



## **Authority News: -**

### **IRSA Advisory Committee (IAC) Meeting:**

The IAC meeting as per Clause 9, Chapter III of IRSA Act 1992 was held on Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 to approve the Anticipated Water Availability Criteria for Rabi 2020-21. It was attended by Chairman and Members IRSA, CEA MoWR, Members Water and Power WAPDA, Secretaries provincial Irrigation and Agriculture Departments and other concerned personnel. The IAC, unanimously approved the Criteria for Rabi 2020-21 with 10% anticipated shortfall. Other decisions included: Provinces to submit their withdrawal Plans within 15 days by remaining within the allocate shares; approval of additional allocation of 0.149 MAF for Kachhi Canal of Balochistan; WAPDA's request for Closure of Chashma Barrage, during Dec 2020 to Jan 2021, was also approved in principle; linking of Jari Outlet Valve's repair to mid-season review; IRSA to impart briefing to the provinces on the development and working of WAA Tool prepared by Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO).



### ***IAC being briefed on Agenda Items***

### **IRSA Meeting:**

In IRSA meeting on 23.10.2020, the Authority took up review of Water Situation and expressed satisfaction over the prevailing water situation and decided to closely monitor and review it in the coming ten-dailies.

Also, the Authority considered instruction of the National Assembly (NA) Standing Committee on Water Resources to submit accomplishment of tasks regarding the resolution of water distribution issue between Sindh and Punjab and took appropriate decisions.

### **Briefing:**

A briefing was imparted by GM (TDP) to IRSA on 23.10.2020 requesting to lower Tarbela levels to 1483 ft SPD by Nov 6<sup>th</sup> 2020 as per the indicated schedule to accomplish completion

of remaining works of T4 HPP. IRSA decided with consensus that reservoirs shall be operated as per Clauses 14 (c) & (e) of the Water Apportionment Accord (WAA) 1991 as the requested schedule would disturb the already approved system operation by incurring excessive losses which would be against the spirit of WAA 1991. WAPDA shall adjust the schedule for T4 HPP works as it will require adjustments on only 10-15 days out of a total 240 days of planned work schedule.

### **Operational News: -**

During the period under report, 7 Nos., 9 Nos. and 7 Nos. consolidated operational directives were issued to Tarbela, Mangla and Chashma authorities, respectively, by the Authority as per its duties in IRSA of 1992.

### **Water Account:**

The actual provincial canal utilization vis-à-vis their shares from Oct 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 remained 13 % less than anticipated likely shares.

### **Rim-Station Inflows:**

The overall Rim-stations inflows from Oct 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 remained 9% below anticipations.

### **Issuance of NOC for Karot HPP:**

IRSA issued NOC to Karot Power Company (Private) Limited to carry out reservoir impounding of 720 Mw run-of-river HPP on Jhelum River for subsequent testing and commissioning of the project. Once the required level of 461 m ASL was attained by the reservoir, inflow and outflow will be equalized.

### **News of Parliamentary Matters: -**

#### **National Assembly:**

A meeting of the NA Standing Committee on Water Resources was attended by the Chairman and Members IRSA along with technical personnel.

Compliance Reports on the recommendations of NA Standing Committee on Water Resources were submitted on 14.10.2020 and 19.10.2020.

#### **Senate:**

A brief for the next meeting of Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources was submitted.