

# GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

## Abstract

Water resource department- Constitution of a High Power Committee to study the extent and nature of losses incurred due to the functioning of Coca Cola company at Plachimada- Members nominated – Orders issued

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**WATER RESOURCES (GROUND WATER) DEPARTMENT**  
**G.O(Rt) NO.542/2009/WRD, Thiruvananthapuram, DATED 23-5-2009**

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Ref: GO (Rt) No. 425/09 WRD dated 17-4-09

### ORDER

Vide the reference read, Government have decided to constitute a high power committee to study the extent and nature of losses incurred at Plachimada due to the functioning of Coca Cola Company. Accordingly orders are issued for constituting a high power committee comprising experts, as below.

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| 1. Agriculture Production Commissioner   | - Chairman |
| 2. Director, Agriculture Department  | - Member   |
| 3. Director, Health Department   | - Member   |
| 4. Director, Animal Husbandry Department   | - Member   |
| 5. Regional Director, Central Groundwater Board  | - Member   |
| 6. Director, KERI  | - Member   |
| 7. Dean, Veterinary Science, Kerala Agriculture University                                     | - Member   |
| 8. Director(Research), Kerala Agriculture Department   | - Member   |
| 9. Dr.Usha Titus IAS, Chairperson, Kerala State Pollution Control Board                        | - Member   |
| 10. Dr.C.R.Soman, Public Health Activist   | -Member    |
| 11. Sri.S.Faizi, Environmental Expert  | - Member   |
| 12. Sri.T.K.Raman, Rtd, District & session judge,Kozhikode                                     | - Member   |
| 13. Smt.R.Vasanthakumari, Executive Engineer, Quality control Division, Kerala Water Authority | - Member   |
| 14. Director, Groundwater Department, Thiruvananthapuram                                       | - Convenor |

Study report of the committee should be submitted within four months.

By Order of the Governor  
K.JAYAKUMAR  
Additional Chief Secretary

All Members

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Sd/-  
Section Officer

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G.O(Rt) NO.425/2009/WRD,

Thiruvananthapuram, dated 17-4-2009

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- Ref: 1. Letter No.T(1)/1809/04 (13) dated 20-10-2008 of the Director, Groundwater Department.  
2. Letter No.T(4)/5552/08 dated 6-12-08 of the Director, Groundwater Department.

## ORDER

In order to study the extent and nature of losses caused to the people in the surrounding areas due to the functioning of the Coca Cola Company at Plachimada, orders are issued for constituting a high power committee comprising experts from various sectors viz, Agriculture, Pollution Control Board, Groundwater, Animal Husbandry and Health.

By Order of the Governor

K.Jayakumar  
Additional Chief Secretary

Director, Groundwater Department, Thiruvananthapuram and  
Secretary, Kerala Groundwater Authority.

Agriculture Department

Environment Department

Animal Husbandry Department

Health Department

General Administration (SC) Department (vide that department item No.3229 dated 8-4-09)

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## **The Terms of Reference of High Power committee**

The terms and reference of the High Power Committee shall be:

- I. To study the short term and long term damages.
  1. Agriculture
  2. Animal Husbandry
  3. Drinking Water
  4. Health
  5. Loss of livelihood
  6. Environmental damages and consequent changes in the soil, flora and fauna
  7. Depletion of Groundwater and deterioration of water quality and pollution of water resources.
  
- II. To quantify, to the extent possible, the value of these damages
- III. To scientifically analyze the ill effects of the work materials and by products, even after the factory ceased operation in 2004.
- IV. To calculate the amount required for reversing the Ecological imbalance
- V. To recommend the setting up of an appropriate institutional mechanism to receive individual claims and to make the company liable to pay the damages in a legally tenable manner.

Sd/-  
Chairman