Minutes of the Fourth meeting of the Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers held under the Chairpersonship of Sushri Uma Bharti, Hon'ble Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation on 14.05.2015 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

The Fourth meeting of the Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers chaired by Sushri Uma Bharti, Hon'ble Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation was held on 14.05.2015 at 11.00 hours at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. Prof. Sanwar Lal Jat, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation; Shri Vijay Kumar Chaudhary, Hon'ble Minister of Water Resources, Government of Bihar, Shri Surendra Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of State for Irrigation, Government of Uttar Pradesh; Shri Vijay Shivtare, Hon'ble Minister of State for Water Resources, Government of Maharashtra; Shri Ramchandru Tejavath, Special Representative of the rank of Cabinet Minister, Government of Telangana; Shri Ram Pratap, Hon'ble of Minister Water Resources, Government of Rajasthan and members/representative from various Central Government and State Government organizations attended the meeting. The list of Members and participants who attended the meeting is placed at Annex-I.

At the outset Hon'ble Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation extended a warm welcome to the members and participants of the Special Committee meeting. She mentioned that the Interlinking of Rivers was essential to carry water to deficit areas, for providing irrigation and domestic water supply in such areas, which would usher in prosperity in the life of the people in all spheres. The Hon'ble Minister mentioned that the Government of India was committed to the implementation of ILR Programme with the consensus and cooperation of all State Governments after duly addressing environmental, social and ecological aspects. She further mentioned that the various clearances related to environment, wildlife and forest etc for Ken-Betwa link project were in an advanced stage of processing. She hoped that with all statutory clearances in place, the Government will be able to start the actual execution of Ken-Betwa link project by the end of this year.

The Hon'ble Minister further informed that she had a meeting with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra on 7th January, 2015 at Mumbai to expedite the further course of action for the implementation of Damanganga-Pinjal link project. She mentioned that considering large submergence of the Manibhadra reservoir under Mahanadi – Godavari link, NWDA had made a

Government of Odisha in April, 2015. Based on the response of the Government of Odisha further work for the preparation of Feasibility Report / Detailed Project Report will be taken up by NWDA. She mentioned that she had also discussed the alternative proposals of Mahanadi – Godavari Link Project with the delegation of Members of Parliament from Odisha who met her in Delhi on 7th May, 2015. The Hon'ble Minister informed that a Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers consisting of experts had been constituted by the Ministry of WR, RD & GR, which would assist the Special Committee in bringing speedy consensus amongst the States on the link projects and expedite the implementation of ILR Programme.

Hon'ble Minister of State for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation expressed his gratitude to the Hon'ble Union Minister (WR, RD&GR) for providing support and guidance at every stage of Interlinking of Rivers Programme. He observed that the Interlinking of Rivers under National Perspective Plan would provide irrigation benefits of about 35 million hectare and generation of 34000 megawatt of hydro power alongwith other benefits such as flood control, drought mitigation, navigation, water supply etc. He observed that cooperation of all the States was required for the successful implementation of Interlinking of Rivers Programme, which would bring prosperity to the nation. He mentioned that the agreement between Maharashtra and Gujarat regarding the water sharing and implementation of Damanganga-Pinjal and Par – Tapi – Narmada Link Projects will be taken up after the completion of DPR of Par-Tapi-Narmada link, which was in the final stages. He requested all members to provide support to NWDA for accomplishing the task of preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) and studies of various projects related to interlinking of rivers.

Shri Ramchandru Tejavath, Special Representative, Government of Telangana mentioned that Telangana State fully supported the Interlinking of Rivers Programme. He requested that studies to establish the water balance at various diversion points in Godavari and Krishna basins be conducted again considering all the projects planned by his State. He mentioned that once the water balance at various points in Godavari basin was established based on new studies, Telangana State would take a view on quantum of water that may be available for transfer outside Godavari basin towards down south. He requested Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD & GR) for convening a meeting of Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers at Hyderabad.

