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Draft minutes of 47th meeting of the Board, held on 10th May, 1989 are kept below for approval of Minister (UD) and Chairman, M.W.S.S.Board.

*Y.S. Sonawani*  
(Y.S. SONAWANI) 7-7-89  
CHIEF. ADMN. OFFICER

Member Secretary

*M. J. Ambekar*  
Minister (UD) &  
Chairman, M.W.S.S.Board. 13-7-89

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**MAHARASHTRA WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD**

CIDCO Bhavan, South Wing, Belapur, New Bombay-400 614.

NO. MWSSB 1089/MEETING/47/(105)/E-5

Date: 19-7-1989

To,

1. The Chairman,  
Maharashtra Water Supply and  
Sewerage Board,  
(Hon. Minister,  
Urban Development Department),  
Mantralaya,  
Bombay 400 032.
2. The Principal Secretary,  
Urban Development Department,  
Mantralaya,  
Bombay 400 032.
3. The Secretary,  
Rural Development Department,  
Mantralaya,  
Bombay 400 032.
4. The Secretary,  
Finance Department, (Exp.),  
Mantralaya,  
Bombay 400 032.
5. The Municipal Commissioner,  
Thane Municipal Corporation,  
Thane.
6. Shri Sangram Pomde,  
Vice President,  
Nanded Municipal Council,  
Nanded.
7. Shri S.T. Khare,  
502, Lovedala,  
Juhu Tara Road,  
Bombay 400 049.
8. Shri S.P. Unwala,  
Zarin Lodge, 103, T.P.S.,  
4, Bandra,  
Bombay 400 050.
9. Shri M. J. Garde,  
Member,  
Zilla Parishad Dhule,  
District Dhule.

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## MAHARASHTRA WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD

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10. Shri S.S. Patwardhan,  
Member Secretary,  
Maharashtra Water Supply  
and Sewerage Board,  
4th floor, Express Towers,  
Nariman Point,  
Bombay 400 021.

Sub:- Draft minutes of 47th meeting of  
the Maharashtra Water Supply and  
Sewerage Board held on 10.5.1989

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Sir,

I am directed to send herewith a copy of the draft minutes of 47th meeting of the Board held on 10.5.1989.

2/- . It is requested that your comments if any, on the draft minutes may please be sent, so that the same can be confirmed in the next meeting of the Board.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

( L.S. KAMBALE )

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

Encl: Draft Minutes.

Copy with a copy of draft minutes forwarded with compliments to :-

1. Shri Paditrao Daund, Vice Chairman and Hon'ble Minister of State, Rural Development Department, Mantralaya, Bombay 300 032.

2. Shri V. Venugopalan, Adviser to Govt. of India, Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation Ministry of Urban Development New Delhi.

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3. Dr. K.R. Bulusu, Scientist "F", National Environmental Engineering Research Institute, Nagpur.

Copy with a copy of the draft minutes forwarded to :-

1. The Chief Engineer(Project/Urban/Rural) M.W.S.S.Board, New Bombay.

2. The Financial Adviser and Chief Accounts Officer, M.W.S.S.Board, New Bombay.

3. The Chief Administrative Officer, M.W.S.S.Board, Bombay.

4. The Deputy Chief Accounts Officer, I/II/III, M.W.S.S.Board, New Bombay.

5. The Superintending Engineer, (HQ), M.W.S.S.Board, New Bombay.

6. All Desk Officers, M.W.S.S.Board, New Bombay.

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## Maharashtra Water Supply & Sewerage Board



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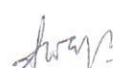
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To,  
Shri L. S. Kamble,  
Administrative Officer,  
M.W.S. & S. Board,  
NEW BOMBAY.

Sub :- Draft minutes of conf. item regarding Morbe  
Dam, placed in Boards 47th meeting.  
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I am enclosing herewith zerox copy of the draft  
minutes of conf. item regarding Morbe Dam, duly approved  
by the M (UD) and Chairman for further necessary action.

The original papers of the item are retained in  
this office, since the same will be required for persuing  
the approval of revised administrative approval.

  
(S. V. WAGH.)  
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.

D.A.: as above.

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 47TH MEETING OF THE MAHRASHTRA WATER  
SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD.

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47th Meeting of the Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board was held on 10th May, 1989 at 11.00 a.m. in Mantralaya. Dr. Ishaq Jamkhanwala, Hon'ble Minister for U.D. and Chairman of the Board presided over the meeting. Following were present in the meeting.

1. Dr. Ishaq Jamkhanwala, Minister (U.D.) and Chairman of the Board.
2. Shri D.K. Jain, Principal Secretary, U.D.D., Member.
3. Shri V. Ranganathan, Secretary, R.D.D., Member,.
4. Shri Valluri Narayan, Secretary, (Expenditure) Finance Department, Member.
5. Shri Suresh Joshi, Municipal Commissioner, Thane Municipal Corporation, Thane, Member.
6. Shri Sangram Pomde, Vice President, Nanded Municipal Council, Nanded, Member.
7. Shri S.T. Khare, Member.
8. Shri S.P. Unwala, Member.
9. Shri M.J. Garde, Member, Zilla Parishad, Dhule.
10. Shri S.S. Patwardhan, Member Secretary.

1.1 The following members had intimated their inability to attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted to them.

