

## Cost Norm

44. General cost norm for Watershed Development Projects will be as per Annexure-I. Cost estimates for each work item and project activity shall be worked out as per Standard Schedule of Rates (SSR) approved by the States Governments in representative areas.

## Funding Pattern

45. Depending upon the eco-system and major problems faced by different districts/blocks, each Watershed Development Project shall be eligible for funds as per the funding pattern prescribed in Annexure-II for the whole project period. Department of Land Resources, Government of India may extend the project period in deserving cases without enhancement of cost and reduction of work components. This amount shall be divided amongst the following project components subject to the percentage ceiling mentioned against each :-

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(i) Watershed Treatment/Development Works/Activities	80%
(ii) Watershed Community Organization including entry point activities	5%
(iii) Training	5%
(iv) Administrative Overheads	10%
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

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46. Under the Watershed Development Programme, sizeable amount of funds is made available for capacity building and training. However, it is observed that in several cases, these funds are not being utilized fully. While it should be our endeavour to attach due importance to this crucial activity, it should also be ensured that funds allocated for capacity building and training are spent meaningfully and to the fullest extent.