



MWSSB/Estt.-5.  
2nd April, 1992.

Draft minutes of 56th meeting of the Board held on 31st March, 1992 are kept below for approval of Minister (Urban Development) and Chairman, Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

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(L.S. Kamble),  
Admn.-cum-Personnel Officer

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Minister (U.D.D.) & Chairman.

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Draft Minutes of the 56th Meeting of the  
MAHARASHTRA WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD  
held on 31st March, 1992.

The 56th Meeting of the Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board was held at 1.30 Pm on 31st March, 1992 in Mantralaya, in the chamber of Shri Sushilkumar Shinde, Minister for Urban Development and Chairman, MWSS Board, who presided over the meeting. The following were present in the Meeting.

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| 1. | Shri Sushilkumar Shinde<br>Hon'ble Minister for<br>Urban Development.        | Chairman              |
| 2. | Shri Bapusaheb Thite,<br>Hon'ble Minister of State for<br>Rural Development. | Vice-Chairman         |
| 3. | Shri Satish Tripathi,<br>Secretary-II<br>Urban Development Dept.             | Member                |
| 4. | Shri Asoke Basak<br>Secretary,<br>Rural Development Dept.                    | Member                |
| 5. | Shri S.T. Deokule<br>Secretary,<br>Irrigation Department.                    | Member                |
| 6. | Shri V.D. Desai  | Member                |
| 7. | Shri J.S. Patil  | Member                |
| 8. | Shri S.S. Patwardhan<br>M.W.S.S. Board                                       | Member-<br>Secretary. |

2. The following members intimated their inability to attend the meeting and leave of absence was granted to them.

1. The Joint Secretary [Expenditure]  
Finance Department, Mantralaya,  
Bombay 400 032.
2. Shri D.K. Sankaran,  
Municipal Commissioner,  
Thane Municipal Corporation, Thane.
3. The Adviser to Govt. of India,  
CPHEEO,  
Ministry of Urban Development,  
New Delhi.
3. Shri B.V. Rotkar, Member,  
502, As em Co-op. Housing Socy,  
Jayant Palkar Marg, Bombay 400 018.

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3. The following officers of MWSS Board also attended the meeting as invitees.

1. Shri R.M. Sagane, Chief Engineer [Rural]
2. Shri S.D. Armal, Chief Engineer [Project]
3. Shri A.S. Narsapur, Chief Engineer [Urban]
4. Shri K.R. Tamhane, Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts officer.
5. Shri S.R. Borwankar, Chief Administrative Officer.

4. Before resuming the discussions on the items on the Agenda, the Member Secretary welcomed Shri Bapusaheb Thite, Minister of State [RD] the new Vice-Chairman of the Board, and Shri J.S. Patil, Member of the Solapur Zilla Parishad, who was newly nominated by Government on the Board. Thereafter the Chairman requested the Members to agree to consider only urgent items in the meeting and postpone the rest to next meeting to be held shortly, since both the ministers had limited time to spare, because the Legislature was in Session. The Members agreed to the request made by the Chairman and it was decided that Item No. 1 to 6, 9, 13, 14, 19 and 20 on the agenda be only considered in the meeting.

ITEM NO. 1.

**SUB: Confirmation of Minutes of the 55th meeting of MWSS Board held on 31.10.1991.**

Since no suggestion for modification or amendment was received, the minutes were confirmed.

ITEM NO. 2.

**SUB: Action taken in accordance with the decisions taken in 55th meeting of the Board held on 31.10.1991.**

The Member Secretary, briefly explained the important decisions and actions taken by the office till the date. Thereafter, the actions taken by the office were noted by the Board.

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With reference to action taken on Item No.21 of 55th Meeting, the Secretary, R.D.D. desired to know the present position regarding handing over of Latur Water Works.

The Member Secretary explained that the handing over of the works is delayed because the Union has taken the issue in conciliation under the provisions of the I.D. Act 1947 before the Deputy Labour Commissioner, Bombay and that the matter is being pursued with that office and as well through Secretary [Lab.] in Mantralaya.

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- SUB: 3] O.M.B. Programme for the year 1991-92.
- 4] Plan Loan Assistance from LIC of India for financing Urban Water Supply & Sewerage Schemes during the financial year 1991-92.

While presenting the above Items, the Member Secretary explained that these Items were already circulated to the Board and approved by circulation and that the items have been presented for ratification of that action.

The Secretary, RDD desired to know as to why the Board has resorted to O.M.B. when L.I.C. loan was available in plenty. The Member Secretary explained that L.I.C. Loan is available for a particular scheme, and according to the pattern prescribed by the L.I.C. while O.M.B. is a block loan and the same is utilised when no more L.I.C. loan could be available. Thereafter, the Board approved the proposals and passed the following Resolutions;

Action by  
FA&CAO.