Shri Ram Pratap, Hon'ble Minister of Water Resources, Government of Rajasthan observed that Rajasthan was a drought affected State and requested to relax the norms of Benefit Cost (B.C.) ratio for considering the water resources

He requested that the method of working out B.C. Ratio should be revised considering the availability/scarcity of water particularly in the drought prone areas. He mentioned that the priority should be given to Sarda-Yamuna and Yamuna-Rajasthan links so that Rajasthan State would get the benefits in the water deficit areas.

Shri Vijay Kumar Chaudhary, Hon'ble Minister of Water Resources, Government of Bihar mentioned that the ILR Programme was very beneficial to Bihar as half of Bihar State was suffering from flood every year whereas the other half suffered from drought. He made a plea that all the ILR projects whether Inter State or Intra- State should be declared as National Projects. He mentioned that DPRs of 2 Intra-State link projects of Bihar completed by NWDA were under technical appraisal of CWC. He requested that a Group consisting of officers of Central Water Commission (CWC), National Water Development Agency (NWDA) and concerned State Government be constituted to expedite the appraisal of DPRs of ILR projects. Regarding methodology for working out the B.C. Ratio, he suggested that the other benefits from the projects such as reduction in flood damage should also be quantified and taken into account in B.C. ratio calculation. He suggested that appraisal procedure of projects be streamlined by adopting a single window clearance system.

Shri Vijay Shivtare, Hon'ble Minister of State for Water Resources, Government of Maharashtra mentioned that Damanganga-Pinjal and Par-Tapi-Narmada links were the two link projects concerning Maharashtra. He observed that Damanganga-Pinjal link had been planned to augment the domestic water supply to Greater Mumbai and as such was an important link project for his State. He requested that this project be considered as National Project for implementation. He mentioned that Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra had already sent a letter to Hon'ble Union Minister for WR, RD & GR indicating that the Government of Maharashtra may agree to Par-Tapi-Narmada link proposal provided Maharashtra was allowed to transfer 300 MCM water to Girna sub-basin and the remaining water of Maharashtra catchment to be utilised in Gujarat through Par-Tapi-Narmada link would be compensated elsewhere in Tapi basin. He further mentioned that the provisions of Iyengar Committee report may also be considered.

Shri Surendra Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of State for Irrigation, Government of Uttar Pradesh mentioned that his State had identified 1441 ha of land out of 2629 ha for aforestation for Ken-Betwa Link Project and the process of identifying other land was in progress. He requested that Ken-Betwa link

project could reach to all the stakeholders.

Therefore, with the permission of Chairperson of the Special Committee, Director General, NWDA and Member Secretary took up the agenda items for discussion.

Item 4.1: Confirmation of Minutes of 3rd Meeting of Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers held on 19.03.2015 at New Delhi.

Director General, NWDA informed that the minutes of third meeting of Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers were circulated vide letter dated 31.3.2015. Principal Secretary (PWD), Tamil Nadu vide letter dated 11-5-2015 had sent their comments and suggested to add the following under item 3.7- Status of Intra-State Links.

Representative of Govt. of Karnataka informed that Ponnaiyar - Palar link cannot be taken up as there is no surplus water in Ponnaiyar Basin. However the representative of Tamil Nadu informed that this proposed link off takes from Ponnaiyar river after the river crosses the Karnataka – Tamil Nadu border and it will not have any effect on the upper riparian State of Karnataka. DG, NWDA requested the Govt. of Karnataka to send its comments which would be referred to Tamil Nadu for their response. This suggestion was agreed to in the meeting.

No other comments on the minutes had been received from any other members of the Committee.

The minutes of the meeting with the inclusion of above comments from Government of Tamil Nadu were confirmed by the Committee

Item 4.2: Follow up action on the Decisions taken during previous meeting

Director General, NWDA informed that as decided in third meeting, a meeting of Sub-Committee on Consensus Building (earlier known as Consensus Group) under Chairman, CWC was convened on April 17, 2015 to discuss the Sankh – South Koel, South Koel – Subarnarekha, Intra-State link proposals of Jharkhand and Netravati – Hemavati and Bedti – Varada link projects of NPP. Representatives from Jharkhand, Odisha, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala participated in the meeting. It was decided that for Sankh- South Koel, South Koel-Subernarekha Intra-State link projects a group under DG, NWDA with Chief Engineer, HSO and Chief Engineer, IMO, CWC be constituted to look into issues

Karnataka would provide their planning of utilization of Netravati river water within a period of 2 months to NWDA. For Bedti – Varada link Government of Karnataka would provide their response on draft Terms of Reference (ToRs) of EIA Studies given by NWDA within a period of one month. Dr. Maharaj K. Pandit, a member of Special Committee expressed his concerned on the matter of ToRs for EIA study of Bedti-Varda link which was pending with Government of Karnataka since last seven years. The details as given in the Agenda Notes were noted by the Committee.

