

Deputy Commissioner/R&R,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi.

To

- 1- Shri A.A. Chatha, I.A.S.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Chandigarh. Chairman
- 2- Shri Darshan Kumar, I.A.S.,
Financial Commissioner, Revenue,
Government of Punjab,
Chandigarh. Member
- 3- Shri Rajesh Chhabra, I.A.S.,
Secretary to Govt. Punjab,
Department of Irrigation & Power,
Chandigarh. Member
- 4- Shri N.S. Gill,
General Manager,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi. Member
- 5- Shri V.K. Kaura,
Chief Engineer/PSDC,
Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi. Member
- 6- Shri I.D. Kanwar, I.A.S.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Gurdaspur. Special
Invitee

J. 685-657/DC/R&R/Pb./93
dated 18th November 1993

Subject:

REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT SCHEME FOR OUSTEES
OF PANJIT SAGAR DAM PROJECT. PERTAINING TO PUNJAB
STATE ON ACCOUNT OF ACQUISITION OF THEIR LAND,
HOUSES ETC.

Sir,

The Rehabilitation and Resettlement Scheme for oustees
of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project, pertaining to Punjab State on
account of acquisition of their land, houses etc., has been
formulated on the basis of the Minutes of the Meeting of Punjab
State Rehabilitation Committee for Ranjit Sagar Dam (Thein Dam)
Project, held on 12-10-1993 under the Chairmanship of Chief
Secretary, Punjab duly approved by Punjab Govt. and issued vide
Deputy Commissioner/R&R, Ranjit Sagar Dam Shahpurkandi memo
No. 619-630/DC/R&R/Pb./93, dated, 8th of November, 1993.

2- Copy of the Scheme approved by the Committee
in respect of Punjab Oustees of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project
and Shahpurkandi Dam Project is enclosed, herewith, for
information please.

DA/As above.

18-11-93
(BIDHI CHAND)

P.C.S.
Deputy Commissioner/R&R,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi.

cc/-

- 1- Sh. Harbajan Singh, IAS, Additional Secretary to Govt. Punjab,
Deptt. of Revenue, Chandigarh as he attended the meeting
of Exhitee of Financial Commissioner, Revenue, Punjab.
- 2- Joint Secretary to Govt. Punjab, Department of Irrigation
& Power, Chandigarh.
- 3- Chief Engineer/PSDC (Field), Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi.
- 4- Superintending Engineer, Shahpurkandi Barrage Circle,
Shahpurkandi.
- 5- Superintending Engineer, Admin. & Stores Circle, Shahpurkandi.
- 6- Sh. Amarjit Singh, Secretary, Standing Committee, Ranjit Sagar
Dam Project Construction Board, Chandigarh.
- 7- Sh. S.S. Chali, Xen Project Divn., R&R Project, Shahpurkandi.

DA/As above.

The multipurpose river valley project-Ranjit Sagar Dam is under construction on river Ravi, about 25 Km. upstream of Madhopur Headworks near Pathankot (District Gurdaspur) by Punjab Government to harness the irrigation and Hydro-electric potential of the river.

For the construction of river valley projects, lot of land is required mainly that coming under submergence besides required for basic infrastructures as such as residential colonies, roads, workshop complexes and location of different components of the project. These are essential requirement and cannot be avoided.

For the construction of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project, about 26,000 Acres of land falling in 63 villages of Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh is required to be acquired. The acquisition of land for such a big project always causes displacement of families settled thereon. About 4000 families will be affected by the construction of this Project.

The rehabilitation of the oustees of a water resources development project has come to be recognised as an environmental fall-out and it needs to be handled with diligence, sympathy and a good measure of humane consideration backed by a broad minded Government policy. There being three states involved, every effort is made that the rehabilitation scheme is uniform as far as possible for all the three states of Punjab, J&K and H.P. because any disparity is likely to cause resentment among the oustees relating to these states.

With a view to form uniform Rehabilitation Policy for the oustees of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project, Punjab Government has constituted the following committees for Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh headed by the respective Chief Secretary vide memo No.1/99/86/IPE(2)/34910 dated 19.11.1987 with following members :-

PUNJAB

1. Chief Secretary to Govt. of Punjab.
2. Financial Commissioner, Revenue Punjab.
3. Secretary, Irrigation & Power, Punjab.
4. General Manager, RSD-Project, Shahpurkandi.
5. Chief Engineer/RSDC, Irr. Works Punjab, Shahpurkandi.
6. Deputy Commissioner/Rehabilitation & Resettlement, RSD-Project, Shahpurkandi.