1. Shri V. Venugopalan, Adviser to Govt. of India, CHPEEO, Ministry of U.D., New Delhi.
2. Dr. K.R. Bulusu, Scientist F, NEERI, Nagpur.

1.2 The following officers of Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board also attended the meeting as invitees.

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1. Shri P.G. Bhojraj, Chief Engineer(Urban).
2. Shri P.R. Kulkarni, Chief Engineer(Rural).
3. Shri Y.V. Joshi, F.A. & C.A.O.
4. Shri S.V. Belsare, Chief Engineer (Project).
5. Shri Y.S. Sonawani, Chief Administrative Officer.

The proceedings of the meeting are as under :-

Member Secretary welcomed the members and said that a number of items could not be discussed in the 46th meeting of the Board held on 18.3.89. These items have been included in the Agenda of this meeting.

Item No.1.

Confirmation of Minutes of the 46th Board meeting of the Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board held on 18.3.89.

The Member Secretary explained that there were no corrections to the minutes circulated. The minutes were then approved.

Item No.2

Action taken/initiated or being taken on the actionable points in the minutes of 46th meeting of Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

Member Secretary explained the actionable points and the action taken thereon as narrated in Annexure to Agenda. Item No.2.

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AGENDA-ITEM-NO.3Grant of loan from open market borrowing (O.M.B.) to the Municipal Corporations/Councils for Financing Urban Scheme.

Member Secretary explained that the O.M.B. loan is raised as plan loan mainly to meet the gap between loan component of the scheme and the actual receipt of loan from L.I.C. and also for financing certain schemes for which no loan from L.I.C. is available. The loan is sanctioned to the Municipalities with a repayment period of ten years. This repayment period was laid down in 1978 when the Board had to repay this loan to the nationalised banks after 10 years. However, subsequently the Government while allowing the Board to raise the loan had revised the repayment period upto 15 years and now repayment period in 1988-89 is 20 years. It is, therefore, proposed to revise the repayment period by municipalities to 19 years with a moratorium period of three years. Secretary, R.D.D. enquired about the procedure of receiving L.I.C. loan and why the same is not received as per loan component of the scheme. Member Secretary explained that the L.I.C. sanctions loan on sliding scale irrespective of the class of Municipality and hence the full loan component of the scheme is not met. Secretary, R.D.D. further stated that the L.I.C. has got a lot of surplus funds and the Board can negotiate with L.I.C. for additional funds. Member Secretary explained that the Board has already decided to take non-plan loan from L.I.C./G.I.C./U.T.I. for financing certain major schemes.

The proposal was approved by the Board and the following resolution was passed :-

RESOLUTION.

"The Board approves the proposal of granting loan hereafter from O.M.B. to the Municipal Corporations/Councils with a repayment period of nineteen years which includes three years as a moratorium. The other terms and conditions of the loan would remain unchanged".

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AGENDA-ITEM-NO.4.

Recovery of Penal Interest on Urban Loan Dues in respect of L.I.C. and O.M.B. Loans from the Defaulting Municipalities.

While explaining the background of the issue, Member Secretary stated that the Board receives L.I.C. loan on behalf of Municipalities. O.M.B. loan is relented to the Municipalities. Since the loan is received by the Board, the Board has to make its repayment as per terms of agreement with the financial institutions. But the Municipalities do not pay the dues. Although there is a provision of penal interest in the agreement executed by the Municipalities, no penal interest has been charged so far taking into account the fact that the financial position of the Municipalities is very weak and that they are not in a position to pay normal dues and also that the Board had not paid any penal interest to L.I.C./Banks. This issue has been raised by the Accountant General's audit party while conducting the audit for the year 1987-88. Since the Board is paying the loan dues to L.I.C. and banks on due dates and does not incur any liability on account of penal interest, it is proposed to maintain status quo in the matter.

Shri Khare, Member stated that on L.I.C. loans, the Board has to pay immediately to L.I.C. the amount recovered from the Municipalities while on O.M.B. loans, the amount recovered from the Municipalities is not payable immediately but after the maturity of loan. The Board is, therefore, losing on L.I.C. loans, and not on O.M.B. loan. The Member Secretary explained that in the meeting with Municipalities having outstanding dues over Rs. 1 crore, the delayed payment charge was objected and if now we charge the penal interest for the past period, it may be severely objected. Municipal Commissioner, Thane expressed that penal interest for the past period would work out to a huge amount and the Municipalities may not pay even the normal dues. Secretary, F.D. agreed with the Municipal Commissioner's view. Secretary, R.D.D. therefore, suggested that penal interest for the past period may not be levied but it should be charged for the dues from 1.4.1989 onwards. This suggestion was accepted, and the following resolution was passed.

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RESOLUTION:

"Board approves the action taken of not charging the penal interest in the past to the defaulting Municipalities in case of L.I.C./O.M.B. loan advanced to them. However, the Board directs that such penal interest should be charged and recovered from the Municipalities for the L.I.C./O.M.B. loan dues occuring from 1.4.1989 onwards".

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a) - Centralisation

and

b) - Computerisation of the accounting records.

