

Sri Y Abdul Basheer:

Sri Y.Abdul Basheer, born in Maddikera village in Andhra Pradesh, has obtained his BTech in Civil Engineering (1975) from JNTU College of Engineering, Anantapur (Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Hyderabad) and MTech in Water Resources Engineering (1998) from Regional Engineering College, Warangal (Kakatiya University, Warangal).

He has more than 35 years of professional experience in Irrigation & Command Area Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, India. He has worked as Chief Engineer, Nagarjunasagar Project. He has worked as Chief Engineer and later as Engineer-in-Chief, Srisailem Project.

He has worked as Vice Chairman & Acting Chairman, Brahmaputra Board, Ministry of Water Resources, Government of India, Guwahati. He has also worked as Hydrology & Irrigation Planning Specialist, JICA Survey Team, Andhra Pradesh Irrigation and Livelihoods Improvement Project - II, Hyderabad. He holds Direct Membership in ICID, New Delhi.

His significant contribution to profession:

Regulating a 78-hour duration and 25.5 lakh cusec peak flood that has surpassed the project Full Reservoir Level by 11.5 feet in October, 2009 at Srisailem Project in Andhra Pradesh, India.

Sri Y. Abdul Basheer, "the Chief Engineer, based on the flood forecast on 30.9.2009 has instructed and maintained so that about 5.41 lakh cusec are released by 6 AM on 1.10.2010 against the flood forecast of 1,16,533 cusec by CWC. Thus it proves that the Chief Engineer has acted with due care and diligence and has taken advance action. The Chief Engineer has efficiently regulated the flood waters in consultation with higher authorities and saved the downstream projects and people all along River course. Further, he has evaluated the situation every hour duly contacting the senior officials of the Government and experts in Dam Safety and has taken well informed decisions in the best interests of the State.