

ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department – Formation of Reservoir across Kamandalar river near Shenbagathope Village – Rectification of defective works for Radial shutters and River sluice shutters and Hoisting arrangements through Public Works Workshop - permission granted – orders issued.

Public Works (T2) Department

G.O.(Ms).No.59

Dated. 18.2.2010

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Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms) No.699, Public Works Department, dated 18.10.1996.
- 2. G.O.(Ms).No.11, Public Works Department, dated 5.1.2001.
- 3. From the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (O & M), Water Resources Department, Lr.No.B2/1599/2008, dated 23.5.2008.
- 4. From the Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Chennai Region Lr.No.T5(2)/F14334/2000 dated 17.3.2009, 25.6.2009 and 1.9.2009.

Order:-

In the Government Order first and second read above, Government have accord administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.2133 lakhs and also accord revised administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.3400 lakhs respectively for the work of Formation of Reservoir across Kamandalar river near Shenbagathope Village in Polur Taluk of Thiruvannamalai District. Technical sanction was accorded by the Chief Engineer, Chennai Region, for Rs.3400 lakhs. During the review meeting of the functional Chief Engineers held on 2.5.2008 the Principal Secretary to Government Public Works Department has instructed the Chief Engineer (O & M) Water Resources Department to inspect the Shenbgathope Reservoir and to send a detailed inspection report to Government. Accordingly, the Chief Engineer (O & M) inspected the Shenbagathope Reservoir on 2.5.2008 and pointed out certain defects in the Radial gate, Hositing arrangements, deck bridge etc and send a detailed report to Government. Based on that the Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department Chennai Region has been requested to take urgent action to rectify the defects found out the inspection of Chief Engineer (O&M) Water Resources Department.

- 2. In the letter 4th read above, the Chief Engineer, Chennai Region has stated that, the main work and alied sub-works were carried out by fixing various agencies. He has stated that "Design, Manufacturing, Supply, Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Radial Shutters hoist and deck bridge for spillway of vent size 8.30 m x 4.57 m for Shenbagathope Reservior" and "Assembling and erection of embedded parts for river sluice of vent size 1/50 m x 1/20 m for Shenbagathope Reservoir" were awarded to M/s Chandaragiri Construction Company and the Contractor Thiru.A.Venkatesan, Pollachi, respectively. Based on the Chief Engineer's (O&M) observation notices were issued to the contractors, for the completion of rectification works and balance works if any fixing the dead line as 22.12.2008 and 20.2.2009 respectively. The M/s Chandagiri Construction Company has started the rectification works and however stopped it abruptly without any intimation to the department. They were informed that the rectification works will be carried out departmentally and the excess cost, if any, will be recovered from them as per the agreement condition.
- 3. Further, The Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Chennai Region has stated in this connection that, the overall expenditure incurred upto 3/2009 is Rs.3305.00 lakhs and overall anticipated expenditure will be Rs.195.00 lakhs as per the records. He has stated that an amount of Rs.257.25 lakhs recovery is pending based on the Audit of Accountant General from the contractor M/s Chandragiri Construction Company. The work entrusted to M/s Chandragiri construction Company, for a value of Rs.1,55,32,293/- payment was made so far Rs.1,34,23,732/- and an amount of Rs.21,08.561/- is available. The withheld amount of Rs.6.71 lakhs and EMD in the form of fixed deposit of Rs.0.88 lakhs matured on 22.11.2004 is also available and this total amount of Rs.28.67 lakhs (Rs.21.08 + 6.71 + 0.88 lakhs) can be utilized for the rectification of defective works which were not attended by the M/S Chandragiri Construction Company.
- 4. Further the Chief Engineer has stated that since, the contractors have not carried out the rectification works to make the shutter fully functional, it has been decided to carry out the defect rectification works through Public Works Department workshop which has necessary expertise. He has also stated that the North East Monsoon is likely to be started and intensified further it is necessary that the defects in the Radial Shutter should be rectified early and Reservoir should be kept ready to impound Water expected during monsoon. He has therefore, requested to permit him to take up the rectification works for Radial shutter and hoisting arrangements through Public Works Department Workshop.
- 5. The Government, after careful consideration, have decided to accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer, Chennai Region and permit him to take up the rectifications works for Radial Shutter and hoisting arrangements in Shenbagathope Reservoir through Public Works Department workshop with the available funds in the Works entrusted to M/s Chandragiri construction company and Thiru.A.Venkatesh by making payment with the available funds for this work and without any additional financial commitment subject to the following condition:

- (i) Proper disciplinary action is initiated against the erring Officials.
- (ii) Proper action is taken against the contractors as per the terms and conditions of the agreement.

(By order of the Governor)

S.Ramasundaram Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General),

Water Resources Department, Chennai-5.

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The Accountant General, Chennnai-19.

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Finance (PWII) Department, Chennai-9.

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