Maharashtra Water Resources Regulatory Authority (MWRRA)

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No. MWRRA/2010/PRCL/MKVDC/41-IMI/377

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Clearance to Lift cum Drip Irrigation Pilot Project for 6 villages in Chikotra Valley in Kolhapur district under MKVDC, Pune under Section 11 (f) of the Act.

Ref : 1) MKVDC letter No. MKVDC/(16/05)/(233/05)/MP-31
     Dated 8-4-2010.
2) Governor’s office letter dt. 7-11-2009 addressed to Secretary, CAD, WRD.

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 Executive Director, MKVDC, Pune vide letter no. (1) under reference has submitted the Lift cum Drip Irrigation Pilot Project for 6 villages in Chikotra valley in Krishna basin for approval of the Authority. The project is proposed for integrated conversation, distribution and utilization of water for maximum possible area to increase agriculture production. The project includes following 6 villages in Kolhapur district.

i) Bamne
ii) Begawade
iii) Belewadi - Hubalgi
iv) Belewadi - Kallamma
v) Hasur Bk
vi) Mangnoor

3.00. The inclusion of 6 villages and cost sharing ratio of 80% (Government) and 20% (beneficiary) was sanctioned by the Cabinet Sub Committee on 21-09-2006 and on 28-1-2008.

4.00. As per the decision of Cabinet Sub Committee in its meeting held on 20-11-2008, the water for these 6 lift schemes will be made available from the Chikotra medium project.

5.00. The total cost of the scheme is Rs. 2508.78 lakhs on the basis of CSR 2007-08, with an irrigation of 1417 ha.

6.00. The B.C. ratio of the project is 1.8 which is more than prescribed norm of 1.00. As the scheme is economically feasible, MKVDC has recommended the scheme for approval of MWRRA.

7.00. Although Kolhapur district is not a financial or physical backlog district, the proposed pilot project has been approved as a special case for implementation after 1-4-2010 by the Hon’ble Governor as conveyed vide reference at Sr. No. (2)

8.00 Environmental clearance is required for these projects as per Notification of Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, September 2006 even these projects are categorized under minor irrigation project. The environmental angle clearance may be obtained from State Level Committee as per the stipulation in the MoEF’s Notification as above.

9.00. It is presumed that this project does not involve diversion of forest land. A certificate to this effect needs to be furnished.
10.00. It should be ensured that the projected irrigation potential and projected benefits of Chikotra medium project remain unaffected by implementation of this Lift cum Drip Irrigation Project in Chikotra valley.

11.00. The project after its completion has to be handed over to the beneficiaries who will meet full cost of operation & maintenance.

12.00. The MWRRA is, therefore, pleased to accord clearance to this project under Sec. 11 (f) of the MWRRA Act.

13.00. This clearance is issued under reference No. 377 dated 17-4-2010 and is registered under No. MWRRA/2010/PRCL/MKVDC/41-LMI/96 dated 17-4-2010 in the office of the Authority.

14.00 The Receipt of this Memorandum may please be acknowledged.

(S.V. Sodah)
Secretary, MWRRA

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