



Authority News:-

IRSA Technical Committee (ITC) Meeting held on September 26, 2022

A meeting of IRSA Technical Committee (ITC) was held on September 26, 2022 to finalize the draft Anticipated Water Availability Criteria for Rabi 2022-23 for IRSA Advisory Committee and the following decisions were taken with consensus:

- ITC recommended with consensus, draft Anticipated Criteria for Rabi 2022-23 – assessed by utilizing CSIRO WAA-Tool forecasting capabilities – with the total likely Rim-Stations inflows volume of **22.67 MAF** to be put up to IRSA Advisory Committee (IAC) for its formal assent in the forthcoming meeting.
- As there was considerable difference between losses and gains percentages proposed by the PIDs Punjab and Sindh and a consensus figure could not be agreed upon, the ITC recommended the following three options to be put up to IAC for discussion and decision:

	Indus Zone %	JC Zone %
IRSA (WAA Tool)	-8.6	0
Punjab	0	0
Sindh	-10	0

However, PID Punjab will place its calculations before IAC for its consideration.

- WAPDA shall present forecast of SRM+G Model for Rabi 2022-23 in the forthcoming IAC meeting.



ITC being chaired by Director (Opr) IRSA

IRSA Advisory Committee (IAC) Meeting held on September 29, 2022

A meeting of IAC was held on September 29, 2022 and the following decisions were taken:

Approval of Anticipated Water Availability Criteria for Rabi 2022-23 (Oct-Mar) as recommended by the IRSA Technical Committee (ITC)

- a) IAC unanimously approved the Anticipated Water Availability Criteria for Rabi 2022-23 Season as presented by IRSA with expected likely provincial shortage of 18%.
- b) The adopted losses and gains would be 0% for JC and 8.6% for Indus Zone based on WAA-Tool assessments, subject to monitoring and subsequent adjustment, if necessary, at the end of October 2022. Member IRSA Punjab and PID Punjab, however, did not agree to the above adopted losses for Indus Zone and instead advocated 0% loss based on the matching- years statistics.
- c) The provinces shall share their Withdrawal Plans based on the above indicated shares to IRSA within a fortnight.
- d) PMD would indicate month-wise rainfall forecast for the basin as well as for the provinces in percentage terms and intimate to all concerned accordingly.
- e) WAPDA shall make efforts to include Rabi season forecast functionality of Indus, Jhelum and Chenab Rivers in the SRM+G Model in addition to the Kabul River forecast.
- f) IAC allowed additional allocation of 0.15 MAF for Balochistan for Rabi 2022-23 as a one-time relief in the wake of unutilized surpluses water available in the system under Para 14 (e) of the WAA'91.
- g) WAPDA's request for the Closure of Chashma Barrage for a period of 15 days, tentatively, from January 1st to 15th, 2023 - to be in synchronization with Canal Closures of Guddu and Sukkur Barrages - stood unanimously approved.

Briefing by WAPDA on T5 Operational Constraints

- a) WAPDA's request for Closure of Tunnel-5 for construction activities of T5 HPP for a period of 33 months with effect from 29th September 2022 was unanimously approved by IAC with the consent of all stakeholders.
- b) WAPDA shall make all efforts to complete the Project before Kharif 2025, however, no time extension shall be allowed in this regard.
- c) Project Director T5 HPP shall keep IRSA & all Stakeholders informed of the Project's progress on monthly basis.



IAC being chaired by Chairman IRSA



Meeting of IRSA & WAPDA held on September 05, 2022

IRSA Team comprising of Member IRSA (Punjab) and Member IRSA (Balochistan) met with Chairman and Member (Water) WAPDA at WAPDA House, Lahore on September 05, 2022 in connection with deployment / mobilization of WAPDA staff on the Telemetry Project.

Meeting on Water Apportionment Accord (WAA) Tool on September 12, 2022

CSIRO and ACIAR experts visited IRSA on September 12, 2022 to discuss the progress/uptake of the WAA Tool by IRSA, WAPDA & PIDs and to understand the requirements of mid-seasonal planning.



CSIRO / ACIAR Team briefing IRSA about WAA-Tool and Members IRSA holding updated version of WAA-Tool's Report / Manual

Meeting of IRSA & WAPDA held on September 14, 2022

Newly posted Director (Indus Telemetry), WAPDA and Sr. Engineer (P), H&R Directorate, WAPDA along with the team visited IRSA on September 14, 2022 for introductory sitting cum progress review meeting regarding Telemetry Project.

Visit of IRSA Members to Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC), Chashma Barrage & CRBC Project

Member IRSA (Punjab), Member IRSA (KP) & Member IRSA (Balochistan) visited power plants of Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC), Chashma Barrage and CRBC from September 21-24, 2022 to witness the cooling water arrangement in PAEC and flood damages.



Members IRSA being briefed by PD Chashma & CRBC

Operational News:-

During the period under report, 02Nos., 8 Nos. and 03 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 September 30, 2022 remained 37% less than anticipated likely shares.

Rim-Station Inflows

The overall Rim-stations inflows from April 01 to September 30, 2022 remained 15% below anticipations.