

**BHAKRA BEAS MANGEMENT BOARD
MADHYA MARG,19-B, CHANDIGARH**

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Subject: Chairman, BBMB Elected As Vice President of International Commission on Large Dams

Chandigarh: The International Commission On Large Dams (ICOLD) having membership of 101 countries with more than 15,000 members provides a forum for the exchange of knowledge and experience in dam engineering. The Organization leads the profession in ensuring that dams are built safely, efficiently, economically, and without detrimental effects on the environment. Its encourages advances in the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of large dams and their associated civil works, by collecting and disseminating relevant information and by studying related technical questions.

In its 87th Annual General Body meeting held in Ottawa, Canada on 14th June, 2019, Er. Devendra Kumar Sharma, Chairman, Bhakra Beas Management Board was elected as its Vice President of the ICOLD Board for the term 2019-2022. Mr Sharma was elected in a triangular contest between candidates for the post of Vice President from India, Japan and Egypt. Mr Sharma got this honour and achievement to be member in the ICOLD Board from India after a gap of 17 years. By his election to this coveted post Mr Sharma has brought laurels to the country as well as to the Indian dam community.

Position of Vice President for India in ICOLD Board will help the country for getting the international expertise to address the water and energy issues to provide food security to the nation. In addition, it will also help to address concerns such as dam safety, monitoring of performance, reanalysis of older dams and spillways, effects of ageing and environmental impact.

Secretary

To
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