While initiating the discussion, Member Secretary explained the present system of three-tier accounting system followed by the Board after transfer of ENE Organisation on 1.11.1979. He pointed out that the accounting unit at Circle level is weak and is not in a position to exercise proper control over the work. This was further explained by F.A. and C.A.O. saying that in the present system there is a delay in receipt of accounts resulting into delay in compilation of the final accounts. The schemewise upto date expenditure on Urban Schemes is not available in the Head Office and the budgetary control over expenditure cannot be fully exercised at Central Office level. On this, Shri Khare, wanted to know how there will be control over expenditure by Superintending Engineer, if the accounting is centralised. Secretary, F.D. stated that delay in receipt of accounts from one division will result in delay in compilation of all accounts. He, therefore, suggested that the system should be computerised at Circle level. Member Secretary explained that the delay is not the only reason and our intention is to exercise audit checks similar to those which A.G's. Office used to exercise in the past. At present, at Superintending Engineer's level practically no audit checks are exercised and the accounts are only compiled, and the detailed information as and when required has to be called from the divisions. Secretary, R.D.D. stated that by centralising the accounts, the circles would lose involvement and Superintending Engineers would exercise no control over expenditure. Member Secretary explained the advantages of centralised accounting. The F.A. & C.A.O. stated that in view of their preoccupation with technical matters, Superintending Engineers have last priority for accounting matters and added that even if the accounts are centralised, copies of the Circle-wise, and Division-wise accounts would be sent to Superintending Engineers every month.

Municipal Commissioner, Thane supported the views expressed by Secretary, F.D. and Secretary R.D.D. and insisted that Superintending Engineers should have involvement in maintaining the accounts and exercising control over expenditure. Secretary, R.D.D. suggested that we should select one circle on trial basis where the accounting staff will be trained to make the present system

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more effective.

After the above discussion, the Board did not approve the proposal of centralisation of accounting; but accepted the proposal of computerisation of accounting records at head office level and passed the following resolution .

"Board is not in <sup>favour</sup> ~~inform~~ of centralising the accounting system at Central Office level by disbanding the circle accounting units and transferring the posts sanctioned for these units to the Central Office. However, the Board approves the proposal of computerisation of the accounting system at Head Office level from 1988-89 accounts onwards".

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AGENDA ITEM NO.6.

Handing over of Pandharpur water works of M.W.S. & S.Board to Pandharpur Municipal Council (District Sholapur.)

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Member Secretary explained the item and also informed the Board that there are outstanding arrears of about Rs. 2.0 crores from Pandharpur Council towards the water charges. The retail supply to the consumers is with the Council and now the council is demanding the transfer of water works to them. It is the general policy of the Board to execute the water supply schemes and to hand over the same to the Councils and the Councils are responsible for maintenance of the schemes. Accordingly this water works can also be handed over to the Council. Following points will have to be considered while taking the decision.

1 This water work was initially constructed by Government at 100% G.I.A. being a pilgrimage centre. After formation of the Board, it was transferred to the Board and hence Board has not invested any amount for construction of this water work. Therefore, he suggested that this water works may be handed over to the Council free of cost i.e. without capital cost. Since the Council is not paying the arrears, this will reduce the further liability of the Board. To this suggestion of Member Secretary, the Secretary, R.D.D. suggested that the arrears can be recovered in instalments from the council.

2 In the M.W.S. & S.Board Act, there is no specific provision regarding handing over of Government Water Works to the Council. Therefore the Government directives will be required before handing over the water works to the Council. Considering the policy of handing over water works to the local bodies, it will be possible to get positive directives from the Government. Regarding transfer of the staff, we will have to negotiate with the Labour representatives and finalise the issue amicably.

Shri S.T.Khare, then pointed out that, since there are number of councils such as Akola, Ahmednagar, etc. who are heavily in arrears with the Board and are not paying their arrears, such councils will also demand to handover the water works to them if we accept the suggestion of Pandharpur Council. Member Secretary then explained that such eventuality

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will not occur, since these water works are new and their production rates are more. By entrusting the maintenance works to the councils, the staff problem faced by the Board will also be reduced and further as a policy matter 8th plan Working Group has also suggested that Board should not maintain any water works. The F.A. & C.A.O. then suggested that the arrears can be recovered by diverting the statutory grants by Collector or by any other suitable means. The Principal Secretary, U.D.D., thereafter suggested that issue regarding recovery of the cost and arrears needs to be discussed with the Municipal Council and the conditions mentioned by the Board need to be accepted by the Council. The Board should, therefore, have a dialogue with the Council and in the next meeting the Board may be apprised of the views of the council. Regarding recovery of capital cost, the decision of Government will be required as Government has invested full amount on the works. Therefore, Finance Department of the Government will also have to be consulted before transferring the assets created by the Government to the Council.

Member Secretary explained that the Board had already a dialogue with the Council and in fact the council is requesting for handing over the water works, for which the exact mode of recovery of capital cost and arrears are yet to be finalised and, for submitting such proposals to Government, Board's approval was proposed.

The Secretary R.D.D., was also of the opinion that the Board should have confirmation from the council regarding acceptance of terms and conditions for handing over.

The Member Secretary then assured to take up the issue with Council and to apprise the Board of their views in the next meeting.

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Sub: Creation of additional Works SubDivision at Mahad.