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JAMMU AND KASHMIR:

1. Chief Secretary to Govt. of J&K.
2. Commissioner, J&K, Jammu.
3. Secretary Revenue, J&K.
4. Secretary to Govt. of J&K Irr. P.H.E. Department.
5. Deputy Commissioner, Kathua.

HIMACHAL PRADESH:

1. Chief Secretary to Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
2. Financial Commissioner, Revenue, Govt. of H.P.
3. Deputy Commissioner, Chamba.
4. Deputy Secretary(Pong) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.

The rehabilitation measures suggested in the Rehabilitation Scheme should serve the following objectives :-

- a) The affected people do not receive any set back in the process of their displacement and resettlement.
- b) They acquire a sustainable alternative economic base which is intrinsically equal or better to what they had in their original habitation.
- c) They are accepted as equal partners in the host communities and get harmoniously integrated therein while retaining their identity.

In the State of Punjab, land acquisition for Ranjit Sagar Dam Project is in progress since 1974-75. In the initial stages the activities on the project has been slow as it was in the stage of investigation. The land acquired in the initial stages was for the colonies at Jugial and Ucha Thara and small patches of land required for workshop complexes and other infrastructures. The affected persons have been paid the full land compensation as per rules under Land Acquisition Act 1894. The compensation for houses, other structures, ordinary and fruit trees has been assessed as per the procedure adopted at Beas Project and duly approved by the Punjab Government to be adopted at Ranjit Sagar Dam Project. Employment was also provided to the members of affected families. The affected oustee families settled themselves at places of their own choice in the area adjacent to their land. More than 50% of the required land for the project in Punjab State has been acquired.

The details of the affected families taking into consideration the Jamabandi existing on 1.5.1986, which has been taken as cut off date is as under :-

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| Non-Residential families. | - 224 |
| II- Residential Families :- | |
| (i) Houses and land both being submerged:- | - 16x |
| a) Land upto 50% and houses being submerged. | - 16 |
| b) Land holding 50% and above and House being submerged. | - 217 |
| c) Landless families whose houses being submerged. | - 215 |
| (ii) Only land being submerged : | |
| a) Land upto 74% being submerged. | - 564 |
| b) Land 75% and above being submerged. | - 337 |
| Total affected families. | - 1573 |

The rehabilitation scheme for the Ranjit Sagar Dam Project oustees pertaining to Jammu & Kashmir State has been finalised by the Inter-State Rehabilitation Committee of Punjab and Jammu & Kashmir States headed by the respective Chief Secretaries in its meeting held on 26.11.1990. The criteria adopted for the affected families to be considered eligible for giving special rehabilitation measures is as under :-

- Families whose land holding 50% and above and houses are being acquired.
- Landless families whose houses are being acquired.
- Residential families whose only land holding 75% or above is being acquired.

This criteria also takes into consideration the affected families as laid down in Draft National Policy for Resettlement and Rehabilitation issued by Govt. of India.

The same criteria has been adopted in case of Ranjit Sagar Dam oustees pertaining to Punjab State. The detail of such eligible oustee families out of 1573 affected families is below:-

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| a) Families whose land holding 50% and above and houses are being acquired. | - 217 |
| b) Landless families whose houses are being acquired. | - 215 |
| c) Residential families whose only land holding 75% or above is being acquired. | - 337 |

Total:- 769

Meeting of Punjab State Rehabilitation Committee for Ranjit Sagar Dam oustees of Punjab State under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Punjab was held on 19th October, 1993 at 3.30 p.m. in the office Chamber of the Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab, at Chandigarh.

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for consideration of the Draft Rehabilitation Scheme for Punjab oustees of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project. The Rehabilitation measures in the Draft Scheme takes into account the fact that the land is not available with the State for allotment to the eligible affected families for agricultural purpose. It is also a fact that the general trend of the affected oustees is to settle at a place close to their land holdings instead of in remote colonies. The same was approved and minutes of the meeting were issued vide Deputy Commissioner/R&R, RSD-Project memo No. 619-30/DE/R&R/Pb./93 dated 8th November, 1993 (copy enclosed).

