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**EXCELLENT
CONTRIBUTION AWARD**

Shri Radhey Shyam Julania, IAS

(Addl. Chief Secretary, Panchayat and Rural Development, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh)

**For unmatched contribution in the field
of irrigation in Madhya Pradesh**

A 1985-batch IAS officer of the Madhya Pradesh cadre, Shri Radhey Shyam Julania is credited with having increased the land under irrigation in the state from 7.5 lakh hectares to 28 lakh hectares in just 6 years, and bridged the capacity and utilization gap leading to increase in irrigation by 12.5 lakh hectares besides creating new capacity addition of 8 lakh hectares. He prioritized ongoing projects by giving top priority to those projects which were near completion so that the benefits of investments start flowing without further delay. His commitment and dedication led to the completion of more than 1,500 minor, 25 medium and five major projects in the state.

Shri Julania could achieve such a feat by putting transparent systems in place for identification of new projects, assessing prefeasibility of projects, merit based sanction of new projects, and developing a model contract agreement with e-tendering and time bound award of contracts with efficient system of human resource management through assignments, transfers, rewards and punishment. Shri Julania countered all hurdles, court cases and opposition from strong lobby groups due to his sheer forthright approach and a no nonsense work culture.

IT tools were set up and systems were put in place for SMS based monitoring, weekly video conference leading to timely resolution of problems and continuous monitoring construction related issues. Budget management, fortnightly reviews and timely payment to contractors, for land acquisition and rehabilitation ensured completion of projects without cost overruns and led to substantial saving to the state government. His efforts resulted in the per hectare micro irrigation cost going down to about 1/3rd from about Rs 4.50 lakh to Rs 1.50 lakh and the per hectare irrigation cost of greenfield projects in MP becoming the lowest in the country.



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