Greater Trincomalee Integrated Water Supply Project - 2011

1 <u>Opinion</u>

So far as appears from my examination and to the best of information and according to the explanations given to me, except for the effects of the adjustments arising from the matters referred to in paragraph 5 of this report, I am of opinion that,

- a) the Project had maintained proper accounting records for the year ended 31 December 2011 and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Project as at 31 December 2011 in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles,
- b) the funds provided had been utilized for the purposes for which they were provided,
- c) the withdrawals from and replenishments to the Imprest Fund Account during the year ended 31 December 2011 had been truly and fairly disclosed in the books and records maintained by the Project and the balance as at 31 December 2011 had been satisfactorily reconciled with the accounting records of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka as at that date,
- d) the Statements of Expenditure (SOEs) submitted could be fairly relied upon to support the applications for reimbursement in accordance with the requirements specified in the Credit Agreement,
- e) satisfactory measures had been taken by the management to rectify the issues highlighted in my previous year audit report, and
- (f) the financial covenants laid down in the Credit Agreement had been complied with.

2. <u>Financial Statements</u>

2.1 Financial Performance

According to the financial statements presented and information made available, the expenditure of the Project for the year ended 31 December 2011 amounted to Rs.799,619,910 as compared with the expenditure of Rs. 1,384,340,734 for the preceding period from 2008 to 2010 and the cumulative expenditure as at 31 December 2011 amounted to Rs.2,183,960,644. A summary of the expenditure for the year under review, expenditure for the preceding year and the cumulative expenditure as at 31 December 2011 is shown below.

			Cumulative	
	Expenditure f	or the period	expenditure as at 31	
Item	ended 31 I	December	December 2011	
	<u>2011</u>	2008 to 2010		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Project management	199,794,393	626,663,008	826,457,401	
expenditure GOSL				
Consultancy fees - AFD	18,585,126	18,536,851	37,121,977	
RPE	55,370,426	107,642,098	163,012,524	
Contractors payments - AFD	169,167,060	631,498,777	800,665,837	
RPE	354,255,931	-	354,255,931	
Depreciation	2,446,974	-	2,446,974	
Total	799,619,910	1,384,340,734	2,183,960,644	

4.2

Imprest Fund Account

According to the financial statements and the information made available, the operations of the Imprest Fund Account for the year ended 31 December 2011 and the balance available in that account as at 31 December 2011 are given below.

	EURO	RS
Balance as at 01 January 2011	304,613	44,949,246
Add. Replenishment	734,086	117,549,769
	1,038,699	162,499,015
Less: Withdrawals	848,415	129,791,140
	190,284	32,707,875
Net Foreign Exchange Difference	-	(4,655,669)
Balance as at 31 December 2011	<u>190,284</u>	28,052,206

3. <u>Audit Observations</u>

Following observations are made.

- (a) The financial statements of the Project for the year ended 31 December 2011 for which should be submitted for the audit on or before 28 February 2012 had been rendered for audit only on 4 July 2013.
- (b) A sum of Rs.4 million of cash deposited by the Project with the RDA for Performance Bond in 2011 had inappropriately been shown under working progress in the financial statements without showing it separately under current assets.
- (c) Relevant portion from the loan interest and commitment charges deducted by the Lending Agency from the total loan had not been ascertained and brought to the financial statements of the Project.
- (d) According to records maintained by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL), the balance of the Imprest Accounts of the Project as at 31 December 2011 was Euro 190,284 equivalent to Rs.28 million. However, according to the financial statements of the Project, it was Euro 494,897 equivalent to Rs. 73 million. Hence, the balance of the Imprest Account shown in the financial statements of

the Project as at 31 December 2011 had been overstated by Euro 304,612 equivalent to Rs.45 million.

- (e) The work-in-progress and RPE Loan shown in the financial statements as at 31 December 2011 had been understated by Euro 164,717 equivalent to Rs.19 million due to erroneous journal entry passed during the year under review.
- (f) Depreciation on property plant and equipment amounting to Rs. 2.4 million provided in the financial statements had been accounted as a liability of the Project without deducting from the cost of the respective fixed assets.
- (g) Cash Flow Statement presented for audit had not been prepared as enable to elaborate the operating , investing and financing activities separately.

4. <u>Financial and Operating Review</u>

4.1 <u>Utilization of Funds</u>

Following observations are made.

- a) To ensure the achievement of Project objectives using allocated resources within schedule time period, there should be a comprehensive detail action plan highlighting financial and physical targets with fixing responsibilities in monthly, quarterly, biannually etc covering entire Project period. Such plan had not been prepared and implemented by the Project.
- b) Certain significant statistics relating to the financing and budgetary provision for the year under review, utilization of funds during the year under review and the Cumulative utilization as at December 2011 are shown below.

			Budgetary	Funds utilized	Funds utiliz	zed up to
Sources	Amount ag	greed to be	provision for	during the	31 Decemb	oer 2011
	pr	ovided	the year 2011	year		
	EURO	Rs	Rs	Rs	EURO	Rs
	Mn	Mn	Mn	Mn	Mn	Mn
ADB	10.35	1,500.75	270.00	175.00	6.30	978.03

RPE	12.50	2,062.50	456.00	307.71	4.64	718.83
GOSL	6.78	1,087.00	305.00	196.11	5.20	34.05
Total	29.63	4,650.25	1,031.00	678.82	<u>16.14</u>	2,530.9

4.2 <u>Physical Performance</u>

According to the progress report presented for audit, the overall progress of the Project as at the end of the year under review was as follows.

Package No. /Project Activity	As at 31 December 2011	
	Target	Achievement
	····· %	·····
GTIWSP/RPE/Civil Work/2007/01		
Construction of intake, pump house and Rehabilitation of reservoirs	100	65
GTIWSP/AFD/Valves & Steel Pipes/2008/01		
Supply and Delivery of Valves & Accessories and Steel	100	88
Pipes & Fittings		
GTIWSP/AFD/DI 600 Laying/2007/01		
Laying of DI Pipes and Fittings from Mahaweli Intake		
to Kantale WTP	85	48
GTIWSP/AFD/PE Laying/2008/01		
Laying of PE/DI Pipes & Fittings for Kinniya Supply		
and Irrakandy Extension	100	92
GTIWSP/AFD/KINNIYA TOWER/2008/01		
Construction of Water Tower at Kinniya	100	92

GTIWSP/CONSULTANCY/FRENCH/AFD/2007/03

Consultancy Studies for Eachilampattai and Pulmoddai

Water Supply Scheme.	80	35
GTIWSP/RPE/TURNKEY WORKS/2008/01		
Rehabilitation and Upgrade of Kantale WTP	80	39
GTIWSP/RPE/TURNKEY WORKS/E&M/2008/01		
Turnkey Contract for Rehabilitation of Electro	80	39
Mechanical Equipment (RPE)		
GTIWSP/CONSULTANCY/FRENCH/ 2005/01		
Engineering Services Field Investigation for Project	90	74
Implementation		