These rehabilitation measures are detailed out as under for adoption by the project Administration for Ranjit Sagar Dam Project and Shahpurkandi Dam Project oustees of the Punjab State :-

Cut off date for the purpose of affected families to be decided as oustees would be taken as per Jamabandi existing on 1.5.1986.

2. Affected families are being paid full compensation for land, houses, trees and other structures as per provisions of Land Acquisition Act.

An additional lump-sum amount of Rs. 10,000/- be paid to the eligible oustees, the size of whose acquired house is upto 300 Sq. yards and Rs. 15000/- to these, the size of whose acquired house is more than 300 Sq. yards.

The measurement of the existing house would be considered inclusive of courtyard within boundary walls.

3. Compensation for the land already acquired/to be acquired in the state is assessed in accordance to the provisions of Land Acquisition Act, 1894.

4. Compensation for the house and other structures being acquired would be assessed on the pattern of Beas Project which has been approved by the Punjab Govt. vide memo No. 432/5/Planning/75 dated 2.5.1975 for the Beas Dam Project. The main features ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~

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Current common schedule of rates as applicable to P.W.D. Irrigation Branch may be adopted for the evaluation of house and other structures.

- ii) The Katcha houses are generally repaired from day to day by the inhabitants. As such no depreciation on account of the age may be deducted from compensation for katcha houses of the value of below Rs. 5000/-
 - iii) For katcha houses of the value of Rs. 5000/- and above, and adhoc deduction of 12% with marginal adjustment be made on account of the reason of difficulty in determining the exact age of the katcha house.
 - iv) No depreciation be charged on katcha house, the age of which was less than five year.
 - v) In the case of Pucca building, the depreciation at the following rates be deducted:-

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| a) Upto five year old | - | Nil |
| b) Next 20 years | - | 1% per annum |
| c) Next 25 years | - | 1/2% per annum |
| d) Next 25 years | - | 1/4% per annum |
| e) Nothing thereafter. | | |
 - vi) No depreciation be allowed on temples.
 - vii) Free Melba be allowed in the case of Private house, public building and temples.
 - viii) Free The assessment on the basis of (i) to (vii) above would be increased by 25% in respect of the private house, public building and temples less than 60 years old to arrive at the final evaluation for compensation purposes.
5. Compensation for the ordinary trees be evaluated from the State Forest Department and that of fruit trees from the Director, Horticulture Department as per the pattern on Beas Project and approved by the Punjab Govt. vide memo No. 10935-IV(4)-76 dated 22.12.1976 for Thein Dam project.

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For transportation of house hold, live stock and dismantled material, the oustees will be allowed charges upto the maximum of two truck loads per family on the production of actual receipt within the same block.

7. If an owner whose part land has been acquired and is left with remaining land as uneconomical unit for the use, and this remaining land is, contiguous to the acquired land, he may have the option to surrender the remaining land, Deputy Commissioner (Rehabilitation & Re-settlement) would decide whether the land is uneconomical or not.

8. For purpose of providing job to the landless and other affected families, preference to ~~one~~ ^{Per} member of ~~for~~ family will be given to the following categories according to his qualification and availability of vacancies on the Project:-

- i) Those whose house & land above 50% of holding has been acquired.
- ii) Landless oustees whose houses have been acquired.
- iii) Those residential families whose only land 75% or above has been acquired.

No. 6542-48 /SPK-165

Dated 5/10/2012

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From:

Chief Engineer/SPK Dam (P),
Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi Township.

To

- 1- The Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur-cum-Chairman,
Sub Committee R&R, Shahpurkandi Dam Project,
Gurdaspur
- 2- The Deputy Commissioner,
Pathankot
- 3- Deputy Commissioner R&R,
Shahpurkandi Township
- 4- The Deputy Commissioner,
Kathua (J&K)

Subject:- Meeting held on 10-2-2010 under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner-cum-Chairman Sub Committee (R&R) Shahpurkandi Dam Project Gurdaspur-Recommendations of financial implications.

