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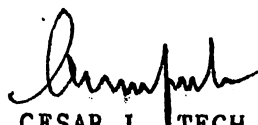
**SUBJECT : Guidelines in the Reappointment of Ditchtenders Under the Reorganization**

Based on reports of operation and maintenance of national irrigation systems submitted by field offices it has been observed that there is still a big difference between service area and actual planted area. Moreover, the irrigators associations have taken over maintenance of some canal sections. In view of these developments, the following guidelines on filling of ditchtender positions shall be followed until further notice:

- a) As a rule, only areas that are planted both in the dry and in the wet seasons shall be provided with ditchtenders on the monthly basis.
- b) Canals in areas served or planted only in either the dry or the wet season shall be maintained by irrigators associations or individual farmers on contractual basis or by daily ditchtenders, whichever is applicable.
- c) Monthly ditchtenders presently assigned to one-season areas may be reappointed, provided that once the position is vacated the same shall no longer be filled.
- d) All proposals for reappointment of ditchtenders shall be accompanied by the following information:
  - 1) total service area of system;
  - 2) area planted during both the dry and wet seasons (average for 1982 to 1984);

- 3) area planted during wet or dry season only;
- 4) number of ditchtenders' sections turned over to irrigators associations or individual farmer for maintenance; and
- 5) number of monthly ditchtenders in the system.

For strict compliance.

  
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