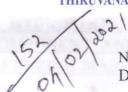


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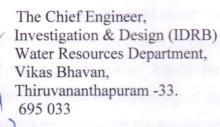




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The Director Ground Water Department, Jala Vijnana Bhavan, Ambalamukku, Kowdiar (P.O.) Thiruvananthapuram - 3 695 003

Sub: World Bank assisted National Hydrology Project Loan.No.8725 IN-Audit Report on the accounts (Surface Water component and Ground Water component) for the year 2019-20 - forwarding of.

Audit Report on the Annual Financial Statement for the year 2019-20 relating to World Bank assisted National Hydrology Project (Surface Water component and Ground Water component) is forwarded herewith. A Management Letter on internal control is being issued separately.

Yours faithfully,

(Anu Jose)

Sr. Deputy Accountant General (AMG-II/Audit-I)

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AUDIT REPORT ON THE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF NATIONAL HYDROLOGY PROJECT LOAN NO.8725- IN (SURFACE WATER COMPONENT AND GROUND WATER COMPONENT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

We have audited the accompanying revised financial statements of the National Hydrology Project financed under World Bank Loan No. 8725- IN which comprise the Statement of Sources and Applications of Funds, and Reconciliation of Claims to Total Applications of Funds for the year ended 31 March 2020. These statements are the responsibility of the Project's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Auditing Standards promulgated by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Our audit examines, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the sources and applications of funds of National Hydrology Project for the year ended 31 March 2020 in accordance with Government of India accounting standards.

In addition, in our opinion, (a) with respect to SOEs, adequate supporting documentation has been maintained to support claims to the World Bank for reimbursements of expenditures incurred; and (b) except for the ineligible expenditures as detailed in the audit observations appended to this audit report, expenditures are eligible for financing under the Loan/Credit Agreement. During the course of the audit, SOEs for ₹ 204.05 lakh for Surface Water Component and ₹ 91.12 lakh for Ground Water Component and the connected documents were examined and these can be relied upon to support reimbursement under the Loan/Credit Agreement.

This report is issued without prejudice to CAG's right to incorporate the audit observations in the Report of CAG of India for being laid before Parliament/State Legislature.

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Thiruvananthapuram 27 January 2021.

(Anu Jose) Sr. Deputy Accountant General (AMG-II/Audit-I)

Audit Observations

NIL

Thiruvananthapuram 27 January 2021.

(Anu Jose)
Sr.Deputy Accountant General (AMG-II/Audit-I)