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Government of India
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Department of Water Resources, RD&GR
(Peninsular Rivers Section)

Room No. 242-B, C Wing Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi Dated: 9th May, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Re-constitution of the Supervisory Committee for the Mullaperiyar Dam as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 8th April, 2022-reg.

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court's order dated 08.04.2022 in the matter of Writ Petition (Civil) No 880 of 2020, Dr. Joe Joseph & Ors. Vs. State of Tamil Nadu & Ors. on Mullaperiyar dam issue, I am directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for the reconstituted Supervisory Committee for the Mullaperiyar Dam as well as its revised Terms of References (TOR) as follows:

1. Shri Gulshan Raj	Chief Engineer, Dam Safety Organisation, Central Water Commission, Government of India	Chairman, ex-officio
2. Dr. Sandeep Saxena	Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department,	Member, ex-officio
	Government of Tamil Nadu	
3. Shri T K Jose	Additional Chief Secretary, Water	Member, ex-officio
	Resources Department,	
	Government of Kerala	
4. Shri R. Subramanian	Chairman, Cauvery Technical Cell-cum-	Member, ex-officio
	Inter State Waters Wing,	
	Government of Tamil Nadu	
5. Shri Alex Varghese	Chief Engineer (I&A), Irrigation	Member, ex-officio
	Department, Government of Kerala	

Terms of References:

- 1. The constitution of revised Supervisory Committee is only an interim arrangement until the regular National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) becomes fully functional in terms of section 8 of the Dam Safety Act, 2021.
- 2. The existing TOR and other terms and conditions of the Supervisory Committee as mentioned in the Ministry of WR, RD&GR OM No. R.16011/6/2014-Pen.Riv/417 dated 1st July, 2014 shall remain valid.

- 3. The Supervisory Committee shall discharge all the functions and also exercise all the powers which otherwise are required to be exercised by the NDSA for ensuring safety of Mullaperiyar Dam, as also, prevention of dam failure related disasters.
- 4. The Supervisory Committee shall be accountable for all matters relating to safety of the Mullaperiyar dam, including those referred to in the Dam Safety Act 2021 and shall also discharge the functions of NDSA as specified in Section 9 of the Dam Safety Act 2021.
- 5. The Supervisory Committee will examine all outstanding matters related to Mullaperiyar Dam's safety and take such decisions as may be necessary. The Committee shall be free to frame terms of reference in accordance with the provisions of the Dam Safety Act, 2021 for carrying out safety review of the dam.
- 6. The Supervisory Committee may also examine the representations or suggestions submitted by the local members of public and shall take appropriate measures/decisions, as may be necessary.
- 7. The Party States will extend complete cooperation for ensuring that the directions given by the Supervisory Committee from time to time for the purpose of maintenance of the Mullaperiyar Dam and its safety are complied with in a time bound manner.

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- 2. Dr. Sandeep Saxena, Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Tamil Nadu; Member ex-officio
- 3. Shri T K Jose, Additional Chief Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Kerala; Member ex-officio
- 4. Shri R. Subramanian, Chairman, Cauvery Technical Cell-cum-Inter State Waters Wing, Govt. of Tamil Nadu; Member ex-officio
- 5. Shri Alex Varghese, Chief Engineer (I&A), Irrigation Department, Government of Kerala; Member ex-officio

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