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Government Notifications

Publication of decisions arrived at Kanna meeting of Parakrama Samudra Major Irrigation Scheme for Yala – 2004

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| 1. Extent to be irrigated colony | – All paddy lands in PSS coming under D1, D2 & D3– nearly 25000 Acs. |
| 2. Type of crop to be cultivated variety | – Paddy (3-3 1/2) months. |
| 3. Capacity of Tank as at 25.03.2004 | – 110,000 Ac. ft. |
| 4. The last day on which clearing in channels to be completed by farmers | – 2004.04.15 |
| 5. Date of commencement of water issues | – 2004.04.16 |
| 6. Broadcasting final date on which transplanting to be completed | – 2004.05.15 |
| 7. Rotational issues of water to be commenced on | – 2004.05.15 |
| 8. Tractors & cattle to be evacuated from paddy fields on or before | – 2004.05.15 |
| 9. Insurance of crops to be completed on or before | – 2004.05.15 |
| 10. Last date of issue of water | – 2004.08.28 |
| 11. Last day of reporting damages to crops | – 2004.08.25 |
| 12. Date of commencement of putting tractors & cattle to paddy fields | – 2004.08.28 |

Other Rules & Regulations adopted :-

1. In each & every channel, water issues to be commenced from the tail end.
2. Taking of irrigation water by any means to lands other than paddy fields is prohibited.
3. Under any circumstances, issue of irrigation water will not be extended beyond the specified date.
4. If weeding & other clearings are not completed by the due date, water will not be issued to such channels until the completion of weeding in channel bunds etc.
The respective Farmer Organizations will be empowered to levy a fine of Rs. 50 per meter of the uncleared portion of the channel.
5. A receipt should be obtained after paying Rs. 100 per acre to the respective farmer organization as maintenance cost of channel system within two weeks after harvesting.
6. The water master appointed by farmer organization will be responsible for issue of irrigation water and the protection of channel system within the command area of F. O.

7. The issue of water from main channel to distributory channel will be in accordance with the water delivery schedule prepared by water delivery committee, Engineering Assistant of Irrigation Department shall be the president of this committee while presidents of F.OO and water masters will be other members of this committee. The five (5) committees appointed during the previous Kanna will be in operation during this Kanna too.

8. The farmer organizations are empowered to bring before the Law those who damage channels, channel bunds or any other channel structures as per section 23 of Irrigation ordinance and the offenders are liable to be punished after non summary proceedings before a magistrate under para 93 of section viii of Irrigation Ordinance.

9. Those who add or causes to add impurities/poisonous materials, substances to irrigation water are liable to punish under section 84 (1) of Agrarian Development Act No. 46 of 2000. The members of Farmer Organization will be empowered bring the accused before the law.

10. Implementation of the decisions arrived at the Kanna meeting is vested with the Farmer Organization and any act to hurt, prevent obstruct or abusing the execution of duties perform by members working for Farmer organization or by water masters can be brought before law courts - provisions are made for legal protection as sections 72 & 95 of Agrarian Development Act. No. 46 of 2000 and irrigation Act. Respectively.

11. Powers to bring forward the proposals for revision of decisions in case of unexpected adverse climatic conditions or external calamities beyond control lie with the project co-ordinating committee.

12. The District secretary, Polonnaruwa retains the powers to interpret the meaning of any provisions made in this notification.

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