



**CHIEF MINISTER  
ANDHRA PRADESH**

**D.O. Letter No.43/CM-Addl.Secy/2021, Dated : 05/ 07/ 2021**

Shri. Shekawat ji,

*Namaskaram,*

I would like to inform you that through my earlier D.O letter No.42, dated 01.07.2021, I have brought to your kind notice the belligerent attitude of the State of Telangana regarding operation protocol of common reservoirs of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana on the river Krishna. The relevant provisions of APR Act, 2014 regarding constitution of Apex Council and KRMB, Adhoc arrangements arrived at by both the States through agreements for sharing of waters and monitoring of water releases are enclosed for your kind perusal.

It is disheartening to once again bring to your notice that the State of Telangana continues to blatantly violate the provisions of APR Act, 2014, acting in a whimsical manner with utter disregard to the operational protocols and directions of the KRMB causing lot of distress to the State of Andhra Pradesh depriving us of our rightful share of water and wasting precious water as this is surplusing into Bay of Bengal.

As brought out in my earlier letter, the State of Telanagana issued GO Rt. No: 34 dt 28/06/2021 and continued to generate power though power is incidental to the irrigation needs and Telangana started utilising Srisailam reservoir water from the day one i.e. 01-06-2021 of this water year 2021-22 for power generation well below +834 ft Minimum Draw Down Level (MDDL) without raising any indent before KRMB, although there is no irrigation requirement under Nagarjunasagar Project and Krishna Delta System.

The State of Telangana is not allowing water levels to be built up in the Srisailem reservoir and has utilised 19 TMC for power generation out of 26 TMC of inflows since 01-06-2021. In view of this adamant attitude of the State of Telangana, reaching water levels +854 ft seems to be herculean task, which is essential for drawing water through gravity for the schemes dependent on Pothireddypadu Head Regulator. This will cause severe distress to the chronically drought prone Rayalaseema region, SPSR Nellore, Prakasam districts and also Chennai city, as they depend on Srisailem Reservoir for their Drinking water and Irrigation needs.

Further the State of Telangana continues to unilaterally operate hydel power generation from Nagarjunasagar Project without placing indent before KRMB and in violation of the protocol for water drawals.

Even from Pulichintala Project which is a balancing reservoir intended for stabilization of existing Krishna Delta System, the State of Telangana unilaterally continues to draw water for power generation although there is no indent raised by the competent authority i.e. Superintending Engineer, IC, Vijayawada and without taking any release orders from KRMB. This water is being wasted due to surplusing over Prakasam barrage to the Bay of Bengal.

The intention of Telanagana is to deprive the State of Andhra Pradesh its due share of allocated water as the drawals will be delayed considerably and the water is being wasted by allowing it to surplus into sea. As such it was already requested that the KRMB may be directed to account for all these unauthorised drawals by Telangana against the agreed allocations of 299 TMC to Telangana State.

The State of Andhra Pradesh has already complained to the Ministry of Jalashakti (MOJS) on number of occasions the nature of Telangana leadership to violate all the established norms, principles and procedures in vogue with the main intention to put the State of Andhra Pradesh in distress by depriving its due share of water. We have also brought to the notice of MOJS number of unauthorised projects being constructed by the State of Telangana.

The State of Telangana started the construction of new projects of Palamuru RangaReddy LIS to lift 90 Tmc @ 1.5 Tmc/day @ 800 ft level and Dindi LIS to lift 30 Tmc @ 0.5 Tmc/day @ 800 ft. It is enhancing the scope of Kalwakurthy LIS from 25 to 40 Tmc @ 0.4 Tmc/day @ 800 ft, SLBC from 30 to 40 Tmc @ 0.5 Tmc/day @

825 ft to utilise total of 200 Tmc @ 3 Tmc/day. Apart from this, Telangana is drawing 4 TMC of water for power generation @796 ft level.