Item 4.3: Various Sub-Committees constituted with approval of Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers

Director General, NWDA informed the Committee that as decided by Special Committee for ILR in the first meeting, the MoWR, RD & GR vide OM dated 13th February, 2015 had notified the constitution of three Sub-Committees viz. (i) Sub-Committee for comprehensive evaluation of various studies/reports available on the issue of ILR (Sub Committee–I); (ii) Sub-Committee for system studies for identification of most appropriate alternative plan (Sub-Committee–II); and (iii) Sub-Committee for Restructuring of NWDA (Sub-Committee-III). It was informed that Sub-Committees-I & II had held 3 meetings each and Sub-Committee-III held two meetings so far.

Shri M. Gopalakrishnan, Chairman of the Sub-Committee for Restructuring of NWDA requested that in view of the quantum of work and other relevant issues, the tenure of his Committee may be extended for another 3-4 months. The Committee considered his request and decided to extend the tenure of his Sub Committee by two months.

Item 4.4: Constitution of Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers.

Director General, NWDA informed that the Union Cabinet while approving the constitution of Special Committee for ILR in its meeting held on 24th July, 2014 directed that a committee comprising of experts be constituted to look into the issues relating to interlinking of rivers. In compliance to the direction of Union Cabinet, MoWR, RD & GR vide O.M. dated 13th April, 2015 has constituted a Task Force for Interlinking of Rivers (TF-ILR) under the Chairmanship of Shri B.N. Navalawala, Chief Advisor, MoWR, RD & GR. The tenure of Task Force is 2 years or till further order whichever is earlier. A copy of the said OM giving the composition and terms of reference of the Task Force was annexed in the Agenda Notes. Task Force will assist the Special Committee for ILR and MoWR, RD & GR regarding the implementation of ILR Programme. The first meeting of the Task Force was held on 23rd April, 2015.

The issues relating to secretarial assistance to the Task Force, administrative and financial empowerment, according status of appropriate rank to the Chairman, Task Force and other related matters were discussed in the meeting of the Special Committee. After detailed deliberations on the issue, the Committee authorised the Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD & GR) and Chairman of the Special Committee for ILR to take suitable decisions with regard to the requirements of the Task Force for ensuring its effective, smooth and speedy functioning.

Item 4.5: Ken-Betwa Link Project Phase-I - Status of Various Statutory Clearances

Item No. 4.5.1 Environment Clearance

Director General, NWDA informed that the Public Hearings for the project were held on December 23 and 27, 2014 at Selon village of Chhatarpur district and Hinota village of Panna district of Madhya Pradesh respectively. Detailed proceedings documents of public hearing have been submitted to MoEF & CC by MPPCB on 13.4.2015. Revision / modification of EIA Study Report incorporating changes due to latest notifications, observations of public hearing and other details are expected to be completed by 20th May, 2015. MoEF & CC is processing the case further.

Item No. 4.5.2 Wildlife Clearance

Director General, NWDA informed that as desired by Wildlife Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh, a revised application in respect of Wildlife Clearance had been submitted by NWDA to Director and CCF, Panna Tiger Reserve, Panna on 20.02.2015. NWDA has recently engaged Dr. Ram Gopal Soni, Retired Member Secretary, MP State Biodiversity Board, Bhopal as consultant to advise and pursue various clearances of the project. NWDA is vigorously pursuing the matter with Wildlife Department of State Government. The meeting of the State Wild Life Board is expected to be convened shortly.

The details as given in the Agenda Notes were noted by the Committee.