Member Secretary explained the proposal and pointed out the urgency of creating an additional works sub-division under ENE Division, Mangaon. The Secretary, R.D.D. suggested that, since there is already a sub-Division located at Mahad, the headquarter of the new sub-Division may be fixed at some other place. This suggestion was accepted and the Board passed the following resolution.

RESOLUTION.

i) Resolved that the Board approves the proposal for creation of one additional works sub-division for Raigad district. The headquarter of the sub-division should be fixed by the Member Secretary at some suitable place other than Mahad, and the posts for the proposed sub-division should be as per Annexure I to the item note.

ii) Resolved further that Member Secretary is authorised to approach the Govt. for obtaining sanction to the creation of an additional sub-division for Raigad District with the required staff.

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Sub: Creation of a Legal Cell in the M.W.S.S.Board.

Member Secretary explained that the Central office of the M.W.S.S.Board is functioning on the pattern of Mantralaya Deptt. Mantralaya Deptt. can obtain advice of the L & J.D. whenever legal points arise in matters dealt with by them. But the Central office of the Board has no legal cell for obtaining such advice. As explained in the note for this item, the Central Office requires legal advice on various issues. Therefore, creation of a legal cell is quite essential for enabling the Board to carry out its functions smoothly and effectively. The Member Secretary also pointed out that the staff proposed for the legal cell is the bare minimum. Secretary, R.D.D. suggested that the Central Office may find out the method adopted by other Corporations and Boards for manning the posts in their legal cells. The proposal to create a Legal Cell was accepted and the Board passed the following resolution:

RESOLUTION:

i) "Resolved that the Board hereby approves the proposal to create a Legal Cell comprising nine posts as detailed in the Agenda note, in the Central Office of the M.W.S.S.Board.

ii) The Member Secretary is hereby authorised to take further steps for obtaining sanction of the Govt. of Maharashtra for the proposed Legal Cell and for filling up the posts."

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Sub: Creation of Stores Verification unit,  
in Mah. Water Supply & Sewerage Board.

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Member Secretary initiated the discussion saying that the Works Divisions of Irrigation Deptt., and Public Works Deptt. get the benefit of verification of stocks and stores by the Stores Verification Units which function under the control of the Directorate of Accounts and Treasuries. Works Divisions under the BOARD handle stocks worth crores of rupees every year. But there is no Stores <sup>verification</sup> Unit in the Board. At present, the stock of a sub-Division is checked by Dy. Engineer in charge of another Sub-Division. but it would be essential to supplement this arrangement by introduction of an independant stores verification by a separate unit.

Thereupon, some Board members suggested that the work of Verification of Stock and Stores can very well be got done by the consultants or Chartered Accountant, who will do it in a very systematic and professional manner. This suggestion was accepted and the Board passed the following resolution.

RESOLUTION:

1. The work of verification of stocks and stores of works Divisions should be entrusted to consultants or Chartered Accountants or any Agency.
2. The Member Secretary should be authorised to appoint the consultants etc. for verification of stocks and stores.

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AGENDA ITEM-NO.10Skeleton Project for Agu. to Yavatmal Water Supply Scheme, District Yavatmal.

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The item was explained by Member Secretary stating that the existing Yavatmal water supply scheme is a Board scheme and even the distribution system is maintained by the Board. Existing scheme is designed for 80,000 population then estimated for the year 2011, whereas the existing population is about 1,30,000. Therefore, augmentation scheme is very much essential. Board has, therefore, proposed a scheme costing about Rs.18.44 crores for which Government approval will be required even though the scheme is to be taken up as Board's Scheme. He further explained that, since the existing distribution system is maintained by the Board, the recovery percentage is quite satisfactory i.e. about 80% to 90%. Generally the recovery problem arises where the supply is made in bulk to Municipal Councils which is not the case at Yavatmal.

Shri Unwala, then wanted a clarification regarding the different rates of water supply proposed through this scheme (Page 65) viz. for 60% population at 125 lpcd. and for 40% population 50 lpcd. Member Secretary clarified that Board's experience regarding water supply through standposts shows 30% consumption through such connections and accordingly these figures are quite realistic. The Principal Secretary, U.D.D., enquired that since Board is adopting the policy to execute only new schemes, and not to maintain water works henceforth, then how the Board is now proposing to construct and maintain the Yavatmal water supply scheme as Board's scheme. He, therefore, suggested that the new scheme for Yavatmal needs to be taken up as the Municipal scheme instead of Board's scheme.

Member Secretary explained that the council was reluctant to give its resolution, for paying 10% P.C. for the scheme even in the case of Board's scheme. Moreover, Yavatmal being a town included in the list of backlog towns adequate budget provision is available this year. Moreover, the water rate for this scheme works out to Rs.5.38/M3 and since Board is adopting pooled water rates the water rate to the consumers of

Yavatmal will be affordable. If the scheme is treated as Municipal Council Scheme, revised G.B.R. will be required from the council and it is not likely to be received, since the council has reluctantly passed the G.B.R. even for payment of 10% P.C. The Secretary, R.D.D., suggested that the scheme needs to be taken up as the Municipal Scheme for which the Council needs to pass the resolution. Moreover, this scheme will also be required to be maintained by the Municipal Council to avoid increased liabilities on the M.W.S. & S. Board. He, therefore, suggested that Board should get back to the council and persuade them to take up the scheme as the Municipal Scheme instead of Board Scheme. Member Secretary agreed to do so, and to place the latest position in the next Board meeting.

