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Text of the D.O. letter dated 15.3.2018 of **Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami**, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu addressed to **Shri Narendra Modi**, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, New Delhi.

As you are aware, the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 16.2.2018, has directed the Union of India to notify a "Scheme" within six weeks for the implementation of the Final Order of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal. As per Section 6A(2) of the Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956, a "Scheme" is nothing but the machinery for the implementation of the Final Order of the Tribunal.

I wish to point out that the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal in its Final Order has clearly laid out the formation of Cauvery Management Board and Cauvery Water Regulation Committee as the implementation machinery. In this context, you may kindly recall the request I made to you during your visit to Chennai on 24.2.2018. The Government of India is duty bound to constitute and notify the formation of Cauvery Management Board and Cauvery Water Regulation Committee as per the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 16.2.2018.

The Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly in its special session on 15.3.2018, unanimously resolved that the Government of India should be urged to constitute the Cauvery Management Board and Cauvery Water Regulation Committee, vested with all powers as provided in the Final Order of Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal, within six weeks as specified in the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 16.2.2018. I enclose a copy of the Resolution in Tamil and its English version.

Since 4 weeks have already lapsed without any positive outcome, the farmers and the people of Tamil Nadu who have been suffering for more than four decades, are deeply anguished. Hence, I request you to direct the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, to notify the formation of Cauvery Management Board and the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee and enable them to function effectively.

I look forward to your immediate positive response in this matter.

தீர்மானம்

“காவேரி நடுவர் மன்ற இறுதி ஆணையின்படியும், உச்ச நீதிமன்றம் 16.2.2018 அன்று வழங்கிய தீர்ப்பின்படியும், காவேரி நடுவர் மன்ற இறுதி ஆணையை திறம்பட செயல்படுத்துவதற்கு, அனைத்து அதிகாரங்களும் கொண்ட காவேரி மேலாண்மை வாரியம் மற்றும் காவேரி நீர் முறைப்படுத்தும் குழு ஆகிய அமைப்புகளை உச்ச நீதிமன்றத் தீர்ப்பில் குறிப்பிட்டுள்ள ஆறு வார காலத்திற்குள் மத்திய அரசு அமைத்து அவற்றை நடைமுறைக்கு கொண்டுவர வேண்டும் என்று இந்த மாமன்றம் வலியுறுத்தி கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறது.”

RESOLUTION

“This August House urges the Government of India to constitute the Cauvery Management Board and the Cauvery Water Regulation Committee vested with all powers as per the Final Order of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal and the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 16.2.2018 within six weeks as prescribed in the Supreme Court judgment so as to effectively implement the final order of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal.”

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