

**SUMMARY RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS OF THE 3RD MEETING OF
GODAVARI RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD HELD ON 21ST JANUARY, 2016.**

The 3rd meeting of the Godavari River Management Board (GRMB) was held under the chairmanship of Shri Ram Saran, Chairman, GRMB at Jalasoudha, Hyderabad on 21st January, 2016.

At the outset, the Chairman of the Board welcomed the Members, special invitees and other participants from Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP), Government of Telangana (GoT) and Central Water Commission. Chairman pointed out that the 3rd meeting is taking place after ninth attempts since the first schedule date of 27th August, 2015 due to various reasons conveyed by both State Governments. While expressing satisfaction about the cooperation extended to GRMB by both the States, he emphasized upon the need to further strengthen the Board by providing permanent office accommodation, posting of officers & supporting staff. He implored both the States to deposit budgetary funds into the Board's bank account to avoid the hardship faced by the Board in paying bills like vehicle hire charges etc. and enabling the Board to utilize the budgetary funds independently. The Chairman also informed about development of web site which is under construction with cooperation of IT wings of both the states. He sought for further cooperation of the States in providing the relevant data to be uploaded on the website so that the website can be used to meet the needs of all users. He then requested Member Secretary to take up the Agenda items for discussion.

At this point of time, GoAP observed that only members/ special invitees can be present in the Board meeting along with related officers to assist the members. In this context, the presence of Advisor, Telangana State was objected to by GoAP. GoAP also stated that If some members bring officers to assist them, then they will be bound by the conduct of the officers and can talk only with the permission of the Chair. Only the Chairman, GRMB or authorized officer should address and release press statement regarding deliberation of Board. It was informed by the representative of Govt. of Telangana that it is the prerogative of the respective State to bring as many officials/ experts as necessary to assist their delegation. Chairman suggested that the States are at liberty to nominate their representatives in accordance with the provisions of AP Reorganisation Act, 2014 and any change in nomination needs to be duly notified.

The list of participants in the meeting is at **Annexure –I**.

The Member Secretary stated that the Board is growing up from its infancy to childhood, taking co-operation from party States and now time has come to make the Board fully functional body – technically, administratively and financially to carry out all mandated functions as depicted in A.P. Reorganization Act, 2014. Then he brought the Agenda items up for discussion.

Item No. 3.1 Confirmation of Summary Record of discussions of 2nd meeting of Godavari River Management Board held on 30.12.2014.

As no comments were received from any of the Board members, Summary Record of discussions of the 2nd meeting were confirmed.

Item No. 3.2 Confirmation of Draft Regulations-2014 of Godavari River Management Board.

The GRMB Regulations 2014 were discussed in the Board meeting and approved with minor modifications. However, the members desired that the approved Regulations-2014 be sent to them before sending it to the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD & GR) for its notification.

Item No. 3.3 Making available to the Board the list of projects and authenticated data of all projects located in Godavari Basin by both the State Governments.

3.3.1 List of projects for notification

As per the provisions of the AP Reorganization Act 2014, the list of projects in Godavari Basin is required to be notified under Sections 85(1) and 87(1). GoAP has submitted a revised list of projects in the month of December, 2015. GoT has not so far confirmed the list of projects to be brought under jurisdiction of Board in spite of persistent requests by the Board. GoT stated that they would respond in this regard shortly stating their views on the issue. The matter was further discussed and the views of the members were recorded:

The principal secretary, I & CAD Department, GoT stated that the function of GRMB is enshrined in section 85(8) of AP reorganization act 2014. According to section 85(8)(a) the regulation of supply of water from the projects to successor

States have to be with regard to either (i) awards granted by the Tribunals constituted under the Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956; or (ii) any agreement entered into or arrangement made covering the Government of existing State of Andhra Pradesh and any other State or Union territory; In so far as apportionment of water between the two successor States is concerned, either an agreement has to be entered between two successor States or a tribunal award has to be made. Principal Secretary, GoT also stated that any of these above preconditions has to be fulfilled before GRMB commences regulation of water supply between the two States.

Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, GoAP stated that they would like to place on record the record of discussion of 1st Board meeting item 1.2.

Member Secretary pointed out that notifying the projects under the jurisdiction of Board is essential for monitoring of the projects with water accounting and for carrying out mandated functions of the Board as depicted in section 85(8) of the Act including future planning in the basin.

