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RE: PCA CASE NO. 2023-14 – INDUS WATERS TREATY NEUTRAL EXPERT PROCEEDINGS (INDIA V. PAKISTAN)

Dear Shri Rao,  
Dear Mr. Awan,  
Dear Mr. Akbar,

I write on behalf of the Neutral Expert in the above-referenced matter.

The Neutral Expert acknowledges receipt of Pakistan's letter dated 28 November 2025.

Should India wish to make any comments on the procedural aspects of these proceedings in connection with Pakistan's letter, it is invited to do so by **Tuesday, 9 December 2025**.

Any other comments that India may wish to make in reply to Pakistan's letter and the documents submitted therewith may be made by **Tuesday, 23 December 2025**.

The Neutral Expert notes that, at paragraph 18 of its letter, Pakistan proposes to provide its analysis of the utilization of the Operating Pool at the Baglihar HEP by 8 or 12 December 2025. The Neutral Expert confirms that this analysis may be submitted by **Friday, 12 December 2025**. India may then submit any comments in reply by **Monday, 5 January 2025**.

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Yours sincerely,

  
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