

Minutes of the Meeting of Punjab Water Regulation and Development Authority, held under the Chairmanship of Shri Karan Avtar Singh, Chairperson PWRDA, through Video Conference on Tuesday, 2nd March, 2021 at 11.00 AM.

The Meeting was attended by Shri Sushil Gupta, Member, and Shri Surinder Singh Kukal, Member.

Shri A.S. Miglani, Secretary, and Shri JK Jain, Senior Manager, in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM 1

AGENDA ITEM NO.1: Hiring of Motor Vehicle for PWRDA.

This agenda item was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO.2: To engage Chartered Accountant for PWRDA.

This agenda item was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO.3: Sharing of lift and Water Charges on office building with Skill Development Mission.

This agenda item was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO.4: Payment of Grant-In-Aid for the financial year 2021-22.

This item was approved.

AGENDA ITEM NO.5: Appointment to the post of Private Secretary.

The Authority accepted the recommendation of the Committee of Secretary and Executive Engineer to appoint Shri Gurbachan Singh and Shri Balwinder Singh Puri as Private Secretary as they were the most suitable candidates for this post. It was decided that they be offered the appointment on contract, initially for a period of one year, at a fixed monthly remuneration of Rs. forty-five thousand. The other terms and conditions of the contract will be same as approved by the Authority in the case of Senior Manager (Administration & Co-ordination).

AGENDA ITEM NO.6: Appointment to the post of Administrative Officer.

This item was discussed and it was decided that:

- a) The thirteen candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria for this post may be asked to take tests of Computer Proficiency, translation and precis writing.
- b) The Tests will be devised and evaluated under the supervision of the Committee of Secretary and Executive Engineer.

AGENDA ITEM NO.7: To approve LOGO of the PWRDA.

This item was discussed. The proposed multi-coloured LOGO of PWRDA was unanimously approved. It was also decided that this LOGO in a single colour (Blue/Indigo) shall be used as Common Seal of PWRDA.

AGENDA ITEM NO.8: Clarification regarding exemption from seeking No Objection Certificate.

This item was discussed and it was decided that in the final Guidelines on Groundwater Extraction it will be provided that all water users (irrespective of the fact whether they are registered as MSME or not) extracting Ground Water less than 10cum/day will be exempted from seeking permission for Groundwater Extraction. However, Units extracting Groundwater more than 5cum/day, but less than 10cum/day will be required to register with the Authority in such manner as Authority may require. Such units shall also be required to install water meter of required specifications and record and communicate the same to Authority at such intervals as Authority may require. But no registration would be required for the Units extracting Ground Water up to 5cum/day.

The Meeting ended with a note of Thanks to the Chair.

Chairperson