

PROCEEDINGS OF THE VIDEO CONFERENCING WITH FIELD EEs & SEs ON STATUS OF MAJOR, MEDIUM & MINOR IRRIGATION PROJECTS HELD ON 10.02.2016 AT 6.00 P.M IN THE CHAMBER OF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, ODISHA, BHUBANESWAR

The Video conference was conducted in the office of Principal Secretary, DoWR on 10.02.2016 at 6.00 P.M. At the outset, Principal Secretary expressed his displeasure on poor expenditure in Jan'16. He instructed all EEs that performance of Feb'16 should be expedited.

EIC WR instructed all EEs on the following points for strict adherence.

- **Plan/ Non-plan Expenditure** - The target to incur expenditure by the end of February 2016 is 90% of the Budgetary provision. All E.E.s to take steps to achieve the same. Those who have already achieved the target, they should try for further progress. Additional requirement of funds will be provided accordingly.
- **Works under NABARD assistance/ CLSRP/ IRC&IS** - Works should be executed in full swing to achieve the target during the 4th Quarter of 2015-16.
- **Drawal of Agreements for execution of all the works for the year 2016-17**- It was instructed earlier to draw agreements of all the works for the year 2016-17 by end of December, so that works could be started in January 2016 and expenditure can be incurred from the 1st week of April, 2016. Those who have not completed the tender process, it is now instructed to draw the agreement by end of Feb'16. The target of expenditure in the 1st Quarter of 2016-17 is at least 50% of the budgetary provision.
- **Programme for spill over works for 2016-17** - The spillover works during 2016-17 under NABARD assistance/ CLSRP/ IRC&IS to be given utmost importance. Hence it may be programmed meticulously to complete these works in time. The target to incur expenditure in the 1st Quarter of 2016-17 for the spillover works is at least 50%. All EEs to make proper planning to achieve the same positively.
- **Quality assurance** - Quality control measures are to be followed very meticulously for all works. Action taken report on the observation of SQMs should be submitted regularly to the CE, Quality Control positively.
- **Maintenance of Registers** - Site order book, daily activity register and quality control register for different works to be maintained properly & must be produced before the Inspecting officer during site visit.
- **Transparency in tender process** - Transparency in tender process should always be maintained at all the levels to avoid any complication in future. This is very important & should be strictly followed.

- **Presence of Officers in the Headquarters** - To be ensured by making surprise checks by SEs / CCEs/ CEs.
- **Execution of works as per approved drawings and designs** - Any deviation during the execution period should be approved from the competent authority. Sometimes cases are coming much after completion of the work. The changed scenario initiated by EEs after execution may be treated as irregular.
- Court cases/ CAG Para/ U.C.s of GIA to Pani Panchayats (2004-05 to 2014-15) are to be expedited.

Then Principal Secretary instructed the following points to all CE/SE/EEs.

1. EIC WR/ EIC P&D to call for explanation of CE/CCEs who have not performed as per the targeted expenditure upto Feb'16 (90% of Plan outlay by Feb'16). Particularly for Drainage Organization, EEs should perform or to be punished. Similarly Minor Irrigation organization failed to achieve the targeted expenditure in Dec'15 & Jan'16. The JE/AEs who fail to achieve the target, will be put under suspension. Also the OCTMP works are not started yet and the concerned EEs are to be extremely careful.
2. The quality of drainage works need to be checked. Principal Secretary has already instructed for random visit by CE/SEs to already constructed and under construction projects.
3. Principal Secretary instructed all CEs to check site order register/work activity register/quality control register and to keep basic quality control equipments at site. The visit should not be guided by EEs but random check to be done. The format has already been given by EIC P&D.
4. EE Nayagarh MI Division has sent a whats app message regarding inauguration of projects. It has been categorically instructed that projects for which Administrative Approval is given or there is Budgetary Provision available , the field officers can directly take steps for inauguration /foundation stone laying of projects, if they so wish. The guideline for inauguration / foundation stone laying of projects should be strictly followed.
5. It was observed that near about 5 lakh ha. ayacut is not getting water which was getting water previously. Out of this ayacut, at least 30% ayacut to be stabilized in this year. Instruction has been given to all CE/CCEs to submit project wise proposal to EIC WR in next 15 days. And EIC WR to submit consolidated proposal to Govt. in DoWR by 28.2.16.
6. For 2016-17, tenders are to be floated immediately. All EEs under Major/Medium/Minor/Lift/Drainage to report the status of tender position for 2016-17

indicating no. of tender awarded and amount. The CEs/CCEs to submit the report immediately.

7. Extension of ayacut should be carefully studied and report in this regard to be submitted like Ext. of Manjore Project/ Harbhangi etc. by 20.02.16.
8. New ayacut to be created through lift points/canal extension /community lift points in the reaches where canal runs idle and such proposal is to be submitted by 20.02.16.
9. For cube test, random sample to be taken & not specific mix for testing. Quality is non negotiable and to be checked on random basis.
10. Installation of 344 nos of Automatic rain gauge stations will be done by Agriculture Dept. and the site for this may be intimated to CE, LMB by the field EEs.
11. It is alleged that few Contractors are not doing works directly and sub letting their work. Henceforth no work will be allowed to be sub-letted to any contractors by any EE. It should be specifically mentioned in tender document by the E.Es.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.


Principal Secretary,

Department of Water Resources