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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of 147th Meeting of the Committee to administer the non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) scheme - Regarding

Approved minutes of the 147th Meeting of the NLCPR Committee held on 22.12.2016 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DoNER in Committee Room No.243 A, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi are enclosed for information and necessary action.

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

To

1. Ms. Jhanja Tripathy, Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of DoNER
2. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
3. Shri Avinash Mishra, Joint Adviser, Niti Aayog
4. Smt Nita Gupta, Deputy Secretary, Deptt of School and Elementary Education, Ministry of HRD
5. Shri O.P Tiwari, Executive Engineer, M/o DoNER
6. Shri P.K Singh, Under Secretary, M/o Human Resources Development
7. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Das, Under Secretary, M/o Urban Development
8. Shri Haradhan Das, Under Secretary, M/o DoNER

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1. PS to Hon’ble Minister, DoNER
2. PPS to Secretary, DoNER
3. PPS to Joint Secretary(NLCPR)
4. Director(RC)/Director(VLRK)/Director(BNP)
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6. Director (NIC) for uploading of the minutes in the Project portal.
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Minutes of the 147th meeting of NLCPR Committee held on 22.12.2016 under the Chairmanship of Shri Naveen Verma, Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region in Committee Room No 243 A, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi.

The following officers were present in the meeting:-

i) Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development

ii) Shri Jitendra Kumar Sinha, Joint Secretary, Ministry of DoNER

iii) Shri Avinash Mishra, Joint Adviser, NITI Aayog

iv) Smt. Nita Gupta, Deputy Secretary,
D/o School and Elementary Education, Ministry of HRD

v) Shri O.P. Tiwari, Executive Engineer, M/o DoNER

vi) Shri P.K. Singh, Under Secretary, Ministry of HRD

vii) Shri Rajeev Kumar Das, Under Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development

viii) Shri Haradhan Das, Under Secretary, IFD, Ministry of DoNER

2. The representative of Ministry of Home Affairs did not attend the meeting.

3. The Committee was briefed about the proposals submitted by the State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Assam for retention and sanction of some of the projects recommended by respective State Level Empowered Committees (SLECs). The Committee was also briefed about following two features of the guidelines of the NLCPR scheme:

Value of Projects to be retained not to exceed three times of the normative allocation minus committed liability of retained projects.

No fresh sanction normally be issued if unspent balance
of a State is more than 3 times of the normative allocation of the State.

4. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development shared with the Committee that the State Governments including some of NE States are using nano technology for the purpose of soil stabilization and water proofing of roads. Bio-conservation techniques are also being used for stabilization of slopes during construction of PMGSY roads. He also shared with Committee about the template being used in preparation of DPRs and engagement of IITs/NITs for vetting of DPRs in case of projects being sanctioned under PMGSY. All these practices had helped them in significant reduction in cost of construction, better implementation and enhanced longevity of the roads. The Committee was of the view that the States may be requested to follow the same practices and processes in case of the road projects being funded under NLCPR Scheme.

5. Later on the Committee took note of the normative allocation, unspent balance, value of earlier retained projects etc. of these States and accordingly made following recommendations after due deliberation:-

A. Arunachal Pradesh

(i) Construction of road from Longkhow to Pumao Circle HQ under Longding district (18 KM) SH:FC, Culvert, RW, Bridge in Longding district (cost Rs.18.00 crore)

Joint Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development clarified to the Committee that Longkhow and Pumao are
separately connected to two different main roads under PMGSY but two habitations are not connected to each other as multiple connectivity of habitations is not permissible under the scheme. Therefore, the present proposal for inter-connectivity of these two habitations could be considered under the NLCPR Scheme. He also informed that under the scheme of PMGSY, the cost of construction of road with 5.00 meter width (besides shouldering) per KM in Arunachal Pradesh is around Rs.88.00 lakh. The Committee also took note in reduction of the cost of the project from Rs.28.00 crore to Rs.18.00 crore in the reprioritized list. After due deliberation, the Committee recommended the project for retention in principle at the cost of Rs.18.00 crore subject to the condition that while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the project is composite and fully connects the proposed habitations and with the cost of construction comparable to the rates followed under PMGSY in the area.

(ii) Infrastructure Development of Wangcha Rajkumar Government College, Deomali in Tirap District (Cost Rs.5.00 crore)

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended for retention subject to confirmation from the Ministry of Human Resource Development that the project is not covered under their scheme.

(iii) Providing water supply at Bameng Admn. HQ (Phae-I) in East Kameng district (cost Rs.13.50 crore)
The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended for the retention subject to confirmation from the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation whether the Project is covered under their scheme.

