

**Minutes of the 239th Meeting of KWA held on
20-12-2002 at 10.30 A.M. in the Conference Hall
of Jalabhavan, Thiruvananthapuram.**

Members present

1. Sri. K. J. Mathew, IAS	Chairman
2. Sri.P.Kamal Kutty, IAS	Member(Ex-Officio)
3. Sri. Baby Pathippally	Member
4. Sri. Thomas Babu	Member
5. Sri. M.Ganesan	Accounts Member
6. Smt. T.R.Indira	Technical Member
7. Sri. R.Ramanujam	Managing Director

Item No. 1(1) Confirmation of the minutes of 238th meeting held on 19th and 20th November, 2002

The Authority confirmed the minutes of the 238th meeting held on 19th and 20th November, 2002.

Item No. 1(2) Review of action taken on the decision of previous meetings.

The Authority reviewed the action taken on the decision of previous meetings and noted the progress made. Regarding item No.40 (Resolution No. 6208), the Chairman asked the Vigilance wing at Head Quarters to report *the* on the financial loss if any due to the rearranging/delay of the work. *expedite*

Item No. II(1) Review of computerisation of Billing & Collection in Kerala Water Authority.

The Authority noted the contents. The Chairman asked the Managing Director to put up a comprehensive proposal to overcome the problem so as to derive the full benefit of computerisation.

Item No. II(2) Review of Billing & Collection for the period April to October, 2002.

The Authority noted that the demand and collection from Non-Domestic consumers seem to be low. It was decided that a special drive should be undertaken to improve the collection from non-domestic consumers other than Government consumers. ^{Govt departments/Institutions will also be contacted} It was also decided that all out efforts should be taken to locate unauthorised connections. Specific proposals if any, for this purpose should be placed before the Authority for approval.

Item No. II(3) Review of the status of pending inspection para and PUC recommendations.

The Authority perused the status of pending Inspection paras, Draft paras, CAG reports and PUC recommendations and noted the action taken. It was decided to review the progress regularly.

Item No. II(4) Financial position of KWA and cash flow statement for the period from 1st April 2002 to 31st October 2002.

The Authority noted the contents and it was decided to address the Government highlighting all the issues.

Item No. II(5) Details of amounts outstanding as on 30-9-2002 from Government Departments/ Semi Government institutions towards water charges.

The Authority noted the huge amount outstanding from Government departments/Semi Government institutions

towards water charges. It was decided to address Finance Secretary with a request to apportionate this amount from ~~this~~ budget provision/grants of these Government departments and pay to the Authority. It was also decided to address the Government institutions to remit the outstanding amount immediately.

*Details found
to go*

Item No. II(6) *Sales Tax – issue of C' form for inter state purchase of materials.*

Res. No.6230 The Authority resolved to authorise the Managing Director/The Accounts Member to consult a Senior Sales Tax Practitioner and obtain his opinion in the matter as requested by the Commissioner, Commercial Taxes and place it in the next Authority meeting.

Suggested

*Agree now
please*

Item No. II(7) *Balance sheet as on 31st March 2002 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on 31st March 2002.*

Res. No.6231 The Authority resolved to approve the balance sheet as at 31st March 2002 and the income and expenditure for the year ended on 31st March 2002 along with the Notes thereto

It was resolved further to authorise the Managing Director to make necessary correction and modifications in the Accounts for the year 2001-2002 wherever required by the Accountant General.

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Item No. III(1) *Delegation of powers to the Executive Engineers of Kerala Water Authority for the purchase of _____ pipes required for maintenance of Water Supply scheme*

Res. No. 6232 The Authority resolved to authorise the Executive Engineers of various divisions of KWA to purchase pipes required for the emergency repair works of Water Supply Scheme under their jurisdiction as an when such situation

arises within their delegated powers, subject to a limit of Rs. 50,000/-(Fifty thousand only) at a time and subject to an annual limit of Rs. 2.50 lakhs and with strict quality assurance etc after ensuring that there is no stock of such pipes in the Division and after observing all the provisions of the Store purchase manual. It is also resolved that the rates should not exceed the rates fixed by the District Collectors under DLPC for the schemes under Peoples Campaign Programme , MPLAD etc.