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AGENDA-ITEM-NO.11

Sub: A) Bilateral Assistance from U.K.Govt. for Regional Piped Water Supply Project, Maharashtra State-4 Project costing Rs.343.24 Millions.

B) World Bank Assistance for Rural Piped Water Supply Project in Maharashtra ,State-27 Project costing Rs.911.50 Millions.

The item was placed before the Board for information only. The Member Secretary and Chief Engineer (Rural) explained the item in detail and the Board noted the contents.

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AGENDA ITEM NO.12

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Sub: Annual Report for the year 1987-88.

Member Secretary explained that, after the annual report is approved by the Board, it will have to be submitted to Govt. for placing it before both the houses of LEGISLATURE. Commissioner, Thane Municipal Corporation remarked that the graph regarding work-load (page 92 of the agenda notes) shows that, as compared to year 1986-87, workload of the Board decreased marginally for the year 1987-88. Member Secretary explained that the decrease was only 0.5% and hence negligible. The workload had increased substantially in the year 1988-89. The Board then approved the annual report and passed the following resolution.

RESOLUTION.

Resolved that the Board approves the Annual Report for the year 1987-88 and authorises the Member Secretary to forward the same to Government for placing before the Houses of Legislature."

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AGENDA ITEM NO.13

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Sub: Water Rates for Institutions.

The Member Secretary explained that, the Board in its 35th meeting held on 31.7.1985 had already prescribed a separate rate (generally equal to the average cost of water) for institutions not run for profit. However, Board has been experiencing difficulties in determining whether a particular institution is running for profit or otherwise as the various documents such as Bye-Laws, Annual accounts etc. are required to be verified every time which also increases the workload. Further, Board is receiving a number of representations from educational Institutions/Government Departments etc. requesting to charge them at concessional rates or domestic rate. Member Secretary further mentioned that recently Board has received representations from Dr. Vikhe Patil Foundation, Ahmednagar which is running its Engineering College and Polytechnic at Ahmednagar and Bharati Vidyapith, New Bombay and they are pressing hard for charging them at either domestic rate or concessional rate. Therefore, in order to enable the Board Office to interpret correctly the Board's intention in prescribing concessional rates, it is necessary to explain the scope of the concession and specifically mention the types of institutions which are entitled for concessional rates. Member Secretary said that the concessional rate is proposed to be made applicable to the institutions mentioned in the Agenda. On this, Secretary, Rural Development Department mentioned that Government Departments and Govt. Schools and Colleges are not domestic consumers and they should be charged at non-domestic rates. The F.A. & C.A.O. of the Board pointed out that the definition given in the M.W.S.S.B. Act, (Section 40) is not explicit as the supply of water for any Trade, Business or manufacture is to be treated as non-domestic supply. He further mentioned that Trade means not only buying and selling of goods but also buying and selling of services. It is, therefore, to be decided whether Govt. Departments & Government Schools and Colleges can be included in this category. The Secretary, Rural Development Department then said that legal opinion on the scope of definition given in the Act may be obtained before extending concessional rates to Govt. Departments, Govt. Schools & Colleges. Shri Unawala, however, said that concession should be extended to charitable institutions.

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registered with the <sup>charity</sup> ~~clarify~~ commission. On this F.A. & C.A.O. clarified that if this is conceded, big Hospitals like Bombay Hospital and Jaslok Hospital will also come under the category of charitable institutions. Shri Unwala then said that the criteria of charitable institution is also not desirable for concessional rates. Regarding second item, Shri Unwala said when the concession is proposed for leprosy centres, why not include the centres like T.B. Sanatorium and Cancer Hospitals. The Chairman, said that <sup>this</sup> suggestion may be included, subject to the condition that such centres are not making profits. Finally it was agreed that the institutions mentioned at Items No. 2, 3 and 4 may be charged at concessional rates. In addition to this, T.B. Sanatorium, Cancer Hospitals which are not making profit may also be charged at concessional rates.

#### RESOLUTION.

It is hereby resolved that the institutions mentioned below may be charged at concessional rates fixed by the Board.

1. Leprosy centres, T.B. Sanatorium, Cancer Hospitals which do not earn profits.
2. Institutions involved in ameliorating the sufferings of the poor, orphans, destitutes, infirm, handicapped, which do not earn profits.
3. Educational institutions extensively run for females/weaker sections, which do not earn profits."

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AGENDA ITEM NO.14

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Sub: Plan Loan Assistance from L.I.C. of India for  
Financing Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Schemes  
during the Financial year 1988-89.

The Member Secretary explained the proposal and the same was approved by the Board and the following resolution <sup>was</sup> passed.

RESOLUTION.

- a) Resolved that the M.W.S. & S.Board hereby agrees to raise a loan of Rs.421.07 lakhs for the schemes costing less than Rs.5 crores (Gross) mentioned in Annexure.I, on the standard terms and conditions laid down by L.I.C.
- b) Resolved that the M.W.S. & S.Board hereby agrees to raise plan loan for the following schemes having gross cost over Rs.5 crores on the standard terms and conditions, laid down by L.I.C.

