Minutes of 62<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Punjab Water Regulation and Development Authority held on Thursday i.e., 16.03.2023 At 11.00 AM in the Committee Room under the Chairmanship of Sh. Karan Avtar Singh, Chairperson, PWRDA.

Present: Mr. Sushil Gupta, Member.

In attendance: Mr. J.K. Jain, Additional Secretary.

#### Item No. 62.01: Confirmation of the Minutes of 61st<sup>.</sup> Meeting of the Authority.

The Minutes of 61<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 16.02.2023 was emailed to all concerned. No comments received. May be confirmed.

**Decision:** Confirmed.

#### Item No. 62.02: Action Taken Report:

ATR on the decisions taken in 61<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Authority is as under:

Item No.61.03: Regarding Implementing Agency (IA).

As per notification dated 17.02.2023, the Government of Punjab has designated Directorate of Groundwater in the Department of Water Resources as the Implementing Agency for Punjab Water Regulation and Development Authority.

Item No. 61.04: Manner of applying in PWRDA Fund under section 9(3) of the Punjab Water Resources (Management and Regulation) Act, 2020.

Decision of the Authority was conveyed to the Government on 17.02.2023.

Item No. 62.05: To adopt Punjab Financial Rules.

Office Order issued on 22.02.2023.

Item No. 61.06: Re-constitution of Committees for Recruitment of Staff on Contract Basis.

Office Order issued on 17.02.2023.

Item No. 61.07: Recruitment to the one post of Senior Manager (Legal).

Please see Agenda Item No. 62.07.

Item No. 61.08: Recruitment to one post of Manager (IT).

Committee headed by Chairperson and Members, PWRDA interacted with three short listed candidates namely Mr. Mandeep Singh Saini S/o Sh. Didar Singh, Kamalpreet Singh S/o Sh. Harpal Singh and Ms Mandeep Kaur D/o Sh. Manohar Singh and submitted its report (Annexure 62.02.01) on 16.02.2023 selecting Mr. Kamalpreet Singh for appointment to the post of Manager (IT). Accordingly, offer letter was issued on 20.02.2023 and he has joined on 13.03.2023 (A.N.). The Authority may decide the candidate (s) in waiting list and validity of waiting list.

Item No.61.09: Canal Water Recharge Schemes.

The decision of the Authority has been conveyed to Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, Punjab on 17.02.2023. The grant is pending for release for the want of Technically sanctioned estimate and bank details.

Item No. 61.10: Regarding State Water information Centre (SWIC).

No further action is required.

**Decision:** *Item No. 61.03 to 61.10 Noted.* 

Further, in Item No. 61.08, the candidates namely; Mr. Mandeep Singh Saini s/o Sh. Didar Singh and Ms Mandeep Kaur D/o Sh. Manohar Singh shall be in the waiting list which shall be valid for one year w.e.f. 16.02.2023.

#### Item No. 62.03: Status of ad interim permissions as of 31.01.2023.

The status of Ad-interim Permissions for Groundwater Extraction up to 31.01.2023 is as per table below:

Monthly Report on the Status of Ground Water Extraction Permissions		As of 30.09.2 021	As of 31.10.2 021	As of 30.11.2 021	As of 31.12.2 021	As of 31.01.2 022	As of 28.02.2 022	As of 31.03.2 022	As of 30.04.2 022	As of 31.05.2 022	As of 30.06.2 022	As of 31.07.2 022	As of 31.08.2 022	As of 30.09.2 022	As of 31.10.2 022	As of 30.11.2 022	As of 31.12.2 022	As of 31.01.2 023
Sr No.	Details	Number																
1	Applications received uptill previous month	277	296	319	332	361	377	401	431	450	475	504	523	549	562	576	600	616
2	Applications received during this month	19	23	13	29	16	24	30	19	25	29	19	26	13	14	24	16	3
3	Total Applications received till end of this month	296	319	332	361	377	401	431	450	475	504	523	549	562	576	600	616	619
4	Permissions Granted uptill previous month	211	243	263	273	284	310	320	348	371	381	392	420	452	468	476	490	501
5	Permissions Granted during this month	32	20	10	11	26	10	28	23	10	11	28	32	16	8	14	11	8
6	Total Permissions Granted till end of this month	243	263	273	284	310	320	348	371	381	392	420	452	468	476	490	501	509
7	Miscellaneous Applications	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
8	Total Balance Applications	50	53	56	74	64	78	79	75	90	107	98	92	89	95	105	110	105
9	Applications refereed back for Queries	27	31	32	29	28	26	26	19	20	20	51	56	56	58	56	57	51
10	Applications refereed back due to incomplete Payment	18	15	21	17	10	12	12	20	18	30	19	25	22	23	23	24	22
11	Applications Pending for Scrutiny	5	7	3	28	26	40	40	36	52	57	28	11	11	14	26	29	32
11a	Applications Pending for Scrutiny for less than 1 month	5	7	3	28	18	24	24	15	25	27	19	11	9	14	23	19	3
11 b	Applications Pending for Scrutiny for more than 1 month	0	0	0	0	8	16	16	10	9	8	9	0	0	0	3	9	16
11 c	Applications Pending for Scrutiny for more than 2 months	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	18	22	0	0	0	0	0	1	13

The total groundwater extraction permitted to all the Units which have obtained Adinterim Permissions based on the categorisation of zones is tabled below:

Groundwater Extraction as per 31.01.2023 of Units granted permission	in m3/day
Orange Zone	62686
Yellow Zone	92399
Green Zone	29916
TOTAL	1,85,001

Placed before the Authority for information.

**Decision:** Noted.

## Item No. 62.04: Approval of Application Forms under Punjab Groundwater Extraction and Conservation Directions 2023.

Punjab Groundwater Extraction and Conservation Directions, 2023, have come into force with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023.

All non-exempt Users are required to obtain Permission from the Authority for Groundwater extraction.

Conveyance or transportation of groundwater through a water tanker (whether installed on the vehicle or towed as a trailer etc.) with a carrying capacity more than 500 litres requires Permission of the Authority.

Power-operated drilling rigs also require Permission of the Authority for exploration of groundwater or for establishing, modifying, augmenting, or improving any groundwater extraction structures in the state.

In view of the urgency the Application form for Permission of Groundwater extraction (Annexure A-62.04.01), Permission to operate Drilling rig (Annexure A-62.04.02) and Permission to operate Water Tanker (Annexure A-62.04.03) were approved by Chairperson (Annexure A-62.04.04). These forms have subsequently been uploaded on the Authority Website.

Placed before the Authority for ratification. Authority may also consider to authorise the Chairperson to approve and amend the Forms under the Directions, 2023 in future.

## **Decision:** *Deferred.*

# Item No.62.05: Exemption from payment of Groundwater Charges to Indian School of Business Mohali.

ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਸਕੂਲ ਆਫ਼ ਬਿਜਨੈੱਸ ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਨੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਬੇਨਤੀ ਮਿਤੀ 28.09.2022 (**ਅਨੁਲੱਗ ਏ** 62.05.01) ਰਾਹੀਂ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਨੂੰ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨਾਲ ਸਮਝੌਤਾ (MOU) ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ ਜਿਸ ਤਹਿਤ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਜ਼ਮੀਨੀ ਪਾਣੀ ਕੱਢਣ ਦੇ ਖ਼ਰਚਿਆਂ ਦੇ ਭੁਗਤਾਨ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਛੋਟ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਹੈ

ਇਹ ਹਵਾਲਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਉਚੇਰੀ ਸਿੱਖਿਆ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਨੂੰ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੈ: 38538 ਮਿਤੀ 06.10.2022 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਭੇਜਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਜਿਸ ਦੇ ਉੱਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਉਚੇਰੀ ਸਿੱਖਿਆ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਨੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੈ: HED-EDU10UNIV/158/2022-2/edu/1/478021/2022 ਮਿਤੀ 20.12.2022 (ਅਨੁਲੱਗ ਏ 62.05.02) ਰਾਹੀਂ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ

''2....ਵਿਸ਼ਾ ਅੰਕਿਤ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਹਵਾਲੇ ਅਧੀਨ ਪੱਤਰ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮੈਨੇਜਰ, ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਸਕੂਲ ਆਫ਼ ਬਿਜਨੈੱਸ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਤੋਂ ਸਕੱਤਰ, ਉਚੇਰੀ ਸਿੱਖਿਆ ਅਤੇ ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਸਕੂਲ ਆਫ਼ ਬਿਜਨੈੱਸ ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਵਿਚਕਾਰ ਹੋਏ ਐਮ.ਓ.ਯੂ. ਦੇ Article 8 ਦੇ ਹਵਾਲਾ ਦਿੰਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਭੂਮੀਗਤ ਪਾਣੀ ਕੱਢਣ ਦੇ ਖ਼ਰਚਿਆਂ ਦੇ ਭੁਗਤਾਨ ਤੋਂ ਛੋਟ ਦੇਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਇਸ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਤੋਂ ਟਿੱਪਣੀ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੀ

3. ੳਕਤ ਦੇ ਸਨਮੁੱਖ ਇਸ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਅਤੇ ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਸਕੂਲ ਆਫ ਬਿਜਨੈੱਸ, ਮੋਹਾਲੀ ਵਿਚਕਾਰ ਹੋਏ MOU ਦੇ Article 8 "The Government shall exempt ISB Mohali from charges if any, for the water to be tapped by ISB Mohali from the bore wells dug by it." ਦੀ ਪੁਸ਼ਟੀ ਕਰਦੇ ਹੋਏ ਇਸ ਛੋਟ ਦੀ ਸਿਫਾਰਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।"

ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਉਚੇਰੀ ਸਿੱਖਿਆ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਸਮਝੌਤੇ (MOU) ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰੈੜਤਾ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ।

ਇਸ ਬਾਰੇ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ, ਜਲ ਸਰੋਤ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਨੂੰ ਅਗਲੇਰੀ ਲੋੜੀਂਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਹਿੱਤ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ: 62735: PWRDA-PWRD0MISC/12/2021-PWRDA-BR/1/44115/2023 ਮਿਤੀ 02.02.2023 (ਅਨੁਲੱਗ ਏ 62.05.03) ਰਾਹੀਂ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਜਿਸ ਦੇ ਜਵਾਬ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ: ਈ-454076-ਪੀਜੇ-3/510043/2023 ਮਿਤੀ 15.2.2023 (ਅਨੁਲੱਗ ਏ 62.05.04) ਰਾਹੀਂ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਹੈ:

"ਵਿਸ਼ਾ ਅੰਕਿਤ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਹਵਾਲਾ ਅਧੀਨ ਪੱਤਰ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਤਜਵੀਜ਼ ਨੂੰ ਵਿਚਾਰਨ ਉਪਰੰਤ Indian School of Business, Mohali ਨੂੰ ਜ਼ਮੀਨੀ ਪਾਣੀ ਕੱਢਣ ਦੇ ਖ਼ਰਚਿਆਂ ਦਾ ਭੁਗਤਾਨ ਕਰਨ ਤੋਂ ਛੋਟ (Exemption) ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਲੋੜੀਂਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਆਪਣੇ ਪੱਧਰ ਤੇ ਕਰਨੀ ਯਕੀਨੀ ਬਣਾਈ ਜਾਵੇ ਇਹ ਮੰਨਜੁਰੀ ਸਮਰੱਥ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਵਾਨਗੀ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ "

ਅਥਾਰਟੀ ਦੀ ਸੁਚਨਾ ਹਿੱਤ ਪੇਸ਼ ਹੈ।

## **Decision:** *Deferred.*

## Item No. 62.06: Payment of rent to Punjab Mandi Board (PMB).

The Office of the PWRDA is working from SCO No. 149-152, (3<sup>rd</sup>. floor), Sector 17-C, Chandigarh since 1.10.2020. The premises belongs to PMB. It was allotted on rent by Government of Punjab, Department of General Administration vide order no. GAD/ADO20ALOT/2019/1ADO2/ 143628/2020 dated 30.06.2020. The space occupied by Authority as per record is 5100 sq. feet.

