

FINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF ORISSA AND ANDHRA PRADESH IN
RELATION OF TO THE USE OF WATERS OF THE SILERU RIVER.

Dated 4th September, 1962

The following were present during discussions held on "the final agreement between the Governments of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh in relation to the use of waters of the Sileru river" on 4th September, 1962 at Hyderabad.

ORISSA STATE:

1. Shri Biju Patnaik, Chief Minister.
2. Shri B.Sivaraman, Chief Secretary to Government.
3. Shri Kartar Singh, Secretary to Government, P.W.D.
4. Shri M.C.Pani, Adtl. Chief Engineer, Irrigation.
5. Shri S.C.Tripathi, Superintending Engineer, P.W.D.

ANDHRA PRADESH

1. Shri N.Sanjeeva Reddy, Chief Minister.
2. Shri A.C.Subba Reddy, Minister for Irrigation and Power.
3. Shri M.P.Pai, I.C.S., Chief Secretary to Government.
4. Shri S.A.Quader, I.A.S. Secretary to Government.
5. Shri L.Venkatakrisna Iyer, Irrigation Advisor and Consulting Engineer to Government and Additional Secretary, P.W.D.
6. Shri A.R.Venkataraman, Chief Engineer (General and Irrigation).
7. Shri G.A. Narsimha Rao, Chief Engineer (N.S.Canals).
8. Shri M.A.Rehman, Chief Engineer (Minor-Irrigation).
9. Shri S.A.Quader, Chief Engineer, Ele. Projects & Board.
10. Shri M.C.Sampath Iyengar, Special Officer, Hydro-electric Projects.

1. A dam on Sileru with FRL 1516 shall be constructed at Balimela.
2. The weir at Guntwada, to be built entirely at the cost of A.P. Government shall have specified heights as follows:

(a) The construction of weir at Guntawada will be as follows:

Ist June, 1963 Spillway section 600 ft. at 1332
and 400 ft. at 1320

15th April, 1964 Spillway section 800 ft. at 1332
and 200 ft. at 1320

15th May, 1964 Spillway section 1000 ft. at 1332.

Construction of sluices for 4000 cusecs discharge with water at 1320 will be provided.

By December, 1964 Spillway section will be raised to crest level of 1340.

- (b) R.L.1340 ft. when this power plant is due to go into operation.
- (c) R.L.1360 ft. with 20 ft. gates over 1340 ft. R.L. crest when Balimela Dam has reached a height of at least 1400 ft. R.L.

Provided that in no case the height of water level at Guntawada, during floods or otherwise, shall exceed about 1360 ft. R.L. for maximum designed discharge of 2.5 lakh cusecs.

3. The cost of the Balimela Dam for common works shall be shared equally by Government of Andhra Pradesh and Government of Orissa.

4. Provided however that the share of Andhra Pradesh Government shall not exceed Rs.12.00 crores.

As requested by the Andhra Pradesh Government, Orissa Government agreed to bear the Andhra Pradesh Government's share of expenditure over and above Rs.3.00 crores (as provided by Andhra Pradesh Government) during the third plan period.

Such amount as is advanced by Orissa Government on account of Andhra Pradesh Government will bear interest at the average rate of public loans floated by Orissa State during 1962-65, to be repaid to Orissa Government during the first year of the fourth Plan period.

Andhra Pradesh Government also undertake to place the balance of the funds required as their share during the Fourth Plan period to the extent of the work actually done every year.

5. The design and specification of the Balimela Dam would be authorised by a Committee of three experts consisting of the following:

- (1) Dr. A.N.Khosla, Member, Planning Commission.
- (2) Dr. K.L.Rao, M.P.
- (3) Member, Designs, CW&PC.

When vacancies arise they shall be filled by the Control Board.

6. Half of the total inflow into Balimela Reservoir at Balimela Dam will be let down towards the Andhra Pradesh share and the other half into the Balimela High Head Power House of the Orissa Government. The flow to either power station will be as per the actual requirements. In any year from July, 1st to June 30 the draw off by either party from storage shall not exceed half the allowed draw off for the year inclusive of evaporation losses but exclusive of surpluses due to filling of reservoir. Rules for regulations of the reservoir after it is in operation shall be drawn up by the Control Board.

7. Full facilities for investigation, construction and operation of weirs at Guntawada and Lower Sileru Site as also Lower Sileru Dam at Donkarayi or nearby will be given by the Orissa Government to the Andhra Pradesh Government. Necessary land will be acquired in Orissa territories by the Orissa Government under the provisions of the land Acquisition Act. Similar assistance for the Balimela Reservoir will be given by the Andhra Pradesh Government to the Orissa Government for the areas in the Andhra Pradesh State.

8. The construction of Balimela Dam will be under a Joint Control Board on which Orissa and Andhra Pradesh will have equal representation. The Chairman of the Board will be the Chief Minister of either state alternately for terms of a year, the first Chairman being the Chief Minister of Orissa. Works on the Balimela High Head Power House will be done by Orissa Government and on Guntawada Weir by Andhra Pradesh Government.

9. The power house at Balimela Dam utilising the Andhra share of water will be constructed by and at the cost of Andhra Pradesh Government and will be operated and be under full control of Andhra Pradesh authorities. This cost will include cost of Penstocks, Trash rack and intake structure. The High Head Balimela Power House will be operated and be under the full control of Orissa Government, which will bear all the relevant costs.

10. Below Balimela Dam, the entire flow of River Sileru and tributaries is left to the exclusive use of Andhra Pradesh State in such manner and at such times as they think fit. The Andhra Pradesh Government will construct the necessary works. Similarly below High Head Power House, the entire waters will be for the exclusive use of the Orissa State.

11. If and when any additional water is diverted into Machkund basin from other basins, half the water will be given to Andhra Pradesh state and Andhra Pradesh should bear half the cost of diversion and storage works.

12. With the signing of this Agreement the Andhra Pradesh Government may proceed with the construction of the Guntawada weir and ancillary works as per the programme specified in Clause(2) in the Orissa portion of the River and territory. Similar works connected with the Balimela Dam may be taken up immediately.

13. Any alteration in the terms of this Agreement can be made only with mutual consent of both the parties.

Signed on behalf of the Government of Orissa.

(1) Biju Patnaik, Chief Minister.

(2) B.Sivaraman, Chief Secretary.

Signed on behalf of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(1) N.Sanjeeva Reddy, Chief Minister.

(2) M.P. Pai, Chief Secretary.

HYDERABAD (Dn.)

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