Sr.No.	Name of the Scheme	Gross Cost of the scheme as approved by CPHEEO, New Delhi	Total loan admissible to the scheme
1.	Manmad W.S.S.	981.00	357.00
2.	Regional W.S.S. for Nandgaon and 56 villages	295.00 (Urban portion of of the scheme)	118.00
3.	Akola W.S.S.	1923.00	593.00
4.	A'nagar W.S.S. Stage III Phase.I	1983.00	608.00
		TOTAL	<u>1676.00</u>

The loan will be drawn in suitable instalments / in lump sum as decided by the Member Secretary.

c) The Board authorises the Member Secretary to obtain Government sanction and guarantee for the loan as required under section 31(i) and 33 of the M.W.S. & S.Board Act, 1976.

d) The Board also authorises Member Secretary/F.A. & C.A.O. to execute the agreement with L.I.C. of India by affixing the common seal of Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board".

AGENDA ITEM NO.15.

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Sub: Revision of Water Supply Rates in respect of  
Badlapur water works located in the project  
area for the year 1989-90.

The Member Secretary explained the proposal and the same was approved by the Board and the following resolution was passed.

RESOLUTION.

"RESOLVED" that the rates indicated below shall be made applicable in respect of the Board's Water Works in the Project Area with Badlapur source from 1st July, 1989 or such other date as may be decided by the Member Secretary.

Sr.No.	Particulars	Rate in paise per 1000 litres.
1.	Ordinance Factory(Bulk)	150
2.	Domestic Supply(Bulk)	130
3.	Non-Domestic Supply (Bulk)	585
4.	Retail Domestic consumers	150
5.	Institutions not run for profit.	200
6.	Retail Non-Domestic consumers.	670

B. MINIMUM CHARGES FOR ~~UNMETERED~~ <sup>UNMETERED</sup> CONNECTIONS:-

(Retail Supply)

In cases where no meters are fixed or where the meters fixed are not working for more than three months, the consumers shall be charged the minimum tariff indicated below, provided the average of three months' bill is less than the minimum charges. In cases where three months' average bill is more than the minimum charges, the average bill shall be charged.

Sr.No.	Dia. of Connect- ion	Direct Domestic rate in Rs. per month per connection	Direct Non-Domestic rate in Rs. per month per connection
1.	15mm	40	180
2.	20mm	70	320
3.	25mm	145	650
4.	40mm	555	2500
5.	50mm	1070	4810
6.	80mm	2695	12080

C) MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGES FOR METERED CONNECTIONS:

(Retail Supply).

The following monthly minimum charges shall be charged in respect of consumers whose connections are metered and the meters are in working order but who have notified the closure of the connections due to closure of premises as also in cases where the monthly water charges recoverable are less than the amount indicated below;

Sr.No.	Dia. of connect- ion	Direct domestic rate in Rs. per month per connection	Direct Non- Domestic rate in Rs. per month per connection
1.	15 mm	30	135
2.	20 mm	55	250
3.	25 mm	80	360
4.	40 mm	210	945
5.	50 mm	265	1195
6.	80 mm	360	1620

D) MINIMUM CHARGES FOR BULK SUPPLY.

In case of Bulk supplies, the minimum monthly charges shall be as specified in the agreement. However, such minimum charges shall not be less than the charges for a supply of 2ml water per month per connection.

E) DELAYED PAYMENT CHARGES:- Any consumer who fails to pay water charges (including arrears, if any) within a period of 30 days from the date of issue of Bill, shall be charged delayed payment charges at the rate of 18% per annum on all the amounts outstanding against him on the date on which the period of 30 days after the date of issue of the bill ends. In case he fails to pay delayed payment charges for a continuous period of six months, this supply is liable to be disconnected.

AGENDA ITEM NO.16.

Sub: Construction of Rest House at Chikhaldara,  
Dist. Amravati.

Member Secretary explained the need of constructing rest house at Chikhaldara stating that there are number of water supply schemes for maintenance with Board in Amravati District and such rest house would be useful from staff welfare point as well as rest and recreation for the Board employees. The Board accepted his suggestion.

Shri Pomde then raised the issue of construction of rest house at Nanded stating that in the last meeting it was promised to take up this item in this meeting. He wanted that the resolution for constructing a rest house at Nanded may be passed in this meeting only. After some discussion, it was decided to empower the Chairman to reconsider the proposal of construction of rest house at Nanded and to vest the powers with the Chairman to accord necessary sanction if he is satisfied about the need of such work. Following resolution was then passed.

RESOLUTION.

"RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD approves the proposal for construction of a Rest House at Chikhaldara, District Amravati, estimated to cost Rs. 5.735 lakhs Net and Rs. 6.74 lakhs Gross with 17.5% E.T.P.charges. The Board authorises Member Secretary to take further action in the matter. The expenditure involved would be met Board's funds.

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Sub: Board Employees' Medical Benefits Regulations, 1980, Revision of maximum limit of annual reimbursement.

Member Secretary initiated the discussion, saying that the need to modify the relevant provision in the Board Employees Medical Benefits Regulations, 1980 arose because of the recent revision of pay-scales of Board employees. He further stated that the limit of Rs.2,500/- per month proposed for the item Note needs to be changed to Rs.2,350/- per month taking into account the actual conversion of pay in the old pay-scales into pay in the revised pay-scales. He also clarified that the limit of Rs.800/- per month will continue to apply in the cases of employees who opt to retain the old pay-scales. The Board then accepted the proposal and passed the following resolution..