Keeping in view the recommendations made in the meeting held on 10-2-2010 under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner-cum-Chairman Sub Committee (R&R) Shahpurkandi Dam Project Gurdaspur and as recommended by this office, the Punjab Government vide Memo No. 11/114/2009-PJ(5)/2689 dated 7-9-2012 (copy enclosed) has conveyed approval of the following amendments in the R&R Policy for the grant of benefits to the Oustees of Shahpurkandi Dam Project :-

- 1- Cut of date to consider the Oustee of SPK Dam (P)

The cut of date to consider the Oustee of Shahpurkandi Dam Project according to R&R Policy shall be the date of Notifications issued from time to time under Section 4 of Land Acquisition Act.

- 2- Rehabilitation and Resettlement grants:-

- a) A sum of Rs. 50,000/- shall be paid to the affected families whose acquired House is upto 300 sq yard
- b) A sum of Rs. 75,000/- shall be paid to the affected families whose acquired House is more than 300 Sq. yard.

- 3- Regarding acquisition of more land:-

Out of the total land falling under the construction of Shahpurkandi Dam Project, a few pieces of land have been left which are not useable. Suitable action shall be taken by the department for acquisition of the same.

This is for your information and further action please.

Translated Copy
Chief Engineer/SPK Dam (P) As above

Chief Engineer/SPK Dam (P),
Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi Township.

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Chief Engineer/SPK Dam (P),
Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi Township

- 1- General Manager, Shahpurkandi Dam Project, Shahpurkandi Township for kind information
- 2- Superintending Engineer, Shahpurkandi Dam Circle, Shahpurkandi Township.
- 3- Executive Engineer, Shahpurkandi Dam Divn.No.4, Shahpurkandi Township for information and necessary action please.

From

Deputy Commissioner/R&R,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi.

To

- 1- Shri A.S. Chatha, I.A.S.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Chandigarh. - Chairman
- 2- Shri Rajesh Chhabra, I.A.S.
Secretary to Govt. Punjab,
Department of Irrigation & Power,
Chandigarh. - Member
- 3- Shri Darshan Kumar, I.A.S.
Financial Commissioner, Revenue,
Government of Punjab,
Chandigarh. - Member
- 4- Shri N.S. Gill,
General Manager,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi. - Member
- 5- Shri V.P. Kaura,
Chief Engineer/RSDC,
Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi. - Member
- 6- Shri J.D. Kanwar, I.A.S.
Deputy Commissioner,
Gurdaspur. - Special
Invitee

No. 619-630/DC/R&R/Pb./93.
dated 8th November, 1993.

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Punjab State
Rehabilitation Committee for Ranjit Sagar Dam
(Thein Dam) Project oustees of Punjab State
held on 19th October, 1993 at 3.30 P.M. in the
office Chamber of Chief Secretary to Government
of Punjab at Chandigarh.

Sir,

I am enclosing a copy of the minutes of meeting
of Punjab State Rehabilitation Committee for Ranjit Sagar
Dam (Thein Dam) Punjab oustees of Punjab State held on
19th October, 1993 at 3.30 P.M. in the office Chamber of
Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab at Chandigarh for
information and necessary action.

(Signature) 8.11.93
(BIDHI-CHAND)
P.C.S.

DA/As above.

Deputy Commissioner/R&R,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Project,
Shahpurkandi.

cc/-

- 1- Sh. Mahmoohan Singh, I.A.S. Additional Secretary to
Govt. Punjab, Deptt. of Revenue, Chandigarh as he
attended the meeting on behalf of Financial Commissioner,
Revenue, Punjab.
- 2- Joint Secretary to Govt. Punjab, Department of
Irrigation & Power, Chandigarh.
- 3- Chief Engineer/RSDC (Field), Irrigation Works, Punjab,
Shahpurkandi.
- 4- Shri Amarjit Singh, Secretary, Standing Committee,
Ranjit Sagar Dam Construction Board, Chandigarh.
- 5- Shri S.S. Ghall, Xen, Project Division, RSD Project,
Shahpurkandi.

DA/As above.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PUNJAB STATE REHABILITATION
COMMITTEE FOR RANJIT SAGAR DAM (THEIN DAM) PROJECT OUSTEES
OF PUNJAB STATE HELD ON 19TH OCTOBER, 1993 AT 3.30 P.M. IN
THE OFFICE CHAMBER OF CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF
PUNJAB AT CHANDIGARH.