(iv) Construction of road from Bana to Richukrong Admn. CO HQ via Kaya Valley (30 KM) [Phase –I: 10KM] in East Kameng District (cost Rs.12.00 crore)

The Committee took note of the average cost of construction of PMGSY roads in Arunachal Pradesh and found the proposed cost of the project slightly on the higher side. The Committee noted that the entire road is not being covered. Accordingly, the Committee recommended the project for retention in-principle subject to the condition that while considering the project, SLEC must ensure that the project is composite and fully connects the proposed habitations keeping the cost of construction per kilometre as permissible under PMGSY into consideration.

(v) Construction of Bypass road from Lipu Bagra to Nikte via Yigi Kaum (14 km) cost – Rs.10.00 crore

The Committee took note of the average cost of
construction of road in Arunachal Pradesh under PMGSY and found the cost slightly on the higher side. Accordingly, the Committee recommended the project for retention subject to the condition that while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC may examine the justification for the project not being in accordance with the cost of construction per kilometre as followed under PMGSY.

(vi) Construction of road from Rungong ADC HQ to connect Kaying EAC HQ (64 KM) (Phase-I) Molom to Bogne village – 23 Km in West Siang District (cost Rs.15.00 crore)

The representative of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways informed the Committee that a stretch of 7.00 kilometre of road has been sanctioned by them under CRF in the area. The Committee noted that the entire road is not being covered. Accordingly, the Committee recommended the project for retention subject to the condition that while considering vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the stretch of 7.00 kilometres, already sanctioned under CRF, may not be included but the proposed road is constructed and must link the two habitations with the cost of construction per KM as followed in PMGSY.

(vii) Construction of Road from Chaksam bridge to Gongkhar village (including bridge) 4 KM. (cost Rs.10.00 crore)
The Committee took note of the fact that the proposed length of the road is 4.00 kilometer with a bridge. The cost of the bridge is only around Rs.1.34 crore and balance amount of Rs.8.66 crore is proposed for construction of road which seems to be on higher side as per PMGSY norms. Accordingly, the Committee recommended the project for retention subject to the condition that while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the cost of construction of road should be at par with that of the rate being adopted for the road under PMGSY and the project is composite linking the proposed habitations.

(viii) Construction of road from Terung to Sumsipathar in Tirap district (cost Rs.20.00 crore)

The Committee took note of reduction in cost of construction of the road from Rs.30.00 crore to Rs.20.00 crore in their reprioritized list. Accordingly, the Committee discussed and recommended the project for retention at the cost of Rs.20.00 crore subject to the condition that while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the cost of construction of road should be at par with that of the rate being adopted for the road under PMGSY and the proposed habitations are fully linked.

(ix) Construction of Road from Chongkham to Meme via Namling village(10 km) in Namsai District (cost – Rs.13.50 crore)
The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended the project for retention subject to the confirmation from the Ministry of Rural Development that the project is not covered under their scheme of PMGSY and subject to the condition that while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the cost of construction of road should be at par with that of the rate being adopted for the road under PMGSY and the project is composite linking the proposed habitations.

(x) Construction of Road from BRTF road to Yase village under Tirbin (cost – Rs. 18.00 crore)

The Committee discussed the proposal and recommended the project for retention subject to the confirmation from the Ministry of Rural Development that the project is not covered under their scheme of PMGSY and subject to the condition that SLEC while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the project is composite completely linking the proposed habitations with the cost of construction of road at par with that of the rate being adopted for the road under PMGSY.

(xi) Construction of Road from Geku to Mariyang in Upper Siang district (Rs.19.00 crore)

The Committee discussed the proposal and
recommended the project for retention subject to the condition that SLEC while considering the vetting of DPR of the project, SLEC must ensure that the project is composite, completely linking the proposed habitations with the cost of construction of road at par with that of the rate being adopted for the roads under PMGSY.

While recommending retention of the above projects, it was noted by the Committee that the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh has recommended a large number of road projects in their proposal. Therefore, the Committee advised that the State Government /SLEC may be requested to re-visit whether they want to go ahead with these road projects even if the share of such a single sector project constitutes more than 40% of the total value of retained projects.

