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Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Central Monitoring Committee of NLCPR Central held on 21.03.2016 at 02.30 p.m. under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DoNER in Room No. 243-A, Vigyan Bhavan Annexe, New Delhi-110 011.

List of participants is at Annexure-A.

At the outset Secretary, DoNER welcomed the participants, attended in the meeting.

The Committee deliberated on the agenda items and made the following recommendations:-

Agenda Item No. 1:

Confirmation of minutes of the meeting of CMC held on 04.01.2016.

Minutes of the meeting held on 04.01.2016 circulated vide OM No. DNER/NLCPR-Central/ 5/2013 dated 07th January, 2016 were confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2:

Action taken report of the decision/recommendation made by CMC in its meeting held on 04.01.2016

The Committee noted that minutes of the meeting were circulated on 07th January, 2016 and action has been taken by the Ministry of DoNER on decisions/recommendations made by CMC in that meeting.

Agenda Item No. 3:

Release of funds to Ministry of Power for Tutrial Hydro Electric Power Project (60 MW) in Mizoram under implementation by NHEPCO.

The CMC accorded ex-post-facto approval of release of last and final instalment of Rs.40.12 crore to Ministry of Power for Tutrial Hydro Electric Power Project (60 MW) in Mizoram under implementation by NHEPCO. The project is scheduled for commissioning by October, 2016. CMC Members may also visit the Project.

Agenda Item No. 4:

Release of Financial Assistance to Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports under NLCPR-Central for the Project "Upgradation of the sports venue of South Asian Games at Guwahati and Shillong"

Central Monitoring Committee (CMC) has accorded approval of the release of first and final one-time release of Rs.487.10 lakhs to Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports towards the implementation of the project "Upgradation of the sports venue of South Asian Games, Guwahati and Shillong".

Agenda Item No. 5:

Release of Financial Assistance to Department of Heavy Industry, M/o Heavy Industry and Public Enterprises, Government of India towards the project "Conversion of Meter Gauge (MG) to Broad Gauge (BG) from Panchgram Station to Inside CPM premises"

The representative of M/o Railways requested the CMC to release full amount of railway related works. The total amount of railway works is Rs.16.425 crore including expenditure involved in gauge conversion, locomotives etc. The total fund available during this financial year, to release under NLCPR-Central Scheme, is Rs.15.039 crore.

Central Monitoring Committee (CMC) accorded approval of the release of Rs.15.039 crore as first instalment of the Project to Department of Heavy Industry, M/o Heavy Industry and Public Enterprises, towards the implementation of the project "Conversion of Meter Gauge (MG) to Broad Gauge (BG) from Panchgram Station to inside Cachar Paper Mills (CPM) premises" in Assam subject to condition that the beneficiary agency i.e. Hindustan Paper Mills will maintain the project. The remaining amount i.e., Rs.4.1886 crore will be released as and when funds will be required by the Ministry. Representative of M/o Railway has also informed that the work will be completed within six months time. The following components of the project in which this fund would not be utilized and will be clearly mentioned in the sanction order:-

- i) Land acquisition cost;
- ii) Rehabilitation cost;
- iii) Maintenance cost.

All remaining works of the project would be completed by HFCL.

Agenda Item No. 6.

Akhaura (Bangladesh) - Agartala (India) Rail Link Project:

Joint Secretary (Infra) informed the CMC about the comments of Govt. of Tripura that they were not in a position to bear any cost of land acquisition cost due to limited budgetary resources. It was also clearly brought out in the meeting that NLCPR- Central Scheme does not provide any assistance for land acquisition. Keeping this in view, the CMC, after due deliberation and keeping in view of the sensitivity and criticality of the project, recommended approval of the project for funding for the Indian side of the project under NLCPR (Central) scheme, including land cost, as a special case. The CMC also accord that expenditure on land acquisition is being recommended as a special case.

Ministry of Railways informed that Akhaura-Agartala Rail Link is a sanctioned project and the execution can be taken up immediately after requisite fund is transferred by Ministry of DoNER. Ministry of Railway requested to release the necessary amount of Rs.120 crore for the financial year 2016-17.

The CMC approved the project 'in-principle' for an amount of Rs.580.00 crores for a length of 5.05 Kms of the Indian side (including land cost). The funds for the project would be released to Ministry of Railways. The year-wise break-up of the funds required for the project is as under:-

2016-17	- 120 crore
2017-18	- 260 crore
2018-19	- 200 crore.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

List of Participants

1. Shri Navan Verma, Secretary, Ministry of DoNER
2. Smt. Jhanja Tripathy, JS &FA, Ministry of DoNER
3. Shri Shankar Lal Meena, Joint Secretary, Ministry of DoNER
4. Shri Sanjay Kumar, Director (NE), NITI Aayog
5. Shri Dhananjaya Singh, Director (Works), M/o Railways
6. Ms. Neeta Gupta, Deputy Secretary, M/o Home Affairs
7. Shri Chittaranjan Das, Director (PF-II), D/o Expenditure
8. Shri S.R. Meena, Director, Ministry of DoNER