With a view to finalising the rehabilitation scheme for the oustees of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project pertaining to Punjab State, a meeting of Punjab State Rehabilitation Committee was held on 19th October, 1993 at 3.30 P.M. in the Civil Secretariate under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab in his office chamber. The following were present:-

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| 1- Sh.A.S.Chatha, I.A.S. | Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab. |
| 2- Sh.Rajesh Chhabra, I.A.S. | Secretary to Govt. of Punjab Deptt. of Irrigation & Power |
| 3- Dr.Mamohan Singh, I.A.S. | Addl. Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Revenue Department. |
| 4- Sh.N.S.Gill | General Manager, R.S.D.Project. |
| 5- Sh.V.K.Kaura | Chief Engineer/RSDC Irrigation Works, Punjab, Shahpurkandi. |
| 5- Sh.I.D.Kanwar, I.A.S. | Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur. |
| 6- Sh.Bidhi Chand, P.C.S. | Deputy Commissioner/R&R R.S.D.Project. |
| 7- Sh.S.S.Ghall, | Executive Engineer, Project Division, R.S.D.Project, Shahpurkandi. |

At the outset, the Chief Secretary stated that he has gone through the Draft Rehabilitation Scheme for Ranjit Sagar Dam Oustees pertaining to Punjab State in the Agenda for the meeting. It is more or less on the same pattern as the one already finalised by Inter-State Rehabilitation Committees of Punjab and J&K States for J&K oustees of the Project. The main difference is in case of residential plots which have been approved to be given to the eligible oustees in case of J&K scheme, on the condition that they shift to the colony, whereas in case of Punjab Scheme lump-sum amount of Rs.10,000/- and 15,000/- has been proposed as there is no such proposal of separate colony in Punjab Scheme and neither any land is available

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for that purpose. Infact the general trend is to settle close to their land holdings instead of in remote colonies.

The Punjab Scheme provides full compensation to the affected families for their land, houses, trees and other structures. In the case of houses the over-all assessment is increased further by 25% to arrive at a final evaluation for compensation purpose. The additional amount of Rs.10000/- and Rs.15000/- respectively proposed to be paid to the eligible oustees the size of whose acquired house is 300 sq.yds. and Rs.15000/- the size of whose house is more than 300 sq.yds., is over and above the 25% increase. After discussion these provisions were considered to be quite in order to enable them to settle at their own.

The committee approved the Draft Rehabilitation Scheme for Punjab Ousteas of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project and the same guidelines would be applicable for the Punjab ousteas of Shahpurkandi Dam Project. The main features of the scheme approved by the committee are indicated as under:-

- 1- Cut off date for the purpose of affected families to be decided as ousteas would be taken as per Jamabandi existing on 1.5.1986.
- 2- Affected families are being paid full compensation for land, houses, trees and other structures as per provisions of Land Acquisition Act.

An additional lump-sum amount of Rs.10,000/- be paid to the eligible ousteas, the size of whose acquired house is upto 300 sq.yards and Rs.15000/- to those, the size of whose acquired house is more than 300 sq.yards.

The measurement of the existing house would be considered inclusive of courtyard within boundary walls.

- 3- Compensation for the land already acquired/to be acquired in the state is assessed in accordance to the provisions of Land Acquisition Act,1894.
- 4- Compensation for the house and other structures being acquired would be assessed on the pattern of Beas Project which has been approved by the Punjab Govt.vide memo No.432/5/Planning/75 dated 2.5.1975 for Thain Dam Project. The main features

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would be an under:-

- i) Current common schedule of rates as applicable to P.W.D. Irrigation Branch may be adopted for the evaluation of house and other structures.
 - ii) The Katcha houses are generally repaired from day to day by the inhabitants. As such no depreciation on account of the age may be deducted from compensation for Katcha houses of the value of below Rs.5000/-
 - iii) For Katcha houses of the value of Rs.5000/- and above, and adhoc deduction of $12\frac{1}{2}\%$ with marginal adjustment be made on account of the reason of difficulty in determining the exact age of the Katcha house.
 - iv) No depreciation be charged on Katcha house, the age of which was less than five year.
 - v) In the case of pucca building, the depreciation at the following rates be deducted:-

