

Thrust Areas identified by the Department for implementation

- I.** Launch Meghalaya Water Mission in line with the National Water Mission launched by the Union Government under National Action Plan for Climate Change and promote Meghalaya Water Resources Development Agency to take up activities relating thereto. The agency will also promote convergence and participatory development in the water sector.
- II.** Promote Meghalaya Water Foundation, a civil society organization to mobilize participation of water user communities and traditional self – governance institutions around the water sector issues.
- III.** Restructuring of Irrigation Directorate to enable it function as an effective supporting agency for newly created Water Resources
- IV.** Preparation of basin plans required for promoting optimum use of water resources.
- V.** Strengthening of the water Quality Monitoring system.
- VI.** Strengthening of knowledge management in relation to water resources, application of IT enabled services, GIS resources therein and campaign for effective awareness and capacity building of different Stake holders in the Water sector.
- VII.** Establishing Meghalaya Water Resources Regulatory Authority/ Commission.
- VIII.** Promote water harvesting with the help of renovation of water bodies and creation of Jalkunds.
- IX.** Rejuvenation of springs in order to further promote drinking water and micro irrigation security.
- X.** Preparation of Irrigation Master Plan for the state
- XI.** Work on legislations for Participatory Irrigation Management and Ground Water Regulation.
- XII.** Convergence guidelines aimed at ensuring Integrated Water Resources Development.
- XIII.** Need to protect and conserve the Catchment areas and to enforce the related laws for the purpose.
- XIV.** Detail studies on Water Resources Management for Climate Change adaptation in Meghalaya.