B. Assam

The Committee discussed the recommendation of the SLEC of the State of Assam and recommended the following projects for sanction subject to the condition that the State Government must submit the Appraisal Report of the vetted DPRs along with mandatory certificates viz. Land availability, forest clearance, stone quarry, non-duplication certificates from the concerned authorities before issuance of Administrative & Financial Approval by the Ministry of DoNER:-
Construction of RCC Bridge No.9/1 on Mancotte Khamtighat road along with approaches and protection works and strengthening of damaged road pavement from Chainage 8308 KM to Chainage 32825 m via Saraighat 8 road up to Bamunbari Tihiali connecting Moran Nanarkatia Road (SH-27) in Dibrugarh district (cost-Rs 13.87 crore)

Construction of Indoor Stadium at Dongkamokam under Hamren Sub Division (cost-Rs 6.31 crore)

Construction of Road from NH-31 to Kashimpur Suplekuuchi via Purbabharati (Cost-Rs 5.63 crore)

Construction of Road from Subhijhar to Uttar Bellanguri via Kumarshali at Bijni in Chirang District (Rs-14.64 crore)

2. The Committee also discussed the proposal “Construction of Digheeripar Bodoulguri Borachuga Road from Ch-0.00 KM to Ch-4.12 KM and Ch-4.56 KM to Ch-10.10 KM including cross drainage works in Darrang District (cost Rs.11.50 crore)” and recommended for sanction with the condition that the state Government shall submit the Lat-long and GPS coordinate alongwith the Appraisal Report of the vetted DPR, mandatory certificates viz Land availability, forest clearance, stone quarry, non-duplication certificates from the concerned authorities before issuance of
Administrative & Financial Approval by the Ministry of DoNER.

3. Further, the Committee also discussed the proposal for "Construction of Alternative Road to Kamakhya Temple at Guwahati in Kamrup (Metro) District (Phase-I restricted to Hill cutting and Retaining Wall) (cost-13.92 crore)" recommended for sanction of Phase-I subject to the condition that the state Government shall submit Appraisal Report of the vetted DPR, mandatory certificates viz Land availability, forest clearance, stone quarry, non-duplication certificates from the concerned authorities before issuance of Administrative & Financial Approval by the Ministry of DoNER. The Committee also took note of the recommendation of SLEC for positing phase-II (cost-Rs 26.00 crore) of the project for funding under NLCPR scheme during the next financial year.

4. The committee also deliberated the recommendation of SLEC wherein they have reiterated the necessity for considering the project "Construction of Kamachari Bhavan at Panjabari, Guwahati". After due discussion, the Committee recommended the project for retention at an estimated cost of Rs 8.94 crore.

5. In addition, the Committee noted the recommendation of the SLEC in case of the project "Udalguri Sapekhaty Bhakatpara Road in Udalguri Rural Road Division" that the State Government will submit proposal for construction of 16 KM of road under PMGSY and remaining portion road under NLCPR scheme and agreed to the recommendation. The Committee agreed to the recommendation of SLEC in this regard within normative allocation.
C. DHATC

The proposals submitted under the DHATC package by State Government of Assam was considered in the last 145th meeting also and accordingly, Joint Secretary (NE), MHA was requested to form a Committee to identify the projects as per Memorandum of Settlement (MOS). However, the Joint Secretary, MHA advised over phone that the proposal may be considered by the NLCPR Committee as per past practice. Accordingly, the proposal was placed before NLCPR Committee in 147th meeting.

The Committee discussed following projects of DHATC submitted by the State Government of Assam and recommended for their retention:-

(i) Construction of community Hall at Dehangi Bazar under PWD (Building), Halflong Division (Cost-3.00 crore)

(ii) Construction of Community Hall at Diyungbra (Digendo) under PWD (Building), Halflong Division (Cost-3.00 crore)

(iii) Construction of Community Hall at Nobdiangting under PWD (Building), Halflong Division (Cost-3.00 crore)

(iv) Construction of Community Hall at Mahur under PWD (Building), Halflong Division (Cost-3.00 crore)
2. The Committee also discussed about the project "Greater Gunjung Water Supply under PHE, Halflong (Cost-Rs 45.53)" and after due deliberation recommended for its retention in-principle subject to the condition that a field visit may be made by a joint team of Ministry DoNER and Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation apart from officials of NESAC.

D. Manipur

The Committee discussed the following four re-prioritised projects recommended by SLEC of the Govt. of Manipur and recommended them for retention:

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<td>Augmentation of water supply at Sanakeithel and surrounding 4 (four) villages. (0.22 MLD) , Ukhrul Distt.</td>
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<td>Infrastructure Development for 50 Bedded District Hospitals at Senapati, Tamenglong, Chandel, Ukhrul , Jiribam, Moreh and Bishnupur (water supply, approach road with cross – drainage etc.)</td>
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2. The Committee also discussed the ongoing Project "Construction of 05 Nos. Primary School Buildings in Tamenglong Autonomous District Council of Manipur" seeking ex-post-facto approval for change of location of Schools. Based on the discussions held, the Committee approved the proposal subject to clearance / NOC from the Line Ministry/Department i.e. Deptt. of School Education, Govt. of India.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair

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