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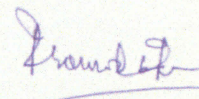
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1. Chairperson's Message

Welcome to the 3rd issue of our Newsletter which covers the period November, 2018 to March, 2019. During this period we have issued two fresh Regulations. The third one namely, "Guidelines on Protection/ Conservation of Lakes and declaration of Lake Peripheral Regulation Zones" is almost ready.



In January, 2019 the Authority formally shifted to the new Office building at Jammu, started the new initiative of Research and Policy Papers and, besides routine activities, started doing Court work after taking *suo moto* cognizance of the problems connected with the Wular lake.



(Pramod Jain)
Chairperson

2. New Regulations

The Authority issued the following fresh regulations :

i. Notification No. 17

“Manner and Guidelines to Ensure Smooth, Uninterrupted & Leakage-Free Supply of Water for Farmers”.

ii. Notification No. 18

“Guidelines on Selection of Water Sources and for Ensuring Availability of Water for the Water Supply/ Irrigation Systems”.

(Both the above regulations are available on the Authority's website www.jkswrra.nic.in)

3. Draft Regulations

The Authority is in the process of framing a regulation titled “Guidelines on protection/ conservation of lakes and declaration of Lake Peripheral Regulation Zones”. The draft of the said regulation has been circulated for comments/ feed back. It is also available on the official website of the Authority for comments from general public.

4. New Office Building

The Authority which was functioning in Jammu from an office established by renovating the Guest House of Ravi-Tawi Irrigation Complex at Ashok Nagar, Satwari, Jammu formally shifted to the new office building on 01.01.2019 Satwari. The double-storey building completed at a cost of Rs. 563.53 lacs has an area of 6100 sq.ft. and comprises 18 rooms, one conference hall and facilities like pantry, guardrooms and separate restrooms. It has lawns, a provision of covered parking for 10 vehicles, open parking for 20 vehicles, and an independent water supply.

5. Addendum to Water Tariff

On the basis of the feedback received from the field agencies, the Authority approved the water usage charges for self-drilled bore-wells in the commercial and institutional categories both in respect of metered and flat-rate connections. An addendum to the order no. 46/SWRRRA of 2018, dated 28.06.2018 was accordingly issued vide no. JKSWRRRA/P-2/125/26-74/2019 dated 03.11.2019. This is as under:

1) Rates for Metered Connections

(Rate in Rs./ K.L.)

S. No.	Type of Connection	Consumption level per connection	Tariff		
			2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
EE) Commercial Bore well (self-drilled)					
1		up to 6000 lpd	13.50	16.20	19.45
2		6001 lpd to 15000 lpd	15.00	18.00	21.60
3		Beyond 15000 lpd	18.50	22.20	26.60
FF) Institutional Bore well (self-drilled)					
1		up to 1500 lpd	9.00	10.80	12.95
2		1501 lpd to 3000 lpd	9.50	11.40	13.70
3		Beyond 3000 lpd	10.50	13.00	16.00

2) Flat Rates (Half Yearly)

(Rate in Rs./ K.L.)

S. No.	Type of Connection	Consumption level per connection	Tariff		
			2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
EE) Commercial Bore well (self-drilled)					
1		up to 1"	15000	18000	21600
2		1 1/2"	35000	40000	45000
3		Beyond 2"	52000	60000	70000
FF) Institutional Bore well (self-drilled)					
1		up to 1"	1750	2100	2520
2		1 1/2"	3700	4500	5500
3		Beyond 2"	5600	6800	8000

6. Hydro Power Generation Tariff

The Authority extended the existing tariff rates for hydro power generation for another one year w.e.f. 01.04.2019. The tariff is as under: -

S. No.	Head	Tariff
1	For hydro electric plants w th head up to 30 m	Rs.0.05/m ³
2	For hydro electric plants w th head from 31 m to 60 m	Rs.0.12/m ³
3	For hydro electric plants w th head from 61 m to 90 m	Rs.0.15/m ³
4	For hydro electric plants w th head above 90 m	Rs.0.25/m ³

7. Video Conference

In a first of its kind in the Authority, Video Conference was held with M/S RSA & Co., a Kolkata-based firm, on the issue of contracting a consultancy on the Hydro-Power Generation Tariff.

8. Authority's Meetings

S.No.	Meeting Date	Place of Meeting
1	12.11.2018	Jammu
2	24.12.2018	Jammu
3	11.01.2019	Jammu
4	23.01.2019	Jammu
5	08.02.2019	Jammu
6.	27.03.2019	Jammu

9. Meetings with the Utilities

S.No.	Meeting Date	Utility/ Department/ Organization	Place of Meeting
1	20.12.2018	I&FC (J)	Jammu.
2	20.12.2018	PDD, PHE/ I&FC Dep tt, CVPPL	Jammu
3	28.01.2019	PHE (J)	Jammu
4	04.02.2019	S.E.R.C.	Jammu
5	01.03.2019	CCDU	Jammu
6	09.03.2019	PHE (K)	Srinagar
7	09.03.2019	I&FC (K)	Srinagar

10. Grant of Exemptions

Authority granted certain exemptions in water usage charges to Chenab Valley Power Projects Limited for the upcoming 624 MW Hydroelectric Power Project, Kiru.