Item No III(2)

Running contract concluded with M/s. Kunnath Chemicals Pvt. Ltd., Aluva for the supply of Bleaching Powder Grade I – extension of period of contract.

Res. No.6233

As recommended by the Managing Director, it was resolved to accord sanction to conclude Running Contract with M/s. Kunnath Chemicals Pvt. Ltd., Aluva for the supply of 285.40 MT of Bleaching Powder Grade I required for 12 destinations for a further period of six months from January 2003 to June 2003 @ Rs. 12,000/- and at a total amount of Rs. 34,24,800/-

Item No .III (3)

Blacklisting of firm M/s. Trichur Computer Centre (p) Ltd., Trichur.

Res. No.6234

The Authority resolved to issue a show cause notice to the firm and ask them to remit the loss sustained to the Authority. Also to inform the firm that if the amount is not remitted within two months, action will be taken to blacklist them. If the firm do not remit the loss sustained, the firm to be blacklisted by the Managing Director, Kerala Water Authority on behalf of Authority.

Item No. III(4)

Rate contract for the Supply of CID Joints concluded with M/s. Laxmi Machine Tools, Jaipur – Extension of Delivery period – Sanction sought for.

- Res. No.6235 As recommended by the Managing Director, it was resolved to accord sanction to grant extension of delivery period up to 25-10-2001 with Liquidated Damages for the Rate Contract for the supply of CID Joints with M/s. Laxmi Machine Tools, Jaipur.
- Item No.III(5) Rate contract concluded with M/s. Easland Combines, Coimbatore and M/s. Mittal Metal Industries, Jalandar for the Supply of self closing waste not water taps - Breach of contract by the firms – Action to be initiated against the firm.*
- Res. No.6236 The Authority resolved as follows:
 1.To cancel supply order placed on M/s. Mittal metal Industries, M/s. Easland Combines for the supply of Waste not taps.
 2.To re-arrange the purchase of 4621 Nos. 15 mm W/N Taps at the risk and cost of M/S Mittal Metal Industries and 20285 Nos of 20 mm W/N Taps at the risk and cost of M/s. Easland Combines.
 3. To recommend ~~the~~^{fr} Government to blacklist the above firms.
- Item No. IV(1) LIC aided RWSS to Alakodu and adjoining villages – Construction of 14 mld Water Treatment Plant at Thalayanad - Tender for approval.*
- Res. No.6237 The Authority resolved to recommend ~~the~~^{to} Government for sanction to award the work of LIC aided RWSS to Alakodu and adjoining villages – Construction of 14 mld Water Treatment Plant at Thalayanad to the lowest tenderer M/s. Blue Chip Constructions at Rs. 149.7 lakhs.
- Item No. IV(2) Transportation of materials in KWA – proposal for inviting Tenders for 3 years.*
- Res. No.6238 The Authority resolved to accord sanction for arranging the contract for transportation of materials for the

various divisions for a period of 2 years at a time instead of the present system of one year at a time considering the difficulty in arranging the transporting contract every year.

Item No. IV(2) Loan Assistance from NABARD for Rural Water Supply Schemes during 2002-2003.

Res. No.6239 The Authority resolved to ratify the action of the Managing Director in having submitted the proposal to Government for availing NABARD assistance for Rural Water Supply Schemes of Kerala Water Authority as per the Government allocation subject to a monitory ceiling of Rs. 35 crores. It shall also be ensured that necessary provisions are made in the State Budget towards the 10% State share. The list of schemes is to be finalised only after scrutiny by NABARD.

Item No. V(1) KWA – Estt – promotion of SE/DCE as CE – proposal furnishing

Res. No.6240 The Authority resolved to promote Shri.K.Vijayakumaran Nair, Deputy Chief Engineer, Chief Engineer’s Office(Southern Region), Thiruvananthapuram as Chief Engineer provisionally.

Item NoV(2) KWA – Estt- Promotion of Executive Engineer as SE/DCE – proposal furnishing.

Res. No.6241 The Authority resolved to promote Shri.R.Sukumaran, Executive engineer, Water Supply Division, Adoor, and Shri.R.Sasidharan, Executive Engineer, IPD Division, Malappuram as Deputy Chief Engineer/Superintending Engineer provisionally.

Item NoV(3) Stock verification report of P H Dn. Store, Mavelikkara-delay in taking action.

