

CURRENT NEWS

India

May 2012

www.eawater.com

Droplets Snippets



O. Smith is in the process of a plant expansion to meet the rising demand by adding an additional 10,000 square feet by June 2013. With the expansion, it expects to produce 95 percent of its product range locally.

Punjab government has sanctioned Rs. 89.46 crore for laying drinking water network and revamping sewerage in Abohar. In first phase, it will build a STP for Rs.26.14 crore and raise a main pipe from it to the 8.73km Abulkhuerana drain for another Rs.15 crore.

Projects with estimated cost of USD 383 million are to be implemented in the state of Madhya Pradesh in four major cities, namely, Bhopal, Gwalior, Indore & Jabalpur. The funds will support investments in urban water supply and environmental improvement.

Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) has drawn a detailed list of 24 odd drainage pumping stations whose capacities will be augmented by the water supply and drainage department.

The Bangalore Yettinahole water project aimed at meeting drinking water needs of Kolar, Chikballapur, Bangalore rural, Tumkur, and Ramangaram districts is expected to be launched soon.

The central government has approved Rs. 98 crore to undertake drinking water projects in the district of Belgaum for 2012-13 under the National Rural Drinking Water Project. Works like laying new pipelines, exchanging pipelines, constructing overhead tanks and developing water storage systems in rural area will be taken under this project.

A sub-committee has been constituted to speed up sewerage and drainage projects of Cuttack and Bhubaneswar planned under Integrated Sanitation Improvement Programme. The cost of project is Rs. 945 crore which will be sourced from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) loan of Rs. 756.36 crore, and state share of Rs. 188.77 crore.

Kerala is looking for a partner to build a sewage treatment plant. Biodegradable waste will be turned into composite and a plant would be set up under public-private-participation model. The government will bear 75 percent of the project cost.

Gujarat state Government has announced projects on water supply for drinking and irrigation, and the sewage system. Also, 500-odd development works worth Rs. 903 crore for tribal-dominated Dahod have been announced.

SPML Infra receives Infrastructure Excellence Award 2012 award



SPMLInfra Limited has received the prestigious Infrastructure Excellence Award 2012 (Water & Sanitation). The award was presented by Kamal Nath, Union Minister of Urban Development at a function in Delhi. The awards are designed to showcase exceptional projects and recognize companies for their

contribution in the field of infrastructure development. The awards committee evaluates companies after detailed research and multi-stakeholder feedback around the project or company's track record, technical capability, innovation aspects, peer respect and ultimate contribution towards the nation building.

Veolia to build & operate wastewater treatment plant in Delhi

The city of New Delhi has contracted Veolia Water to build and operate the new Nilothi Wastewater Treatment Plant serving the city's western sector. Construction will begin in the next few weeks on this plant designed to be fully energy self-sufficient. The Indian public authority in charge of water and wastewater services in the capital New Delhi has signed a contract with Veolia Water to design, build and operate an innovative wastewater treatment plant with a capacity of 91 million liters/day. This 13-year contract covers an initial two-year construction phase followed by an 11-year operation and maintenance phase. The contract is worth cumulative total revenue of 40 million euros. The plant will boost the capital's wastewater treatment capacity at a time when the development of the city, which already shows the country's highest population growth rate (26.4% increase from 2001 to 2011), is accelerating.

Chennai Metrowater chooses VA Tech Wabag for Puzhal WTP

Chennai Metrowater has chosen VA Tech Wabag for rehabilitation of 300 MLD water treatment plant at Puzhal besides its operation and maintenance for a period of 5 years. The cumulative contract value is worth Rs. 350 million made up of Rs. 250 million towards O&M business and Rs.10 million for major revamp. Chennai Metrowater has selected VA Tech Wabag for the third time renewal. The first contract was signed on 2002 and it was renewed during 2007. It has now been awarded to VA Tech Wabag for a period of 5 years. WABAG is the first company for Chennai Metrowater to operate and maintain the drinking water treatment plant continuously for the last 10 years and 5 more years ahead.

Kerala to get Rs. 950 crore water project



The Ernakulam district in Kerala will soon get a mega Rs. 950 crore drinking water project. The Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM)-funded project would be implemented for West Kochi while other areas would get water from the Rs. 750 crore Japan drinking water project. At present the district gets 240 MLD water. Through the new projects an additional 290 MLD will be made available. Another Rs. 13 crore project has been prepared to replace all the old water pumps and motors in the district.