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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development

Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi,
Dated the 26th February, 2013.

Subject:- Revised Minutes of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 24th December, 2012 at 4:00 PM to consider the project proposals of Uttarakhand State under PMGSY - regarding.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a **copy of the revised Minutes** of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held under the Chairmanship of Secretary (RD) on **24th December, 2012 at 4:00 PM** to consider the project proposals of Phase-X, with the assistance from World Bank RRP-II (Tranche-II) for 126 road works measuring 1139.78 Km amounting to Rs.471.36 crore sent by the Government of Uttarakhand for necessary action.


(Manju Raj)


Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE HELD ON 24th DECEMBER, 2012

STATE: UTTRAKHAND

The Meeting of the Empowered Committee was held on 24th December, 2012 at 4.00 pm in the Chamber of Secretary, Rural Development. The list of participants is as below:

Sh. S. Vijay Kumar	Secretary (RD)	Chairman
Smt. S. Bhamathi	AS& FA	Member
Dr. P.K. Anand	Joint Secretary (RC)	Member
Sh. Sugan Singh	Director (Transport), Planning Commission	
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State Representatives		
Sh. Vinod Fonia	Secretary, RD	
Sh. K.K. Srivastava	Chief Engineer(URRDA)	
Sh. Manish Kumar Mittal	EE, URRDA	
Sh. A.S. Jyala	IT Nodal Officer, URRDA	
Sh. G.S. Chufal	A.E. URRDA	
Sh. Puran Chandra	URRDA, Uttarakhand	

2. A brief presentation was made by NRRDA on the present status of implementation of PMGSY in Uttarakhand and on the current proposal submitted by the State.

Details of proposals considered by the Empowered Committee:

Details of Current Proposals

Phase –X with assistance from World Bank RRP-II (Tranche-II)

Item	New Connectivity	Bridges	Upgradation	Total
Value in Rs. Crores	456.92	11.02	3.42	471.36*
No. of Road works	117	8	01	126
Length in Km	1132.75	262 m	7.03	1139.78
Average Cost in Lakh / km	40.34	4.21/ m	48.64	41.44
No. of Habitations	8 of 500+ 20 of 250+ 9 of <250 (incidental)	-	-	8 of 500+ 20 of 250+ 9 of <250 (incidental)

*MoRD share: Rs. 470.37 Cr and State Share: Rs. 0.99 Cr

3. The Empowered Committee reviewed the progress since the previous Empowered Committee meetings held on 25th April, 2011 considering the institutional capacity of the State to efficiently execute the PMGSY works with the requisite attention to quality. It was stressed upon that the trained human resource and capacity of implementation would ensure the qualitative construction of sanctioned projects. The SRRDA should be geared up to take up new projects and focused on consolidation of Stage-I and Stage-II projects.

4. The following technical issues were elaborated by Director (Tech.), NRRDA which should be attended to. It was agreed that the State would complete the following activities before clearance is issued:

- (i) The State will update the OMMAS data, although proposals entered on-line are matching with the current proposals, however online security of the proposals is yet pending at the level of STA, which should be done immediately. The SRRDA needs to update details of those roads, which has been completed under State Scheme. PCI record for all the roads has not been entered on OMMAS. It may be uploaded on priority basis.
- (ii) The State has not credited the required Maintenance Fund in the account of SRRDA. An amount of Rs.6.19 crore would be credited immediately to the Maintenance Fund.
- (iii) The list of packages for the use of Cold Mix/Modified Bitumen would be submitted.

5. After discussion, it was agreed that in 60% of the packages, the wearing course would either be of Modified Bitumen or using Cold Mix. It was also agreed that the following would be done before demand is made for release of funds::

- (i) A regular and dedicated financial controller for PMGSY should be in place at the level of SRRDA.
- (ii) Balance Sheet/Audit Report for the year 2011-12 should be generated through account module of OMMAS. State would credit balance maintenance amount of Rs.18.63 crore (including Rs.6.19 crore) to SRRDA.
- (iii) Importance should be given by SRRDA to the financial closure of works in all previous phases to ensure the completion of sanctioned projects in all manners. There are still 186 works, prior to 2008-09, pending for financial closure against the physically completed 487 works. The SRRDA needs to bridge the gap at earliest.
- (iv) Action will be initiated against the unsatisfactory reports regarding construction of roads, especially in the case of Haridwar and Tehri Districts. A team of SQMs should be sent to evaluate the previous inspection reports regarding qualitative implementation. The need of structured training for orientation of SQMs and performance evaluation should be kept on high priority.
- (v) Joint inspection Report by STA and SE for Long Span Bridges has not been sent by the State. The same would be sent by the State to NRRDA.
- (vi) It was observed that the inspections of roads by SQMs are less than required as per norms. State is to strengthen the second tier monitoring mechanism to have efficient implementation of works under the scheme and also increase the number of inspections. The State will ensure uploading of 10 digital photographs taken by SQMs during its inspections.

- (vii) It was observed that 48 ATRs are pending with the State. The pending ATRs will be sent by the State to NRRDA. The State will also upload all ATRs.
- (viii) The State will complete the road Condition Survey and upload the PCI value of roads for Planning the maintenance and up gradation. The PCI survey needs to be initiated within the year 2012-13.
- (ix) The State will published the road-List including a column on maintenance cost for expenditure in Hindi and English and make it available to Hon'ble Members of Parliament and other State Representatives.
- (x) The State would incorporate the recommendations of Expert Committee for reduction in cost of rural roads in the DPRs while giving technical sanction and before execution of works and the same should be intimated to NRRDA with due certification by SRRDA. The State will use new technology for execution of present proposals for a substantial length, which will reduce the maintenance needs in long run.
- (xi) Citizen information boards should be displayed in local language and the board should be placed in a prominent location in the benefitted habitation for each road works being executed under this programme.
- (xii) The executing agencies should re-check the BoQ and the estimates while giving technical sanction before tendering the work.

6. Subject to the above, the Empowered Committee recommended the proposals.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.