2. The monthly rent of the floor was worked out by PMB initially @ Rs. 4,21,272/- which was revised to Rs.5,57,813/- citing error in calculation. The Lease Agreement indicating monthly rent @ Rs.5,57,813/- duly signed by first party (PMB) was received vide letter No. Milkh-4/825 date 30.03.2021 for execution by second party (PWRDA). Since, the proposed rent was not assessed by Punjab PWD (B&R) as mentioned in Rule 19.6 of Punjab Financial Rules Volume-I, the matter was referred to Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD (B&R), Punjab, Chandigarh for assessment of rent. XEN, PWD (B&R) assessed the monthly rent @Rs. 2,64,865/- vide letter no. 1164 dated 30.03.2022 (Annexure A 62.06.01).

3. The total rent payable from 01.10.2020 to 28.02.2023 i.e., for 29 months at the rate assessed by XEN PWD (B&R) comes out to be Rs. 90,63,680/- (including GST @ 18%). Lump sum payment of Rs. 56.00 Lakh (Rs. 21.00 lakh on 17.03.2021 and Rs. 35.00 lakh on 26.08.2021) was made to Punjab Mandi Board with a rider that this advance payment will be adjusted against the actual rent as agreed upon in Lease Agreement. The **balance payment of Rs. 34,63,680/-** (including GST @ 18%) is pending. This payment shall be subject to deduction of taxes at source as per law.

4. In addition to monthly rent, a letter dated 10.11.2020 (Annexure A 62.06.02) was received from PMB asking for payment of Rs. 113.84 Lakh in twelve equal monthly instalments (EMI) of Rs. 15,38,653/- each on account of cost of renovation of the floor to make it habitable. The details are given below:

Total	Rs. 1,13,84,242/-
e. Consultancy	Rs. 1,95,500/-
d. Civil Works	Rs. 36,95,726/-
c. Furniture	Rs. 27,72,334/-
b. Public Health	Rs. 10,46,498/-
a. Electric Work	Rs. 36,74,184/-

5. 5. The payment of Rs. 27,72,334/-on account of furniture has been made in two instalments of Rs. 20,00,000/- & Rs. 7,72,334/- on 31.03.2021 & 08.07.2021 respectively. Except for some electrical and other fittings as detailed in para 6 below, the remaining expenditure incurred on renovation of the space is primarily permanent in nature and presumably is a part of the assessed rent.

6. The payment on account of other moveable items as detailed below has not so far been made.

Sr. No	Name of Item	Qty.	Rate	Amount
1.	MDF Krom type 10/20/30 pair	01	2,478/-	2,478/-
2.	9U rack make d-link	02	10,260/-	20,519/-
3.	24 port patch panel make d-link	03	28,624/-	85,872/-
4.	EPABX machine	01	80,719/-	80,719/-
5.	Telephone set Beetle	17	604/-	10,271/-
6.	1KVA UPS	02	51,698/-	1,03,396/-
7.	55" led TV make Samsung	02	77,858/-	1,55,716/-
8.	Split ACs 1.5 Tr make Daikin	04	57,123/-	2,28,493/-
9.	Voltage Stabilizer 12A make V-Guard	04	2,440	9,760/-
10.	Electric kettle	02	1,740/-	3,480/-
11.	Microwave oven make LG	01	4,737/-	4,737/-
12.	Refrigerator 188ltr make LG	01	13,534/-	13,534/-
13.	Hot case	01	4,737/-	4,737/-
14.	Induction Heater	01	1,740/-	1,740/-
15.	Remote Bell, make gold medal	06	803/-	4,820/-
16.	Water Cooler with Stabilizer	01	38,157/-	38,157/-
17.	RO Aqua guard	01	11,999/-	11,999/-
			Total	7,80,428/-

If, Rs. 7,80,428/- is paid, then only rent is due.

