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State objects to AP's lift schemes

Urges Krishna River Board to stop GNSS, HNSS projects

STATE BUREAU
HYDERABAD

Telangana on Friday urged the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB) to stop works on the Galeru Nagari Sujala Sravanthi (GNSS) and Handri Neeva Sujala Sravanthi (HNSS) lift schemes on Krishna River in Andhra Pradesh without due approvals from it or apex council as per the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act (APRA)-2014.

It requested the State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) and the Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) to keep in abeyance the environment clearance (EC) granted to GNSS-HNSS lift schemes. A request was also made to the Ministry of Water Resources (MoER) explaining the unauthorised expansion of the existing projects.

In a letter to the KRMB, Telangana Irrigation and Command Area Development department, Engineer-in-Chief (General), C Muralidhar said the AP government issued administrative approval of Rs 5,036 crore in August 2020 for constructing a scheme to lift water from GNSS to HNSS.

This was already brought to the notice of the KRMB. In the EC granted by SEIAA, it was mentioned that the scheme to lift water from GNSS to HNSS was an independent project, which is incorrect as this scheme is being proposed to draw water from GNSS main

Seeks data for formulating rule curves

HYDERABAD: Telangana Irrigation and Command Area Development Department, Engineer-in-Chief (General), C Muralidhar requested the KRMB to furnish data requested for the formulation of rule curves of Srisailem and Nagarjuna Sagar Project reservoirs at the earliest.

In a letter to the board chairman, Muralidhar said it appears that KRMB misconstrued the request of Telangana calling for certain documents and data of the Srisailem project as non-cooperation.

The correspondence between the then State government and CWC, documents of approvals by the CWC and Planning Commission etc related to the Srisailem project were not available with Telangana which is a direct stakeholder of the project.

For finalising rule levels, the information sought was very much essential as it would have a direct effect on the functioning of the Srisailem project.

canal and discharge to many medium irrigation tanks, feeding HNSS main canal and Punganur branch canal of HNSS project. It implies that the AP government was changing the scope of GNSS and HNSS projects and therefore, KRMB has to request SEIAA and MoEF to keep in abeyance the modification given to EC's of GNSS and HNSS as the EC granted for the lift scheme was not within the purview of the State Level Authority, he said.

Apart from the above scheme, the AP government has applied for EC for a new balancing reservoir near Avulapally village which is also a part of GNSS-HNSS

lift to irrigate an ayacut of command area of 9,700 hectares with a storage capacity of 2.5 TMC in the first phase with an ultimate storage capacity of 3.5 TMC. This scheme was proposed to draw 15.53 TMC. The same was brought to the notice of the KRMB.

Earlier, Telangana requested KRMB several times to restrain AP from proceeding with such illegal expansions of the projects by diverting Krishna water to outside basins. Telangana has been contesting these outside basin projects - HNSS and GNSS before the Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal-II (KWDT-II), Muralidhar said.

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Seepage from new MP dam forces evacuation of 18 villages

Bhopal/Dhar: Residents of 12 villages in Dhar district and six villages in Khargone district of Madhya Pradesh were shifted to safer places on Friday after authorities found that soil has started slipping from an under-construction dam on the Karam river; a senior official said here.

It was a precautionary measure, said additional chief secretary (ACS) home Rajesh Rajora. An alert had been sounded for downstream villages a day before when water seepage was reported from the dam.

The dam's reservoir filled up with water for the first time this monsoon as rain battered the region. The 590-metre-long and 52-metre-high dam, a medium-level irrigation project, has 15 million cubic metre (MCM) water in its reservoir, ACS Rajora said.

