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Government of India
Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
(AMRUT Division)

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
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To,
The Principal Secretary/Secretary
Department of Urban Development,
All States / UTs.

Sub: Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for 'Cleaning of Sewers and Septic Tanks'-
Reg.

Madam/Sir,

Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has released Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for 'Cleaning of Sewers and Septic Tanks' on 19.11.2018. The SOP describes the set of procedures to be followed for cleaning of sewers and emptying of septic tanks including the precautions to be employed and the emergency preparedness.

2. This SOP together with the Manual on Sewerage and Sewage Treatment Systems, 2013, wherein, the different methods of mechanized & manual cleaning of sewers & septic tanks are discussed, will provide requisite guidance for officials to switch over to mechanized cleaning and eliminate human casualties. The detailed SOP is available at http://amrut.gov.in/writereaddata/amrut_SOP.pdf

3. I solicit your personal attention and intervention in the matter and request you to kindly issue requisite instructions to the officials concerned/ stakeholders like contractors or individuals who hire such persons to clean their sewers/ septic tanks to ensure adherence/compliance to the provisions of the SOP.

Yours faithfully



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