of any project without proper planning and assessment of ground realities which resulted in non-utilization of assets so created would be viewed seriously.

This issues with the approval of EM, DDA.


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