7. Three meetings held with PMB authorities regarding rent assessed by PMB and reimbursement of cost incurred by PMB remained inconclusive. Proceedings of these meetings are at Annexure A 62.06.03, A 62.06.04 and A 62.06.05.

Further, to resolve this issue of rent and cost incurred for making the place habitable, the matter was again referred to Punjab Mandi Board vide letter no. PWRDA-PWRD0MISC/35/2020- PWRDA/BR/1/25665/2021 dated 15.07.2021, 26328/2021 dated 02.08.2021, 26518/2021 dated 06.08.2021,26760/2021 dated 13.08.2021, 28435/2021 dated 06.10.2021, 182 dated 08.11.2021, 192 dated 18.11.2021, 29816/2022 dated 07.12.2021, 31223/2022 dated 21.02.2022, 31660/2022 dated 14.03.2022,

49-50/2022 dated 30.03.2022, 114/2022 dated 4.05.2022, 31661/2022 dated 08.06.2022, 34438/2022 dated 24.06.2022, 35054/2022 dated 18.07.2022, 35530/2022 dated 01.08.2022, 36337/2022 dated 26.08.2022.

Now, PMB vide letter Milkh-3 / PMB/19/028/19729/03/163307 dated 11.08.2022 (Annexure A 62.06.06) has stated that new lease agreement duly incorporating renovation and maintenance clause is being prepared.

8. The Authority may decide on the following issues:

a. Payment of balance rent up to 28.02.2023 as described in para 3 and henceforth by 10<sup>th</sup> day of every month at the rate assessed by XEN, PWD (B&R) Provincial Division Punjab, Chandigarh till the execution of rent deed.

b. Payment on account of other movable items as described in para 6.

Placed before the Authority for consideration.

Decision: Deferred.

#### Item No. 62.07: Recruitment to the one post of Senior Manager (Legal).

Authority in its Meeting held on 23.09.202, decided to fill one post of SM (Legal) on contract amongst the candidates from Public Sector with the qualification "a law officer who is working as or has retired from the post of Deputy District Attorney or equivalent". Monthly remuneration was @Rs. 1,00,000/-. Applications were invited through advertisement in two newspapers and on the website of the Authority. However, the incumbent tendered his resignation on 02.02.2022. The Authority after deliberating the issue in the 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 09.02.2022 decided that "*Since at present no cases are being contested by Authority in any court of Law. Hence, there is no immediate requirement of the services of Senior Manager (Legal). Moreover, Authority has a Legal Executive to deal with day-to-day routine Legal Matters or Legal Matters which may arise in near future.*" The incumbent was relieved on 14.02.2022. The agenda item for recruitment to the one post of SM (Legal) was placed before the Authority in its 61<sup>st</sup> meeting wherein it was deferred.

2. Punjab Directions for Groundwater Extraction and Conservation, 2023 have come into force w.e.f. 01.02.2023. Now, the services of a senior law officer are required. In light of this, Authority may consider filling one vacant post of SM (Legal).

3. The qualifications (education and experience) and monthly remuneration as per Employees Services Regulations for the post SM (Legal) is as under:

#### **Qualifications:**

#### A. **Public Sector:**

A Law Officer who is working as or has retired from the post of Deputy District Attorney or equivalent.

#### OR

#### B. **Private Sector:**

LLB with ten years' experience of legal work out of which at least five years should be as a practicing Advocate in a High Court or as an associate with a reputed Law Firm.

**Monthly remuneration:** Rs. 1,20,000/- (Indicative for the year 2020-2021)

4. As per Regulation 4 (3) of the Employees Service Regulations, the Authority is competent to choose to make appointments either from the Public Sector or from the Private Sector candidates. This Regulation is reproduced below:

"In case of posts where recruitment can be made from more than one pool of eligible candidates specified in Annexure-B, the Authority may choose to make appointments from any poos."

In terms of Regulation 5 of the Service Regulations, the Authority is competent to

"1. specify desirable qualification in addition to the qualifications mentioned in the Service Regulations.

