



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Water Resources Department – Irrigation Department - Desiltation of Meenkara and Walayar Dams on Turn key basis - In-Principle Approval accorded to Kerala State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (KEMDEL) – Orders issued

WATER RESOURCES (MP) DEPARTMENT

G.O(Rt) No. 22/2021/WRD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 07/01/2021

- Read:- 1) Letter No. PL1(A)Mon/12539/03(1) dated 17/09/2020 of the Chief Engineer, Irrigation and Administration, Thiruvananthapuram.
2) Minutes of the 9th High Level Empowered Committee on desiltation dated 04/12/2020.

ORDER

The original storage capacity of majority of the Reservoirs in the State has reduced progressively over the years on account of sedimentation. There has been a need for desilting reservoirs so as to restore them to their original storage capacities. Capacity enhancement of reservoirs is essential to meet the growing demand for Irrigation, Power Generation and Drinking Water Supply. Better flood control is also possible by expanding storage. At present Government have already taken rightful steps for the desiltation of several Reservoirs, Check Dams/ RCBs and Eris (Big Ponds) after consultation with High Level Empowered Committee on desiltation.

2. As per the letter read as 1st paper above, Chief Engineer (I&A) has informed Government that the meeting chaired by Hon'ble Minister (Water Resources) held on 12/08/2020, decided to utilise the services of Government agencies for desiltation of reservoirs under Water Resources Department. And it has been decided to place the matter of desiltation of Meenkara and Walayar Dams on Turn key basis by Kerala State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (KEMDEL) before the 9th High Level Empowered Committee on Desiltation for consideration.

3. The 9th High Level Empowered Committee on desiltation held on 04/12/2020 decided to give In-principle approval for awarding the work of desiltation of Meenkara and Walayar Dams on Turn-key basis to Kerala State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (KEMDEL) subject to the condition that the detailed revenue sharing proposal may be placed before the next High Level Empowered Committee Meeting.

4. Government have considered the decisions of the High Level Empowered Committee and here by accord In-principle approval for awarding the work of desiltation of Meenkara and Walayar Dams on Turn-key basis to Kerala State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (KEMDEL), subject to the condition that the detailed revenue sharing proposal may be placed before the next High Level Empowered Committee Meeting and also Irrigation Department shall monitor on future progress of execution of work by KEMDEL.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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