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| a) Upto five year old | - | Nil |
| b) Next 20 years | - | 1% per annum |
| c) Next 25 years | - | $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum |
| d) Next 25 years | - | $1\frac{1}{4}\%$ per annum |
| e) Nothing thereafter. | | |
 - vi) No depreciation be allowed on temples.
 - vii) Free Malba be allowed in the case of private house, public building and temples.
 - viii) The assessment on the basis of (i) to (vii) above would be increased by 25% in respect of the private house, public building and temples less than 60 years old to arrive at the final evaluation for compensation purposes.
5. Compensation for the ordinary trees be evaluated from the State Forest Department and that of fruit trees from the Director, Horticulture Department as per the pattern of Beas Project and approved by the Punjab Govt. vide memo No.10935-1W(4)-76 dated 22.12.1976 for The Indus Dam Project.

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- 6- For transportation of house hold, live-stock and dismantled material, the oustees will be allowed charges upto the maximum of two truck loads per family on the production of actual receipt within the same block.
- 7- If an owner whose part land has been acquired and is left with remaining land as uneconomical unit for his use, and this remaining land is, contiguous to the acquired land, he may have the option to surrender the remaining land, Deputy Commissioner (Rehabilitation & Resettlement) would decide whether the land is uneconomical or not.
- 8 - For purpose of providing job to the landless and other affected families, preference to one member per family will be given to the following categories according to his qualification and availability of vacancies on the Project:-
- i) Those whose house & land above 50% of holding has been acquired.
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RANJIT SAGAR DAM AND SHAHPURKANDI DAM PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

REHABILITATION & RESETTLEMENT PLAN ADOPTED FOR SHAHPURKANDI DAM PROJECT

1. INTRODUCTION:

1.1 Background

A Bilateral agreement was signed between Punjab and J&K in January, 1979. As per the agreement, construction of Ranjit Sagar Dam (Thein Dam) and Shahpurkandi Dam were to be taken up by Punjab Government. Ranjit Sagar and Shahpurkandi Dam Projects were composite projects and planned to be executed simultaneously. Ranjit Sagar Dam was commissioned in August, 2000 but the construction of Shahpurkandi Dam Project could not be taken up due to certain constraints with the Punjab Government although the land acquisition process for both the projects was started simultaneously. Accordingly, at that time, a common R&R policy had been made applicable for both the projects.

It is also pertinent to mention here that this project had been accorded Environmental Clearance since back in the year 1981 vide ministry of environment letter no. 14/74/80-env dated 18th November, 1981 which was further extended vide letter no. 14/74/80-env dated 22nd December, 1998. MOEF has further revalidated the environmental clearance vide letter no. 5-8(90)/ro(nz)/3156 dated 18 December, 2006. forest clearance was given by conservator of forest (c) vide letter no. 25-0/91-roc dated September 1992. Now only Forest clearance is needed please.

1.2 About the Projects

Ranjit Sagar Dam Project with an installed capacity 600 MW and 160-meter-high earth core cum gravel shell Dam is a gigantic multipurpose river valley project. Project is named after Maharaja Ranjit Singh the renowned ruler of Punjab. Dam is

located in a gorge section near village Thein of J&K and as such it is also known as Thein Dam. It is 24 Km upstream of Madhopur Head Works. Ranjit Sagar Reservoir spreading in an area of 8700 Hectares falls in three states of J&K, Punjab & Himachal Pradesh. Project is an embodiment of interstate relationship. Ranjit Sagar dam project was commissioned in the year 2001.

Shahpurkandi Dam Project (balancing Reservoir of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project) is being constructed on River Ravi, 11 d/s of Ranjit Sagar Dam and 8 km u/s of Madhopur Head Works in Pathankot District of Punjab State. The excess water of the River Ravi at present is going waste through the Madhopur Headworks downstream to Pakistan. Implementation of this project would minimize such wastage of water and also regulate the supplies to Shahpurkandi Hydel channel/ U.B.D.C canal system. With the completion of this project, complete water of river Ravi will be utilized for irrigation as well as power generation of 206MW. The Project has been declared as National Project by Government of India. This project is now on highest priority of Government of India and its progress is being monitored by Central Government regularly.

