

Lessons and learnings by IndiaNPIM  
on CADWM Implementation



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Management (IndiaNPIM)**

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## Introduction to Indian Network on Participatory Irrigation Management



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- ❑ Established in February 1998 by MoWR, Gol, as a non-profit organization (Registered at Delhi as a Society under Societies Registration Act, 1860)
- ❑ Mission to promote Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM) in the Country through efforts outside the government system.



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### **Important aims and objects**

- 1) [to create databank related to PIM](#) and disseminate ideas & information on the subject in the country and abroad
- 2) [to provide a platform for exchange of experiences](#) and know-how about PIM through organizing conferences ,seminars, training courses, field visits and publications
- 3) to take up various PIM related studies along with process documentation to help in better implementation of PIM
- 4) to undertake evaluation and monitoring including process documentation of the activities related to PIM
- 5) to support research oriented action for promoting PIM

## Lessons and learnings for CADWM Program-1



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1. The state PIM Acts are cumbersome. They need to be revisited and be made simpler and farmer-friendly.
2. A good community mobilization before formation of WUAs and handholding by the NGOs in the early years is necessary for sustainable WUAs.
3. WUAs should be constituted in the beginning of the project, the earlier the better.
4. Orientation training to NGOs and PIM appreciation workshops for CAD-officials are essential to begin with.
5. Exposure trip for WUA representatives to successful sites along with NGOs/CAD Officials is helpful in motivating WUAs.
6. There is enough evidence to show that [potential utilization , water use efficiency, system maintenance and revenue collections have improved](#) wherever WUAs have become functional.



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## Lessons and learnings on CADWM Program-2

- 7) WUAs should be trained to develop a vision for command area development considering integrated water resources management.
- 8) Warabandi /assured irrigation to be facilitated by the WUAs.
- 9) The construction of field channels up to the tail end (immaterial if earthen channels) / geo-tagging of OFD works and recording in the revenue records to be ensured.
- 10) Convergence with agriculture/horticulture and allied livelihood activities and linkages with input /output management is key to robust and sustainable WUAs
- 11) Functional grants to all WUAs irrespective of CAD-Project/Non-Project. Functional grants should also be admissible to Distributary Level WUAs.
- 12) Regular monitoring , performance assessment and performance based annual awards to WUAs.

## Role of IndiaNPIM in CADWM Implementation



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1. As a Knowledge Partner in PIM implementation : State specific, project specific assistance to NGOs / CAD-officials in WUA formation
2. Providing experience sharing platform to WUA representatives/ NGOs/ CAD-Staff / line agencies through workshops, seminars, conferences.
3. Vision sharing workshops for Senior CAD/ Irrigation Officers
4. Training Needs Assessment of WUAs / NGOs / PIM implementing agencies and delivery of training in collaboration with WALMIs
5. Suggesting appropriate exposure visit sites and related assistance
6. Study Missions to assess the status of PIM and suggesting mid-course corrections.
7. Documentation of success stories on PIM
8. Assisting MoWR in monitoring effort through the data of WUAs maintained / updated on the website <http://www.aquiferindia.org>

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