"As a precaution, the authorities have shifted people in 12 villages of Dhar district and six villages of Khargone district to safer places and relief camps," he added. A team of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Emergency Response Force (SDERF) besides two hel-



The breach site of the dam in Dhar district of MP

icopters and an Army column have been put on stand-by, Rajora said. Senior officials including divisional commissioner, inspector general, district collector, superintendent of police, engineering-in-chief and chief engineer of the water resources department among others were camping at the site, he said. MP water resources minister Tulsiram Silawat and industries minister Rajvardhan Singh Dattigaon were also at the dam site to oversee repair work, officials said. Earlier in the morning, Dhar collector Pankaj Jain had said that efforts to control the seepage were unsuccessful. PTI

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Stop AP new LI scheme, T urges Krishna board

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Hyderabad: Telangana has urged the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB) to restrain Andhra Pradesh from going ahead with a new lift irrigation scheme aimed at linking the Galeru Nagari Sujala Sravanthi (GNSS) and Handri Neeva Sujala Sravanthi (HNSS) projects. The KRMB should stop AP from taking up the new project as it had not appraised the board or the apex council about it, Telangana irrigation engineer-in-chief C Muralidhar said.

In a letter to chairman of KRMB MP Singh on Friday, Muralidhar said the AP government had given administrative approval (in August 2020) for the new lift irrigation scheme to irrigate 22,186 acres of ayacut in seven mandals of Kadapa district and provide drinking water to villages en route at an estimated cost of Rs 5,036 crore.

The Andhra Pradesh State-Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) has given environmental clearance to the project in May this year, ter-

WATER SHARING WOES

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Stating that both GNSS and HNSS are based on floodwaters of Krishna river drawn from Srisaillam reservoir, Muralidhar said the new lift irrigation project targeted to link GNSS and HNSS is planned to divert more water from Krishna basin to Penna basin.

"The new projects are not appraised by the KRMB. There is no approval from the apex council also. The KRMB chairman should address SEIAA to keep in abeyance the environmental clearance granted to the new lift irrigation project

and the attempt to unauthorisedly expand the existing projects," he said.

Telangana engineer-in-chief C Muralidhar urged the KRMB to furnish data requested for formulation of rule curves of Srisaillam and Nagarjuna Sagar Project (NSP) reservoirs at the earliest.

"It appears that KRMB misconstrued the request of Telangana calling for certain documents and data of Srisaillam project as non-cooperation. The Telangana government participated in RMC meetings and expressed its views," Muralidhar clarified.

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Odisha rivers in spate, more showers likely in next 2 days

OUR CORRESPONDENT

BHUBANESWAR/SAMBALPUR: Almost all rivers across Odisha are in spate owing to torrential rain earlier this week, but the state government on Friday rejected possibility of flood for now.

It has, however, put several districts on alert in the wake of an IMD forecast of another spell of heavy showers in the next two days due to the likely formation of a new low-pressure system over the Bay of Bengal. The weather system is set to form over north Bay



of Bengal during the next 24 hours under the influence of a cyclonic circulation, which lies over west Myanmar, the Bhubaneswar Meteorological Centre said. It is expected to

become more marked during subsequent 24 hours and move northwestwards, bringing rain to Odisha and Bengal, according to a bulletin. Odisha's Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources

department, BK Mishra, said although all rivers are swelling, there is no such immediate flood threat.

Except Jalaka River in Balasore district, all rivers are flowing below danger level, Mishra said, explaining that water inflow into Hirakud reservoir has declined due to comparatively less rainfall in upper catchment areas.

Water level at Jalaka river was flowing at least 0.7m above the danger level, officials said.

They also claimed that water from Jalaka may enter at least 12 gram panchayats of

Bhograi block if the current situation persists.

Stating that the administration has been instructed to keep a close watch on the vulnerable river embankments, Mishra said the at least 20 of the 98 sluice gates of Hirakud reservoir have been opened.

At 3 pm, water stood at 616 feet in the reservoir, just 14 feet less than the maximum level.

Announcements were being made on microphones in areas adjoining the dam, asking people to keep evacuation plans ready, District Collector Ananya Das said.



A woman living along the bank of the Yamuna leaves her home on Friday.