2. ACTION PLAN:

2.1 Objectives

The rehabilitation of the Oustees of a water resources development project has come to be recognized as an environmental fall-out and it needs to be handled with diligence, sympathy and a good measure of humane consideration backed by a broad-minded Government policy. Accordingly, here being three states involved, every effort was made that the rehabilitation scheme is uniform as far as possible for all the three states of Punjab, J&K and H.P. because any disparity is likely to cause resentment among the Oustees relating to these states.

With a view to form uniform Rehabilitation Policy for the Oustees of Ranjit Sagar Dam Project and Shahpurkandi Dam Project, Punjab Government constituted a committee headed by the Chief Secretaries of state for Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh vide Memo No. 1/ 99/ 86/ IPE (2)/ 34910 dated 19.11.1987.

Rehabilitation and Resettlement Plan was approved by Punjab State Rehabilitation Committee during its meeting held on 19th October, 1993 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Punjab on the basis of then prevailing draft National Policy for Resettlement and Rehabilitation issued by Govt. of India. The policy was circulated vide Deputy Commissioner/ R&R, RSD Project Memo No. 645-57/ DC/ R&R/ Pb./ 93 dated 18th November, 1993 (copy enclosed).

2.2 Components

The major components of the R&R plan are:

- Land Acquisition and Compensation
- Rehabilitation & Resettlement.

3. **LAND ACQUISITION & COMPENSATION:**

The land acquisition and payment of compensation has been carried out in accordance with the then prevailing Land Acquisition Act 1894 and the compensation has been paid.

The enhanced compensation had also been paid as per decision of various Hon'ble Courts.

The year wise detail of land acquired for Shahpurkandi Dam Project falling in Punjab and J&K is as under: -

| Sr. No | Year of Acquisition | Land acquired in Acres | Cumulative Land Acquired | Cumulative Percentage of land acquired | Falling in which State | Remarks |
|--------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| 1 | 1991 | 103.82 | 103.82 | 3.28 | Punjab | Acquired as per Land Acquisition Act 1894 |
| 2 | 1994 | 111.19 | 215.01 | 6.79 | Punjab | -do- |
| 3 | 1994 | 756.85 | 971.86 | 30.70 | J&K | -do- |
| 4 | 1995 | 331.02 | 1302.88 | 41.16 | Punjab | -do- |
| 5 | 1995 | 771.10 | 2073.98 | 65.51 | J&K | -do- |
| 6 | 1996 | 768.90 | 2842.88 | 89.80 | Punjab | -do- |
| 7 | 1997 | 23.16 | 2866.04 | 90.53 | Punjab | -do- |

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| 8 | 1998 | 256.16 | 3122.2 | 98.63 | Punjab | -do- |
| 9 | 1999 | 4.34 | 3126.54 | 98.76 | Punjab | -do- |
| 10 | 2012 to 2014 | 5.00 | 3131.54 | 98.92 | Punjab | 3.86 Acre Land Acquired as per Land Acquisition Act 1894 and 1.14 Acre Land Acquired as per Land Acquisition Act of 2013. |
| 12 | Land being acquired, which was inadvertently left | 34.15 (about 1% of total land) | 3165.69 | 100 | Punjab | Acquisition in progress as per The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency In Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation And Resettlement Act, 2013 |
| Grand TOTAL | | 3165.69 | Punjab & J&K | | | |

From the above table it reveals that most of the land of Punjab and J&K required for construction of Shahpurkandi Dam Project measuring about 3126.54 Acres falling in 20 villages (17 in Punjab and 3 in Jammu & Kashmir) was acquired during the years 1991 to 1999 which comes to about 98.76% of total land. Only small two patches of 3.86 Acre and 1.14 acre (5 acre) were acquired during 2012 & 2014 respectively. The land measuring 1.14 acre has been acquired as per The Right To Fair Compensation And Transparency In Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation And Resettlement Act, 2013 and all the compensations have been paid to land owners as per provisions laid down in the new act, however, their resettlement and rehabilitation issues have been addressed and settled as per the existing approved R&R Policy, which had been made applicable on 98.76% of the land already acquired for Shahpurkandi Dam project.

4. REHABILITATION & RESETTLEMENT PLAN:

As per the approved policy of the State Government for both the projects, the rehabilitation measures adopted are detailed out briefly as under: -

1. Cut-off date for the purpose of affected families to be decided as Oustees would be taken as per Jamabandi existing on 1.5.1986.