RESOLUTION - Item No. 3.

"The Board hereby ratifies its decision of authorising the Member Secretary/Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer of the Board to raise the Open Market Loan not exceeding Rs.11.00 crores [Rupees Eleven Crores] during 1991-92, as permitted by the Government of Maharashtra, on the terms and conditions as specified by the Reserve Bank of India vide its letter No.SYD/3161/080525/91-92 dated 6.12.1991 under Government guarantee [vide Section 33 of the Maharashtra Water Supply

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RESOLUTION - Item No. 4.

"The Maharashtra Water Supply & Sewerage Board hereby ratifies the Resolution for raising of the loan from the LIC of India, of the amount not exceeding Rs.1134.60 lakhs during the year 1991-92 on the standard terms and conditions laid down by the LIC of India and authorising its Member Secretary to obtain Government sanction and guarantee thereto. The Board also authorises Member Secretary/Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer to execute the agreement with the LIC of India by affixing the common seal of the Maharashtra Water Supply & Sewerage Board."

ACTION BY  
FA&CAO

ITEM NO. 5.

**SUB: Audit Report on the Accounts of MWSSB for the year 1988-89.**

The Member Secretary explained that this item was placed before the last Board Meeting. According to the decision then taken by the Board, the Committee was set up to study the Audit Report and action taken thereon by the office and to submit its findings to the Board. Accordingly the Committee's findings have been placed before the Board. Thereafter the Board passed the following resolution;

RESOLUTION

"The Board approves the compliance to the Audit Report on the accounts of the Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board for the year 1988-89 and authorises the Member Secretary to forward to the Government, a certified copy of the Annual Accounts for the year 1988-89 and Audit Report thereon for submission to both the houses of Legislature."

ACTION BY  
FA&CAO

ITEM NO. 6

**SUB: Lifting of the loan of Rs.59.23 lakhs from Housing & Urban Development Corporation, Bombay for Low Cost Sanitation Programme.**

The Member Secretary explained the proposal. Secretary, RDD observed that if Board borrows on behalf of Local Authorities, they tend to avoid responsibility for

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repayment of the amount. He was, therefore, not inclined to agree to the proposal. After brief discussion, however, the Board has passed the following resolution;

RESOLUTION

The Board hereby approves the borrowing of Rs.59.23 lakhs from HUDCO <sup>for</sup> Low Cost Sanitation Programme for the 12 towns with all the conditions attached thereto and also authorise Member Secretary/Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer to approach the HUDCO for the Loan."

ACTION  
FA&CAO

ITEM NO. 9.

**SUB: Adoption of Annual Accounts of the year 1990-91.**

The Member Secretary explained that the Accounts for 1990-91 are placed before the Board for adoption and that after approval of the Board they will be forwarded to the Accountant General, Maharashtra. Thereafter the Board passed the following resolution;

RESOLUTION

1. Resolved that the Annual Accounts for the year 1990-91 be adopted.

2. It is further resolved that the Annual Accounts for the year 1990-91 be authenticated by the Chairman and the Member Secretary on behalf of the Board.

3. Further, resolved that the minor corrections in the adopted accounts which do not materially alter the working result brought out in the accounts may be carried out under the signature of the Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer and the Member Secretary.

4. Resolved that,  
i] A sum of Rs.731.13 lakhs be appropriated towards Depreciation fund.  
ii] A net sum of Rs.11.14 lakhs may be appropriated towards pension contribution fund.  
iii] A sum of Rs.186.11 lakhs may be appropriated towards Sinking Fund.

ACTION BY  
FA&CAO

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ITEM NO. 13.

**SUB: Revised Estimates for the year 1991-92.**

While explaining the proposal, the Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer of the Board has stated that as against the budgeted receipts & expenditure of Rs.120.18 crores and Rs.118.55 crores respectively, the revised estimates are at Rs.124.25 crores and Rs.123.55 crores respectively. The estimated budgeted surplus was Rs.1.63 crores. However, as per the revised estimates the surplus would come down to Rs.70.00 lakhs. The reduction in surplus is mainly due to less capital expenditure as a result of 20% economy cut and handing over of Kolhapur Water Works. The Secretary, RDD wanted to know how much capital funds have been diverted for revenue expenditure. The Member Secretary explained that the diversion for RDD was around Rs.7.29 crores and that for UDD around Rs.9.28 crores, thus totaling around Rs.17.55 crores. Member Secretary also pointed out that the diversion of funds are brought to the notice of the Board from time to time. The diversion is on the following items;

L.I.C.	Rs. 5.80 crores.
O.M.B.	Rs. 1.92 crores
M&R to Water Works	Rs.10.00 crores.

