



**Minutes of the 401st meeting of KWA held on 24/04/2018
at 10.30 a.m. in the Conference Hall, VIIIth Floor, CCU Building,
KWA, Jalabhavan, Thiruvananthapuram.**

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Present:

1. Sri.Tom Jose IAS	Chairman KWA, Additional Chief Secretary, Labour and Skills Department with full Additional charge of Taxes (Excise) and Water Resources Department.
2. Sri. Raveendran T.	Technical member
3. Sri. Alex Kannamala	Member
4. Sri. Chettachal Sahadevan	Member
4. Sri. T.V. Balan	Member
5. Sri V. Murugadas	Member
6. Sri. Sreekumar M.	Secretary, KWA

Item No. I (1) Minutes of the 400th meeting held on 15/02/2018

The Authority confirmed the Minutes of the 400th meeting held on 15/02/2018.

Item No. II (1) Review of Action Taken in the Previous Meetings

The Authority noted the Action Taken Report presented in the item. It is observed that there are 75 pending cases for which action on the Authority decisions is to be taken. Many of them are more than five years old. The Authority after discussions directed to place separate agenda on these items explaining the status and the actions already taken.

Resolution by Circulation	State Plan Proposal-2017-18-Optimization of production and transmission-CARWSS to Kozhinjampara and adjoining villages of Chittur Taluk in Palakkad District- Pipe replacement project-Replacing existing 300mm AC Raw Water Pumping Main with 500mm DI K9. Supplying, laying, testing, commissioning and maintenance of 500mm DI K9 Raw Water Pumping Main
Item No. III (1)	


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Res. No.10661 The Authority ratified the Resolution issued by circulation.

Item No. IV (1) Scarcity of Funds under Capital Works - Overdraft Facility to Contractor – Extending the period of Applicability to 31-03-2019

Res. No.10662 The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. As per Resolution No.10144 of the 379th Board meeting payment of contractors bills pending under capital works by availing overdraft facility from SBT amounting to ₹100.00 Crore, was sanctioned and made operational in Water Authority. Later vide Resolution 10425 of 390th meeting of the Board it was resolved to avail an enhancement of overdraft to ₹200.00 Crore and resolved to release the payment of bills to the contractors at their option to receive the payment immediately after the receipt of sanction order of funds from Government. This scheme was made applicable to all the funds requests received under capital works i.e NABARD/NRDWP/State Plan vide Resolution No.10491 of the 391st meeting of the Board. Now, there are bills pending under NRDWP/State Plan amounting to Rs.255.00 Crore and contractors are approaching for the payment of bills under O/D Facility. The Authority **resolved to extend the payment of contractor's bills under overdraft facility till 31-03-2019 on the same terms and conditions.**

Item No. IV (2) Budget Estimates for the year 2018-19 and the revised estimates for the year 2017-18

Deferred.

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. It is observed that the details are to be presented in a clear format. The details of spillover projects have to be specified. It is also noted that the district wise list of projects needs to be provided with the implementation period. The expenditure on each project for the proposed year and till completion needs


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to be mentioned. A priority list for projects needs to be prepared based on the current scenario and the same shall be discussed in the Authority meeting. After detailed discussions, the Authority directed to present the budget along with the additional details of district wise list of schemes, implementation period, yearly fund allotment required until completion etc. in the next meeting.

Item No. IV (3) Revenue receipts and payment for the period 01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018

Res. No. 10663 The Authority noted the contents of the item.

The Authority discussed in detail about the consumption pattern and wastage of water. With more and more area struggling with droughts, the need for conserving water is more than ever. Strategies and plans have to be evolved for creating awareness among the public for reducing the usage of treated water for other purposes. The demand estimation for future needs is to be carried out. Equitable distribution of available water resource is also of prime concern. Considering the above, the Authority **resolved to engage a consultant for conducting a study on the present situation of water supply, future needs for drinking water, utilization and allocation of financial and physical resources, the available resources and suggest strategies for future activities of the Authority.**

Item No. V (1) AMRUT 2017-18 – WSS to Kannur Corporation - Rehabilitation of existing old distribution networks, valves, house service connections and interconnection with existing lines of Elayavoor Zone

Res. No.10664 The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and noted that the subject tender is the first tender for the work. Three bidders submitted their offers out of which two were prequalified. The lowest tenderer is M/s Ultracon