11. Research Activities

The Authority has started a new initiative namely publication of Research and Policy Papers for creating awareness about important and topical issues relating to various aspects of the working of water related sectors. Three papers in the Series have been published and quite a few are planned for next year. The underlining idea is to pro-actively create a milieu of learning and knowledge upgradation for various stakeholders the Authority wants to engage with.

12. Court Proceedings

As per the mandate, the Authority has started holding of the Courts also. The case of conservation and management of the world famous Wular Lake by WUCMA/ I&FC Department (K), based on an earlier field visit and suo moto, was heard on 13.02.2019 and 14.02.2019.

13. Knowledge Centre

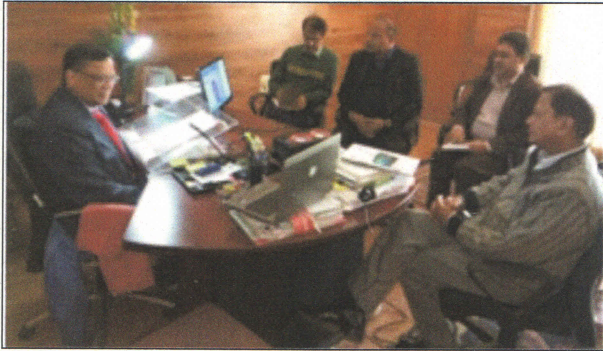
The Authority intends to establish a modern Knowledge Centre within the Authority which will be a repository of all data related to rivers, lakes, ponds, aquifers, discharge available, discharge being lifted for various schemes/

projects, etc. besides a centre of knowledge and information with reference to water resources in all dimensions. In this regard the Authority is actively considering a proposal, which when implemented shall provide all hydro-related data of the State with the click of a button.

14. News in Brief

- On 27.12.2018 the Chairperson called on the Hon'ble Governor Sh. Satya Pal Malik and discussed issues regarding State Water Resources Regulatory Authority and its functioning.
- On 25.01.2019 the Chairperson met Advisor (S) to the Hon'ble Governor and held detailed deliberations about the State Water Resources Regulatory Authority and its achievements.
- SWRRA has clarified that the Water Usage Charges in Irrigation Sector need to be levied and arrears recovered
- Utilities have been directed to fine-tune their assessment of revenue realizable in accordance to the new tariff structure.
- Chairperson addressed a communication to the Divisional Commissioners seeking their involvement in issues of water governance and water reforms namely, metering, ensuring standards for quality, quantity and reliability of water supply (both drinking water and irrigation), storing mechanism, public grievance redressal, flow of water to tail end users both in PHE and Irrigation Sectors, controlled and regulated mining of river bed material, improvement in revenue collection and establishment and effective working of quality control laboratories as well as functionality of filtration plants.
- A communication has also been sent to all Divisional Commissioners/Deputy Commissioners urging them to start a movement for saving/protecting/rejuvenating the rivers and other water resources especially in wake of the garbage and toxic wastes finding their way into the rivers, canals etc and the excessive mining of river-bed material.
- On the deteriorating condition of Wular Lake and the action envisaged to be taken, letters have been sent to Divisional Commissioner Kashmir, Deputy Commissioner Bandipora and Chief Engineer Irrigation & Flood Control Department Kashmir.
- Two AEEs viz., Er. Miftah Alam Buchh and Er. Altaf Hussain Baba underwent three-day training programme on "Ground Water Development and Management" organized by CGWB, NWHR, Jammu (6th - 8th March, 2019).
- Mr. Riyaz Ahmad Wani, Secretary JKSWRRA on his transfer as Director Sericulture, relinquished office on 19.02.2019.
- Mr. Nazir Ahmad Thakur, Special Secretary Law, joined JKSWRRA on 17.12.2019 as Legal Advisor.
- Mr. Imityaz Ahmad Zarger, Executive Engineer JKSWRRA, superannuated on 28.02.2019.
- Mr. Meraj ud din Sherwani joined as Executive Engineer JKSWRRA on 05.03.2019.
- Commissioner Secretary PHE (I&FC), Sh. Ajeet Kumar Sahu called on the Chairperson in his Office on 29.03.2019.
- The Authority procured 27 books for its library.

NEWS IN PICS



VIDEO CONFERENCING



AUTHORITY'S VISIT TO SRINAGAR



HCP IN AUTHORITY MEETING



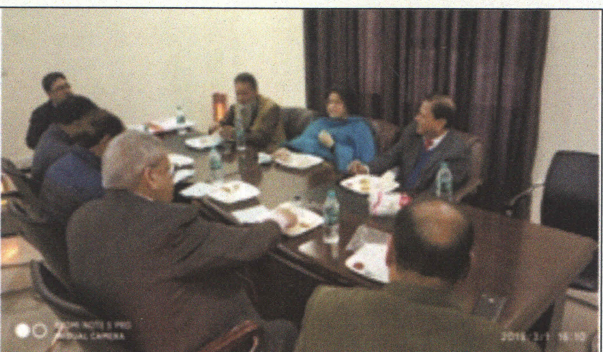
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MEETING WITH CE I&FC (J)



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