3.3.2 *Authenticated data of all projects*

The Board Secretariat requested both the State Governments earlier many times to share authenticated data of all the projects in Godavari Basin. The Government of AP informed that some data of some projects have been made available by them. However, Member Secretary stated that there is a need of all data agreed to as in the 1st Board meeting item 1.2 is essential for the carrying out the designated functions of the Board. Chief Engineer, GRMB also requested for the live data in line with KRMB to be displayed on web site which is under advance stage of development. Both the States agreed to supply the data to the Board by the end of February, 2016.

Item No. 3.4 Finalization of Draft Working Manual for the Board.

Draft Working Manual for the Board has been circulated to both the Governments in September 2014 requesting their views /concurrence. Recently, the Board has received the views/ comments from A.P. and Telangana Governments. The comparative statements comprising the views of Govts of AP, Telangana and Board's proposed draft were again circulated among members on 31.12.2015 for their final comments. The Principal Secretary, GoAP requested the Chairman to defer this item as they need some more time to finalize the same. The matter was deferred with a request to both the States that they may respond on the same in a month.

Item No. 3.5 Construction of Lift Irrigation project at Pattiseema to divert flood water / remaining water from River Godavari to River Krishna by Government of Andhra Pradesh.

The matter was discussed. Principal Secretary, GoT stated that the project is new one, not part of Polavaram project and hence GoAP requires to obtain the necessary clearances from the competent authorities. Principal Secretary, GoAP stated that the project is part of Polavaram Project, not a new one and the present arrangement is a temporary mechanism at Pattiseema to divert Godavari water to Krishna basin through the existing Right Main Canal as contemplated in Polavaram project. The temporary lift irrigation project at Pattiseema will be dispensed with when Polavaram project will be operational. The DPR of the Pattiseema project also was submitted to Board. Member Secretary requested to send four more copies of DPR to the Board for examination by relevant expert organizations at the earliest, for which Principal Secretary, GoAP agreed.

Chairman stated that the issue of bringing the projects under jurisdiction of the Board needs to be resolved first, then only other issues such as Pattiseema can be discussed fruitfully.

ItemNo.3.6: Survey and leveling operations, geological exploration and preparation of detailed project report for construction of barrage on river Godavari at downstream of intake pump of JCR Devadula Lift Irrigation project near DurgamGutta, Gangaram (V), Eturunagaram (M), Warangal Dist. and design of conveyance system including pump house and enroute storage reservoirs.

Principal Secretary, GoT informed that currently, survey work is going on with the help of WAPCOS, a Central Government Undertaking and the information will be shared with GRMB as and when finalised and required. Chief Engineer, GRMB suggested that at planning stage itself, States should involve Board for better planning and firming up the parameters like water availability, interstate aspects etc., before detailed designs etc., are prepared and these help in quicker appraisal. The same procedure is followed by CWC also.

However, in light of the ruling of Chairman given at Item No.3.5, this issue was not discussed further.

Item No. 3.7 Power scheduling by APGENCO from Lower and Upper Sileru Hydroelectric projects.

The issue of power scheduling by APGENCO from Lower and Upper Sileru Hydroelectric projects was taken up by Ministry of Power, Govt of India and the Ministry constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Chairperson, CEA. Recently a meeting was conducted on 27.11.2015 and the decisions of the meeting have not yet been communicated to Board.

The Principal Secretary, GoAP stated that considering the stand of Telangana Govt on item 3.3.1 (which Govt of AP does not accept), the same situation applies to HYDEL projects also. The same may be brought to the notice of the committee constituted by MoP/ CEA.

The Principal Secretary, GoT stated that they are willing to await the decision of the said committee constituted by MoP/ CEA, GoI.

Item No. 3.8 Office accommodation, Infrastructure, and Human resources for the Board.

3.8.1 Office accommodation & Infrastructure

The present temporary office space in Jalasoudha provided by GoT is not adequate for the officers and staff of the Board. Moreover, one more Chief Engineer from Central Govt. and one SE from GoT joined the Board. Member Secretary pointed out that due to shortage of office space, Member Secretary is sharing his cabin with Chief Engineer and Member (Power) is sharing his cabin with SE. Board is unable to deploy required staff to carry out the mandated functions solely because of lack of sufficient office accommodation. On query of timeline of completion and handing over the office space at 5th floor, Jalasoudha, ENC, GoT informed that the office accommodation will be handed over to Board by March, 2016.

3.8.2 Transfer of land allotted to CWC.

It was decided to drop this item.

3.8.3 Human resources for the Board.

Member Secretary thanked both the States for posting three AEEs from GoAP and one SE from GoT in the Board.

The Member Secretary pointed out that Exe. Engineer from GoT has been transferred from GRMB. He requested to post suitable substitute in the post of Exe. Engineer, which was agreed by GoT.

