

ANNEXURE – I

AGREEMENT AMONGST THE STATES OF ANDHRA PRADESH, KARNATAKA, MAHARASTRA AND TAMILNADU REGARDING CONVEYING OF 15 TMC OF KRISHNA WATERS FOR WATER SUPPLY TO MADRAS CITY.

Whereas an agreement was reached in April, 1976 that the Government of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra will each allow the use of 5 TMC of Krishna Waters to Tamilnadu for water supply to Madras City.

And where as in pursurance of the said agreement various alternative schemes were formulated and their costs estimated by the Officers of the concerned States and the Government of India.

The aforesaid studies were considered at a meeting convened by the Union Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation on 27th October, 1977 which was attended by the Chief Ministers of Karnataka, Tamilnadu and Maharashtra and the Minister for Medium Irrigation of Andhra Pradesh, the Minister for Major Irrigation of Karnataka and the Minister for Works, Tamilnadu under the Chairmanship of the Union Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation and the following decisions were taken:-

(i) The Government of Tamilnadu shall be permitted to draw not more than 15 TMC in a water year from Srisailem Reservoir during the period 1st July to 31st October through an open lined channel from Srisailem to Pennar designed to carry a discharge not exceeding 1500 cusecs which will enable conveyance of water to Madras City. The arrangements for the conductor system shall be agreed upon by Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu.

(ii) The Government of Andhra Pradesh will co-operate in the acquisition of land and in providing necessary storage. Andhra Pradesh will also provide facilities for the construction of the canals and other structures and also for the maintenance and operation of the water supply system.

(iii) Tamilnadu shall bear the cost of the arrangements for conveying of water from Srisailem to Poondi and will bear the maintenance and operational charges. The details can be worked out by the Governments of Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu.

(iv) The lined channel between Srisailem and Somasila from the point of off-take to be agreed upon by Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu shall not be utilized for Irrigation or other Consumptive purpose.

(v) The Central Government will make arrangements to inspect the system during operational stages and ensure that the withdrawal of water into this water supply system from Srisaïlam does not exceed 15TMC in a water year and that the system is utilized only for water supply to Madras City and for no other purpose.

This agreement is subject to formal ratification by the respective states.

(Sd.)
(M.GOPALAKRISHNAN),
Secretary,
Department of Irrigation and Power
Government of Andhra Pradesh

(Sd.)
(K.S.SHANKAR RAO)
Deputy Secretary,
Department of Irrigation,
Government of Maharashtra

(Sd.)
(R.ANANDAKRISHAN),
Commissioner and Secretary,
Department of Public Works and Electricity
Government of Karnataka.

(Sd.)
(S.VIJAYARAGHAVAN),
Commissioner and Secretary,
Public works Department,
Government of Tamil Nadu.

(Sd.)
(C.C.PATEL),
Secretary to the government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
(Department of Irrigation),
New Delhi, 28th October, 1977.

The above agreement was ratified by the Government of Andhra Pradesh “Specifically subject to the condition that the terms of agreement are confined only to the scheme of conveying 15 TMC of water to Madras City with restrictions as to user applicable only between the agreed off-take point of the lined channel upto Somasila and that they do not in any way affect the rights of the State of Andhra Pradesh to utilize the waters of Krishna river for purposes of Irrigation and other consumptive uses in any area and in any manner in conformity with the decision of the Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal”.

G.V.SUDHAKARA RAO,
Minister for Major Irrigation
and Commercial Taxes.

ANNEXURE – II

Hyderabad – 500002

Dated 6-12-1977

M.GOPALAKRISHNAN, I.A.S.,
Secretary to Government,
Irrigation and Power Department,
Secretariat, Hyderabad.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation.
(Department of Irrigation), New Delhi.

Letter No.4454/Irr.v.I/77-4.

Sub: Supply of drinking water to Tamilnadu – Agreement concluded on 28th
October, 1977 – Ratification – Regarding.

Ref: From the Government of India D.O. Lr. No. 5/25/73-WD, dated 14th
November, 1977.

I am directed to invite attention to the reference cited and to state that the Government of Andhra Pradesh have ratified the agreement concluded on the 28th October, 1977 at Delhi amongst the States of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Tamilnadu regarding conveying of 15 TMC of Krishna Waters for Water supply to Madras City subject specifically to the condition that the terms of the agreement are confined only to the scheme of conveying 15 TMC of water to Madras city with restriction as to user applicable only between the agreed off-take point of the lined channel upto Somasila and that they do not in any way affect the rights of the State of Andhra Pradesh to utilize the waters of Krishna river for purposes of Irrigation and other consumptive uses in any area and in any manner in conformity with the decision of the Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal.

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.)

M.GOPALAKRISHNAN,
Secretary to Government,
Irrigation and Power Department.