Conditional Clearance to
Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I.
Tank in Amravati District by
MWRRA under Sec.11 (f) of Act.

Ref : 1) मु.अ. जलसंपदा विभाग, अमरावती पत्र क्र. १७५/प्र/मू/भूगा०
(अष्टमासिख्टी) सं.बृ. ल.प.यो. /२००९ दिनांक २५/०२/२००९

2) C.E. (WR) WRD, Amravati’s fax-letter no. cewrdamt

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 Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank, Taluka Achalpur, District Amravati, is in Purna sub basin of Tapi basin, was received for clearance by MWRRA under above mentioned Section of the Act, vide above Ref no. 1.

3.00 (i) Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank has been cleared by C.E.,(S.P.) WRD, Amravati for water availability of 6.376 Mm³ at 50% dependability at proposed site based on Government’s letter dated 01/01/2009 which is in turn based on a study by C.E. (H.P.) Nashik on water Availability for future projects in Purna sub basin in Tapi basin up to Jigaon Project. This Project is coming in sub catchment ‘B’. The total water available for utilisation from sub catchment ‘B’ at 75% dependability is 238.45 Mm³; at 50% dependability is 319.06 Mm³ & annual average is 324.10 Mm³. For the future projects, 104.75 Mm³ water will be utilised & thus total water utilisation in sub catchment ‘B’ is 238.45 Mm³ which is equal to 75% dependable flow. But this project will affect the dependability of Jigaon Project by reducing its dependability from 75% to 59%.

(ii) The BC ratio is more than 1 for this project & is in backlog area.

(iii) This project is within prescribed cost norms in terms of Rs / 1000 cu.m. of Gross Storage.

(iv) Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank is in Amravati District, which is a back log district. The irrigation back log in Amravati District as on June 1994 is 2,09,640 ha in SRE and balance backlog of June 1994 as on June 2008 is 90,280 ha in SRE. This Project has a total potential in SRE of about 1,117 ha if implemented.
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 Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank in Amravati District 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 State Level Committee as per the stipulation in the MoEF’s Notification as above.

6.00 It is presumed that this Project does not involve diversion of forest land. A certificate to this effect needs to be furnished from concerned Forest Dept.

7.00 C.E. (WRD) WRD Amravati, vide Ref no. 2, stated that against balance backlog of 90,280 ha in SRE as on June 2008 in Amravati District 59,550 ha in SRE potential will be created in 3 – years i.e. till June 2011 through 43 – ongoing major, medium & minor projects. Thus to comply with Hon. Governor’s directives for Annual Plan 2009 – 10 that backlog should be removed preferably by 2010, new MI projects are required to be cleared for quick creation of potential.

8.00 The MWRRA is, therefore, pleased to accord Conditional clearance to Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank in Amravati District under Sec.11 (f) of the MWRRA Act as per salient features appended herewith subject to compliance of condition mentioned in Para – 4 above, environmental clearance & forest clearance.
9.00 This clearance is issued under reference No. 82 dated 16/07/2009 and is registered under MWRRA / 2009 / PRCL / VIDC / 12-3MI / 300 dated 16/07/2009 in the office of the Authority.

10.00 The Receipt of this Memorandum may please be acknowledged.

Encl: Abstract Sheet

(S.V. Sodal)
Secretary, MWRRA

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(2) Executive Director, Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation (VIDC), Sinchan Seva Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440 001.
(3) Chief Engineer (WR), Water Resources Department, Sinchan Seva Bhavan, Shivaji Nagar, Camp, Amravati – 444 603.
Conditional Clearance by MWRRA to Bhugaon (Ashtmasidhdhi) L.M.I. Tank in VIDC, Nagpur

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