18. SCHEME FOR INTEGRATED WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT PROJECT IN THE STATE

(i) **Departmental Long Term Objective:**
Management of natural resources for enhanced agriculture productivity on sustainable basis.

(ii) **Departmental Medium Term Objective (5 year horizon)**
(a) Conservation, development & sustainable Management of natural resources including their use.
(b) Enhancement of agriculture productivity and production in a sustainable manner.
(c) Reduction in regional disparity between irrigated & rainfed areas.
(d) Creation of sustainable employment opportunities for the community including the less.
(e) Control of soil erosion and restoring productivity in degraded lands.

(iii) **Annual Objective & Impact Expected**
The re-charging of ground water, moisture conservation, erosion control, checking of land degradation, improvement in crop productivity.

(iv) **Strategies**
Action plan from the specified districts shall be got prepared. Soil and water conservation works viz. Water Harvesting Structures, Percolation tanks, Check dams, Cratewire structures, Silt Detention dams, Drop structures, Farm ponds etc. will be executed in the specified areas. An area of about 3000 ha. will be benefitted depending upon the availability of funds.

(v) **Roll out of the scheme in Terms of Commencement of activities/projects**
Restoring of land degradation and natural resources is a continuous process.

(vi) **Cash flow requirement as per Roll Out Plan**
This is a continuous scheme.

(vii) **Reporting system/Format**
Physical and financial achievements with the area benefitted and no. of beneficiaries etc. as per the format.

(viii) **In House/Third party impact assessment method**
Third party evaluation shall be carried out after 5 years of implementation the scheme/project.

A total amount of Rs. 850.00 lac has been earmarked for the year 2017-18.