SANCHIT KHANNA/HT PHOTO

Yamuna water level crosses danger mark; river may swell even further

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NEW DELHI: The Yamuna river was flowing above the danger mark at 205.7 metres on Friday, a day after large volumes of water were released into the river at the Hathnikund Barrage, 228km upstream in Haryana's Yamunanagar, even as authorities started evacuating people living in low-lying areas in the vicinity and the river floodplain in five districts.

A senior official deployed at the flood control room said that the water level at the old Iron Bridge, which is considered the benchmark for assessing the flood situation in the Capital, was at 205.7 metres at 9pm on Friday, and it was expected to rise further.

"On Thursday, 1-2 lakh cusecs of water was released at regular intervals from Hathnikund Barrage. Now, around 25,000 cusecs are being released every hour. We are expecting the water level to rise further," the official said.

The water released from the barrage takes 4872 hours to reach Delhi, the official added.

The city considers 204.5 metre



water level at the railway bridge as the warning mark, while 205.33m is considered as the danger level.

The river breached the danger mark on Friday around 4pm, the flood control room official said.

Lieutenant governor VK Saxena on Friday issued an appeal, asking people to not enter the Yamuna.

"Due to heavy rainfall in Yamuna's catchment area, the water released from Hathnikund is expected to reach Delhi on Friday evening. The administration is taking steps to improve security," Saxena tweeted.

Delhi recorded its worst flood-

ing in the Yamuna on September 6, 1978 when the water level in the river touched 207.49 metres.

A flood alert is declared in Delhi when the discharge rate from the Hathnikund Barrage crosses 100,000 cusecs.

The flood forecast sent to the Central Flood Control Room and Northern Railways states that the current indications show that the water level will go up to 206 metres by 2pm on Saturday.

Authorities have already initiated protocols to save lives in the five flood-prone districts of Delhi — North-east, East, North, Central

and South-east.

A sub-divisional magistrate associated with the flood control programme said that the advisory to evacuate people from the low-lying areas has been issued and people have been asked to move to temporary shelters.

The flood control department on Thursday advised all sector officers to keep a vigil in their respective areas and deploy quick reaction teams (QRTs).

In East Delhi, temporary shelters have been formed at Akshardham Pusta, Hathighat Pusta and Ranney Well near DND Flyway.

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Is A.P. planning check dams near T.N. border?

T.N. officials make enquiries with their A.P. counterparts

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The Water Resources Department has initiated an enquiry with the Andhra Pradesh authorities on the reported move to construct storage structures in rivers that feed many waterbodies, including Poondi reservoir in Tiruvallur district, which caters to the drinking water needs of Chennai.

According to sources in the Water Resources Department, construction of storage structures in the waterways in Andhra Pradesh border would affect inflow into the Poondi reservoir. It was learnt that the Andhra Pradesh government has planned to build a check dam or create a waterbody in the Lava river, which is one of the tributaries of Nagari river originating in Andhra Pradesh. Similarly, another storage structure is being proposed across the Nagari river in Andhra Pradesh limits, about 10 km away from the Tamil Nadu border.



City's lifeline: Poondi reservoir receives significant inflows from the Nagari and Nandi rivers that flow through the Tamil Nadu-Andhra Pradesh border. ■ K. PICHUMANI

The storage structure across the Lava may be built in Andhra Pradesh, about 2-3 km upstream of Pallipattu in Tiruvallur district. The Lava is the lifeline for agriculture and drinking water needs of villages falling in Pallipattu and Tiruttani taluks along the Tamil Nadu-Andhra Pradesh border. Besides feeding several waterbodies enroute, the surplus water from the Lava and the Nagari flows into the Poondi reservoir.

The reservoir in Poondi is a major storage point for drinking water supply to Chennai. It mainly gets its inflow from Nagari and Nandi rivers during monsoon apart from Krishna water released from Andhra Pradesh in two spells every year.

If the authorities in Andhra Pradesh confirm the move, the State government would be apprised of the situation to decide on further course of action, the officials said.