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Constructions Pvt. Ltd., Goa with the quoted amount of Rs. 9,99,26,211/- which is at 4% above tendered PAC of Rs. 9,60,82,849/- based on DSR 2016 and 9.04% below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs. 10,98,55,378/-. The Authority resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "AMRUT 2017-18 – WSS to Kannur Corporation - Rehabilitation of existing old distribution networks, valves, house service connections and interconnection with existing lines of Elayavoor Zone" to M/s Ultracon Construction Pvt. Ltd., Goa with the quoted amount of Rs. 9,99,26,211/- which is at 4% above tendered PAC of Rs.9,60,82,849/- based on DSR 2016 and 9.04% below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs 10,98,55,378/-, with the following directions.

1. All the existing service connections have to be fully disconnected from the existing service main and shifted to the newly laid rider main.
2. Being LS tender the tendering authority may be directed to prepare the billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing order.

Item No. V (2) AMRUT SAAP- 2016-17 & 2017-18 WSS to Kannur Corporation Enhancing capacity of Treatment Plant at Chavasseryparamba from 30 MLD to 40 MLD

Res. No.10665 The Authority discussed the agenda and noted that the subject tender is the first tender for the work. Two bidders have submitted their offers and both are prequalified. The lowest tenderer is Sri. K.Kannan with the quoted amount of Rs. 7,82,21,000/-which is at 9.26% above tendered PAC of Rs. 7,15,88,396/- based on DSR 2016 and 9.34% below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs. 8,62,87,611/-. The Authority after discussions resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "AMRUT SAAP 2016-17 & 2017-18 WSS to Kannur Corporation Enhancing capacity of Treatment Plant at


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Chavasseryparamba from 30 MLD to 40 MLD" to the lowest tenderer Sri.K Kannan, Kannur at the quoted amount of Rs. 7,82,21,000/-(including all taxes) which is at 9.26% above tendered PAC of Rs. 7,15,88,396/- based on DSR 2016 and 9.34% below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs. 8,62,87,611/- with direction to the tendering authority to prepare the billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing order.

Item No. V (3) ~~AMRUT-2017-18~~ -- WSS to Kannur Corporation -- Rehabilitation of existing old network, valves, house connections and interconnection with existing line in Edakkad Zone

Res. No.10666

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and noted that the subject tender is the first tender for the work. Out of the three offers received and prequalified in the present tender, the lowest tenderer is Sri.M.Aboobacker, Kasargod JV with M/s Wibro Construction Co Pvt Ltd, with the quoted amount of Rs. 6,79,35,937/- which is at 7.10 % below the tendered PAC of Rs. 7,31,28,027/- based on DSR 2016 and 18 % below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs. 8,28,48,854/-. The Authority resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "Rehabilitation of existing old network, valves, house connections and interconnection with existing line in Edakkad Zone" to lowest tenderer Sri. M.Aboobacker, Kasargod JV with M/s Wibro Construction Co. Pvt. Ltd., Goa at their quoted amount of Rs. 6,79,35,937/- which is at 7.10 % below tendered PAC of Rs. 7,31,28,027/- based on DSR 2016 and 18 % below the TPAC based on the LMR estimate amount of Rs. 8,28,48,854/- with the following directions.

1. All the existing service connections have to be fully disconnected from the existing service main and shifted to the newly laid rider main.
2. The Tendering Authority may be directed to include all the items as per sanctioned estimate such as valves


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and specials as part of billing schedule.

3. Being LS tender the tendering authority may be directed to prepare the billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing order.

4. Credit rating /Solvency Certificate for a minimum of Rs. 73.13.Lakhs shall be collected from M/s. Wibro Construction Co Pvt Ltd. before awarding the work.

