

## Maharashtra Water Resources Regulatory Authority (MWRRA)

## महाराष्ट्र जलसंपत्ती नियमन प्राधिकरण

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To, Chief Engineer (WR), Water Resources Department, Sinchan Seva Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440 001.

> Sub: No objection for processing for environmental & forest clearance and keeping on shelf by MWRRA to the Kuwadhas Nalla (Medium) Project in Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corp (VIDC), Nagpur

- Ref: 1) मु.अ.(जलसंपदा) जलसंपदा विभाग, नागपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. ३१०३/नातां-४/कुवाढास/०९ दिनांक १०/०८/२००९
  - 2) मु.अ.(जलसंपदा) जलसंपदा विभाग, नागपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. ३५७५/नातां-४/कुवाढास/०९ दिनांक ०८/०९/२००९
- 1.00 Kuwadhas Nalla (Medium) Project, Taluka Salekasa, District Gondia in Middle Wainganga sub-basin of Godavari basin was received for clearance by MWRRA under Section 11 (f) of the Act, vide Ref No. - 1 & 2.
- 2.00 There is no financial backlog in Gondia District as on 01/04/2009. The percentage of irrigation potential created in Gondia District as on June 2008 is 98.65 % which is more than 35.11% State average of June 1994 i.e. before June 2008 the backlog was already removed. This Project will create additional potential in SRE of about 5,960 ha if implemented. Hence there is no need to take up new irrigation projects in Gondia District.

- 3.00 The project presently meets the required techno-economic norms relating to hydrology & B/C ratio.
- **4.00** 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.
- 5.00 This project involve diversion of 233.35 ha forest land. A clearance for diversion of this forest land needs to be obtained from MoEF & no work should be initiated on this project without approval.
- 6.00 The MWRRA is pleased to convey its <u>No objection</u> to VIDC, Nagpur vide Para 30 and 40 of Hon. Governor's directives for the annual plan 2009 10, to the extent that this project is given Administrative Approval along with necessary budget provision for purpose of obtaining statutory clearance i.e. environment and forest clearance. Thereafter the project may be <u>kept on shelf</u> till April 2010 when districtwise backlog will come up for review.
- 7.00 If on completion of the review, the need for this project established, the project may be resubmitted to MWRRA with revised techno-economic viability with reference to updated cost & compliance of condition mentioned in Para 4 and 5 above for according clearance under Section 11 (f) of the MWRRA Act, 2005 to evoke implementation of this project.

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Secretar

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- 1. Secretary (WR), WRD, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
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