

**Minutes of the 332nd meeting of KWA held on 05/02/2010 at
03.00 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Government Guest House,
Kannur.**

Members Present:

1. Dr. A. Jayathilak, IAS	Chairman
2. Sri. Illickal Augusty	Member
3. Sri. C. Ravindran	Member
4. Sri. M. S. Gopakumar	Member
5. Smt. Susan Jacob	Managing Director
6. Sri. S. Sunil Raj, IA&AS	Accounts Member

Leave of Absence:

1. Sri. Velayudhan Vallikkunnu	Member
2. Sri. T. P. Mohanlal	Technical Member

Item No. I (1) *Confirmation of the Minutes of the 331st Meeting held on 18/01/2010.*

The Authority confirmed the minutes of the 331st meeting held on 18/01/2010 with the following addition.

After the last sentence on Item No I (3) the following shall be added.

“The Authority felt that the on-site-meeting held at Meenad on 08.01.2010 and the current meeting have been very effective and hence decided to have the next on-site-review of JICA Project of Pattuvam on 5th of February 2010. The date for on-site-review of Trivandrum and Kozhikode Projects will be decided at a later stage.”

The Authority expressed its displeasure on tabling of the entire agenda in the meeting. The Members of the Authority have not been given time to come prepared for the meeting. The Authority observed that the agenda items should be closed well in advance so as to enable circulation of the Agenda 7 days before the meeting of the Authority. With these views the Authority deferred the entire agenda to the next meeting.

*General Item
Item No II(1)*

The Authority was informed by the members that even though directions were given in the previous meeting to place

the list of all pending tenders in each of the offices of KWA namely in the office of the Executive Engineer, Superintending Engineer, Chief Engineer and Head office the same are yet to be placed. The Managing Director informed the Authority that the detailed list was presented in its 304th meeting held on 31/01/2008 vide item no.IV(10). However, the Managing Director assured that the present status will be placed in the next meeting of the Authority.

Item No II(2)

The Authority observed that the on-site-review so far conducted is very fruitful and effective. It could gather a first hand knowledge of all works being executed for the three projects namely Meenad, Cherthala and Pattuvam. The Authority after discussions directed the Managing Director to place a report of the visit ~~mainly~~ on the common and specific site points noticed.

Item No II(3)

The Authority noted that KWA had deployed its ~~Assistant Executive Engineers~~ in all the Project sites, ~~for supervision of works and verification of the contractors bills certified and submitted by the consultant M/s TECC.~~ *as per G.O.* The Authority after discussions directed the Managing Director to place a detailed note on the following points in the next meeting

- a. Number of contractors bills presented by the consultant M/s TECC for payment and duly verified and certified by KWA Engineers during the last three months.
- b. Modifications of any nature suggested including changes proposed and financial savings to KWA owing to these suggestions.
- c. The contribution of these Engineers to the project so far.

An extract of ~~there~~ ^{their} work diary, if available, shall also to be submitted for the information of the Authority.

Item No II(4)

The Authority observed that even though directions were given for submitting the details of pump sets requiring replacement as a part of energy conservation the details are yet to be submitted to the Government. The Chairman informed the Authority that it is easy to get sufficient funds from Government of India ^{over time} under ~~the~~ ^{the} CA ~~programme.~~ ^{plan} The Managing Director informed the Authority that the details will be submitted to Government with out delay. ~~The Authority directed that a ready reckoner showing all details including date of installation, major overhauling done etc., so that any details required will be available with in no time.~~ *if seen in time*

Item No II(5)
Res. No. 8419

The Authority desired to be informed of the conduct of the Revenue Adalat and the response of the public. The Accounts Member informed the Authority that the Adalat is progressing well and the response of the public is encouraging. It was further informed that the Adalat Bench is constituted with three members namely The Accounts Member, The Chief Engineer of the concerned Region and The Superintending Engineer of concerned Circle. All decisions in the Adalat are taken collectively. A detailed report will be presented to the Authority on completion of the Adalat. The Accounts Member further informed the Authority that the Chief Engineer, Central Region did not attend the Adalat conducted at Kottayam on 14.01.2010 and Trichur on 23.01.2010. The Authority observed that the full powers of the Authority have been delegated to the Adalat Bench for on-site-redresses of grievances of public on revenue billing. The Accounts Member informed that he had issued a letter to the Chief Engineer asking for his explanation which had to be submitted by 1st of February. But no reply was received till that date. The Authority observed that the Adalat bench constituted is of quasi-judicial nature, mainly for rectifying the grievances of the consumers of KWA and the absence of the Chief Engineer (CR) from the bench with out leave of absence is highly irregular warranting disciplinary action. The Authority after discussions resolved to place **Sri Thomas Panicker, Chief Engineer, Central Region, Kochi** under suspension with immediate effect, and initiate disciplinary ^{action}. The Authority further authorised the Managing Director to make suitable alternative charge arrangement.



SECRETARY



MANAGING DIRECTOR



CHAIRMAN