Item No. V (4) AMRUT 2017-18 – Supplying and Laying new Distribution Line to Elayavoor Zone, Providing House Connections and Inter Connections With Existing Line

Res. No.10667

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and noted that the subject tender is the first tender for the work. Out of the three offers received, the lowest offer was from Sri.M.Aboobacker, Chembalam House, Chengala P.O, Kasargod Joint Venture with M/s.Sabeeb Constructions, Goa who quoted an amount of Rs. 5,83,17,848/- which is 3.19% below the tendered PAC of Rs. 6,02,45,710/- and 17.32% below LMR based PAC of Rs. 7,05,34,613/-. It is further noted that the lowest bidder has submitted the tender by Sri.M.Aboobacker on behalf of himself and M/s Wibro Constructions. But the Joint Venture Consortium agreement is signed between Sri M.Aboobacker & M/s Sabeeb Constructions on 21.02.2018 wherein the same is seen notary attested on a date before the date of the agreement which makes the consortium agreement void. Moreover, the tender is seen submitted on a date prior to JV/notary attested agreement which cannot be accepted. In the submitted Q8 format only the lead partner has submitted the details but nothing is mentioned about the JV partner M/s Sabeeb Constructions. Hence considering the above discrepancies and as per NIT clause 7.18.1 the Tender Committee recommended to reject the tender submitted by Sri.M.Aboobacker, Chembalam House, Chengala P.O, Kasargod Joint venture with M/s.Sabeeb Constructions,Goa and to recommend the L2 bidder M/S Ultracon construction


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Pvt. Ltd., Goa at the lowest quoted amount of Rs. 5,83,17,848/- (L1 rate) subject to the condition that the L3 bidder is financially and technically qualified and after getting the confirmation of L2 bidder to take up the work at the L1 rate with the following directions or else to retender the work. The tendering authority has reported that the L2 bidder M/s Ultracon construction Pvt. Ltd Goa is not willing to take up the work at L1 rates.

The Authority discussed the matter in detail and resolved to accord sanction to award the work to M/s Ultracon constructions Pvt. Ltd., Margao, Goa at their quoted amount of Rs. 6,38,60,211.00 which is 5.99% above the TPAC of 6,02,45,710.

It is further directed that in future tenders if any tenderer is disqualified, the reason for disqualification shall be clearly stated along with the standard against which such disqualification was done. A circular to this effect shall also be issued.

Item No. V (5)

SPAN- NABARD assisted WSS to Cheekode and adjoining village - Package II-A-Design, supply, erection, getting approval, testing and commissioning of various capacity transformers and construction of substation building- Revised estimate

Res. No.10668

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. The Revised Estimate for the subject work was placed before the 400th meeting of Kerala Water Authority held on 15-02-2018 and the Authority noted that the technical sanction issuing authority has altered the design of the raw water pump sets and carried out the work. In the DER two pump sets of 720HP (100% stand bye) was proposed which was changed to 3 Nos 350HP (50% stand bye) citing improvement of efficiency and reducing capital/ maintenance cost. The Authority directed to submit the details of Rule/ Circular which empower the TS issuing authority to alter the DER. As per clause "2111. Deviations and Extra Items" under PWD



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Manual Revised Edition 2012, alterations in sanctioned designs, except of minor nature, shall not be made in a work without the approval of the TS authority. The Authority after discussions resolved to approve the revised estimate for the work of "SPAN – NABARD assisted WSS to Cheekkode and adjoining village – Package IIA – Design, supply, erection, getting approval, testing and commissioning of various capacity transformers and construction of substation building "for an amount of Rs. 2,87,56,716/- which is in excess of 6.31% above the tendered PAC of Rs. 2,70,50,003/-, as recommended by the RE committee.

The Authority noted that there has been considerable delay in the processing of the revised estimate. Hence the authority decided to call for an explanation from the concerned officers namely Sri.Anil R., AE, Smt. Deepa Rani L.S., AEE, Smt. Geethakumari. L, EE, Sri. Prakash Idiculla, DCE (W), and Sri. S. Haris, CE (Projects and Operations).

The Authority opined that the revised estimates shall be submitted for approval at least during the stage of 50% completion of the project. It is noted there is an inordinate delay in the processing and approval of revised estimates. This causes undue hardships for disbursement of the contract payments which in turn can affect the progress of ongoing works. Hence the Authority felt that the process is to be speeded up. Necessary steps may be taken in consultation with field officers. The Authority directed the Technical Member to submit a proposal to the Board on the processing of Revised estimates.

Item No. V (6)

AMRUT – 2016-17- Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Palakkad Municipality Phase II - Package I – Supplying and Laying and commissioning 600 mm DI K9 CWPM including construction of MS fabricated bridge for river and canal crossing, Railway crossing by horizontal drilling method, design and construction of 16LL OHSR(Staging


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height 15 mtr), supply and fixing of flow meters including trial run and maintenance in Palakkad district.

