



Authority News:-

IRSA Meeting on 02.05.2023

IRSA meeting was held on May 02, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Chairman IRSA and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

Review of Water Situation

- The Authority expressed satisfaction over the Water Situation Review (WSR) for the period April 1-30, 2023.
- The provincial releases for remaining Early Kharif 2023 shall be made in accordance with the already approved shares on 06.04.2023 by IRSA Advisory Committee (IAC) till subsequent WSR. However, the Authority expressed concern that the precarious storage situation at Mangla Reservoir may be kept under constant review to manage and support its filling to the maximum possible extent as per IAC decision.

Implementation of the Recommendations of the Committee Constituted by the Prime Minister to Probe into the Reasons / Causes of the Power Breakdown in the Country on 23.01.2023

- IRSA approved the SOPs regarding release of water from Tarbela & Mangla Dams in acute emergency situations, such as country-wide Total Power Blackouts, during low flow season (December and January).



Chairman IRSA Chairing Authority Meeting

2nd Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting of Telemetry Project on 03.05.2023

2nd meeting of PSC of Telemetry Project was held on May 03, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Chairman IRSA and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

- PSC expressed concern over the project's delayed schedule of about 6 months as compared to PC-1 and to previous schedules intimated by WAPDA. However, the updated schedule submitted by PD Office WAPDA should be strictly followed.
- Based on the commitments/assurances given in the approved PC-1 and the earlier discussions, major task of Detailed Design shall be assigned to the project consultants.
- PD Office WAPDA shall share the findings of Technical Evaluation of the proposals with IRSA to ensure properly qualified staff's inclusion before opening of the financial proposals.
- PD Office WAPDA shall make out efforts to squeeze the implementation schedule so that it may gradually conform to the PC-1 timelines by project completion.
- Future schedules shall be presented as Gantt Charts by employing Critical Path Method (CPM) so as to identify tasks that are necessary for project completion and to determine scheduling flexibilities, together with effective resource management and avoidance of bottlenecks and issues.

- Process of engagement of IPOe shall be initiated as quickly as possible to coincide with engagement of the project consultants.
- The delays being experienced by PD Office WAPDA from different quarters should be removed for smooth implementation of the project.
- Prior to future PSC meetings, PD Office WAPDA shall provide copies of presentation to all concerned.
- PD Office WAPDA shall ensure that MPRs are issued and dispatched regularly to all concerned.



Chairman IRSA Chairing 2nd PSC Meeting of Telemetry Project

Field Visit from May 08-12, 2023 Regarding Discharge Measurement for Determining Actual System Losses in Indus Zone

A field visit under the convenorship of Member IRSA (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) was conducted from May 08-12, 2023 to monitor and determine flow measurements of Indus River downstream of Taunsa Barrage and Benazir Bhutto (BB) Shaheed Bridge carried out by Punjab Irrigation Department. Member IRSA (Punjab) & Senior Engineer (Operation), IRSA witnessed the discharge measurements.

IRSA Meeting on 16.05.2023

IRSA meeting was held on May 16, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Chairman IRSA and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

Review of Water Situation

- MoWR will be approached for nomination of neutral expert from PCRWR at the earliest. It was further decided that the committee constituted by IAC shall deliberate on the discharge measurements recently taken at Taunsa Barrage and BB Shaheed Bridge and finalize a plan for carrying out another round of JDM in Taunsa-Guddu Reach on priority basis and shall also include Trimmu-Panjnad Reach.

IRSA Meeting on 16.05.2023 Regarding Provision of Water to Islamabad Capital Territory/Rawalpindi

IRSA meeting was held on May 16, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Chairman IRSA regarding the provision of water to Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

- The executing agencies would explore all the potential funding sources to secure financing required for implementation of the project, which may include, but not limited to, Foreign Direct Investment, G2G, PPP, international donor banks / agencies, while also considering co-sharing from PSDP.
- CDA shall approach the competent forums to secure clear approval for implementation of the project duly based on a



prudent financing option, and complete physical scope of the project exhibiting future needs of at least 30 years.

- CDA and WASA RWP shall sensitize their top management about the urgency of the new water projects for ICT and RWP, respectively, as early as possible.
- MoWR and IRSA shall continue to provide impetus, support and technical guidance to the implementing agencies.
- The Committee would inform about its recommendations to the inter-ministerial meeting to be held shortly.



Chairman IRSA Chairing Meeting Regarding Provision of Water to IBD / RWP

IRSA Meeting Regarding Progress Review of Telemetry Project on 24.05.2023

IRSA meeting with WAPDA was held on May 24, 2023 regarding the progress review of Telemetry Project under the Chairmanship of Chairman IRSA and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

- In future, project activities shall be displayed as Gantt Charts by utilising the CPM.
- PD Office shall ensure preparation of an efficient system design by following the process and steps specified and elaborated in the PC-1. EPC contractor shall prepare System Design as per Employer's Requirements (comprising technical and functional parameters based on the system design prepared by the Consultants). The Design provided by the EPC Contractor shall be evaluated/ finalized/ reviewed by consultants and vetting by the IPoE in consultation with the provincial stakeholders and IRSA.



Chairman IRSA Chairing PRM of Telemetry Project

- IRSA had no objection to initiation of process by WAPDA for hiring IPoE.
- As the results of Technical Evaluation of the consultants - conducted and approved by WAPDA - have already been uploaded to PPRA website, the same may be shared with IRSA.
- PD Office WAPDA shall also share the progress of the project with the provinces, on regular basis.
- PD Office WAPDA shall submit compliance/response to PSC decisions in writing, for record and reference.

Joint Discharge Measurement (JDM) carried out by PCRWR at downstream of Taunsa, Chachran, upstream of Guddu and at RD 109 of Patfeeder Canal from 26.05.2023 to 04.06.2023

PCRWR carried out measurements of river flows of Indus at downstream of Taunsa, Chachran, upstream of Guddu and at RD 109 of Patfeeder Canal, using the latest available equipment for measurement of river flows under the supervision of Chief Engineering Advisor / Chairman FFC, MoWR from 26.05.2023 to 04.06.2023. Members IRSA Punjab, Sindh, Balochistan and Senior Engineer (Operation), IRSA participated in JDM.



Group Photo of PCRWR JDM Team

Status of Telemetry Project:-

Technical Evaluation Report uploaded on PPRA website on May 12, 2023. Financial Proposals opened on May 19, 2023 and Combined Evaluation Report was finalized after approval from WAPDA Authority, the same was uploaded on PPRA website on May 25, 2023.

Operational News:-

During the period under report, 09 Nos., 15 Nos. and 06 Nos. consolidated operational directives were issued to Tarbela, Mangla and Chashma, respectively, by the Authority as per its mandate in IRSA of 1992.

Water Account

The actual provincial canal utilization vis-à-vis their shares from April 01 to May 31, 2023 remained only 3% less than anticipated likely shares.

Rim-Station Inflows

The overall Rim-stations inflows from April 01 to May 31, 2023 remained 18% less anticipations.

Senate & National Assembly News:-

Meeting of National Assembly Standing Committee on Water Resources was held on May 31, 2023 which was attended by the Chairman and all IRSA Members.