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F.No.7/24/2010-Ganga

Subject: Clearance of drinking water schemes from international/JRC angle.

Reference preceding noting at NP12-13/ante

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There exists a treaty-1996, between India and Bangladesh for sharing waters of river Ganga at Farakka during the lean period from 1st January to 31st May every year and being upper riparian. India has to ensure the river flows per 40 years (from 1948 to 1988) average flow of the river Ganga at Farakka. Accordingly, any scheme proposing consumptive use further in Ganga basin would adversely affect the river flow at Farakka especially in the lean periods which needs to be looked in to.

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MOWR has received two proposals of drinking water supply schemes through CWC, one from Rajasthan on river Chambal and another from UP on river Yamuna both in Ganga basin, for examination and clearance from International/JRC angle keeping in view the Ganga water sharing treaty-1996 with Bangladesh. Drinking Water demand for these schemes is a consumptive use and it would affect the lean season flows in Ganga basin. Accordingly, these schemes can not be cleared from International/JRC angle by MOWR. However, at the same time this Ministry has to see that our water requirements for genuine purposes are also fulfilled.

(NP-12/B) (Cridelino) Keeping in view these aspects, Ministry of Water Resources issued guidelines for clearances of Thermal Power projects in Ganga basin, vide its letter No.4/1/2005-BM/1967 dated 4.11.09. It is to mention that Thermal power projects are also having consumptive uses.

In view of above, it is proposed that the guidelines for clearances of Thermal Power projects in Ganga basin may also be adopted for clearance of drinking water supply schemes from International /JRC angle, so that our water requirements for drinking purposes are also fulfilled and the Ganga Water Treaty-1996-is also honoured in letter and spirit.

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Proposal as above submitted for Kind approval of Secretary (WR) please.

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Sr. Jt. Commissioner-I (Ganga)

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Government of India Ministry of Water Resources

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Subject:-Clearance of drinking water supply schemes from international/JRC angle.

This Ministry has received two proposals of drinking water supply schemes from CWC. One on river Chambal near Mandrayal, district Karauli/Sawai Madhopur, Rajasthan and another on river Yamuna in block Mau, district Chitrakoot, U.P., both in Ganga basin, for examination and clearance from International/JRC angle, keeping in view the Ganga water sharing treaty-1996 with Bangladesh. Both the proposals do not contain the information regarding International aspect, which would certify that the withdrawal of water for these schemes from Ganga basin, in the lean season would not affect the river flow downstream.

The Water supply Schemes for drinking purposes were examined vis-à-vis existing guidelines for clearance of Thermal power projects issued by MOWR vide letter No.4/1/2005-BM/1967 dated 4/11/2009 and found that both constitute the consumptive use of water and thus affect the lean season flow of Ganga downstream.

In view of above, approval of Secretary (WR) is conveyed for adopting the existing guidelines of clearance of Thermal Power Project in Ganga basin for clearance of drinking water supply schemes also, in Ganga basin from International/JRC angle.

This is for information and further necessary action.

T.S. Mehta)

Sr. Joint Commissioner (Ganga)

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2. <u>Chief Engineer, Designs(NW&S), CWC, Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-66.</u> MOWR,U.O.F.No.7/24/2010-Ganga/ 1972-78 Dated 24th May, 2011

Copy also for kind information to:

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3. PS to AS (WR)

Commissioner (PR), MOWR.

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No.4/1/2005-BM / 9 6 7 GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (BM SECTION)

New Delhi, Dated: 04.11.09

Τo

The Chairman Central Water Commission, Sewa Bhawan, R.K.Puram, New Delhi

Sub: Clearance of Thermal Power Project Proposed in Ganga Basin.

Ref: CWC. U.O. No. 10/61/GN-Tech/ISM/170, dated 22.9.09

Sir,

In continuation of this office letter 54/8/91-BM (Vol.III)/598 dated 18.07.1994 (copy enclosed). I am directed to inform that the issue of clearance of thermal power project in Ganga Basin has been reviewed in the Ministry.

It has been decided that the water utilization for Thermal projects in Ganga basin may be cleared subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The project authority may create the ponds for storing sufficient flood water during monsoon to meet their water requirement during the lean season. The project authorities may also use the ground water for meeting their requirements in accordance with the local ground water availability.
- (ii) The water may be made available by the concerned states from their irrigation canals against the approved water allocation of such irrigation projects. The states would not claim any right for extra use of water on this account when the water share of the states in Ganga Basin is decided in the future.
- (iii) Any or all of the above measures may be used by Thermal Power Stations depending upon the situation there.

Yours raithfully,

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