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## **CENTRAL GROUND WATER AUTHORITY**

### **MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 14<sup>th</sup> January 1997

(As amended on 13.1.1998, 5.1.1999 and 6.11.2000)

S.O.38 (E). -In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government hereby constitute the Central Ground Water Board as an Authority for the purposes of regulation and control of Ground Water Management and Development from the date of publication of this notification in the official gazette, namely: -

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| 1. Chairman, Central Ground Water Board  | Chairman      |
| 2. Member (Survey, Assessment and Monitoring),<br>Central Ground Water Board   | Member        |
| 3. Member (Exploration Drilling and Materials Management),<br>Central Ground water Board                                 | Member        |
| 4. Member (Sustainable Management and Liasing),<br>Central Ground Water Board  | Member        |
| 5. Member (Training and Technology Transfer),<br>Central Ground Water Board  | Member        |
| 6. <b>Joint Secretary (Administration),<br/>Ministry of Water Resources</b>  | <b>Member</b> |
| 7. <b>Joint Secretary and Financial Adviser,<br/>Ministry of Water Resources</b>   | <b>Member</b> |
| 8. Joint Secretary,<br>Ministry of Environment and Forests   | Member        |
| 9. <b>Chief Engineer, Irrigation Management Organisation<br/>Water, Planning and Projects), Central Water Commission</b> | <b>Member</b> |
| 10. <b>Director/General Manager, (Exploration),<br/>Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd.</b>                             | <b>Member</b> |

The Authority may invite from time to time the following as special invitees as and when required:

1. **Joint Secretary (Soil and Water Conservation), Department of Agriculture and Co-operation.**

2. **Joint Secretary (Water Supply), Ministry of Urban Development.**
3. **Joint Secretary (Department of Drinking Water Supply), Ministry of Rural Development.**
4. **Director, National Institute of Hydrology, Roorkee.**
5. **Director, National Geo-physical Research Institute, Hyderabad**

2. The Authority shall exercise the following powers and perform the following functions, namely: -

- (i) exercise of powers under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for issuing directions and taking such measures in respect of all the matters referred to in sub-section (2) of section 3 of the said Act;
  - (ii) to resort to the penal provisions contained in sections 15 to 21 of the said Act;
  - (iii) to regulate **and control, management and development of ground water** in the country and to issue necessary regulatory directions **for this purpose**;
  - (iv) **exercise of powers under Section 4 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, for appointment of officers.**
3. The jurisdiction of the Authority shall be whole of India.
4. The Authority shall function under the administrative control of the Government of India in the Ministry of Water Resources with its Headquarters at Delhi.

(No.L-11011/29/96-IA-III)  
Dr. V. Rajagopalan  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India.

Foot Note: The principal notification was published vide No. S.O. 38(E) dated the 14<sup>th</sup> January 1997, in Part-II, section 3, sub-section (ii) of the Gazette of India, Extraordinary and subsequently amended vide Notification No. S.O. 40 (E) dated the 13<sup>th</sup> January 1998, No. S.O. 9 (E) dated the 5<sup>th</sup> January 1999 and No. S.O (1024) E dated 6<sup>th</sup> November 2000.

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