

Revised norms for sanction of grants for
Operation and maintenance of Major
and Medium Irrigation Project.

Government of Gujarat,
Narmada, Water Resources Water Supply & Kalpsar Department,
Govt. Resolution No. WMU/102010/43/(1)K.1/M.I.Cell,
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
Dated: 6th August, 2011

Read:-

- i) G.C. Memo No. P/47/65370/8/B Dated. 16.2.1983
- ii) GR No.GEW/3987/270/K.6 Dated. 11.2.1987
- iii) GR No. WMU/1087/(3)/P.2 Dated 20.12.1988
- iv) GR No. WMU-102010/43(1)/K1 Dated 23.6.2010

PREAMBLE:

The existing norms for operation and maintenance grants for irrigation projects had been fixed under above cited Govt. Circular dated 20.12.1988 at Sr.No.(iii)

The norms for operation and maintenance grants for irrigation project have not been revised since 1988. A huge Investment has been incurred by the State Govt. for the purpose of creating assets like Major and Medium irrigation project. For the purpose of proper up keep of these assets and to improve the efficiency of irrigation systems adequate provision for operation and maintenance is found necessary.

In order to carry out detailed systematic study of the allocation for O&M grants necessary for proper up keeping of the irrigation systems including their operation and maintenance costs, a study group was constituted by the Govt. of Gujarat under above cited Government Resolution dated 23.6.2010 at Sr. No. (iv). The study Group was headed by Additional Secretary & Chief Engineer (CG), as Chairman. Financial Adviser (WR) and Chief Engineer (SG) & A.S. and other officers of the department were among other members. In order to carry out detailed studies covering operational staff cost, other recurrent operational cost, maintenance cost of Major and Medium Irrigation Projects etc, Zone wise irrigation projects were selected. Study group had discussed and considered the actual performance and experience of existing irrigations projects, recommendations of 12th and 13th finance commission, actual need of O & M activities, base considered for finalizing the present O&M norms in the year 1983, price rise thereafter in labour and material, actual pay and wages of the staff etc and analyzed at length by holding six meetings. The present proposed rates / norms were finalized and the report was submitted. The recommendations in the report of the Study Group for revising the norms for the maintenance and operational cost for Major and Medium Irrigation Project were under active consideration by the Government.

RESOLUTION

After careful consideration, the Government is pleased to decide the revised norms for operation and maintenance for Major and Medium Irrigation Project as under:-

- (a) **Rs. 800/Ha** for maximum utilised potential per annum, out of this allocation, for Head works shall be to the extent of **Rs. 180 per Ha.** for un gated spillway and **Rs. 240 per Ha.** for Gated spillway.
- (b) **Rs. 250/Ha** for unutilised potential per annum. (For perennial and two seasonal projects)
Rs. 180 / Ha. for unutilised potential per annum. (For single season Projects)
- (c) **Rs. 1040/ha** for the establishment cost including Circle, Division Office, Sub Div. Office up to Chokidar per annum.

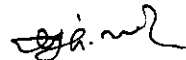
The utilised potential can be considered as the maximum actual annual irrigation (total of three seasons) of last ten years.

The above criteria is applicable to the projects which are providing two seasonal and perennial irrigation, where as the projects providing irrigation for one season are eligible for **Rs. 180 per ha.** of unutilized potential. However criteria for utilized potential will remain same.

The above mentioned rates are based on price level of March 2010. It should be increased by **5% every year.**

The present level of expenditure on direction and establishment is Rs. 1043/ per ha. The increase in PIM activities and handing over of administration to Water Users' Association and computerization of the department, expenditure on direction and establishment may be reduced to the possible extent gradually.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat.



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