

ANNEXURE

NO. 3/51/79-HCT/EN.3
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

Bikaner House, Shahjahan Road
New Delhi-110011, the 28th June 1982

The Chairman,
Central Water Commission,
Sewa Bhawan, R.K. Puram,
New Delhi-110022.

Subj:- Punasi Reservoir Scheme, Bihar -Environmental Clearance.

Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that the above project has been considered by the Environmental Appraisal Committee and approved from environmental angle subject to the effective implementation of following safeguards during the execution of the project:-

1. Even though no forest is reported to be going under submergence it would still be desirable that adequate arrangements to provide free fuel to the labour force are made so that shrubs and trees in the area may be saved from indiscriminate felling. Adequate financial accordingly be made.
2. Extensive afforestation and soil conservation both in the catchment as well as in the command area is imperative. Critically eroded area in the catchment should be identified for priority treatment. Provision for planting three to five rows of trees along the canals should be made in the project budget.
3. Restoration of construction areas should be undertaken to prevent further erosion and to remove construction scars.
4. The displaced population mostly contains Adivasis. All efforts should, therefore, be made not only to provide material

and amenities in the resettlement colonies but to improve the quality of life while retaining the essential tribal traits. The services of a sociologist, well-versed with the life-style of tribal/Adivasis, should be available in addition to the services of a town planner/Architect. Rehabilitation colonies should be located outside forest areas.

assistance required for the implementation of the safeguards will be gladly provided by the Department.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- (S. Maudgal)
Director And Member-Secretary,
Environmental Appraisal Committee.

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Sd/-S. Maudgal,
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