2. to modify or change the nomenclature or qualifications of any post depending upon the requirement of human resources."

The Authority may decide to fill one vacant post of SM (Legal) and the mode of recruitment, qualifications, experience, monthly remuneration and period of contract.

Placed before the Authority for consideration.

Decision: Deferred.

## Item No.62.08: Renewal of contractual employment of Mr. Gurbachan Singh, Private Secretary.

Mr. Gurbachan Singh was appointed as Private Secretary on contract basis initially for a period of one year at the monthly remuneration of Rs. 45,000/- (fixed) and he joined the Authority on 18.03.2021 (F.N). The contract was further extended i.e., up to 16.03.2023 with monthly remuneration of Rs. 47,700/- (fixed). Copy of the offer letter containing the terms & conditions of the contract is at **Annexure-A 62.08.01**.

2. Mr. Gurbachan Singh has requested for renewal of contract vide his application via Email dated 01.03.2023 by stating that:

# "It is submitted that my contract period will end on 17th March 2023. I have been discharging my duties with sincerity, hardworking and honesty. It is requested that my contract period may please be extended from 16th March 2023 (AN) for another period with a suitable hike in salary."

3. There is nothing adverse on the office record against him. The Performance Review Report (PRR) of Mr. Gurbachan Singh, for this period is "Outstanding".

4. As per PWRDA Employees Service Regulations 2020, the indicative monthly remuneration for the post of Private Secretary for the year 2020-21 is Rs. 50,000/-.

5. Mr. Gurbachan Singh has not attained the age of 70 years.

6. As per the terms of his contractual employment, the contract may be renewed at the sole discretion of PWRDA.

7. The Authority may consider renewal of the contract of Mr. Gurbachan Singh, Private Secretary w.e.f. 17.03.2023 to 15.03.2024 (16.03.2024 being closed holiday) on the same terms

and conditions as contained in the current contract. The Authority may also indicate the period of the contract and the monthly remuneration.

Placed before the Authority for consideration.

Decision: Deferred.

# Item No. 62.09: Renewal of contractual employment of Mr. Rajesh Vashisht, Technical Adviser.

Mr. Rajesh Vashisht was appointed as Technical Adviser on contract basis for a period of one year at the monthly remuneration of Rs. 1.00 Lakh (fixed) and he joined the Authority on 25.03.2022. The contract is expiring on 24.03.2023. Copy of the offer letter containing the terms & conditions of the contract is at **Annexure-A.62.09.01**.

2. Mr. Rajesh Vashisht has requested for renewal of contract vide his application dated 25.02.2023 by stating that:

*"With reference to the subject it is submitted that my contract with PWRDA for the post of Technical Adviser will end on 24-03-2023.* 

In this regard, I hereby request your good self that keeping g in view my performance for the past one year my contract for the post of Technical Adviser, PWRDA may further be renewed.

# I request for a review in the salary keeping in view my experience and the work load for the post of Technical Adviser, PWRDA."

3. The work & conduct of Mr. Rajesh Vashisht, Technical Advisor is satisfactory. There is nothing adverse on the Office Record against him. The Performance Review Report (PRR) of the Officer for the period ending 24.02.2023 has been received and is under consideration with the Accepting Authority.

4. As per PWRDA Employees Service Regulations 2020, the indicative monthly remuneration for the post of Technical Expert (re-designated as Technical Advisor by Resolution No. 33.05) (Annexure A 62.09.02) is Rs.70,000 to 1,20,000/-.

5. Mr. Rajesh Vashisht, Technical Adviser is 17.11.1963 and he has not attained the age of 70 years.

6. As per the terms of his contractual employment, the contract may be renewed at the sole discretion of PWRDA.

7. The Authority may consider renewal of contractual employment of Mr. Rajesh Vashisht, Technical Adviser w.e.f. 27.03.2023 (25.03.2023 & 26.03.2023 being closed holidays) to 26.03.2024 on the same terms and conditions as contained in the current contract. The Authority may also indicate the period of the contract and the monthly remuneration.

Placed before the Authority for consideration.

#### Decision: Deferred.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.