RESOLUTION.

"RESOLVED THAT, consequent <sup>to</sup> ~~at~~ revision of pay-scales of Board employees, the maximum yearly limits of medical reimbursement laid down in the Board Employees Medical Benefits Regulations, 1980, should be modified as shown below;.

	Maximum yearly limit of reimbursement.
a) Employees drawing basic pay of Rs.2,350/- and above  (in revised pay-scale)	Rs. 500/-
b) Employees drawing basic pay upto Rs.2,350/-(in revised pay scale.).	Rs.400/-

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AGENDA ITEM NO.18

Sub: Levy of E.T.P. Charges on the works financed from M.L.A's fund.

Member Secretary explained the background of the case, and after careful consideration, the Board decided that the instructions issued by the Government in Planning Department vide G.R.No.SDP/1089/123/CR-35/PLAN-6, dated 9.3.1989 are not applicable to the Board and the Board will continue to charge E.T.P.Charges on the works executed from M.L.A's funds. The following resolution was passed.

RESOLUTION.

“The Board after careful consideration has decided to continue to charge E.T.P.Charges on the small public utility works financed from M.L.A's funds and executed by the Board.”

There<sup>after</sup>~~fore~~, confidential item (Agenda Item No.19) was discussed.

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GENERAL

After these discussions on all the agenda items, the issue of inviting the Board Members for the Dist. Co-Ordinating Committee was raised by Shri Pomde and Shri Garde. They were of the opinion that the concerned Board members representing local authorities should be invited for such meetings in their respective districts. The Secretary, R.D.D. then explained that the D.C.C. under the Chairmanship of C.E.O. comprises of official members which include E.E, ENE Geologist, .E.E, M.I, (ZP) and two local M.L.A's and such committee is constituted by Government. If the Board members are to be invited for such meeting, proposal will have to be mooted to Govt. The Chairman, then suggested that he will talk to the Minister, R.D.D. on this issue and appropriate action will be taken subsequently.

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Sub :- Fixing of Agency for construction of Morbe Dam.

The item was initially explained by the Member Secy. Shri Unwala then enquired whether the lowest quoter M/s. R.M. Mohite & Co. had previously quoted for this work, and if so, what is the difference between their offer at the time of 1st call and the 2nd call. To his query, the M.S. explained that the firm had quoted for the 1st call also and had quoted at 18% below the estimated rates. However, the quantities of items in schedule 'B' have undergone <sup>many</sup> ~~much~~ changes due to the design given by the Central Designs Organisation of Irrigation Deptt. <sup>whom</sup> ~~to whom~~ the Board have appointed as Consultants. Moreover, the initial tender quantities and rates were based on Draft project report prepared by Irrigation Deptt. which was based on rough dam section and rates adopted were of D.S.R. 1982-83. Now, in the 2nd call the corrected quantities are adopted which are much higher than the originally calculated quantities and the rates adopted are for the year 1987-88. Due to these changed circumstances, the 1st and 2nd offer can not be compared. Shri Unwala further enquired whether Board had verified the adequacy of the equipment with M/s. Mohite while deciding the 1st call offer to which it was clarified by M.S. that while deciding the 1st call offer, the equipment of lowest quoter were only verified and since M/s. Mohite were not lowest, their equipments were not verified. However, Shri Belsare, C.E. (P) clarified that the equipment with M/s. Mohite are adequate for the execution of such type of dam work. Then Shri D.K. Jain, Principal Secy. wanted the opinion of M.S. regarding whether offer of M/s. Mohite is feasible whether the firm will deliver the goods. He further brought to the notice of the committee that in Central Govt. such type of offers are scrutinised by technical committee which specifically gives its opinion regarding workability, soundness, capacity to deliver goods and gives specific recommendations for the offer to be accepted and wanted to know whether such method is adoptable by the Board. Shri Belsare explained that the Irrigation Deptt. has clarified that M/s. Mohite has executed such type of works costing more than Rs.10.00 crores through a

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single offer and they are class I registered contractors. The Irrigation Deptt. has issued certificate regarding good quality work done by M/s. Mohite and the firm is financially sound. Moreover, since C.D.O. of Irrigation Deptt. had offered its consultancy during design as well as execution and the rates and quantities mentioned in the tender are more rational and workable, the firm's rate are workable and acceptable. He further pointed out that the Board has already lost a period of about 2 years in fixing up of the agency and since the water supply to CIDCO is fully dependant on the completion of this Morbe Dam, he requested the Board to take the decision in this meeting. He further stated that the offer of M/s. Mohite, being lowest may be approved by Board. Shri Jain reacted on this issue and suggested that it is essential to satisfy the soundness in terms of equipment as well as financial position of the Contractor and their capacity to complete the work since the difference in the lowest and 2nd offer being about 92%. He further stated that cheapest offer does not convey guarantee for the tenderer regarding completion of work and in this context the Board should examine the lowest offer to avoid difficultise during execution. The Member Secy. again clarified that the firm M/s. Mohite & Co. are reported to be the reputed contractors in Irrigation Deptt. and their offer at 1.9% below fairly tallies with the D.S.R. 87-88 of Irrigation Deptt. Therefore, he expressed that the firm's offer is reasonable and workable and hence acceptable. Shri Unwala then enquired why the Irrigation Deptt. offer is 90% above their own estimated rates when other agency is ready to do the same work at 1.9% below, to which M.S. clarified that when Govt. itself executes the work, the cost works out to be more due to extra staff required to be engaged for shift duties and leave reserve posts, extra payment due to adoption of Govt. scales for pay as well as overtime, extra maintenance of machinery, under-utilisation of efficiency of machinery etc., and therefore the rates of private agencies are generally much low than Govt. rates. Shri Jain, supplemented that as per his information the Irrigation Deptt. possess heavy duty machines which give faster outputs but at the same time such machinery being costly their operation and maintenance rates are higher and thereby the Irrigation working rates are more.

