MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE HELD ON 17^{th} MAY, 2012

STATE: Bihar

The Meeting of the Empowered Committee was held on 10th May, 2012 in the Chamber of Secretary, Rural development, GOI. List of participants are as below:-

Sh. S. Vijay Kumar	Secretary (RD)	Chairman		
Dr. P.K.Anand	Joint Secretary (RC)	Member		
Shri S.R. Meena	Director (RC)			
Shri N.C. Solanki	Director (P.I), NRRDA			
Shri R. Chauhan	Director(F&A), NRRDA			
Dr. I.K. Pateriya	Director(Technical),NRRDA			
State Representatives of Government of Bihar				
Shri B. Rajender	Secretary, Rural Development Deptt			
Shri D.D. Chaudhary,	Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Works Department			
Shri K.N. Prasad,	Superintending Engineer and SQC			

2. Details of proposals considered by the Committee:

Details of Current Proposals –Bihar

Item	New Connectivity	Long Span Bridges	Total
Value in Crores	2245.77	193.34	2439.11* MoRD share Rs.2384.70 crore
No. of Road Works/bridge works	1350	96	1350 road works 96 bridges
Length In km	3846.12	-	3846.12
Average Cost per km in Lakhs	58.39	4.04 lakh per RM	58.39 lakh for road works 4.04 lakh for bridges
No. of habitations covered	1909 of 1000+ 929 of 500+ 779 of 250+	-	1909 of 1000+ 929 of 500+ 779 of 250+

^{*}State share: Rs.54.41 crore

3. The Empowered Committee reviewed the progress since the previous 2 Empowered Committee Meetings held on 30.9.2011 and 12.4.2012 and considered the institutional capacity of the State to efficiently execute the PMGSY works with the requisite attention to quality. The Empowered Committee also considered attainment of PMGSY public disclosure norms in terms of the physical and financial and accounting data entered by the State in the programme software, OMMAs and the diligence in maintenance of the high quality assets created under the programme for the long term reduction of poverty.

- 4. The Empowered Committee **recommended for approval** the project proposals at para 2. It also laid down timelines as in para 5 to 7 as agreed by the State representatives.
- 5. (i) It was agreed that the following activities will be completed by the State prior to clearance:-
 - (a) At least 300 roads will be taken over from NEAs (starting from the oldest ones).
 - (b) Road-wise list of all incomplete works up to 2009-10 with likely date of completion will be provided.
 - (c) OMMAS data entry of all the proposals will be completed.
 - (d) Core network entry Report should start coming out district-wise, on weekly basis, to monitor progress.
 - (e) List of road works of NEAs unawarded and taken in the current batch will be provided.
 - (ii) The following activities will be completed by the State before tendering:-
 - (a) An Additional Chief Executive Officer will be put in place.
 - (b) The Full time Financial Controller will be put in place.
 - (c) Mapping of habitations in proposal module will be completed.
 - (d) Tender award details of all sanctioned works will be entered in OMMAS.
 - (e) List of multi connectivity will be provided.
 - (f) Schedules of Rates will be sent for vetting, mentioning increase over last financial year.
 - (g)Core network maps and data of 7 IAP districts with STA vetting will be sent to NRRDA.
 - (h) Total 800 roads of NEAs will be taken over including 300 roads as in 5(i)(a) above.
 - (i) Action Taken Reports (ATRs) of the observations of the previous Empowered Committee meeting will be provided.
 - 6. It was also agreed that the following activities will be completed by the State prior to release of fund, and the request letter of the State will enclose relevant clarifications:-
 - (i) 80% of the works awarded till March, 2010 by RWD have been completed and if not the reason thereof..
 - (ii) At least 30% of the Maintenance Expenditure has been achieved up to 30th September, 2012 out of the total maintenance planned for 2012-13.
 - 7. The State undertook to complete 100% of the RWD road works of Phase-I, II and VI by June, 2012, of Phase-VII VIII (2007-08) by October, 2012 and Phase-IX X (2009-10) by December, 2012.
 - 8. The requirements of "Entry of habitations, Core network and DRRP" on OMMAS will run concurrent after clearance, after release of funds and after tendering and Empowered Committee will carry out periodic review.

The meeting ended with Vote of thanks to the Chair.