Inspite of repeated complaints before the MOJS and KRMB to prevail upon the State of Telangana to stop execution of the above unauthorised projects and enhancements, without appraisal of the DPRs by KRMB, scrutiny by CWC for approvals of Apex Council no effective steps have been taken so far. Moreover it has been observed that KRMB has shown and been showing discriminatory attitude against the interests of Andhra Pradesh. KRMB acts swiftly on the false complaints of Telangana and ignores the genuine complaints of Andhra Pradesh though we have time and again requested KRMB to act in a fair manner.

The above paragraphs clearly show the belligerent acts of Telanagna State and their attempt to deprive Andhra Pradesh of its due share of allocated water by constructing series of illegal projects, whimsical way of drawing water for power generation violating the norms, protocols and directions of KRMB. Once the illegal projects are completed there will not a drop of water left in Srisailam reservoir for the State of Andhra Pradehs to draw as we depended so far solely on gravity flows above +854 ft at Pothireddypadu Head Regulator.

In view of the above mentioned context , the State of AP is left with no option but to go for Rayalaseema Lift Scheme to supplement 3 TMC per day to the existing projects i.e. TGP, SRBC, GNSS, KC Canal, Drinking water to Chennai City from a level of +800 ft as Telangana's unauthorised projects their drawal of water for power generation @796 ft and their whimsical attitude and utter disrespect for any norms or authority, will not allow water to be built upto +854 ft.

All the above mentioned projects in the AP territory are legitimate schemes having all approvals and allocation of waters by KWDT-I and mentioned in the Eleventh Schedule of APR Act,2014. It is to reiteratPe that, the State of Andhra Pradesh is neither creating any new ayacut nor any new canal nor new storage under the Rayalaseema Lift Scheme. It is only to draw water at a level of +800 ft connecting to the existing canal to meet the drinking and irrigation needs of the chronically drought prone areas of Rayalaseema, SPSR Nellore and Prakasam districts well within its allocations, as Pothireddypadu Head Regulator cannot draw any water below reservoir level of +854 ft.

It is also to bring to your notice that the KRMB is repeatedly proposing for site visit of Rayalaseema Lift Scheme under the guise of NGT Order ignoring the prior requests of the State of AP to visit the unauthorised project sites of Telangana

which are in the advanced stage of execution without any approvals and allocation of waters. It is pertinent to bring to your kind notice that the Ministry of Jal Sakthi in its letter dated. 22-06-2021 (enclosed) directed the KRMB to place the issue of site visit to RLS in KRMB Board Meeting for taking a decision as it involves the interests of both the States. KRMB which is supposed to be a neutral body to safeguard the interests of the both Member States is acting with a bias towards Telangana by ignoring the repeated requests of the State of AP to visit unauthorised projects of Telangana but insisting to visit RLS of AP on the request of Telangana in the guise of NGT order.

Under these circumstances we request your goodself, to prevail upon the State of Telangana to stop at once the indiscriminate drawal of water solely for power generation when there is no need for irrigation and to direct the KRMB to be neutral in functioning. Further, KRMB may be directed to first visit the sites of unauthorised projects under execution by Telangana, before visiting Rayalaseema lift irrigation scheme site.

It is also earnestly requested that the jurisdiction of KRMB may be notified immediately and all the offtakes which include water for irrigation, power and drinking water on common reservoirs may be kept under the control of KRMB with CISF security for effective Operation and Maintenance in the interest of both the States.

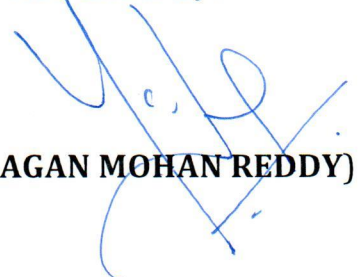
Your kind intervention and immediate action is requested on the issues raised above to protect the interest of the State of Andhra Pradesh against the whimsical actions of the State of Telangana.

With warm regards,

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Yours sincerely,

  
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