P.R. No. 134 Date: 31.03.2015

## PRESS RELEASE

Text of the D.O. Letter dated 31.3.2015 addressed by Thiru O. Panneerselvam, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to Shri Nara Chandrababu Naidu, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh is reproduced below:

"I am writing this letter to seek your personal intervention for the release of Krishna Water to Chennai city immediately. As summer is fast approaching and the levels in the Chennai reservoirs have depleted, I request you to order the release of water from Kandaleru immediately so that atleast 2 TMC ft. of water is realised at zero point in Tamil Nadu.

You would recall that in response to your letter dated 20.9.2014, the Government of Tamil Nadu released a sum of Rs.25 crores towards Tamil Nadu's share of expenditure towards the Telugu Ganga Project which was handed over during the 43<sup>rd</sup> Liaison Committee meeting on 28.1.2015. The Government of Tamil Nadu will also be releasing another instalment of Rs.25 crores.

During the 43<sup>rd</sup> Liaison Committee meeting, the request of the Government of Tamil Nadu for supply of 3 TMC ft. of water during the months of February and March, 2015 was agreed to by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. However, only 1.34 TMC ft. of water has been realised at Tamil Nadu border after the meeting up to 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2015. Since then, there has been no realisation of water at the Tamil Nadu border. I would also like to bring to your kind notice that as against the stipulated quantity of 4 TMC ft. of water to be supplied to Tamil Nadu from January to April, 2015, as per the Agreement, Tamil Nadu has realised only a quantity of 1.74 TMC ft. from January, 2015 to 21.3.2015 at the Tamil Nadu border.

I therefore request you to kindly instruct the concerned officials to ensure immediate release of water from Kandaleru so that atleast 2 TMC ft. is realised at the Tamil Nadu border in the month of April, 2015.

I shall be thankful for your immediate response in this matter."

\* \* \* \* \* \* \*

Issued by : DIPR, Secretariat, Chennai - 9.

Dated : 31.3.2015