Deferred.

- Item No. V(4)* *Stock verification report of the P H Dn. Store, Allepey.*
- Deferred.
- Item No. V(5)* *Irregularities in the execution of World Bank Aided schemse under Kollam Circle and other works – Non finalisation of disciplinary action.*
- Deferred.
- Item No. V (6)* *KWA – Estt – Filling up of the vacant posts in the Finance and Accounts Wing of Authority Head Office.*
- Res.No.6242 The Authority resolved to fill up the vacancy of Finance Manager & Chief Accounts officer by Deputation ^{from the Finance Department, Government of Kerala.} It was also decided to place the matter before the next Authority meeting for a decision on filling the remaining posts indicating the qualifications, scales of pay and the suggested method of appointment etc.
- Item No. V(7)* *Special Audit of P H Dn., Thrissur for the period from 18-10-1999 to 28-2-2001 show cause notice issued to Sri.T.M. Prabhakaran, Executive Engineer, P H Dn., Thrissur (Retired) Reply to the show cause notice.*
- Deferred.
- Item No.VI(1)* *Revision of Earnest Money Deposits(EMD)to be provided for Lump sum works costing more than Rs. 100 lakhs*
- Res. No.6243 The Authority resolved to recommend to Government to insist on an EMD of one percent of the estimated PAC for lump sum, turn key , EPCM works . The EMD can be in the form of Bank Guarantee of Nationalised /Scheduled bank for works above 3 crores and for works below 3 crores the existing practice will continue.

- Item No.VI(2)* ARWSS to Neyyattinkara part Village Wards 7, 8, 9 - Construction of 2.59 lakhs litres capacity G.L. Reservoir and its Compound wall at Kodithukkimala Construction of 27000 litres capacity G L Reservoir at Kodithukkimala laying pumping main and its connected works.
- Res. No.6244 Considering the difficult site conditions and special nature of work ^{be} and as all other attempts ^{to get the offer} accepted for 75% ^{the unsuccessful} ^{on the mark} become futile, and as this units is ^{the a critical} major part of the scheme, the Authority resolved to award the subject work to the lowest tenderer Sri.N.Rajan at his agreed rate of 100% above estimate rate.
- Item No.VI(3)* KWA – Estt – Medical advance to Smt.S.Jayasree IIIrd Grade Overseer Trivandrum Interim Augmentation Dn., Thiruvananthapuram.
- Res. No.6245 The Authority resolved to sanction an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs. One lakh only) to Smt. S.Jayasree, III Grade Overseer, Trivandrum Interim Augmentation Division, towards medical advance for the treatment of her husband Sri. K.Y.Antony at Sree Chirta Thirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram subject to the condition that the advance so sanctioned should be settled along with the final claim within six months and the balance if any should be remitted within three months.
- Item No.VI(4)* Settlement of pensionary claims of Sri.Abraham George, Superintending Engineer(Retired).
- Res. No.6246 The Authority resolved that the pensionary claims of Sri.Abraham George, Superintending Engineer (Rtd) may be settled as per G.O.(P) 185/2002/Fin. dated: 27-03-02.

Item No.VI(5) Centrally sponsored AUWSS to Kolazhi & adjoining Census towns –Technical approval from Government of India.

The Authority noted the contents.

Item No.VI(6) Details of files pending in the Vigilance section – reg.

The Authority noted the contents

Item No.VI(7) “Swajaldhara”- Opening separate Bank Account for SWAJALDHARA- in favour of District Implementing Agency- reg

Res. No.6247 The Authority resolved to accord sanction for opening an account for “Swajaldhara” in any Nationalised Bank in favour of the Executive Engineers, Kerala Water Authority who are the District Implementing Agencies.

Item No.VI(8) State level inauguration of “Varsha Scheme” at Govt. U.P.School, Edavanakkad, Ernakulam- display advertisement in news paper.

Res. No.6248 The Authority resolved to ratify the action of the Managing Director in releasing display advertisement to the following dailies in connection with the state level inauguration of ”Varsha Scheme” as a special case.

1. Vrithandam, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. Venad Pathrika, Thiruvananthapuram.
3. Sayanna Kairali, Kochi.
4. Pradeepam daily, Calicut.



SECRETARY



MANAGING DIRECTOR



CHAIRMAN