MAHARAHSTRA WATER RESOURCES REGULATORY AUTHORITY Minutes of 10/2023 Authority Meeting

27th July, 2023 Time: 11:30 p.m.

The Chairperson **Dr. Sanjay Chahande** and the following Members attended the meeting:-

i. Shri. Sanjay Kulkarni Member (WRE)
ii. CA. Shwetali Thakare Member (Eco)
iii. Dr. Sadhana Mahashabde Member (Law)

Other Officers:-

Dr. Ramnath Sonawane i. **Secretary** ii. Shri. Mallikarjun Dharne **Director** Shri. Narendra Tayde iii. **Director** Shri. Rohan Sodal Dy. Director iv. Shri. Ramesh Desouza **Section Officer** V. **Accounts Officer** Smt. Anita Dethe νi.

The Secretary welcomed the Chairperson and all the members present in the meeting. The Chairperson after ascertaining the requisite quorum called the meeting to order to take up the following agenda items for discussion, deliberation and decisions.

ITEM No. 1

To confirm the minutes of previous 09/23 Meeting held on 12/07/2023.

The minutes of 09/23 Authority Meeting are confirmed.

ITEM No. 2

Govt. Resolution/Correspondence for Information or adoption; Nil

ITEM No.3

Action Taken Report- As attached.

The Authority has taken note of the ATR.

ITEM No. 4

To consider the issue regarding allotment of government accommodation to Smt. Shwetali Thakare, Member (Economics).

The Agenda item was deferred for the time being.

ITEM No. 5

To consider the letter received from ED, MKVIDC regarding categorization/ classification of water use by M/s. Panchsheel Infrastructure Holdings Pvt. Ltd., Wagholi, Pune.

The Secretary circulated a detailed office note for consideration of the Authority. The issues raised in the representation are regarding the allocation as well as levy of tariff under the category commercial use. The Authority discussed the issue in detail. Member (Law) suggested that the data pertaining to use of water for commercial purpose under the Domestic category should be obtained before fixing Bulk Water Tariff for the next control period.

The Authority also thought that the policy issue of commercial category will have to be further deliberated. The Secretary submitted that, the Bulk Water Supply Entity (BWSE) should take decisions as the provisions in the Bulk Water Tariff Order (in Appendix -2) are crystal clear. The Authority discussed and approved the draft with some remarks.

Resolution No.180

It is hereby resolved that, the Secretary is directed to communicate the opinion of the Authority to ED, MKVIDC after the final draft reply is approved by the Chairman.

ITEM No. 6

To consider and give approval to the proposal regarding applicability of Employees Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 to Employees of the Authority.

The Secretary circulated a detailed office note regarding applicability of Employees Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 to Employees of the Authority. The Authority considered the proposal and decided to give its approval to implement the provisions of Employees Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 to Employees of the Authority with effect from 1st July 2023 to the employees who are eligible and presently in the service of the Authority.

Resolution No. 181

It is hereby resolved that, the approval is hereby given to implement the provisions of Employees Provident Funds and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 and to give benefits to Employees of the Authority with effect from 1st July 2023 to the employees who are eligible and presently in the service of the Authority.

ITEM No. 7

To consider the proposal for giving consent of the Authority for the appointment of Smt. Shashikala Dambare (Stenographer- Higher Grade) on deputation.

The Secretary circulated a detailed office note regarding for giving consent of the Authority for the appointment of Smt. Shashikala Dambare (Stenographer-Higher Grade) on deputation.

The Authority considered the proposal and decided to give its consent.

Resolution No. 182

It is hereby resolved that, consent of the Authority is hereby given for the appointment of Smt. Shashikala Dambare (Stenographer- Higher Grade) on deputation. The Secretary is directed to communicate the consent of the Authority to Superintendent Engineer, Chandrapur Irrigation Project Circle, Chandrapur.

ITEM No. 8

To consider and give extension to the contract with M/s. Krishna Motors, Mumbai till 31st October, 2023.

The Secretary circulated a detailed office note regarding extension to the contract with M/s. Krishna Motors, Mumbai till 31st October, 2023.

The Secretary further submitted that, the services of the drivers could not availed through outsourcing in accordance with the GR No. क्र. काआआ-2013/प्र.क्र. 233/कामगार-2 दि. १४ मार्च 2023, as the Water Resource Department has not yet finalize the name of the empanelled Agency. However, it is learned that, the GR of March 2023 is itself under reconsideration

The Authority directed the Secretary to obtain status of this GR and subsequently initiate the bidding process for appointment of agency.

Resolution No. 183

It is hereby resolved that, the extension is hereby given to the contract with M/s. Krishna Motors, Mumbai till 31st October, 2023.

It is further resolved that, the Secretary is directed to obtain status of the said GR from Labour Department and subsequently initiate the bidding process for appointment of agency.

ITEM No. 8

Any other subject with the approval / permission of the Chairperson.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chairperson and the Members present.

Date: 27/07/2023 Place: Mumbai.

Sd/-Dr. Sanjay Chahande Hon' Chairman