



Jain Irrigation Bags Rs.1,683 Million Order Of *Shiggaon* Sprinkler Irrigation Project in Karnataka

Highlights:

- ***Order Value Rs.1,683 Million***
- ***Unique Project with water saving potential up to 30%***
- ***More than 5,000 farmers and 9,900ha command area of 30 villages of Haveri district of Karnataka will be benefited from the project***

Mumbai, August 06, 2010: Karnataka's Neeravari Nigam Ltd, a division of Water Resources Dept has selected India's biggest Micro Irrigation Company and agriculture conglomerate, Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd for the prestigious Shiggaon Micro Irrigation project through the National Competitive Bidding.

This integrated Micro Irrigation project involves survey, design, planning, supply and execution. The project involves formation of co-operative societies of water users in convenient blocks. The project also involves distribution system which uses the piping network and further installation of on-farm micro-irrigation on 9,900 hectares of the command area. It also includes providing power transmission network.

The Company would also be maintaining the entire project for 2 years after commissioning and shall train all the farmers. The uniqueness of the project lies in the concept of lift (conduit transportation of water cum micro irrigation along with use of most lasting piping namely HDPE) resulting in a first of its kind project in the country for substantially improving water use efficiency in canal command areas compared to traditional open canal method.

Considering the consistent depletion of water level in the country and the much desired need for better water use efficiency, *Shiggaon* Micro Irrigation project shall be a major breakthrough in adoption of Micro Irrigation along with modern irrigation distribution networks in the command areas. This project involves command area of 30 villages of Haveri district and will benefit 5000 farmers and shall see completion by end 2012.

The total cost of the project is Rs 1,683 million.

About Jain Irrigation-

Jain Irrigation has a strong workforce of 7500 associates with global manufacturing facilities. It is always in the forefront of bringing innovative hi-tech agriculture methods at the doorstep of farmers enabling higher productivity with lower costs resulting into prosperity among farmers. Jain Irrigation is the largest Micro Irrigation and plastic pipe manufacturer in the country and is also leader in processing fruits and vegetables. It has recently stepped efforts for a new foray in renewable energy.

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