

Minutes of Meeting of Punjab Water Regulation and Development Authority, held under the Chairmanship of Shri Karan Avtar Singh, Chairperson PWRDA, through Video Conference on 22nd October, 2020.

The Meeting was attended by the following:

Shri Sushil Gupta, Member, and Shri Surinder Singh Kukal, Member.
Shri A.S. Miglani, Secretary, PWRDA was in attendance.

The Secretary informed that further action on the Draft Groundwater Extraction and Conservation Guidelines approved by the Authority in the meeting on 16.9.2020, had been withheld as the Authority wanted to carry out some revisions therein. Thereafter, pursuant to the discussions amongst the Chairman and Members, the Draft Guidelines were revised and emailed to the Members on 16.10.2020.

The Authority deliberated on the Draft Guidelines and suggested some further changes. The Chairman was authorised to approve the Final Draft Guidelines after necessary modifications. It was also decided that as required by Section 17(5) of the Punjab Water Resources (Regulation and Management) Act, 2020 (the Act), the Guidelines be sent to the Government for approval of the Groundwater charges proposed in the Guidelines. The Draft Guidelines may also be published for inviting Objections/comments from the public pertaining to the directions contained in the Guidelines as required in terms of Section 15 of the Act.

Chairperson