Item No. 4.5.3 Forest Land Diversion Clearance

Director General, NWDA informed that online application for forest land diversion clearance had been submitted to MoEF & CC on 07.08.2014. NWDA has complied all comments of MoE&F & CC except Forest Right Act (FRA) certificate and approval of Catchment Area Treatment Plan (CAT Plan). CCF, Chhatarpur suggested to incorporate some more site specific information in the

project has been discussed by each concerned Gram Sabha in the project area and passed. The FRA Certificate will be issued by the Collector, Chhatarpur on receipt of Gram Sabha proposals from the concerned SDM.

The details as given in the Agenda Notes were noted by the Committee

Item 4.6: Present status of DPR of Ken-Betwa Link Project Phase-II

Director General, NWDA informed that the application for forest clearance of Lower Orr dam under Ken-Betwa Link Project Phase-II was submitted online to MoE&F & CC on 02.10.2014. Compliance of all online comments of MoE&F & CC on Form-I for forest clearance has been completed except Catchment Area Treatment Plan (CAT Plan) of Lower Orr dam. Revised CAT Plan has been submitted to CCF, Shivpuri and Ashok Nagar, MP for approval. It was informed that a joint inspection was conducted on 8.4.2015 by officers of CCF, Ashok Nagar and Shivpuri and NWDA to verify location of area for CAT under Lower Orr. The EIA report of Lower Orr dam is under preparation as per approved ToR of MOEF & CC. Water Resources Department, Government of MP has been requested to provide details related to land acquisition under proposed canal. After completion of EIA study, Public hearing will be conducted through Madhya Pradesh Pollution Control Board. The details as given in the Agenda Notes were noted by the Committee.

Item 4.7: Present status of Damanganga-Pinjal and Par-Tapi-Narmada link Projects

Director General, NWDA informed that the DPR of Damanganga - Pinjal link project had been completed and submitted to Governments of Maharashtra and Gujarat in April, 2014. Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) submitted DPR of the project to Central Water Commission during January, 2015 for appraisal. The DPR is under appraisal by CWC. Hon'ble Union Minister (WR, RD & GR) held a meeting with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra on 7th January, 2015 to expedite further course of action regarding the project. The Director General, NWDA mentioned that the work of preparation of DPR of Par-Tapi-Narmada link project was in final stage and DPR of this link project was expected to be completed by June 2015. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Maharashtra and Gujarat is proposed to be signed after completion of DPR of Par – Tapi – Narmada Link Project regarding the sharing of water in both the link projects which would pave the way for implementation of these link projects. Hon'ble Minister of State for Water Resources, Govt. of

projects should be taken up together for implementation.

Item 4.8: Alternative studies of Mahanadi -Godavari link

Director General, NWDA informed that NWDA had prepared the Feasibility Report of Mahanadi-Godavari link off-taking from proposed Manibhadra dam on river Mahanadi in Odisha subsequently joining Godavari river slightly upstream of Dowlaiswaram barrage in Andhra Pradesh. Considering large submergence of Manibhadra reservoir, NWDA has made alternate studies in two scenarios:-

Alternative -A:

This proposal envisages a barrage each at Manibhadra and Barmul across Mahanadi; Mahanadi-Godavari link off-taking from Manibhadra barrage; Mahanadi (Barmul)-Rushikulya intra-State link and two reservoirs in Tel sub-basin. As per the preliminary studies carryout by NWDA, the project proposal will provide irrigation benefits of about 3.00 lakh ha in Odisha, domestic and industrial water needs in the enroute command, hydropower of 849 MW besides flood moderation of 1058 cumecs. The link will deliver about 4500 MCM water in Godavari basin.

Alternative –B:

This alternative envisages a barrage at Barmul on river Mahanadi Mahanadi (Barmul)-Godavari (Dowlaiswaram) link and 5 reservoirs in Tel sub-basin. As per the preliminary studies carried out by NWDA the project proposal will provide irrigation benefits of about 3.5 lakh ha in Odisha besides domestic and industrial water supply in the enroute command area, hydropower of 1039 MW and flood moderation of 1108 cumecs. The link project will be able to divert about 4000 MCM water to Godavari basin.

