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KERALA WATER AUTHORITY

Office of the Superintending Engineer
P H Circle, Kollam

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

PRESENT : Sabeer A Rahim

Sub:- AMRUT 2.0 – Augmentation of WSS to Kollam Corporation – Design Construction of 8LL OHSR in Mundakkal, 1LL Sump, Providing 2 nos. 20HP pump sets, providing transmission main to Mundakkal for 1500m using 250mm DI pipe, including road restoration charges- Fore Closure of work-Orders issued

NoKWA/PHC/KLM/D2/5468/2023

10-03-2025

Read:- 1.AS No. Go(Rt) No.2906/2022/LSGD Dtd-24.11.2022

2. TS No. 9639/2023-24/ dated 21.07.2023 of CE(SR)

3. Agreement. No. 18/2023-24/SE/Q Dated 12/10/2023

4. Letter from Executive Engineer, Kollam Project Division dated 16/05/2022, 30/06/2022, 12/09/2022, 15/11/2022, 25/11/2022, 16/08/2023, 24/01/2024, 27/06/2024, 05/08/2024,

5. Request from the contractor dated 14.10.2024

6. Request from the contractor dated 04.12.2024

7. Request from the contractor dated 17.01.2025

8. Letter No. KWA/PDK/DB1/126/2024 dated 05.02.2025 from the Executive Engineer., Project Division, Kollam

9. This office letter even No dated .14.02.2025

10. AMRUT Core Committee meeting dated 07.03.2025 held at the Chamber of Worshipful Mayor, Kollam Corporation

ORDER

Administrative Sanction and Technical sanction for the subject work was obtained vide read (1) and (2) respectively. The work was tendered and awarded to the contractor Sri. S. Sivaprasad, Krishnamoorthi vila, Thattamala, Kollam and agreement was executed vide read (3). The scope of work includes an 8 LL capacity OHSR and a 1 LL capacity sump at Kollam Corporation owned land at Mundakkal near Cashew Corporation office, 2 nos pump set at the sump, 250mm DI K9 transmission main to the OHSR for a length of 1500m and other allied works. The work was tendered and awarded based on the decision taken by Kollam Corporation in the meeting dated

24.02.2022 to use the afore said Corporation land for OHSR construction.

As per the agreement, the time of completion of the work was 12 months from the date of handing over site. However, the work could not commence due to delay in handing over the site for OHSR/Sump construction by Kollam Corporation. Executive Engineer, Project Division Kollam has taken up the issue with Secretary Kollam Corporation and requested him vide letters cited under reference 4 for handing over the site. Unfortunately, the land is not yet handed over even if the one-year completion period of the work has already been expired.

Sri. S. Sivaprasd, the contractor of the work submitted a request to this office vide reference (5) to foreclose the work, citing the delay in handing site for OHSR/Sump construction and consequent time and cost overrun. The request of the contractor was kept in abeyance expecting a favorable action from Kollam Corporation authorities in handing over the land without further delay. Meantime, the contractor submitted another request vide letter referred (6) to the Managing Director, KWA with the same plea of foreclosing the work citing the same reasons as above. After one month of the second request, the contractor submitted a third request vide reference (7) to this office with the same plea and citing the same grounds. Executive Engineer Project Division, Kollam recommended the foreclosure request of the contractor vide letter under reference (8) citing the reasons that there is no positive response from Kollam Corporation authorities in handing over the land even after repeated communications in this regard. It is also reported by Executive Engineer that a person has been unauthorizedly occupying the land proposed for the subject OHSR, which need to be evacuated by Kollam Corporation and hence getting this land for construction in the short future is remote. It is further reported that a detailed Engineering Report for constructing a new OHSR at KWA office premises for catering the areas proposed from the subject OHSR is currently under preparation.

As a final try, this office sent a letter to Secretary, Kollam, Corporation vide reference (9) intimating the foreclosure of the contract if the land for OHSR is not handed over within 10 days. However, there has been no response to this letter as well from Secretary, Kollam Corporation. Further, in the AMRUT core committee meeting held at the chamber of Worshipful Mayor, Kollam Corporation on 07.03.2025, the alternate proposals for the non-starter AMRUT 2.0 works were presented, which include the alternate proposal for the subject OHSR. Core committee agreed in principle to go ahead with the alternate proposals as suggested by KWA.

In these circumstances, this office finds no merit in continuing with the contract for the subject work since there is no possibility of getting the land for constructing the OHSR/Sump in the nearby feature. The allied work of transmission main and pump set also became irrelevant in the event of dropping the construction of OHSR and sump. Further, the one-year time of completion of the subject work has already expired 5 months back and no expenditure incurred for the project so far. Moreover, alternate proposal for a new OHSR instead of the subject OHSR is under consideration and proposal is already submitted to Kollam Corporation. Hence, it is hereby ordered to foreclose the work "*AMRUT 2.0 – Augmentation of WSS to Kollam Corporation – Design Construction of 8LL OHSR in Mundakkal, 1LL Sump, Providing 2 nos. 20HP pump sets, providing transmission main to Mundakkal for 1500m using 250mm DI*

pipe, including road restoration charges ", executed agreement vide reference (3) with direction to release the Security Deposit pledged for the work

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

To, 1. The Executive Engineer, Project Division, Kollam

Copy To: 1 The Chief Engineer (SR), Jalabhavan, Thiruvananthapuram
2 The Secretary, Kollam Corporation
3. Sri. S.Sivaprasad, Krishnamoorthivila, Thattamala, Kollam