

**MINUTES**  
**of the Working Meeting of the IWRM-FV Project**

**Tashkent**  
Time: 15:00

**September 3, 2012**

**In attendance were:** Dukhovny, V.A., Sokolov, V.I., Umarov, Kh.U., Horst, M.G., Mirzaev, N.N., Alimdjano, A., Yakubov, Sh., Muminov, Sh., Zikriyaev, Ch., Rakhimdjano, D., and Galustyan, A.

The working meeting chaired by the Co-Director of the IWRM-FV Project from SIC ICWC Mr. V.I. Sokolov considered the progress in the key positions of the General Schedule as of September 3, 2012.

***Output A2: Basic level institutions and respective water management authorities are provided with updated tools and knowledge aimed to strengthen functionality of – and communication between – the institutions (up to 43 WUAs covered).***

*Position A2.2. Conduct training dealing with the WUA's financial and bookkeeping issues for selected WUAs. (Muminov, Sh., Zikriyaev, Ch., March-October).*

*A2.2.1 The second training stage (September-October).* The second stage of the trainings for WUA operators and accountants selected in the Sogd and Osh provinces (application of the Excel-based software “Financial and Economic Plan of WUA”), Andijan and Fergana provinces application of the Excel-based software “Financial Planning and Accounting in WUA”, which was given by the RESP-2 Project to the IWRM-FV Project) is planned to be conducted in late October or early November. The main problem to date consists in the change of the administration in some WUAs, continuous turnover of staff, weak financial standing of WUAs. It is necessary to prepare a letter (**Muminov, Sh.**) addressed to the Minister of Land Reclamation and Water Resources of the Republic of Tajikistan Bobokalonov, R.B. concerning the financial and economic standing of the WUAs in the Khodja-Bakirgan canal zone.

*Position A2.4a. Conduct training in the water use and water distribution within WUA contours. (Ergashev, I., Alimdjano, A., Yakubov, Sh., March-October).*

*A2.4a.1 The second training stage (September-October):* The second stage of the trainings for WUA operators and accountants is planned to be conducted in late October or early November. Target-oriented works in some WUAs related to additional training and monitoring of WUA employees in using the daily planning and accounting software will be organized after the managers of the SDC Local Office decide to allocate additional funds for the SIC ICWC Regional Group travel allowances the request for which was sent to SDC on 21 June.

*Position A2.5. Complete practical testing and debugging of the software for water delivery control in the WUA "Akbarabad". (Solodkiy, G.F., Alimdjano, A., April-September):* The tests of the water supply control software installed in the WUA "Akbarabad" are in progress.

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**Ch. Zikriyaev, D. Rakhimdjano, Sh. Muminov** must strengthen control over:

- implementation of the financial plan, provision of water supply services, and receipt of funds; particular attention should be paid to homestead lands and orchards;
- receipt of payment in kind and recognition of it in accounts;

- receipt of funds allocated for WUAs based on the state-order related tranche.

The Cabinet of Ministers was sent the letter No. 90 dd. 9 April 2012 which said of the legitimation of WUA water supply services. The answer under No. 03/103-105 dd. 26.06.2012 was received. For terminal decision of the issue, a meeting of the SIC ICWC Director Prof. V.A. Dukhovny with the Tax Committee Chair is planned to be held.

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*Position A3.1: Complete the certification of WUAs (Mirzaev, N.N., Malikov, T., Ergashev, I., July-October): data are specified and appropriate changes are entered: level of the certification of WUAs in Kyrgyzstan is 100%; in Tajikistan – 72%; in Uzbekistan – 89%.*

***Output B1: The consolidated and documented project experience is approved by an editorial commission. (Mirzaev, N.N.).***

*Position B1.1: Finalize the instructions how to deal with local governmental (self-administration) bodies with the view of strengthening the organizational and financial capacities of WUAs (May-August). Draft instruction is submitted to the Uzbekistan NCSG for consideration.*

*Position B1.2: Finalize recommendations on water demand management approach dissemination for trainers, WLC members, and educational institutions (March-May). Draft ideology is submitted to the Uzbekistan NCSG for consideration.*

*Position B1.3: Finalize the instruction on the organization of the transition to the volume-based method of payment for WUA services (June-August). Draft instruction is submitted to the Uzbekistan NCSG for consideration.*

*Position B1.4: Finalize the collection of training materials package on the institutional aspects of IWRM (May-August). Collection of training materials has been prepared.*

*Position B1.5: Summarize recommendations for decision makers concerning the measures aimed at strengthening the financial viability of IWRM structures. (March-November, with the involvement of Sh. Muminov and Ch. Zikriyaev). When preparing the recommendations, the materials of the previous project phase will be taken as the basis; in particular, the recommendations on the development of the financial and economic mechanism of IWRM which were submitted to the Cabinet of Ministers in 2010. **Sh. Muminov** and **Ch. Zikriyaev** shall give the package of the recommendations to **N. Mirzaev** for him to improve and complete those.*

**Project Leader  
from SIC ICWC**

**Sokolov, V.I**