Res. No.10669

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and noted that this is the first retender and four bidders participated and all were pre-qualified. The lowest offer was received from M/s Chicago Constructions International Pvt. Ltd, who quoted an amount of Rs. 7,55,00,000/- which is 5.82% below the tendered PAC of Rs. 8,01,70,724/- based on DSR 2014. The LMR estimate is seen submitted by SE, PHC, Palakkad for an amount of Rs. 9,75,50,020/- which is greater than the quoted amount. The Authority resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "AMRUT – 2016-17- Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Palakkad Municipality Phase II - Package I – Supplying and Laying and commissioning 600 mm DI K9 CWPM including construction of MS fabricated bridge for river and canal crossing, Railway crossing by horizontal drilling method, design and construction of 16LL OHSR(Staging height 15 mtr), supply and fixing of flow meters including trial run and maintenance in Palakkad district"- to the lowest tenderer M/s Chicago Constructions International Pvt. Ltd, Thiruvananthapuram at their quoted amount of Rs. 7,55,00,000/- which is 5.82% below the tendered PAC of Rs. 8,01,70,724/- based on DSR 2014 with direction to the tendering authority to prepare the billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing circular.

Item No. V (7)

AMRUT – 2017-18- Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Palakkad Municipality Phase III - Package I - Construction of 37 LL & 23.50 LL OHSR (Staging heights- 15 mtr each) at Mattumantha & Moothanthara - Supply and erection of raw water and clear water pump sets in Palakkad Municipality

Res. No.10670

The Authority discussed the subject tender and noted that this is the first tender for the work and four offers were received and all were pre-qualified. The lowest offer is received from M/s J&B Construction Company, Thiruvalla



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who quoted the lowest amount of ₹. 13,19,95,160/- which is 7% above the tendered PAC of ₹. 12,33,59,963/-. On verification of the Tendered PAC calculation, some errors were noted and hence the same has been revised to ₹. 12,30,78,499/- thereby the quoted amount by the lowest bidder M/s J&B Construction Company, Thiruvalla becomes 7.24% above revised tendered PAC and 11.4% below the tendered PAC based on LMR estimate of ₹. 14,90,06,192/-.

The Authority resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "AMRUT – 2017-18 - Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme to Palakkad Municipality Phase III - Package I - Construction of 37 LL & 23.50 LL OHSR (Staging heights- 15 mtr each) at Mattumantha & Moothanthara - Supply and erection of raw water and clear water pump sets in Palakkad Municipality" to the lowest tenderer M/s J&B Engineering and Construction Company, at their quoted amount of ₹. 13,19,95,160/- which is 7.24% above the revised tendered PAC of ₹. 12,30,78,499/- with direction to the tendering authority to prepare the billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing circular and to incorporate all items included in the estimate as part of the same.

Item No. V (8) AMRUT – Augmentation & modernization of water Supply distribution system in Alappuzha Municipality - Phase I - Construction of 28 LL capacity OHSR and connected works in Aliserry-Tender

Res. No.10671 The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. It is noted that the subject tender is the first tender. Two bidders participated in the tender and both were pre-qualified by CE(CR) based on the decision of STC – TA Committee. Among them, the lowest amount is quoted by Sri.Shahul Hameed.V, who quoted an amount of Rs. 9,94,00,000/- which is 8.77% above the TPAC of Rs. 9,13,84,267/- based on DSR 2016. LMR amount is reported as Rs. 9,80,40,166/-


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and the lowest quoted amount is found to be 1.37% above LMR. Working estimate for the subject work was sanctioned by CE(CR) for an amount of Rs.914 lakhs based on DSR 2016. Tender Committee also noted that the acceptable rate of the subject tender is LMR amount Rs. 980,40,166/- being the least among 10% excess of Tendered PAC based on DSR, LMR estimate amount and the quoted amount . The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and resolved to accord sanction to award the work "AMRUT – Augmentation & modernization of water supply distribution system in Alappuzha Municipality – Phase I – Construction of 28 LL capacity OHSR and connected works in Aliserry" to the lowest bidder Sri.Shahul Hameed.V after limiting to the tendered PAC based on LMR amount of Rs. 9,80,40,166/- which is 8.86% above the revised Tendered PAC Rs. 900,58,538 based on DSR 2016 with the following directions.