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यमुना का जलस्तर खतरे के निशान के पार

जनसत्ता संवाददाता
नई दिल्ली, 12 अगस्त।

ऊपरी जलग्रहण क्षेत्रों में भारी बारिश के बाद शुक्रवार शाम को दिल्ली में यमुना नदी का जलस्तर 205.33 मीटर के खतरे के निशान को पार कर गया। बाढ़ नियंत्रण विभाग के अधिकारियों ने बताया कि जलस्तर के खतरे के निशान के पार चले जाने के मद्देनजर प्रशासन निचले इलाकों में रहने वाले लोगों को वहां से हटाने की योजना तैयार कर रहा है।

दिल्ली बाढ़ नियंत्रण कक्ष ने कहा कि शुक्रवार शाम चार बजे यमुना नदी का जलस्तर 205.38 मीटर तक जा पहुंचा। इसके लिए बीती रात को ही चेतावनी जारी की गई थी।

बाढ़ नियंत्रण कक्ष के मुताबिक पुराने रेलवे

पुल पर शुक्रवार सुबह आठ बजे जलस्तर 203.86 मीटर था जो अपराह्न तीन बजे तक बढ़कर 205.29 मीटर हो गया था।

यह शाम चार बजे तक बढ़कर 205.33 मीटर तक पहुंच गया था। विभाग के मुताबिक यमुना नगर स्थित हथिनीकुंड बैराज से छोड़े जाने वाले पानी की मात्रा एक लाख क्यूसेक के पार होने पर बाढ़ की चेतावनी घोषित की जाती है। इसी के साथ डूब क्षेत्र और बाढ़ संभावित इलाकों में रहने वाले लोगों को सुरक्षित स्थानों पर पहुंचाया जाता है।

विभाग ने गुरुवार को ही चेतावनी जारी कर दी थी और सभी सेक्टर अधिकारियों को अपने-अपने क्षेत्रों में निगरानी रखने के लिए कहा था। निचले इलाकों में जांच के लिए 34 नौकाएं और सचल पंप तैनात किए गए हैं। पूर्वी

दिल्ली के जिलाधिकारी अनिल बांका ने कहा- दिल्ली में यमुना के डूब क्षेत्रों और निचले इलाकों में रहने वाले लगभग 37,000 लोगों के बाढ़ की चपेट में आने की आशंका रहती है।

हमने लोगों से सुरक्षित स्थानों पर चले जाने का आग्रह किया है। अगर जलस्तर 206 मीटर के स्तर को पार कर जाता है, तो हम उन्हें हटाने के प्रयास शुरू करेंगे। ऐसा इस शाम या कल सुबह हो सकता है। गुरुवार को दोपहर तीन बजे हरियाणा के यमुनानगर जिले के हथिनीकुंड बैराज से करीब 2.21 लाख क्यूसेक और मध्य रात्रि 12 बजे करीब 1.55 लाख क्यूसेक पानी छोड़े जाने की सूचना दी थी। पिछले साल 30 जुलाई को यमुना का जलस्तर खतरे के निशान को पार कर गया था और पुराने रेलवे पुल पर जलस्तर 205.59 मीटर तक पहुंच गया था।

मध्य प्रदेश : हजारों ग्रामीणों को किया शिफ्ट धार में बांध टूटने का खतरा बढ़ा, नौ गांव खाली कराए



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धार/गुजरी. मध्य प्रदेश के धार जिले के धरमपुरी ब्लॉक में भारूड़पुरा घाट के कोठिदा में कारम नदी पर बन रहे डेम के टूटने का अंदेशा बना है। शुक्रवार को दो स्थानों पर पानी का रिसाव बढ़ने व मिट्टी धंसने का सिलसिला शुरू होने के बाद डेम को खाली करने के लिए मशक्कत की जा रही है।

कारम डेम में रिसाव के बाद शुक्रवार को प्रशासनिक अमला मौके पर जमा था।

जल संसाधन विभाग की क्वालिटी कंट्रोल टीम की लापरवाही और अनदेखी का

गांवों में सन्नाटा

डेम टूटने की आशंका से 9 गांव खाली करवाए गए। पुलिस टीमों ने 10 हजार की आबादी को शिफ्ट किया। लोगों की आंखों में घर छोड़ने का दर्द था। कोठिदा, भारूड़पुरा, इमलीपुरा, भांडाखो, दुगनी, डेहरिया, सिमराली, सिरसोदिया, डहीवर, लसनगांव आदि गांवों को खाली करवाया गया है।