Both the Govts agreed to post the following officers/ staff as desired by the Board as an interim arrangement and it was decided by the Board to send requisition letters to the State Govts in this regard.

Sl.No.	Designation	From	
		GoAP	GoT
1.	Director (Finance)/ Finance Officer at the rank of Dy. Sec. or Sr. A.O.		1
2.	Accounts Officer	1	-
3.	Dy. Executive Engineer	1	1
4.	Asst. Executive Engineers/Asst. Engineers	-	2
5.	Junior Assts	1	1
6.	Superintendent	-	1
7.	Office Subordinates	3	-

GoT stated that they can spare staff at the level of Junior Asst provided their salary etc will be shared by GoAP. Member Secretary stated that with the new financial arrangement going to be established shortly, after deposit of funds in the Board's bank account, such sharing will be taken care of automatically.

For administrative reasons, both the Govts., accepted to consult the Chairman regarding suitability of staff to be posted beforehand.

Item No. 3.9 Administrative and Financial Matters of the Board.

3.9.1 Drawing and Disbursing Officer

The Board has been informed that Shri R. Vittal Prasad, Exe. Engineer has been designated as the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the Board in place of Shri Ch. Radha Krishna, Exe. Engineer who has been recalled by his parent department in GoT.

3.9.2 Vehicles

The Board has hired two Innova vehicles as per the terms & conditions and hire rates being followed by the Department of Protocol, Govt of Telangana as per the decision taken in the second Board meeting. The Innova vehicles are hired @ Rs. 50,000/- per vehicle per month which is well below the rate adopted by Dept. of Protocol.

In view of growing activities of the Board, it was agreed by all members to hire another medium sized vehicle like Indica/ Indigo/ Swift D'Zire to carry out the outdoor official works.

The Board is facing problems in payment of vehicle hire bills by Pay and Account office on the pretext of requirement of suitable orders from the Govt of Telangana in respect of category and hire rates of vehicles.

*The Board considered a **resolution** (circulated earlier as draft resolution No. 3) and passed with minor changes. The resolution approved by Board is at **Annexure II(a)**.*

3.9.3 Funds position of GRMB

In the F.Y 2014-15 a budget of Rs. 5 crore was released by GoT vide G.O. Rt. No. 1140 Finance (EBS.IX) Department dated 20.11.2014. The expenditure incurred during the financial year 2014-15 was Rs. 18,75,641/- and the details of expenditure are placed before the Board vide **Annexure-III** which has been approved by Board.

For the F.Y 2015-16 a budget of Rs. 7 crore was sanctioned by GoT and Rs.1.75 crore was released for the 1st quarter vide G.O. Rt. No. 1634 Finance (EBS.IX) Department dated 24.04.2015. The expenditure incurred so far is Rs. 71,37,477/- (upto December, 2015). Revised Estimate of Rs. 4.90 crore for the FY 2015-16 and Budget Estimate of Rs 8.00 crore for the FY 2016-17 were communicated to Engineers-in-Chief of both the Governments in the month of September 2015 for further action at their end. The matter was discussed and approved by the Board. The same are exhibited under **Annexure-IV**.

3.9.4 Travelling and Daily Allowances for the State Govt staff working in GRMB

The staff drafted from the State Govts to work in the Board on informal basis/OD basis may often require to travel outside the Board Headquarters by road/ air. The Board discussed the matter and decided that the eligibility of travel expenses for the Board's staff shall be allowed at par with staff of similar/ equivalent rank in Central Govt. The expenditure shall be charged to the Board's Head of Account. Further it was decided that the Chairman is delegated power to allow air-travel to any of the gazetted officers working in the Board in the interest of work.

3.9.5 Authorization to use the Budget directly by the Board

Member Secretary stated that as per the resolution passed in the 2nd meeting of the Board, the Govts. of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana were to deposit their share of funds in advance, in the Board's Bank account for meeting all expenses in equal share (including the salaries and allowances of the staff) required for the discharge of its functions. So far there is no response from either of the State Govts in this regard.

The matter was deliberated in detail and the Board considered resolutions(circulated earlier as draft resolution No. 1 & 2) and passed the same with minor changes. The resolutions approved by Board are at Annexure II(b) & Annexure II(c).