1. The Tendering Authority should prepare a detailed billing/payment schedule as per NIT wherein all 500mm, 300mm, D/F pipes and specials, vitrified and ceramic floor and wall tiles etc should be made part of the billing/payment schedule. Also, while preparing billing/payment schedule as per sanctioned estimate, paving 80mm thick interlock tiles as included in the scope of work shall be covered under the landscaping works and separate provision given for the same shall be excluded.
2. The provision given in the estimate for filling with contractor's own earth should be made part of the scope of work and the billing/payment schedule. All the electrification works, sanitary works and related drawings including rain water harvesting, septic tank etc should be got approved by the Tendering Authority before executing the agreement



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Item No. V (9)

KIIFB – Augmentation of WSS to Kollam Corporation-Phase II - Package-I– Laying Raw water pumping main with 1219mm, 12.5mm thick MS pipe for a length of 16035mtrs,& 10mm thick MS pipe for a length of 12095meters from intake well at Njamkadavu to WTP at Vasoorchira – Tender

Res. No.10672

The Authority discussed the agenda and noted that the estimate for the subject work (Package I) has been sanctioned by CE(SR) for Rs.145.52 crore based on DSR 2014. The tender committee has noted that the first tender was cancelled due to technical reasons. This is the second tender call (first retender) with TPAC Rs. 136.21 crore for which the due date of tender submission was on 25/1/18 and tender opening on 27/1/2018. A Pre-bid meeting was held on 4/1/2018 and the same was uploaded on 8/1/2018. Seven bidders submitted their offers out of which, five bidders were prequalified by SE. M/s Shree Contractors was disqualified since the firm does not possess the required past experience as per NIT. The reason for disqualifying M/s Reena Engineers and Contractors is reported that the firm had not submitted the hard copy of tender documents in time. Of the pre-qualified five bidders, M/s Koya and Company Construction Ltd., Hyderabad have quoted the lowest amount of Rs.124,70,37,000/- which is 8.45% below the tendered PAC Rs.136,20,99,070/- and 2.90% below the PAC based on DSR 2016 Rs.128,40,21,277.63.

On further verification, Tender Committee noted that the subject estimate was sanctioned based on fabrication at the site and not on the basis of supply of MS spirally welded Pipes as mentioned in the Scope of work. Moreover, in addition to the provision for lining (internal and external) with cement mortar, provision for painting the MS pipe is also seen provided which is not actually required. The LMR rate is again arrived at based on the same specification used for preparing the working estimate whereas, the actual Scope of


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work provided is for supply conveying, stacking, laying, testing and commissioning of 1219mm OD spirally welded MS pipes 12.50 mm thick for a length of 16035 m and 10 mm thick for a length of 12095 m.

1. The LMR rate provided based on quotations from two manufacturers are Rs.126.50 Crores & Rs. 129.10 Crores respectively. Even the least of the above is more than the L1 quoted amount of Rs 124.70 Crores.
2. The Committee was not convinced of the reason furnished for providing both painting and lining of pipes. The Committee was of the view that only lining is sufficient for protection against corrosion. The estimated amount for painting has to be deducted from the PAC making the revised PAC to Rs. 134.78 Crores. The L1 quoted amount of Rs. 124.70 Crore will then be 7.54% below revised TPAC instead of 8.45 % below the original TPAC of Rs. 136.21 crores based on DSR 2014.

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and resolved to accord sanction to award the work "KIIFB – Augmentation of WSS to Kollam Corporation – Phase II – Package I – Laying Raw water pumping main with 1219mm, 12.5mm thick MS pipe for a length of 16035 mtrs & 10mm thick MS pipe for a length of 12095 meters from intake well at Njamkadavu to WTP at Vasoorchira" to the lowest tenderer M/s. Koya and company Construction Ltd, Hyderabad at the quoted amount of Rs.124,70,37,000/- which is 7.54% below the revised tendered PAC of Rs.134,77,93,840/- (Excluding provision for painting) based on DSR 2014 with the following direction.

1. The Tendering Authority should prepare the detailed billing/payment schedule as per the prevailing orders/Circular.
2. The contractor need be paid only for the actual Road restoration works done and for the amount that he has remitted to the local body for getting


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the required sanction.

3. The provision for constructing a new road and the item of concrete road restoration, supplying and filling red earth should be included in the billing/payment schedule.