The Director General, NWDA further mentioned that the above two alternative proposals of Mahanadi-Godavari link were discussed in detail with Principal Secretary, and other senior officers of WRD, Government of Odisha on April 6, 2015 at Bhubaneswar. Officers of NWDA and WRD, Odisha also visited project sites of Manibhadra and Barmul barrage. It was informed that Hon'ble Union Minister (WR, RD&GR) had discussed about alternate studies with a delegation of Hon'ble MPs from Odisha on May 7, 2015. Based on response from Government of Odisha, NWDA will take up preparation of Feasibility Report to establish techno-economic feasibility of the proposals followed by Detailed Project Report of selected alternative.

Hon'ble Union Minister (WR, RD & GR) requested the Chairman, Task Force to take up the Mahanadi-Godavari link for discussion with Government of Odisha.

Shri Ramchandru Tejavath, special representative of Telangana requested to explore the possibility of diversion of Mahanadi waters to Godavari, which may join Godavari further upstream of Dowlais waram barrage.

Item No. 4.9: Status of Intra - State Link Proposals

Director General, NWDA informed that NWDA had received 46 proposals of Intra-State links from 9 States. Pre-Feasibility Reports of 35 Intra-State link proposals have been completed. Some of the proposal have not been found feasible at the preliminary stage. DPRs of 2 links of Bihar have been completed and DPR of one link each of Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Odisha States are under progress.

Hon'ble Minister of Water Resources, Government of Bihar mentioned that the DPRs of two Intra-State links of Bihar viz; (i) Burhi Gandak-Noon-Baya-Ganga and (ii) Kosi-Mechi were under appraisal by CWC and requested that these be expedited.

Representative of Andhra Pradesh requested that funding of the Intra-State link projects may also be considered by the Government of India.

Dr. Maharaj K. Pandit mentioned that water flows should be maintained in rivers for maintaining the environmental and ecological requirements of the river course. Ms. Sayali Joshi pointed out that while planning ILR projects care should be taken about the impact of mixing of water of two rivers on the aquatic life. Shri A.D. Mohile clarified the provisions regarding the environment flow in the planning of water resources projects.

Item No.4.10: Any other Item with Permission of the Chair.

The Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD & GR) in her concluding remarks mentioned that the meetings of the Special Committee were being held in the time frame specified by Hon'ble Supreme Court. She requested Chairman, Task Force and Chairmen of various Sub-Committees to expedite the work assigned to them. She observed that the views / observations of all concerned States would be duly considered in the planning and implementation of ILR projects. She assured Hon'ble Minister of State for WR, Government of Maharashtra that her Ministry

Par-Tapi-Narmada link projects as National Projects.

The Hon'ble Minister (WR, RD&GR) advised the Member Secretary that for the benefit of the Members, who have joined the Committee at a later date, the deliberations on the ILR held during Jal Manthan and the records of the meetings of Special Committee held so far may be provided to them.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

List of Members and participants of 4th Meeting of the Special Committee for Interlinking of Rivers held on 14.5.2015

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12.	Shri N. S. Palaniappan, Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Chennai	Member
13.	Ms. Tinku Biswal, Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Kerala, Thiruvanantpuram	Member
14.	Shri Sriram Vedire, Social Activist Adviser, MoWR, RD & GR	Member
15.	Ms. Sayali Sandeep Joshi, CEO, SERI, Pune & Social Activists	Member
16.	Shri Vipin Kumar, Resident Commissioner, Govt. of Bihar, New Delhi	Representing Chief Secretary, Govt. of Bihar
17.	Prof. Maharaj K. Pandit, Director, CISMHE, University of Delhi.	Member
18.	Shri Virag Gupta, Member, Task Force on ILR & Social Activist	Member
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- 3. Shri M. Gopalakrishnan,
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 Chairman of Sub-Committee-III of SCILR

4. Shri A. D. Mohile
Former Chairman, CWC and Chairman
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- Shri Shiv Kumar Sharma, Sr.
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- Shri Asit Chaturvedi, Deputy Commissioner (BM), MoWR, RD & GR, New Delhi

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