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Record of Abiana should be made computerized:

Chairman SIDA

Provincial Minister Irrigation and Chairman SIDA, Mr. Jam Saifullah Dharejo held an important meeting with the SIDA officials in SIDA Secretariat on 12th October 2010. In which, Mr. Muhammad Ehsan Laghari, Managing Director, SIDA, along with Mr. Mohammad Khan



Nizamani Director Left Bank Canals Area Water Board, Mr. Shamil Hingorjo, Project Director, Chotiari Reservoir, all the senior staff members of SIDA Secretariat and others attended the meeting. In this meeting, Mr. Jam Saifullah Dharejo directed that the significant steps should be taken by the SIDA to

increase the recovery of Abiana and the record of Abiana should be made fully computerized. Where as, the cost /price of the water, used for industrial purposes, should be increased. Moreover, it was decided to increase the members of the SIDA Board as per Sindh Water Management Ordinance 2002, as well as to accelerate the running works of Water Sector Improvement Project. On this occasion, Mr. Chair said that there is ban on the direct outlets. He further said that the recovery of the remaining bills from the Provincial and Federal departments/ organizations should be made earlier as possible and the officials of the respective departments be contacted in this regard. The Chair also directed to speed up the remaining work of the Mukki Fursh (floor) scheme in the Chotiari Reservoir and to release the funds urgently.

CBC agreement signed with 5 FOs of NCAWB under WSIP-1

The first Community Based Contract (CBC) ceremony of Sindh Water Sector Improvement Project WSIP-1, SIDA was held at office of Director Nara Canal Area Water Board for signing of 3 contracts of CBC with FOs on 14th December 2010 and an other CBC agreement signing



ceremony was held at 31st December at SIDA secretariat Hyderabad. The participants from PCMU, PMC/A, SIDA, AWB, Media, FO Members attended the ceremony. During these ceremonies the CBC awarded to FO Kurna, FO Kandiaro, FO Boilo, FO Ashabo & FO Bilalani Minor. In 1st CBC agreement Signing Ceremony contracts



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were awarded to FO Kurna Rs. 40,24,409, FO Kandiaro Rs. 48,23,026, FO Boilo Rs. 48,61,581 respectively.



Mr. Fateh Muhammad Palli, Chairman FO Kurna, Mr. Muhammad Zaman Baloch Chairman FO Kandiaro, Mr. Ghulam Hussain Gehlro, Chairman FO Boilo & Mr. Ehsan Leghari MD SIDA signed the agreements. During 2nd CBC agreement signing ceremony contracts were awarded to FO Bilalani Rs. 6378148 & FO Ashabo Rs. 81,27, 268. Mr. Faiz Muhammad Bilalni Chairman of FO Bilalani, Mr. Imtiaz Cheema, Chairman of FO Ashabo and Nazeer Essani General Manager Transition have honored to sign the agreements. During these ceremonies, the representatives of FOs said that, they are happy

that their distributaries have been included in the Water Sector Improvement Project; they said that SIDA is striving for the reforms in the Sindh Irrigation System. They said that with the formation of FOs, the water shortage has been reduced to zero in the ends of distributaries. They said that FOs are fully committed for implementation of irrigation reforms in the province of Sindh. Mr. Muhammed Ehsan Laghari, Managing Director SIDA emphasized on the quality work and he further assure, if FOs will successfully implement the rehabilitation work the threshold level will be increased by the World Bank now it is all depend on the FOs that how they complete the qualitative works in-time.

GFCAWB increases the water rates for Industrial Users

Ghotkhi Feeder Canal Area Water Board has approved to increase the prices of water from 1/- rupee per thousand gallon to 10/- rupees per

thousand gallons for the Industrial consumers. A meeting of the Ghotkhi AWB was held in the Water Board Office on 22nd October 2010 at Ghotkhi, which was presided over by the Mr. Abdul Rab Pitafi, Chairman, Ghotki Feeder Canal Area Water Board. In which, Mr. Irshad Memon Director AWB, Mr. Nazir Essani, Geeral Manager Transition, Mr. Aftab Memon Manager,



Revenue, other members including Mr. Mian Mohmmad Sharif, Mr. Sher Mohmmad Mehar, Professor Ghulam Hussain Wagan, Professor Muhmmad Nawaz Chand and the Executive Engineers attend the meeting. In the meeting, the board has given the approval of increasing the prices from 1/- rupee per thousand gallons to the 10 rupees per thousand



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gallons for the industrial consumer i.e FFC, Engro Power Plant, Liberty Power Plant etc. The Board has approved this decision to make a revenue team more efficient for recovery of Abiana. Nevertheless, to issue notices to the Chairman's of FOs who did not achieve the targets of Abiana. Moreover, it has also been decided to cancel the membership of those members who did not attend the meetings of AWB. Mr. Nazir Essani said that all officials & officials of AWBs worked hard over night to protect the embankments having length of approximately 175 miles which is the territory of Ghotki AWB. Furthermore, he also congratulated all the officials and staff personal of SIDA on their uncountable efforts. Before it, Mr. Nazir Essani and Mr. Aftab Memon convened the meeting with the Abdars and Assistant Canals of all the sub-divisions of Ghotki regarding the recovery of Abiana. In the meeting, they directed to speed up the recovery of Abiana and improve its

records also, he got the suggestions above the Abiana. On this occasion, the Abdars demanded that they must be trained for the improvement of Abiana record and the resources should also be provided so that the recovery of Abiana can be increased.