Item No. V (10)

Design, Construction, trial running, commissioning, operation and maintenance of 10 mld water treatment plant, 8LL OHSR at Cheelappara, 9m dia intake well cum pump house, substation building and supplying, laying testing commissioning and maintenance of 400mm DI K9 raw water pumping main in Vilappil Panchayath -Tender

Res. No.10673

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. It is noted that the present tender is the first tender call wherein two bidders participated and among them, the lowest amount is quoted by the contractor Sri. N.Rajan for Rs. 8,52,43,422/- which is 5% above the tendered PAC of Rs.8,11,84,211/- based on DSR 2014. The Tendered PAC based on the LMR comes to Rs.9,72,23,268/-. The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and resolved to accord sanction to award the work of "Design, Construction, trial running, commissioning, operation and maintenance of 10 mld water treatment plant, 8LL OHSR at Cheelappara, 9m dia intake well cum pump house, substation building and supplying, laying testing commissioning and maintenance of 400mm DI K9 raw water pumping main in Vilappil Panchayath" to the lowest tenderer Sri. N.Rajan at his quoted amount of Rs. 8,52,43,422/- which is 5 % above the tendered PAC of Rs. 8,11,84,211/- based on DSR 2014 with direction to the Tendering Authority to prepare the billing/ payment schedule as per the prevailing order.

Item No. V (11)

Modernisation of Aruvikkara Pumping Station – Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Raw Water and Clear Water Pump sets and Substation improvement works – Tender


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It is informed by the Technical Member that there is an interim order of the Honorable high court in WP© No.13673/2018(H) that the finalization of the tender shall be subject to the result of the Writ petition.

Hence the item is deferred.

Item No. V (12)

AMRUT Water Supply 2015-16 -Improvement of TWSS - Construction of 75MLD Water Treatment Plant and allied works at Aruvikkara-Design, Construction, trial running commissioning and maintenance of 75 mld Water treatment plant with Plate settler technology (lamella), Supplying and laying 1000mm MS Raw water, Clear water Pumping mains and interconnections with existing pipelines, Supplying and installation of submerged centrifugal and centrifugal Raw water and Clear water Pump sets, Construction of BPT, connecting existing and new BPT, Supplying and erection of Transformers, substation building, providing screens at intake, providing MS supports in existing pipeline bridge at Aruvikkara, Installation of SCADA system for functioning of entire WTP components and allied works with full automation- Tender

Deferred.

Item No. VI (1)

Releasing pending payment to M/s.Tecpro Infra Projects Ltd in UIDSSMT Project, Thalassery

Res. No.10674

The Authority noted the contents of the item. The decision of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to recommend to the Managing Director KWA and Additional Chief Secretary, WRD to release the withheld amount of Package I works of M/s.Tecpro to facilitate the completion of stalled works of UIDSSMT, as the fund is from UIDSSMT and not KWAs own fund was examined. The Board noted that the amounts due to M/s. Tecpro Infra Projects have been withheld without sufficient reasons. The Board noted such


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action to be improper. The Board resolved to direct Managing Director to take action on the request of the company in accordance with law, rules and correct procedures.

Item No. VII (1) Kerala Water Authority – Estt- Compassionate Employment Scheme

Res. No.10675 The Authority discussed the agenda and resolved to recommend to Government the application of Smt.R.Dhanyamol dependent of late Sri. G.Rajasekharan, Sri. Vinayak.S., dependent of Late Sri.Sanalkumar.NT, K.Prasannan, dependent of Late Sri.K.Sasidharan, for consideration under compassionate employment scheme.

The Authority enquired about the status of the previous cases recommended to Government. It is directed to place a status report on the cases recommended to Government during the last 2 years before the next meeting. In future, all proposals shall be accompanied by the details of vacancies existing for providing the employment.

