

## **Abstract**

Irrigation – Water Resources Department – 18<sup>th</sup> Canal Scheme – Release of water to the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal – Rule of Regulation for drawal of water from the Periyar Dam – Issued.

## Public Works (P1) Department

G.O (Ms) No 38

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## Read:

- 1. From the Chief Engineer, Madurai Region, Letter No Sr. DO II / 10831 R / 2008, dated 14.11.2008.
- 2 From the Advisor to Government (WR) and Chairman, Cauvery Technical Cell, Letter No CTC / ISW / 27375, dated 02.01.2009.
- 3. From the Chief Engineer (Operation and Maintenance), Letter No DS / 4843 / 2008, dated 01.07.2009.
- 4. From the Chief Engineer, Madurai Region, Letter No TS / Sr. DO II / 10831 R / 2009, dated 07.09.2009.

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## ORDER:

In his letters first and fourth read above, the Chief Engineer, Madurai Region, has requested approval of the Government for release of water to the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal ayacut area once in a year at the rate of 279 cusecs of water for 9 days on or after 15<sup>th</sup> September, when the combined storage of the Periyar Credit in both the Periyar and Vaigai Reservoirs and the tanks exceeds 6250 Mcft, under the Compendium of Rules of Regulations for drawal of water from the Periyar Dam.

- 2. In his letter second read above, the Advisor to Government (Water Resources) and Chairman, Cauvery Technical Cell, has recommended that water can be drawn through the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal at the rate of 279 Cusecs for 9 days between 16<sup>th</sup> September to 15<sup>th</sup> October, when the single crop zone gets water for irrigation, considering the increase in ayacut to 4614.25 acres.
- 3. In his letter third read above, the Chief Engineer (Operation and Maintenance), Water Resources Department, has requested approval of the Government for release of 216.95 Mcft of water to the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal at the rate of 279 cusecs for 9 days on 15<sup>th</sup> October, when the combined storage of Periyar Credit in both the Reservoirs and the tanks exceeds 7000 Mcft.
- 4. After careful examination of the proposals of the Chief Engineer (Operation & Maintenance), the Chief Engineer, Madurai Region, and the Advisor to Government (Water Resources) and the Chairman, Cauvery Technical Cell, the

Government have decided to release 216.95 Mcft of water to the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal from the Periyar Dam at the rate of 279 Cusecs for 9 days on or after 1<sup>st</sup> October every year, when the combined storage of the Periyar Credit in both the Periyar and Vaigai Reservoirs and its tanks exceeds 6250 Mcft.

5. Accordingly, the Government direct that 216.95 Mcft. of water shall be released to the 18<sup>th</sup> Canal from the Periyar Dam at the rate of 279 Cusecs for 9 days on or after 1<sup>st</sup> October every year, when the combined storage of the Periyar Credit in both the Periyar and Vaigai Reservoirs and its tanks exceeds 6250 Mcft.

(By Order of Governor)

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To

The Chief Engineer (Operation & Maintenance), Water Resources Department, Chepauk, Chennai-5.

The Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Madurai Region, Madurai-2.

The Advisor to Government (Water Resources) and Chairman, CTC, Government Musuem Compound, 406, Pantheon Road, Egmore, Chennai-8

The Engineer in Chief, Water Resources Department and Chief Engineer (General), Public Works Department, Chepauk, Chennai-5.

The Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Land Administration, Chepauk, Chennai-5.

The District Collector, Theni District.

The Executive Engineer, Water Resources Department, Cumbum Vally Sub Project Division, Theni.

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The Director of Agriculture, Chennai-5.

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