2. Affected families had been paid full compensation for land houses, trees and other structure as per provisions of Land Acquisition Act. An additional lump-sum amount of Rs. 10000/- had been paid to the eligible Oustees, the size of whose acquired houses is upto 300 sq. yards and Rs. 15000/- to those, the size of whose acquired houses is more than 300 Sq. yards. The measurement of the existing house had been considered inclusive of the courtyard within boundary walls.
3. Compensation for the land already acquired in the state had been assessed in accordance to the provisions of Land Acquisition Act, 1894.
4. Compensation for the house and other structures acquired had been assessed on the pattern of Beas Project which had been approved by the Punjab Govt. vide Memo No. 432/5/Planning/75 dated 2.5.1975.
5. Compensation for the ordinary trees had been got evaluated from the State Forest Department and that of fruit trees from the Director, Horticulture Department as per the pattern on Beas Project and approved by the Punjab Govt. vide Memo No. 10935-IW(4)-76 dated 22.12.1976 for Thein Dam Project and paid accordingly.
6. For transportation of house hold, livestock and dismantled material, the Oustees had been allowed charges upto the maximum of two truckloads per family on the production of actual receipt within the same block.
7. If an owner whose part land has been acquired and is left with remaining land as uneconomical unit for the use, and this remaining land is, contiguous to the acquired land, option to surrender the remaining land was given to the land owner and had been settled by Deputy Commissioner (Rehabilitation & Resettlement).
8. For purpose of providing job to the landless and other affected families, preference to one member of per family had been given to the following categories according to his qualification and availability of vacancies on the project: -
 - i) Those whose house & land above 50% of holding has been acquired.
 - ii) Landless Oustees whose houses have been acquired.
 - iii) Those residential families whose only land 75% or above has been acquired.

5 IMPLEMENTATIONS OF R&R PLAN FOR SHAHPURKANDI DAM PROJECT

5.1 Compensation for houses and other structures:

In this regard in order to address the grievances of Oustees, the Punjab Govt. has constituted a Sub-Committee under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur. This Sub Committee in its meeting held on 10.02.2010 enhance the R&R Grant as under: -

"Rehabilitation and Resettlement Grant: -

- a) A sum of Rs. 50,000/- shall be paid to the eligible Oustees the size of whose acquired house is upto 300 Sq. yard.
- b) A sum of Rs. 75,000/- shall be paid to the eligible Oustees the size of whose acquired house is more than 300 sq. yard."

Compensation of Land, Houses and other Structures, fruit trees and fuel wood etc. has been paid as per award announced by the Land Acquisition Collector. Also, the compensation of land enhanced by various courts has also been paid from time to time alongwith all allied benefits as per provisions of Land Acquisition Act prevailing at that time. In addition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Grant as per latest approved provisions of R&R policy has also been paid.

5.2 Detail of Employment to affected eligible families

The year wise detail of employment given so far to the affected eligible families of Shahpurkandi Dam Project whose land/ houses/ land & houses had been acquired is as under:

| Sr. No | Year | No of families to whom employment given | State |
|--------|------|---|--------|
| 1 | 2013 | 73 | Punjab |
| 2 | 2013 | 6 | J&K |
| 3 | 2014 | 81 | Punjab |
| 4 | 2015 | 27 | Punjab |
| 5 | 2016 | 31 | Punjab |

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|--------------|------|------------|------------------------|
| 6 | 2017 | 4 | Punjab |
| 7 | 2018 | 6 | Punjab |
| 8 | 2019 | 7 | Punjab |
| 9 | 2019 | 8 | J&K |
| 10 | 2020 | 13 | J&K |
| TOTAL | | 256 | Punjab & JK |

The process for acquisition of another small patch of land measuring 34.15 Acre (1.06% of the total land), which was left inadvertently, has been initiated as per 'The Right To Fair Compensation And Transparency In Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation And Resettlement Act, 2013'. All the compensations shall be paid to land owners as per provisions laid down in the new act and the resettlement and rehabilitation issues of the affected families shall also be addressed as per the existing approved R&R Policy, which had been made applicable on 99% of the land already acquired for Shahpurkandi dam project.



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