Item No. VII (2) കേരള വാട്ടർ അതോറിറ്റി - ജീവനക്കാര്യം - മിനിസ്റ്റീരിയൽ സ്പെഷ്യൽ റൂൾസ് ഭേദഗതി ക്ലാസ്സ് IV വിഭാഗം ജീവനക്കാരുടെ പ്രൊമോഷൻ റേഷ്യോ ഉയർത്തുന്നത് - സംബന്ധിച്ച

Res. No.10676 അജണ്ടയിലെ വിഷയം അതോറിറ്റി വിശദമായി ചർച്ച ചെയ്തു. കേരള വാട്ടർ അതോറിറ്റിയിലെ താഴ്ന്ന വിഭാഗം ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് ലോവർ ഡിവിഷൻ ക്ലർക്ക് തസ്തികയിലേക്ക് വകുപ്പ്തല തസ്തികമാറ്റം മുഖേനയുള്ള നിയമനം 5% എന്നത് 10% ആക്കി മാറ്റുന്നതിന് 01.03.2011-ലെ സ. ഉ.(പി) നമ്പർ. 19/2011/ജ.വി.വ പ്രകാരം പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചതും 11.11.2016 ലെ സ.ഉ.(പി) നമ്പർ. 27/2016/ ജ. വി.വ പ്രകാരം ഭേദഗതി ചെയ്തതുമായ കേരള വാട്ടർ അതോറിറ്റി (അഡ്മിനിസ്ട്രേറ്റീവ്, മിനിസ്റ്റീരിയൽ &


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Item No. VIII (1) AMRUT – Permissive sanction for 50 cents of land for construction of Septage Treatment Plant at Chakkumkandam, Guruvayur

Res. No.10677

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail and resolved to issue permissive sanction for construction of Septage Treatment Plant to Guruvayur Municipality in the 50 cents of land in Sy Nos.58/3, 58/7,58/8 of Thycadu village without affecting the functions and future developments of the present sewage treatment plant. The sanction will be on lease hold basis and an agreement to this effect shall be executed by the Municipality.

Item No. IX (1) Improvements to Water Supply Scheme to Thiruvananthapuram Municipal Corporation and adjoining Panchayaths-Strengthening Distribution Network-Supplying, laying, testing and commissioning of D.I pipe line -(Package WP1)-time extension.

The Authority noted the contents of the item.

Item No. X (1) Request for Empanelment of "MDIndia Health Insurance TPA Private Limited" as a service TPA for the Health Insurance Scheme of Kerala Water Authority Employees Medical Insurance Policy

The Authority discussed the agenda in detail. It is noted that as per IRDA notification, the responsibility for engaging TPA vests with the INSURER, ie., the Insurance Companies. Kerala Water Authority had invited offers only from the Public Sector Insurance Companies to quote the lowest premium amount per employee for renewal of the


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existing policy. Hence the request of the firm cannot be considered at present.

- General Item No.1** The Chairman invited the attention of the members to a news that appeared in the print ^{and} electronic ^{media} on 20-04-2018. The news alleged that the Government is stalling the efforts of KWA to establish a packaged drinking water plant at Aruvikkara. Copy of the letter from the Government was also published by certain newspapers. The news aims at tarnishing the image of the Government before the public. The Authority observed that the letter was an advice to KWA to concentrate on core competency areas and take earnest steps to finish the ongoing projects so as to provide the benefit of safe water supply to the common public. There are cost and time overruns for the packaged drinking water project at Aruvikkara. Under such circumstances when comments are received from the Government, the normal process is to resubmit the revised estimates with substantiating facts for Government approval. The Board noted that it is a disturbing fact that the letter from Government was leaked to the media before appropriate action is taken on the same to sully and vilify Government. The Authority after discussion concluded that an enquiry is necessary on the issue of leakage of the letter. Hence the Board resolved to entrust the Managing Director to conduct an enquiry on the leak of Government letter, fix responsibility on the people who leaked the letter and submit a report within 7 days for further action.

- General Item No.2** The Authority discussed about the water availability in the state. Our state is blessed with rainfall equal to three times average rainfall of India, but Water shortage and drought situation is experienced in many parts. KWA is abstracting water from the water bodies but efforts for improvement and sustainability of source are not a concern. Rain Water harvesting can improve the water availability of surface as


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well as ground water sources. The projects have to be linked with source improvement also. The Authority directed to submit a proposal for rain water harvesting for improvement and sustainability of source.

General Item No.3 Sri.T.V.Balan invited the attention of the members to the representation submitted regarding overtime wages to the staff working in the treatment plants of KWA. The Authority had taken a decision to restrict the overtime duties of the staff and it is requested to review the same in view of the Factories and Boilers Act. The Authority directed the Managing Director to submit a report before the Authority on the matter in the next meeting.


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