

I/170277/2024

Deccan Chronicle – 24 April-2024

# State asks KRMB to stop water withdrawals by AP

**BALU PULIPAKA | DC**  
HYDERABAD, APRIL 23

Andhra Pradesh, for all practical purposes, has had its way with respect to its demand for 9 tmc ft of water from Nagarjunasagar. It has so far drawn 8.5 tmc ft of water from Krishna river, despite the Krishna River Management Board allocating it only 5.5 tmc ft.

AP has so far withdrawn 3 tmc ft without permission from the Nagarjunasagar tail pond starting on April 13, and 5.501 tmc ft as per the Krishna River Management Board's allocation.

Sources in the Telangana irrigation department said AP "acted in a high-handed manner" to have its way. The department wrote to the KRMB on April 15 asking it to stop the water releases immediately to AP saying any further release of water would be consid-

## WATER ROW ESCALATES

AP has so far withdrawn **3 tmc ft**

without permission from the

Nagarjunasagar tail pond starting on April 13, and

**5.501 tmc ft** as per the KRMB's allocation.

Sources in Telangana irrigation department said AP "acted in a high-handed manner" to have its way.

TS irrigation department on April 15 wrote to KRMB asking it to stop the water releases immediately to AP



Telangana officials did not attend the KRMB meeting held on Monday (April 22).

AP is learnt to have asked the board to keep the flows in the canal open till April 25.



ered "unauthorised."

Incidentally, at a KRMB meeting on Monday, which Telangana state officials did not attend, AP is learnt to have asked the board to keep the flows in the canal open till April 25. AP officials who took

part in the online meeting with Board officials, said it was still to get 2.5 tmc ft of water from a previous allocation. However, with TS officials skipping the meeting, it is not known if the state objected to the latest demand from AP.



I/170277/2024

The Times of India- 24 April-2024

## Remove waste from Yamuna floodplain, DDA tells agencies

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

**New Delhi:** Complying with the Delhi High Court's directions on April 8, Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has issued notices to various agencies to ensure removal of construction waste and debris accumulated during construction of bridges, railway lines and regional railway networks on Yamuna river floodplains by June 30.

"We have issued notices to National Highways Authority of India, Public Works Department, National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC), Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) and Delhi Jal Board. They have been asked to ensure compliance of court's order in letter and spirit. In case of any default, DDA will undertake the task of cleaning of such construction waste and debris by itself imposing suitable cost on the defaulter(s)," stated DDA in a statement on Tuesday.

Anuj Dayal, principal executive director, corporate communications, DMRC stated that there is absolutely no C&D waste accumulated due to DMRC work at the Yamuna Bridge site. "However, there are some construction related materials at the site which shall also be removed from the site in a phased manner by June 15. We have sent the response to the irrigation department and the same shall also be communicated to DDA," he said.

An NCRTC official said that majority of the RRTS work in Yamuna Khadar has already been completed and restoration work was currently in progress.

DDA is also nominating nodal officers for each stretch of the floodplain for sustained upkeep of the area under their jurisdiction. "They will also be responsible to keep area free from encroachment and C&D waste on regular basis. The move will act as a mechanism for unhindered rejuvenation and redevelopment of River Yamuna floodplains," stated the authority.

Besides, DDA has also written to National Mission for Clean Ganga and Irrigation and flood control department, Delhi govt for control and scientific dredging for removal of silt, both upstream and downstream of the river Yamuna, as per the court's direction.