

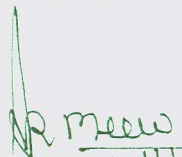
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Subject:- Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 20th January, 2012 under the Chairmanship of Secretary(RD) – Minutes thereon.

A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 20th January, 2012 for considering the project proposal of Phase- VIII New Connectivity (Stage I&II) under Bharat Nirman, Normal PMGSY (International Border Blocks) and Long Span Bridges is forwarded for necessary action.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE HELD ON 20th JANUARY, 2012

STATE: Jammu & Kashmir

The Meeting of the Empowered Committee was held on 20th January, 2012 at 1.00 pm in the Chamber of Secretary, Rural development. List of participants are as below:

Sh.B.K.Sinha	Secretary (RD)	Chairman
Dr. Arvind Mayaram	AS&FA	Member
Dr.P.K.Anand	Joint Secretary (RC)	Member
Shri S.R. Meena	Director (RC)	
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Sh. A.H.Seikh	Chief Engineer,PMGSY,J&K	
Sh. D.L.Sharma	Chief Engineer,PMGSY,J&K	

2. A brief presentation was made by NRRDA on the present status of implementation of PMGSY in Jammu & Kashmir.

- (i) The hard copies of Core Network maps along with data have been received from the State. However, the State needs to submit the soft copies of the maps and data to NRRDA for record, to verify the compatibility of the proposals in future phases.
- (ii) Mandatory certificates and Soft Copies of the DPRs in DVD form proposed by MoRD, not provided by the state.
- (iii) Data has not been entered on OMMAS and not okayed by STA.
- (iv) The DPRs need to be verified in the field by the officer not below the rank of Superintending Engineer before according the Technical sanction.
- (v) State has not completed 100% of works of Phase II to Phase VII under PMGSY. Out of 1343 sanction, 868 (65%) roads are still incomplete.
- (vi) Under Bharat Nirman's target of 2005-12, the State has achieved 56% under New Connectivity (in Km), 54% in upgradation (length in Km-excluding renewal) and 52% habitations connected upto December, 2011.
- (vii) On the first Quality monitoring mechanism, quarter ending 30th September, 2011, out of the 683 packages, field laboratories have been established on 660 packages.
- (viii) On the second quality monitoring, 107 inspections conducted by SQM during July, 2011 to September, 2011 (9 for complete works and 98 for on-going works). None of the works were found unsatisfactory.
- (ix) 101 No. of inspection reports of SQMs and 626 photos were uploaded on OMMAS from September, 2011 to December, 2011.
- (x) As per the NQM inspections carried out during January 2007 to December, 2011, out of 49 completed road works, 7 works (14%) were found 'Unsatisfactory'. As regards on-going works, out of 347 on-going works inspected, 40 on-going works (11%) were found 'Unsatisfactory'.

- (xi) The State Government is required to send the pending ATRs. A total of 202 Action Taken Reports on National Quality Monitor report were required from the State, 109 ATRs (54%) were received.
- (xii) Road Maintenance Scenario: A total of 67 works were inspected by National Quality Monitors during December, 2007 to November, 2011 (Works under Defect Liability Period-Maintenance Aspect). Out of which, 11 works (16%) were found properly maintained, while 20 works (30%) and 36 works (54%) were found having 'low' maintenance and 'no' maintenance respectively.
- (xiii) There is difference between figures of OMMAS and MPR for the month of December, 2011.
- (xiv) Audited balance sheets of Programme and Administrative Fund Account for the year 2010-11 are still awaited and Finance and Account issues for the year 2009-10 have also been indicated in the Presentation.
- (xv) ATRs for the year 2008-09 are still awaited.

3. Details of proposals considered by the Committee:

Details of Current Proposals –Jammu & Kashmir

Phase VIII New Connectivity (Stage I & II) under Bharat Nirman, Normal PMGSY (International Border Blocks) and Long Span Bridges

Item	Bharat Nirman Stage I	Normal PMGSY 250+ (Border Blocks) Stage I	Stage II (PMGSY)	R&D Stage II	Long Span Bridges	Total
Value in Crores	319.43	21.02	854.68	9.53	56.38	1261.04*
No. of Road Works	58	4	418	4	51	484 road works 51 bridges
Length In km	454.52	31.4	2143.81	21.5	-	2651.23
Average Cost per km in Lakhs	70.06	66.94	39.88	44.33	-	47.56
No. of Habitations	10 of 1000+, 60 of 500+ 20 of 250+, 17 of <250 (incidental)	7 of 250+ 1 of < 250 (incidental)	Habitations covered in Stage I		-	10 of 1000+, 60 of 500+, 27 of 250+, 18 of <250 (incidental)

*MoRD share : Rs. 1258.49 crore, State share: Rs. 2.55 crore

4. After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the above projects mentioned in para 3 subject to the condition that the clearance letter will be issued after submission of mandatory certificate and soft copies of the DPRs in DVD form as proposed by the Ministry including entry of data in OMMAS module.

5. While recommending these proposals, the Committee also made the following observations:

- (i) The state should put in place adequate institutional arrangements and make provision of funds for ensuring proper upkeep and maintenance of the projects completed under PMGSY. The State should deposit the prescribed/requisite amount for maintenance of road in SRRDA's Account.
- (ii) The State Government should establish field laboratories for all sanctioned packages since the State Government has not established field labs on 23 packages. Since non establishment of the laboratory involves fundamental breach of the contract, payment for the first running bill should not be made until and unless the requisite laboratories have been established.
- (iii) The second tier of quality monitoring mechanism needs to be strengthened. The State has conducted only 107 inspections (42%) out of 258 required inspections from July, 2011 to September, 2011. The State Government should increase the inspection of SQMs in the State.
- (iv) The State Government has uploaded only 626 digital photographs against 1010 photographs. The remaining digital photographs should be uploaded on PMGSY website immediately.
- (v) The State Government should reconcile the difference between figures of OMMAS and MPRs and reconciled information may be sent to Ministry by 29th February, 2012. The State should ensure that OMMAS data must be updated immediately since it is linked with release of funds to the State.
- (vi) ATR on accounting and financial management issues raised in the presentation of NRRDA should be furnished at the earliest.
- (vii) All the bank guarantee submitted by the contractors should be verified and sent to NRRDA.
- (viii) The officials suspended should not be posted in SRRDA on their re-instatement.
- (ix) Audited balance sheets of Programme and Administrative Fund Account for the year 2010-11 should be sent to the Ministry immediately.
- (x) The sanction of the works will be issued after furnishing a certificate by the State Government that no work under 'Bharat Nirman' is pending.
- (xi) The hard copies of Core Network maps along with data have been received from the State. However, the State needs to submit the soft copies of the maps and data to NRRDA for record, to verify the compatibility of the proposals in future phases.
- (xii) Mandatory certificates and Soft Copies of the DPRs in DVD form proposed by MoRD, be provided by the state.
- (xiii) Citizen Information Boards should be displayed in the local language and the Board should be placed in a prominent location in the benefited habitation for each road works being executed under the programme.
- (xiv) The State government should ensure that the amount due for maintenance of PMGSY roads be credited in the account of SRRDA within stipulated time as per the Ministry's circular.
- (xv) The requisite number of SQM reports and photographs be uploaded on the OMMAS as stipulated in Ministry's Circular

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
