

SETTING UP STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTER-STATE ISSUES IN WATER RESOURCES

Notification Government of India Ministry of Water Resources New Delhi. the 6th April, 1990. ORDER
 Subject: —Setting up of a Standing Committee on Inter—state issues in Water Resources 'The National water Resources Council With prime Minister as Chairman and concerned Union Ministers and the Chief Ministers of the State Governments and Administrators Of Union Territories as Members was constituted in March, 1983, as an apex body to evolve National Policy for the development and use of water resources in conformity with national interests. One Of the functions Of the Council is to advise on the modality Of resolving Inter— State differences with regard to specific elements Of water plans and such Other issues that may arise during planning or execution of the projects. The Council is also to advise practices and procedures, administrative arrangements and regulation for the fair distribution and utilisation of water resources by different beneficiaries, keeping in View the optimum developments and maximum benefits to the people

2. TO enable the Council to perform its functions expeditiously and efficiently. A Standing Committee of Inter—State Issues in water resources with Members drawn from the Council to meet as often as required is considered necessary. After a preliminary analysis Of the matter, such cases referred to the Ministry of Water Resources, Will be referred to the Standing Committee for further consideration and advice. It has, therefore, been decided to set up a Standing Committee on Inter—State issues in Water Resources with the following composition: — 1

2. Union Minister of Water Resources Union Minister Of Energy Union Minister Of Urban Development Minister of State Environment Secretary Minister Of State for Science Technology Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources Chairman Member Member Secretary Member—secretary The Chief Ministers of the concerned States Will be special invitees for the meetings of the Standing Committee. 222 The Standing Committee shall consider the issues referred by the States to the Union Of Water Resources and recommend the measures to be taken to resolve the issues. The advice of the Standing Committee shall be of recommendatory nature and Will be without prejudice to the provisions of the Inter—state Water Disputes Act, 1956 as amended from time to time. The Committee Will meet as often as necessary, but at least once in six months- The recommendations Of the Standing Committee shall be placed before the next meeting of the National Water Resources Council for information. (VIJAY KUMAR) Under Secretary to the Government of India 223