Workshop on "Preparation of the Regional Plan for the left Bank of Indus River & Delta" under WSIP-1

A Workshop was held on 5th November 2010 in the local hotel by Sindh Irrigation and Drainage Authority in the collaboration of M/S Louis Berger Consultants regarding "Preparation of Regional Plan for the left Bank of Indus River & Delta". In which, Mr. Muhammad Ehsan Leghari, Managing Director, SIDA, Mr. Nazir Essani General Manager, Transition, Mr. Muhammad Hashim Laghari, Registrar, Agriculture University of Tandojam and others participants from different walks of life have attended this informative workshop.

Some important issue was highlighted in this forum by Mr. Carlos A. Gandrilas, Team Leader, M/s Louis Berger Consultants, Mr. Marshall L. Silver, Field Management Specialist, Mr. John E. Priest Institutional Specialist, Mrs. Dragica Veselinovic Sociologist and Mr. Adnan Nazir Economist in their presentation of surveys done in fields and got valuable feedback/suggestions from the participants. Under WSIP-1 M/s Louis Berger Consultants, who has expertise in different fields especially in irrigation will inform about the problems in the Left Bank of Indus River after conducting survey said by Managing Director, SIDA while give briefing to the media persons'. Nevertheless, they will analyze the problems according to the priority, further he said that these foreigner consultants were present in Pakistan during the recent flood. This firm also have some observations which were arising during recent flood also some work is being done on the flood



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management to face the problems in future.

LBCAWB issues a Notice to HDA for recovery of DUES

Left Bank Canal, Water Board, Badin has issued a warning notice to Hyderabad Development Authority to recover all the dues of water otherwise the supply will be



discontinued. Hence, the rates of commercial users have been enhanced from Rs.1 per thousand gallons to 10 rupees per thousand gallons. The 52nd meeting of Left Bank Canal's Area Water Board was held at Hyderabad camp office on 13th October 2010 presided over by Mr. Khalil Ahmed Burgri, attended by Mr. Nazir Essani, General Manager Transition

SIDA, Mr. Muhammad Khan Nizamani, Director Left Bank Canal, Water Board Badin, Mr. Ishtiaq Memon, Executive Engineer, Mr. Aftab Ahmed Memon Manager Revenue SIDA, members of Board Mr Nawaz Memon, Nadir Khwaja, Malik Sultan, Mir Fayaz Talpur and others. Mr. Aftab Ahmed Memon, Manager Revenue SIDA informed that Left Bank Canal, Area Water Board Badin has issued a warning notice to Hyderabad Development Authority to recover all the dues of water around Rs.63 millions, otherwise the supply will be discontinued. Mr. Nazir Essani, General Manager, Transition SIDA said to Director AWB send the dues record of water of Federal entities to SIDA, so as to take necessary consultations with the representatives, Mr. Muhammad Khan Nizamani Director AWB informed the meeting that the sand is illegally being taken from Bund areas which should be condemned and actions should be taken with the

coordination of relative district administrations.

Re Election of FO Kunri Distri

The Re-Election of FO Kunri Distri was held on 15th October 2010 at FO Kunri Distri office. The Re-Election was arranged by the staff of Social Development Cell (SDC) by Mr. Arif Leghari, Institutional



Specialist. In this election Mr. Ghulam Mustaffa Ujjan, Social Development Specialist, Mr. Abdul Rasheed Mahar, Manager Social Mobilization and large numbers of farmers of Kunri Distri have participated. The following members of Board of Management (BOM) were elected, Mr. Muzam Talpur as Chairman, Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Rind as Vice Chairman, Mr.



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Asif Gul as Secretary, Mr. Jan Muhammad Chandio as a Treasure and Mr. Noshad Khaskheli & Mr. Dost Ali Rind as Member of Management

Committee. The Farmers' Organizations are already playing a vital role in modern water management this system brings an equality in the distribution of the water supply from heads to tails which is a great sign of intuitional reforms in our society.