After brief discussion, the Board approved the proposal and passed the following resolution;

RESOLUTION

"The Board approves the revised estimates of receipts and expenditure for the year 1991-92 as follows:

[Rs. in lakhs]

ACTION  
BY FACAO

	Budget Estimate 1991-92	Revised Estimate 1991-92
1. Capital Receipts [Gross Receipt less Opening Balance]	26332.45	22932.81
2. Capital Expenditure [Gross Expenditure less Closing Balance]	22718.03	24256.97
3. Revenue Receipts	12918.48	12425.00
4. Revenue Expenditure	11854.69	12355.00

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ITEM No. 14

**SUB: Budget Estimates for the year 1992-93.**

The proposal was briefly explained by the Member Secretary. He explained that the year 1992-93 would end with marginal surplus of Rs.1.15 crores.

The Chairman desired to know the Budgeted Receipts and Expenditure [Capital & Revenue] vis-a-vis actuals for the past few years and reasons for wide variations, if any. He also desired that stock position of the Board should be taken at the end of every year particularly with a view to ensure that no items are just purchased because the funds are available.

The Member Secretary agreed to place before the Chairman a note on these aspects for information.

The Secretary, RDD wanted to know .....

- i] Whether the Budget Estimates are based on present water rates or rates proposed to be enhanced vide other items on the agenda.
- ii] How the accrual of interest is less though the closing balance has gone up; and
- iii] How with lesser capital expenditure more ETP charges are expected to be realised.

The Member Secretary explained that the Budget Estimates are based on the rates proposed to be revised, that accrual of interest has no relationship to closing balance since it represents balances under statutory funds such as pension fund, sinking fund or LIC loan repayment etc. and that ETP charges are worked out not only on capital expenditure but on M&R expenditure also. Member Secretary further clarified that there is no proposal under consideration to increase the rate of ETP charges. Secretary, UD, enquired whether funds earmarked at 1% for meeting pension liability are adequate. Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer explained that now Government has agreed to reimburse to the Board the amount of pension liability in respect of service rendered by the Board staff under Government prior to 1979 and hence the provision at present rate could be sufficient.

After brief discussions, the Board approved the proposal and passed the following resolution:

ACTION  
BY FACAO



RESOLUTION

The Board approves the Budget Estimates of receipts and expenditure for the year 1992-93 as follows:

[Rs. IN LAKHS]

	Revised Estimated for 1991-92	Budget Estimates for 1992-93
i] Capital Receipts [Gross Receipts less Opening Balance]	22,932.81	23,959.09
ii] Capital Expenditure [Gross Expenditure less Closing Balance]	24,256.97	22,614.16
iii] Revenue receipts	12,425.00	13,815.00
iv] Revenue Expenditure	12,355.00	13,699.90

The Board further directs that while expenditure during 1992-93 the provisions of section 34(1) of Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Board Act, 1976 and provision made there under should be kept in view."

ITEM NO. 19.

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**SUB: Continuation of the post of Recovery Officer and his staff for the period 1992-93.**

The Member Secretary presented the item and explained the necessity of continuation of the posts of recovery officer, and his staff.

After brief discussion, the item was approved and following resolution was passed;

RESOLUTION

Resolved that the Board approves continuance during the year 1992-93 of Recovery Cell created for the purpose of effecting recovery of the Board's dues from Local Bodies.

ACTION BY  
C.A.O.

The Board hereby also authorises the Member Secretary to take necessary steps for obtaining sanction of Govt. for continuance of this Cell during the year 1992-93.

ITEM NO. 20.

**SUB: Continuation of Establishment created for MWSS Project beyond 29.2.1992 to 28.2.1997.**

The Member Secretary presented the item and explained the necessity of the same.

After brief discussion, the item was approved and following resolution was passed.

RESOLUTION

Resolved that "[1] The Board has carefully considered the necessity of continuing 12 Divisions created under the World Bank Project for a further period of 5 years ending 28.2.1997.

The Board approves the proposal for continuation of following offices involving 1149 posts, created mainly for the execution of World Bank Assisted Project, for a further period of 5 years ending 28.2.1997.

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C.A.O.

ACTION BY  
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i] 12 Divisions of which 5 continue to work in the World Bank Project area and 7 Divisions transferred to other Districts.

ii] 2 Circle offices namely Maharashtra Water Supply and Sewerage Circle I and II, Thane.

iii] Central Planning, Designing and Monitoring Circle, Bombay.

iv] Office of Chief Engineer [Project],.

2. The Member Secretary is authorised to move Government to obtain sanction for continuance of these posts for the period specified above.

The meeting was ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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