

Sustainable Water Management Policy

I. Overview and Purpose of Policy

Oil and Natural Gas Corporate Limited (ONGC) is committed to water resource management and efficient utilization. Sustainable water management is an integral part of the Company's corporate vision of sustainable growth that conserves and protects freshwater resources and enhances the resource efficiency at all ONGC's assets and work centers. By implementing this Sustainable Water Management Policy, the Company commits to establishing water management strategies, systems, processes, practices, and research initiatives, all with a focus on operational eco-efficiency.

II. Applicability

This policy applies throughout the entire operational lifecycle of assets, covering stages from exploration and production to operation and closure.

This policy shall apply to all establishments of ONGC, and each employee shall be made a partner in implementing the policy.

III. Policy Commitment

Through our sustainable water management policy, ONGC commits to the following:

- Develop water management practices in a sustainable and responsible manner as an integral part of its environment vision and policy.
 - Measuring water withdrawal, consumption, discharge across all operations and geographies and maintain year-on-year efforts to reduce water consumption and enhance water efficiency.
 - Publicly report on the company's water performance using consistent industry metrics, recognized approaches, and uphold transparency in the reporting process.
- Identify and address water-related risks and opportunities arising out of the Company's operations.
- Integrate water management considerations into the Company's operational strategy and financial planning.
- Implement measures to prevent water pollution across all facilities and areas by ensuring proper wastewater disposal mechanisms, including Sewage Treatment Plants or other site-specific measures, while adhering to government regulations.
- Conduct regular water quality checks at various points of use to ensure water quality across operational processes and discharge, if any.
- Introduce measures for rainwater harvesting through cutting-edge technology to preserve water, and recharge groundwater tables in ONGC's commitment to sustainable water management.
- Seek opportunities of utilizing recycled water through a holistic approach adopting best practices.

IV. Stakeholder Engagement

ONGC is committed to identifying and engaging with key internal and external stakeholders at relevant operational levels. This engagement facilitates the exchange of views on water resource related concerns and the corresponding mitigation measures.

V. Capacity Building

- ONGC shall ensure regular trainings and awareness workshops for all its employees on the Company's sustainable water management practices.
- The Company shall also conduct capacity building workshops for their Business Partners to improve their water conservation, monitoring, wastewater management.

VI. Governance Framework

- The responsibility of implementation of this policy resides with the CM&SG Department at Work Centers and Assets,
- The Board-level HSE Committee, under the guidance of the Chairman, shall be responsible for Board-level oversight over the Company's water performance,
- The policy will be reviewed annually in accordance with ONGC's commitments to sustainable water management.



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