

Minutes of the 83rd meeting of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination (ICWC) of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Republic of Uzbekistan.

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Agenda of the 83rd ICWC meeting

1. Results of the use of water withdrawal limits and operation of the reservoir cascades in the Amu Darya River and Syr Darya River basins during the growing season 2022.
2. Approval of the country water withdrawal limits and forecast operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amu Darya River and Syr Darya River basins for the non-growing season 2022-2023.
3. Progress on proposals and initiatives raised at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS founder-states in the city of Turkmenbashi.
4. Agenda and venue of the regular 84th ICWC meeting.
5. Matter related to application of modern water accounting and monitoring equipment in the Amu Darya River basin.

Decision on the first item:

1. Take into consideration the reports of BWO Amu Darya and BWO Syr Darya on the results of the use of water withdrawal limits and operation regimes of reservoir cascade during the growing season 2022 in the Syr Darya and Amu Darya River basins.
2. The Kazakh and Uzbek sides shall continue the work on determining the actual data on inflow to the Shardara reservoir in order to eliminate discrepancies between the data of hydrometeorological services of the parties.
3. Kazakh and Uzbek sides agreed to submit the report to BWO Syr Darya on actual water withdrawals from the Karadarya and Chirchik rivers and in the reach from Shardara reservoir. BWO Syr Darya shall include the above data in the report on the results of the non-growing season 2022-2023 and growing season 2023.

Decision on the second item:

1. Approve water withdrawal limits of the countries for the non-growing season 2022-2023 in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins (Appendix 1, 2).
2. Take into consideration the forecast operation regimes of the reservoir cascade for the non-growing season 2022–2023 in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins, as proposed by BWO “Amu Darya” and BWO “Syr Darya”.
3. Turkmen and Uzbek sides agreed to create a Working Group to determine water withdrawals from the Amu Darya river for Syrkhandarya province of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Decisions on water withdrawals for Syrkhandarya province shall be accepted by the conclusion of the Working Group and notification of the Tajik side.

Decision on the third item:

1. Take into consideration the information of SIC ICWC on implementation of proposals and initiatives raised at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS founder-states (Turkmenbashi city, August 24, 2018).

2. ICWC members and ICWC executive bodies shall intensify efforts in implementation of the initiatives raised by the IFAS founder-states and submit information to regular ICWC meetings.

Decision on the fourth item:

1. Hold the next regular 84th ICWC meeting in April 2023 in Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan. The date of the next regular ICWC meeting should be agreed in working order.

2. Propose the next agenda for the regular 84th ICWC meeting:

- 1) On the results of the use of water withdrawal limits and operation regimes of reservoirs in the Syr Darya and Amu Darya River basins for the non-growing season 2022-2023;

- 2) On approval of country water withdrawal limits and forecast operation regime of the reservoirs in the Syr Darya and Amu Darya River basins for the growing season 2023;

- 3) On progress in implementation of proposals and initiatives raised at the Summit of Heads of IFAS founder-states in the city of Turkmenbashi.

- 4) Additional issues;

- 5). On the agenda and venue of the next 85th ICWC meeting.

Decision on the fifth item:

Take into consideration the views of the parties to support the adoption of modern water accounting and monitoring equipment in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins as well as attraction of investment for the implementation of the project proposal “Improvement of water accounting and monitoring systems in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya River basins” included in ASBP-4 .

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Appendix 1

Limits of water withdrawal from the Amu Darya River and water supply to the river delta and the Aral Sea for the non-growing season 2022-2023

NN	River basin, state	Water withdrawal limit, mcm	
		Total annual (1.10.22- 1.10 .23)	Including non- growing season (1.10.22-1.04.23)
	Total withdrawal from the Amu Darya river	55 391	15 708
	including:		
1	Republic of Tajikistan	9 821	2 858
2	Republic of Uzbekistan	1 570	370
	From the Amu Darya River to the nominal Kerki gauging station	44 000	12 480
3	Turkmenistan	22 000	6 500
4	Republic of Uzbekistan	22 000	5 980
	In addition:		
5	- water supply to the river delta and the Aral Sea, including irrigation water releases and CDW	4 200	2 100
6	- sanitary and environmental flow into irrigation systems:	800	800
	Dashoguz province	150	150
	Khorezm province	150	150
	Republic of Karakalpakstan	500	500

Appendix 2

Water-user state	By request mcm
Republic of Kazakhstan (Dustlik canal)	452
Kyrgyz Republic	47
Republic of Tajikistan	365
Republic of Uzbekistan	3347
Total from Syr Darya river	4211