खामियाजा डेम की डाउन स्ट्रीम में आने वाले 9 गांव के लोगों को भुगतना पड़ रहा है। गांवों के डूबने व लोगों के पुर्नवास का खतरा पैदा हो गया है।

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डेनमार्क के सहयोग से शुरू होगा पायलट प्रोजेक्ट

गंगा, वरुणा और असि नदी को करेंगे प्रदूषणमुक्त

वाराणसी @ पत्रिका. वाराणसी में गंगा एवं सहायक नदियां जैसे वरुणा एवं असि आदि की वर्तमान स्थिति तथा नमामि गंगे पर आधारित एक लघु चलचित्र दिखाया गया। नेशनल मिशन फार क्लीन गंगा के महानिदेशक अशोक कुमार ने भारत सरकार द्वारा अब तक जल एवं नदियों के प्रबंधन के क्षेत्र में उठाए गए सकारात्मक कार्यों का विवरण प्रस्तुत किया। डेनमार्क के मिनिस्ट फ्लेमिंग मॉलर मॉर्टेन ने कहा कि नदी दल संरक्षण के क्षेत्र में भारत और डेनमार्क के बीच पहली बार समझौता हो रहा है। बताया कि बनारस में गंगा स्वच्छता को स्मार्ट रिवर लैब की स्थापना की जाएगी।



इससे पूर्व डेनमार्क की टीम ने दीनापुर एसटीपी का भी किया निरीक्षण: इससे पूर्व डेनमार्क की टीम ने दीनापुर स्थित 140 एमएलडी के एसटीपी का निरीक्षण किया। इस दौरान जल निगम (गंगा प्रदूषण इकाई) के विशेषज्ञों संग वार्ता की। जल निगम के विशेषज्ञों ने बताया कि

यहां 412 एमएलडी की क्षमता से सीवेज ट्रीट किया जाता है। इस मौके पर तय हुआ कि यहां डेनमार्क नई तकनीक से प्रयोगशाला बनाएगी जिसमें सीवेज व पेयजल दोनों तरह के जल की जांच की जाएगी। टीम ने गंगा-वरुणा और असि नदी की मौजूदा हकीकत भी जानी।

रेम्बोल्स नालेज प्रॉडक्ट का शुभारम्भ

इस अवसर पर डेनमार्क की कन्सल्टेंसी कम्पनी रेम्बोल्स द्वारा प्रोजेक्ट अरबन लीविंग लैब के अंतर्गत रेम्बोल्स नालेज प्रॉडक्ट का शुभारम्भ (लांचिंग) किया गया। इस प्रोजेक्ट से नदियों एवं जल के संरक्षण व संवर्धन में

सहायता मिलेगी। इस अवसर पर प्रतिनिधि मंडल ने नेशनल मिशन फॉर क्लीन गंगा के सहयोगी वालिंटियर खासकर गंगादूत, गंगामित्र, गंगा प्रहरी तथा जलज द्वारा लगाई गई प्रदर्शनी का अवलोकन किया।

ये रहे मौजूद

कार्यक्रम का संचालन निदेशक प्रो एसएस रघुवंशी ने दिया तथा संस्थान के वर्तमान डीन प्रो आरके मल्ल एवं पूर्व डीन प्रो जीएस सिंह तथा पूर्व निदेशक प्रो कविता शाह ने पुष्प गुच्छ से प्रतिनिधिमण्डल

का स्वागत किया। आईआईटी तथा बीएचयू के पर्यावरण प्रबंधन से संबंधित शिक्षकों एवं छात्र-छात्राओं ने प्रतिनिधिमंडल से प्रश्न किए जिसका विशेषज्ञों ने उत्तर दिया।