GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

PR&RD (RWS) Department–Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (Mission Bhagiratha) – Standard Operating Procedures for payment of work bills relating to Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project –Orders- Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RWS-IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 23

Dated: 11/03/2016 Read the following:-

G.O.Ms.No.17, PR&RD (RWS) Dept., Dt.30.01.2015 & G.O.Ms.No.43, PR&RD (RWS) Dept., dt.15.05.2015 From the ENC, RWS&S, Hyd., Lr.No.A2/TDWSP/ Payments/2016, dt.23.02.2016. &&&

ORDER:-

The Mission Bhagiratha is one of the Flagship Projects of the Government with a goal to provide safe potable Drinking Water on sustainable basis to all the Rural and Urban Habitations in the Nine Districts of Telangana (Minus Urban agglomeration within Outer Ring Road). As per the directions of Hon'ble Chief Minister the completion schedule of the Project has been advanced with a view to commission all the segments of the Project by the end of 2017. This not only requires early mobilization of required resources but also timely payment of work bills to speed up the project works.

2. In the G.O 1st read above, Government have issued orders constituting the Telangana Drinking Water Supply Corporation(TDWSC) with certain structure as per the provisions of section 149 (1)(a) of the Companies Act, 2013 to execute and maintain the proposed Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project and related subjects. The Corporation is authorized to mobilize the requisite funds for implementation of the project. The Corporation has already approached several financial institutions for borrowing loans for the Mission Bhagiratha Project. The HUDCO & NABARD have already sanctioned certain loan amounts for the project. The RWS&S dept., have already entrusted the works to the eligible agencies by following a very meticulous and transparent process of e-tendering.

3. In the reference 2nd read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation has been requested to evolve the Standard Operating Procedure for payment of bills relating to Mission Bhagiratha through a separate Bank Account. He has submitted his proposals after extensive consultations with Finance Department, Director of works accounts as well as some financial consultants. Regular procedure for payment of bills is proposed on par with regular PWD Departments under the control of Finance except bills clearance from Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad instead of Finance Department. The PAO system is found to be very effective. The proper pre-audit with due diligence is done in the office of the PAOs and regular submission of accounts is also ensured. Recoveries in respect of IT, VAT are being sent to A.G. through book adjustments.

4. Government, after careful consideration of the above proposal, hereby accepts the Standard Operating Procedures for payment of work bills relating to Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (Mission Bhagiratha). The Telangana Drinking Water Supply Corporation Limited shall operate through an account to be opened with the approval of the Management of the Corporation and payments to be triggered through that Account by the

Corporation. The Telangana Drinking Water Supply Corporation Limited account shall be opened with a nationalized bank. The standard operating procedures for payment to the executing agencies of Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (Mission Bhagiratha) are as follows:

- (i) The PAO under the control of the Director of Works Accounts would be conducting the pre-audit of all work bills following the existing practice of scrutinizing bills with reference to the applicable rules and also record pay orders etc., as per usual practice.
- (ii) The existing system of uploading the bills to the BMS portal, scrutinizing the bills etc., would be followed in the case of works bills of Corporation.
- (iii) After completing the pre-audit, the PAOs shall work- out the payment details and the same would be transmitted to the Engineer-in-Chief through BMS portal, and the ENC shall trigger payment to the executing agencies etc. through the BMS portal remitting the Taxes Deducted at Source (TDS) etc., to concerned authorities as per rules, file returns and maintain cash book.
- (iv)The PAOs shall transmit all the documents pertaining to Corporation bills of Mission Bhagiratha works to the Engineer-in-Chief necessary for making payments after pre-audit instead of rendering monthly account to the Accountant General since the payment is not being made by the PAO.
- (v) The Corporation shall make necessary arrangements for building the capacity of their staff in handling payments and accounting.
- (vi)The department shall get the corporation accounts audited by CAG like any Autonomous Body/Public Sector Undertaking.

5. The Director of Works Accounts shall arrange to make necessary changes in the BMS portal for operationalising the standard operating procedures above.

6. The Managing Director, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Corporation Limited, Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O. No.1723-/56/A2/BG/16, dt.03.03.2016 Finance (BG) Dept.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

S.P. SINGH

SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Managing Director, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Corporation Limited, Hyderabad

The Engineer-In-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad The Chief Engineer, DWSP, Hyderabad.

The Director of Works Accounts, Hyderabad.

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