WASA refuse to pay water dues to LBCAWB

SIDA & Left Bank Canals Area Water Board Officials held a meeting with M.D, WASA on 8th December,2010 at Civic Center, Hyderabad for the recovery of water dues/Levy taxes , attended by Mr. M. Sharif Arain, M.D, WASA, Mr. Khalil Burgri, Chairman Left Bank Canal, Area Water Board, Mr. Nazir Essani, General Manager, Transition, SIDA, Mr. Aftab Memon, Manager

Revenue SIDA, representative of Director Left Bank Canal, Area Water Board, Sub Division Officer, Khalid Ahmed and board member such as Major (R) Umar Farooq. While meeting Mr. Khalil Burgri updated MD WASA that the institute still did not pay the dues of 63 millions rupees since 1971. Moreover, he has emphasizes on quickly payment, he said that the dedicated water quantity for WASA was 5 cusecs, where as they are enjoying 40 cusecs which is illegal. Mr. Nazir Essani said that SIDA is an autonomous institute for water supply to general public and commercial customers and WASA is one of its large quantity taking customer therefore it should show responsible attitude and to pay all their remaining dues else SIDA keeps the authority to revoke the water supply to WASA. In response, Mr.Sharif Arain, MD WASA said that WASA is in scarcity of financial resources to an extent of even unable to pay salaries to the employees therefore we are unable to pay the

dues. Moreover, SIDA should consult the government of Sindh in this matter and the same will be sent to DG WASA for further consideration.

BIDs were opened for 28 distributaries rehabilitation works of NCAWB

Under Sindh Water Sector Improvement Project WSIP-1 BID conferences were held on 19th October and 29th November 2010 at SIDA secretariat Hyderabad. In which the tenders of recovery



works of 28 distributaries of Nara Canal Area Water Board were opened before the contractors. Mr. Ylli Deja Team leader of Project Management and Co-ordination Agent, Mr. Nazir Mughal,



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Director, Project Coordination and Monitoring Unit, Managing Director, IDA, Mr. Khadim Hussain Memon, Deputy Team Leader of Project Implementation Consultants, Mir Tariq Hussain Talpur, Chairman Nara Canal, Area Water Board, and the members of FOs, Civil Society, Journalists and contractors attended the BID Conferences. Mr. Muhammad Ehsan Laghari (M.D) SIDA has formally opened the Tenders in the presence of all contractors along with the members of the Civil Society, Journalists representatives the FOs were invited to make this bidding process fair and transparent

SIDA organized training program for Abdars & Canals

SIDA training center had organized training programs about the "Abiana Collection & Assesment" in Mirpur Khas on 26th October 2010 & on 2nd & 3rd November 2010 at Sanghar, in which

trainers Mr. Habib Ahmadani and Mr. Yousuf Mashwari taught to Abdars and Canals, where by the Revenue Manager SIDA Mr. Aftab Ahmed Memon in his speech focused on the significance of Abiana for Area Water



Boards and SIDA an urgent need to recover all the dues of Abiana and make list of defaulters so as to take necessary action. He said that the SIDA's Training cell has conducted this training program series in all the three Area Water Boards in order to make more efficient the recovery of Abiana. At Mirpurkhas training the Chairman of Nara Canal Area Water Board Mirpur Khas Mir Tariq Hussain Talpur along with all Board members and others participated in the training and listen the problems of Abdars and

urged them to fasten the process of recovery. He further assured them of resolving their problems. The Board members advised the concerned Executive Engineers on the spot to enlist the problems of supervisors and enlist these problems and issues in the agenda of upcoming meeting of Nara Canal, Area Water Board to rectify these problems/complains. An award ceremony was also concluded the efforts of all participants who enhance their skills/enrich their knowledge through a valued training program and also share the ground realities with the higher authorities.

Consultative Meeting with FO Ali Bahar Distry & Panjtana Minor

A consultative meeting with FO Ali Bahar Distry & Panjtana Minor was held on November 11, 2010 near Head Regulator of Panjtana Minor. The meeting was attended by Mr. Ghous Leghari, Institutional Specialist/ Social Organizer SIDA, Mr.Haji Anwar chairman FO Ali Bahar



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Distry & Panjtana Minor and General Body members of FO. Mr. Ghous leghari, Institutional Specialist SIDA briefed regarding rehabilitation process and Walk-Through Survey. Mr. Imran Zafar Kingrechi, Sociologist said that during Walkthrough Survey the social life in command area of Minor



will be examined by filling various questionnaires. Mr. Suhail Ahmed Memon disclosed the engineering aspects of the rehabilitation works, role and responsibilities of all stakeholders during whole process up to completion of the works. He briefed about hydraulic structures such as Head Regulator, Modules, Measuring section along with community structures, Buffalo wallows,

washing ghats and construction of office building for FO includes office furniture, computer system and office stationery. He further added that earth work for strengthening of embankments and de-silting, protection works such as stone pitching, retaining walls and groynes will also be a part of this project. On this occasion all local people/ FO members (beneficiaries) appreciated the program and assured their participation and full cooperation during whole process of rehabilitation works. Community people also shared problems that there is a sharp curve at head reaches causing silting at head reach, both channels are silted and chocked, all open type modules are damaged and tampered, crest of minor is above design level and should be set as the crest of x-regulator of Imam Wah Jagir. They informed that at present they are facing difficulty to manage their official matters due to unavailability of office building and shown their interest in construction of new office building.

The location will be



decided in General Body.