Then the aspect of supervision of works was raised by Shri Suresh Joshi, <sup>who</sup> and enquired whether Board officers, possess experience of execution of such dam. M.S. clarified that Board officers have supervised construction work of masonry and earthen dams but not of major dam construction works. He further expressed that since C.D.O. will be extending help by way of consultancy for design as well as during construction phase, the Board officers will be able to execute the work. Even then Board would consider ~~for~~ taking services of Ex. Engr., from Irrigation Deptt. on deputation in the initial stage and if required additional <sup>also</sup> higher level staff can be obtained on deputation from Irrigation Deptt. He also pointed out that the work of Barvi Dam of M.I.D.C. was supervised by the M.I.D.C. staff with the help of consultants, and therefore, it will also be possible for Board staff to supervise the Morbe Dam work. Shri Jain then expressed that Board should provide proper technical supervision even with the help of Irrigation Deptt. and since the work is of specialised and urgent nature, the 'Board' should be apprised of the progress by status report at the interval of 2 to 3 months, which was appreciated by the Chairman and it was decided that such status report will be posed to Board by the M.S. Shri Belsare, then apprised the Board regarding the upto date position of land acquisition and rehabilitation work.

The F.A. & C.A.O. ~~of Board~~ informed the Board that the scheme requires revised administrative approval to <sup>cover the</sup> increase in the cost. Member Secretary explained that the original administrative approval is for Rs.27.00 crores which is accorded in Feb. 1985

Due to increased land acquisition rates, increase in quantities in earth work of dam, revision of tender rates due to adoption of current D.S.R. etc., the cost of the project is now expected to increase upto <sup>about</sup> Rs.70.0 crores for which revised scheme is under preparation and is being submitted to Govt. shortly for according approval. He was, therefore, of the opinion that since the expenditure during initial stage will not exceed the sanctioned cost, the tender may be approved and the Board would simultaneously pursue the case of revised estimate with Govt. This was stated to be essential, considering the probable acute shortage of water in the crop area unless the dam is completed early and

the keen interest of CIDCO authorities in completion of this work, he requested the Board to accept the tender in anticipation of the revised administrative approval. Shri Jain did not agree with such proposal stating that, since the rise in cost from Rs. 27 crores to about Rs. 70 crores is very high <sup>and</sup> ~~but~~ approved to the revised scheme is essential, and therefore, we must seek concurrence and approval from appropriate authorities. Efforts will be done even at Govt. level for getting the approval on priority. For this purpose, he suggested that we may request Finance Secretary to hold <sup>a</sup> special meeting of all concerned to grant sanction to the revised scheme.

He further assured that we will follow up the case at Govt. level and get approval in a period of about one to one and half months by <sup>complying with</sup> ~~completing~~ the <sup>queries</sup> of Finance Deptt. The M.S., therefore, suggested that we may take the decision regarding the agency in this meeting and we can postpone the work order till Govt. approval to the revised scheme is received. He further pointed out that CIDCO is facing acute water shortage. Moreover, in <sup>P</sup>atalganga there is no adequate flow and therefore CIDCO is insisting <sup>for</sup> ~~for~~ earlier construction of Morbe Dam. If we issue the work order in time, the work will be started after Monsoon by completing the pre-arrangement upto October. Shri D.K. Jain, thereafter, suggested to send the proposal of revised scheme within a week's time, so that the sanction can be <sup>accepted</sup> ~~accepted~~ within about <sup>six</sup> ~~this~~ weeks' period. He concurred that the views of M.S. regarding approval to the agency and keeping the issue of work order pending till approval is received from Govt. To ~~the~~ Querrey of Shri Pomde, M.S. clarified that if approval is received within a period of about 2 months, then the work will be started only after Diwali. He further suggested that the land acquisition proceedings will be continued further by making necessary payment to the land owners so that the required land will be in possession of the Board by the time the tender is finalised. <sup>To his suggestion</sup> ~~To his suggestion~~, the Chairman, concurred, and allowed the Board to go ahead in taking up the possession of the required land.

Thereafter, the Board resolved as <sup>under</sup> follows:

RESOLUTION.

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The Board hereby resolve that -

1) The lowest offer of M/s. R. M. Mohite and Co. being reasonable and workable is approved for acceptance and the Member Secretary is authorised to complete the formalities for entering into the agreement with the tenderers only after getting revised Administrative Approval to the Scheme.

2) The Member Secretary is permitted to go ahead with the land acquisition work and payment of land cost to the owners in anticipation of revised administrative approval.

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C.2(P)

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