Item No.3.10 New proposals on River Godavari by GoT

- (a) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita-Chevella Sujala Sravanthi – Consultancy services for vetting of DPR for LIS scheme from Mid Manair – Tadakapally – Gandhamalla – Baswapur – Pamulaparthi – NizamSagar – Administrative approval for Rs.285 lakhs
- (b) Improvement to the existing Thotapally Minor Irrigation Tank under Right Side Main Canal of Mid Manair Reservoir – Administrative approval for Rs.30.631 crores
- (c) Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita - Chevella Sujala Sravanthi – Recommendation of High Power Committee in respect of mordernisation of packages – 6, 7 & 8 and 10, 11 & 12 – Approval for modifications

The GoAP has raised issue on above new proposals vide their letter dated 26.11.2015. The GoT has been requested to furnish the comments and the relevant details by the Board Secretariat in its letter dated 02.12.2015. The reply is awaited. The Principal Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh impressed upon that taking up such new projects will have adverse impact on the projects downstream in Andhra Pradesh and hence Board needs to examine the matter with respect to provisions of AP Reorganisation Act, 2014. However, in light of the ruling of Chairman given at Item No.3.5, this issue was not discussed further.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and other participants by Member Secretary, GRMB.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

S.No	Name of the Officers	Designation
GODAVARI RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD SECRETARIAT		
1	Shri Ram Saran	Chairman
2	Shri S.K.Pattnayak	Member(Power)
3	Dr. Samir Chatterjee	Member Secretary
4	Shri N.K.Mathur	Chief Engineer
5	Shri G. Ram Babu	Director
6	Shri M. Ravi Kumar	Superintending Engineer
7	Shri R. Vittal Prasad	Executive Engineer
8	Smt. T. Sridevi	Accounts Officer
8	Shri K. Ramesh	Deputy Executive Engineer
9	Shri P. Venkata Ramana	Deputy Executive Engineer
10	Smt. P. Vijaya Laxmi	S.D.E.
11	Smt. Jasmine Supriya	Assistant Executive Engineer
12	Smt. N. Swathi	Assistant Executive Engineer
GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA		
13	Dr. S.K. Joshi	Principal Secretary (I & CAD) & Member (A) of GRMB
14	Shri C. Muralidhar	ENC (I & CAD) & Member (T) of GRMB
15	Shri R.Vidya Sagar Rao	Advisor (Irrigation), GoT
16	Shri S.Vijaya Kumar	PS to Advisor, GoT
17	Shri S. Narasimha Rao	Chief Engineer, IS & WR

18	Shri V. Ajaya Kumar	Superintending Engineer , IS & WR
19	Shri V. Ajay Kumar	Deputy Director , IS & WR
20	Shri P. Chandra Sekhar	Deputy Chief Engineer, O/o ENC (I & CAD)
21	Shri B. Dudiya	Deputy Executive Engineer , O/o ENC (I & CAD)
22	Smt K. Andalu	AEE, O/o ENC (I & CAD)
23	Shri. T.Mahipal Reddy	AEE, IS & WR
GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH		
24	Shri Aditya Nath Das	Principal Secretary (Water Resources) & Member (A) of GRMB
25	Shri Y.Rama Krishna	Additional Secretary Finance
26	Shri D.Rama Krishna	Chief Engineer,IS & WR
27	Shri P.Rama Krishna Murthy	Superintending Engineer, IS & WR
28	Shri M.S.S.Ravi Babu	Executive Engineer, O/o ENC(I)
29	Shri A.Radha Krishna	Deputy Director(KT), IS & WR
30	Shri. K.B.Gangadhara Rao	Deputy Executive Engineer , IS & WR
31	Smt S.Arundhati	Deputy Executive Engineer , IS & WR
32	Shri. T.V.S.Prasad	Deputy Executive Engineer , O/o ENC (I)
33	Smt. U.Bhargavi	Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o ENC (I)
KRISHNA RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD SECRETARIAT		
34	Shri. R.K.Gupta	Member Secretary, KRMB

Resolution No:1

(Item 3.9.5 of the summary record of discussions of the 3rd Board meeting)

For smooth functioning of Godavari River Management Board, Government of Telangana shall deposit every year the amount as per the budget estimate approved by the Board in full in the first month of the financial year. Any shortfall/additional fund requirements shall be made available in the month of October/November of the financial year for meeting all the expenses of the Board required to discharge the functions including salary and allowances.

The share of the Government of Andhra Pradesh shall be adjusted by the Government of Telangana independently.

The Board's Bank account shall be operated independently by the Board secretariat. Chairman is fully authorized to use the amount for the identified tasks. He can delegate the powers for operation of the finances within the Board Secretariat.

The unutilized funds at the end of the financial year shall be adjusted against the budget requirement of the Board in the subsequent years.

The Board Secretariat shall place before the Board the annual account of expenses duly audited as per procedure accepted by the Board. The accounts of the Board are further subjected to AG Audit.

