



**Maharashtra Water Resources
Regulatory Authority
(MWRRA)**

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**Conditional Clearance to Panchala
(M.I.) Storage Tank in Washim
District under Vidarbha Irrigation
Development Corporation, Nagpur,
by MWRRA under Sec.11 (f) of Act.**

Ref : १) मु.अ. (वि.प्र) जलसंपदा विभाग, अमरावती यांचे पत्र क्र.

२४४१/तांशा/पंचाळा/मजनिप्रा/२००९ दिनांक ०२/०६/२००९

AUTHORITY MEMORANDUM

1.00 Section 11 (f) of the MWRRA Act (Act No.XVIII of 2005) reads as below:

“To review and clear water resources projects proposed at the sub-basin and river basin level to ensure that a proposal is in conformity with Integrated State Water Plan and also with regard to the economic, hydrologic and environmental viability and where relevant, on the State's obligations under Tribunals, Agreements, or Decrees involving interstate Entitlements:

Provided that, while clearing the new water resources projects by the concerned for construction proposed by River Basin Agencies, the Authority shall ensure that Governor's Directives issued from time to time, relating to investment priority for removal of regional imbalance are strictly observed;

Provided further that, in respect of the projects situated in Marathwada and Vidarbha Regions, the powers to accord administrative approval or revised administrative approval, under this clause, shall in accordance with the Governor's directives, be exercised by the concerned River Basin Agency”.

- 2.00 The Panchala (M.I.) Storage Tank, Taluka Washim, District Washim in Painganga sub basin of Godavari Basin, was received for clearance by MWRRA under above mentioned Section of the Act, vide above Reference.
- 3.00 (i) Panchala (M.I.) Storage Tank has been cleared by CE (SP), WRD, Amravati for water availability of 2.296 Mm³ at proposed site based on Government's letter dated 18/03/2008 which is in turn based on a study by C.E. (H.P.) Nashik. This project is coming in the catchment of Completed Upper Painganga Project (Major). This Study state that water available upto Upper Painganga Project at 75% dependability is 915.18 Mm³; at 50% dependability is 1,403.36 Mm³ & annual average is 1,563.38 Mm³. So for the new MI projects, water saved from Kharif irrigation is given to Washim District (95.19 Mm³) & Hingoli District (24.41 Mm³). So total water use upto Upper Painganga Project is 1,417.83 Mm³ & is available at dependability of 49.64 %. However WRD vide its letter dated 18/03/2008 & 04/04/2008 state that from the catchment of Upper Painganga Project, 105.16 Mm³ [Washim District - 80.72 Mm³ & Hingoli District - 24.41 Mm³] water is available for future projects.
- (ii) The BC ratio is more than 1 for this Project and is in backlog area.
- (iii) The project is within prescribed cost norms in terms of Rs / 1000 cu.m. of Gross Storage.
- (iv) This Project is in Washim District, which is a back log district. The irrigation back log in Akola District (including Washim District) as on June 1994 is 1,77,280 ha in SRE and balance backlog of June 1994 as on June 2008 is 1,06,680 ha in SRE. This Project has a total potential in SRE of about 853 ha.
- 4.00 While allocation of water at a dependability lower than 75% required to remove irrigation backlog, affects performance of an existing major and medium project in the sub-basin which are already techno economically approved as per existing norm of 75% dependability for major and medium projects in an inter state basin. Thus the distress in form of water availability is being shared by existing and new projects with a view to remove irrigation backlog by lowering

the dependability for water availability from 75% to upto average flow. This revised policy will have to be got approved from the State Government keeping all techno-economic and legal aspects in view and construction of Panchala (M.I.) Storage Tank may be taken up only after the approval to this policy

- 5.00 Environmental clearance is required for this project as per Notification of Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, September 2006. The environmental angle clearance may be obtained from Competent Authority as stipulated by MoEF.
- 6.00 It is presumed that Panchala (M.I.) Storage Tank does not involve diversion of forest land. A certificate to this effect needs to be furnished from concerned Forest Dept.
- 7.00 The MWRRA is, therefore, pleased to accord Conditional clearance to Panchala (M.I.) Storage Tank under Sec.11 (f) of the MWRRA Act as per salient features appended herewith subject to compliance of condition mentioned in Para - 4 above, environment clearance and certificate required for forest clearance.
- 8.00 This clearance is issued under reference No. 76 dated 09/06/2009 and is registered under MWRRA / 2009 / PRCL / VIDC / 17-1MI/ 176 dated 09/06/2009 in the office of the Authority.
- 9.00 The Receipt of this Memorandum may please be acknowledged.

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(S.V. Sodal)
Secretary, MWRRA

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- 1) Secretary (WR), WRD, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 2) Executive Director, Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation (VIDC), Sinchan Seva Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440 001.
- 3) Chief Engineer (S.P.), Water Resources Department, Sinchan Seva Bhavan, Shivaji Nagar, Camp, Amravati - 444 603.

Conditional Clearance by MWRRRA to Panchala (M.L.) Storage Tank in VIDC, Nagpur

Sr. No.	Name of Project / Taluka / District	Catchment Area Sq Km.	Basin/ Sub-basin	Annual Utilisation in Mm ³				I.C.A. Ha	Cost in Lakh	Cost/ T.C.M	Govt. yard-stick Cost/ T.C.M.	B/C Ratio	Whether Project lies in Backlog District or otherwise	Remarks	
				Irrigation	Drinking	Industry	Evaporation								Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	Panchala (M.L.) Storage Tank, Taluka Washim, District Washim	5.875	Godavari/ Painganga	1.6585	0.3152	NIL	0.3232	2.2969	530	538.896	24,220	29,023	1.24	Yes	Water Clearance by C.E.(SP) WRD, Amravati