Resolution No:2
(Pursuant to Resolution No.1)

The Board resolves

- (i) That an amount of Rs.1.20 Crores shall be deposited by the Government of Telangana into the Board's bank account at the earliest for the remaining part of the current financial year to meet day to day expenditure.
- (ii) That suitable accounts staff such as Accounts Officer and Superintendent be posted by Government of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
- (iii) To delegate full powers to Chairman to operate the approved budget for works as well as establishment component and empower Chairman to delegate powers to Member Secretary to the extent of Rs.10.00 Lakhs in each case.

Resolution No:3

(Item 3.9.2 of the summary record of discussions of the 3rd Board meeting)

The Board resolves that the Chairman is delegated with full powers to procure/ hire vehicles for the use of the Board and its members/ officers. The type of vehicles to be hired, hire charges etc., shall be as decided by the Chairman.

Annexure-III

**EXPENDITURE DETAILS OF GODAVARI RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2014 -15**

S. No	Name & Designation / Agency Name	Bill Details	Bill Amount in Rs.	Remarks
1	Shri.M.S.AGRAWAL, Ex-Chairman	Salary	629943.00	Budget sanctioned by Government of Telangana state for an amount of Rs.5.0 Crores vide G.O.Rt.no.1140,Finance (EBS-IX) Department, T.S. Dated:20.11.2014.
		TTA,TA,LTC and Local conveyance (Including Air Tickets)	302573.00	
		Telephone Bills	4380.00	
		Medical Bill	820.00	
2	Shri.RAM SARAN, Chairman	Salary and Pay fixation arrears	171083.00	
3	Shri.S.K.Pattnayak, Member Power	Salary	430239.00	
		TTA	69537.00	
4	SP Technologies, Hyderabad	Supply of HP Printer (128fn,A4,B&W) Multi functional,Catridges (88A-1no) and Installation of Panasonic cardless phone (4321/3722/SX Dual Handset Boss)	30732.00	
5	Rahman Khan, News Paper, Supply Agent	Supply of News papers	3040.00	
6	Neriah Cab's (Car Travels)	Hire Charges of Innova Vehicles (2Nos).	150000.00	
7	Yamini Computers, Hyderabad	Supply of Hard Disks, Pendrives and Catridges	57840.00	
8	GPO, Abids, Hyderabad	Supply of Postal Stamps	5000.00	
9	Other Expenditure	Supply of Name Board, Letter Pads, Stamps and Visiting Cards to Shri.M.S.Agrawal, Chairman,Expenditure for 2nd Board meeting held on 30.12.2014,Supply of Brief case, Lap top bag to Shri.Ram Saran, Chairman and Towels to other staff.	20454.00	
			1875641.00	

GODAVARI RIVER MANAGEMENT BOARD
R.E. / B.E.FOR THE YEAR 2015-16 / 2016-17

Scheme: 2700-80-800 Godavari River Management Board (Plan /Non Plan)							(Rs.in Lakhs)	
Major Head of account in the demand for the grant	Sub head in the demand for grant	Plan / Non Plan	Unit of Apportion as in demand for grant	Revised Budget for 2015-16			Proposed Budget for 2016-17	Reasons
				Expenditure incurred up to 31.12.2015	proposed budget for the period from Oct'2015 to Mar'2016	Total Revised Estimate for 2015-16		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	-1	Plan	Salaries a) Central	52.573	45.87	79.63	368.00	
	-6	Plan	Medical Treatment	0.007	1.97	2.02	15.00	
	-11	Plan	Domestic travel expenses	1.530	2.83	4.25	30.00	
	-13	Plan	Office Expenses	1.058	4.88	5.62	30.00	
	-14	Plan	Rent, Rates and Taxes	0.000	0.00	0.00	30.00	
	-16	Plan	Publications	0.000	1.00	1.00	10.00	
	-20	Plan	Other administrative expenses	0.000	1.20	1.20	10.00	
	-26	Plan	Advertising and publicity	0.000	1.02	1.02	3.00	
	-27	Plan	Minor Works	7.207	322.05	329.26	115.00	Including an amount of Rs.296.50Lakhs as per G.O.Rt.No.385 Iirigation& CAD Department Dated:04.06.2015
		Plan	Motor Vehicles	9.000	58.00	64.00	104.00	
	-28	Plan	Engagement of Consultants.	0.000	2.00	2.00	20.00	
	-50	Plan	other Charges	0.000	0.00	0.00	5.00	
	-52	Plan	Machinery and Equipment	0.000	0.00	0.00	60.00	
				71.375	440.82	490.00	800.00	
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			TOTAL	71.375	440.82	490.00	800.00	