Date of Meeting : 22\textsuperscript{nd} November, 2002 and 4\textsuperscript{th} December, 2002

Venue : Committee Room, Vigyan Bhavan Annexe.

Time : 2:30 PM

Sub.: 19\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of the Committee (constituted to administer the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources).

Present:

22.11.2002
1. Shri Atul Sinha, Secretary, DoNER ... In Chair
2. Mrs. Reva Nayyar, Adviser (SP-NE), Planning Commission
3. Shri Jarnail Singh, Joint Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
4. Shri J.P. PraKash, Joint Secretary, DoNER
5. Shri A.K. Jain, Joint Secretary (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs
6. Shri D.K. Singh, Deputy Secretary (NLP-I), DoNER
7. John K. Sellate, Deputy Secretary(NLP-II), DoNER
8. Shri D.V. Seth, Deputy Secretary (PF-I), Department of Expenditure
9. Shri S.R. Sharma, Consultant, Planning Commission
10. Shri Krishna Kumar, Senior Research Officer, DoNER

4.12.2002
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8. Shri D.N. Kataria, AFA, DoNER
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1. Initiating the discussions Secretary, DONER informed the Committee that modified guidelines of NLCPR approved by Ministry of Finance, Government of India has been issued. He also informed that the budgetary provision of Rs. 200 crores made for NLCPR in the first supplementary during the current financial year has been released to States.

2. It was further informed that the projects retained for detailed examination by the 16th Meeting of the NLCPR Committee held on 23rd July, 2002 from the list of the State Governments of Assam, Manipur, Nagaland and Tripura had been sent for techno-economic feasibility to Ministry/Department concerned. Simultaneously, for ascertaining their current status with regard to funding from any other source, the list of projects had been sent to Planning Commission. The Projects are:

**Assam**

1. Construction of Multistoried RCC Secretariat at Dispur Capital Complex
2. Infrastructure Support to Guwahati Municipal Corporation for storm water drainage
3. Improvement of Kamakhya Temple Road
4. Greater Silchar Water Supply project
5. Maibong Hospital project

**Manipur**

1. Augmentation of Water Supply for Churachandpur
2. Augmentation of Water Supply for Ukhrul district Headquarter
3. Augmentation of Water Supply at Senapati District Headquarter
4. Augmentation of Water Supply for Chandel HQ and surrounding areas
5. Composite Water Supply Scheme for Tamenglong District Headquarter
6. Establishment of Women Polytechnic at Imphal

**Nagaland**

1. Assembly Complex
2. Improvement of Road from Dimapur to Ganeshnagar
3. Integrated Rural Piggery Development Programme
4. Construction of Sports Hall at Mokokchung
5. Protection of erosion of Chathe river
6. Sub-transmission at Mokokchung
**Tripura**

1. Drinking Water Supply Scheme for Dharamnagar
2. Drinking Water Supply scheme for Teliamura
3. Strengthening of District Hospitals
4. Setting up of a State Level Para Medical Training Institute, Tripura
5. Infrastructure Development Project for Tripura Engineering College

3. The response of the Planning Commission does not indicate that these projects have been or are proposed to be funded under State Plan or Additional Central Assistance (ACA). The techno-economic comments/observations made by the Central Ministries concerned and conclusions arrived at in the Meeting are given below:

**Assam**

3.1 **Construction of Multi-Storey RCC Secretariat:** The Ministry of Urban Development was yet to finalize its technical comments on the project. Hence the decision on the project proposal for construction of multi-storied RCC Secretariat at Dispur in Assam was deferred.

3.2 **Infrastructural support to Guwahati Municipal Corporation for Storm Water Drainage:** The Ministry of Urban Development had observed that the proposal is mainly for procurement of machinery with a limited life-span. Therefore, the Ministry is not in favour of this project. However, the Ministry has suggested that the State Government may explore the possibility of involving private agency/hiring of equipments to overcome the problem of Storm Water drainage. The Committee agreed with the comments of the Ministry of Urban Development and decided not to recommend the project for support under NLCPR in its present form. The Committee felt that the Government of Assam should explore the comprehensive infrastructure developmental needs of drainage system for long term solution to the problem.
3.3 ** Improvement of Kamakhya Temple Road:** The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has examined and found the project proposal namely Improvement of Kamakhya Temple Road in Assam techno-economically feasible. The Committee agreed to recommend the project under NLCPR at a cost of Rs. 4.89 crore to be implemented in two years.

3.4 ** Greater Silchar Water Supply Project:** Ministry of Urban Development has examined and recommended the Greater Silchar Water Supply project in Assam. The Committee agreed to recommend the proposal to fund the project under NLCPR consisting of Zone I, Zone II and Zone III costing Rs.3.59 crore, Rs.5.81 crore and Rs.2.9 crore respectively. The Committee recommended that the State Government may take up the implementation of the project zone-wise starting with Zone I. After successful completion of Zone I, subsequent zones should be taken up. The entire project should be completed by 2005.

3.5 **Maibong Hospital:** The Committee advised that Ministry of Health be reminded to send comments on whether requirements indicated in the DPR are commensurate with the requirements needed for a 100-bedded hospital. These comments may be placed before the Committee for taking a view in the matter.

**Manipur**

3.6 **Water Supply Projects:** The Committee discussed the five water supply projects of Manipur State. The Committee observed that while recommending the projects, the Health Ministry had observed that procurement of gypsy, mini Tata (four-wheeled vehicle), and welding machine should not be included in the cost of the project. Similarly,
there is no need to establish new laboratory as the projects intend to augment the existing facilities. The Committee agreed with this observation. Based on the techno-economic observations of Department of Drinking Water, the Committee agreed to fund the following projects to be completed by March 2005:

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<td>Upgradation of existing treatment plant at Bungmual from Lanva river source (Churachandpur District) – Zone-II</td>
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<td>Augmentation of water supply to Churachandpur town from Khuga dam (Khuga river source) – Zone-III</td>
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<td>Augmentation of water supply at Senapati District Headquarter</td>
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The Committee also recommended that keeping in view the complexity of projects and size, the works be executed on a turn-key basis by reputed companies. Further, in order to ensure close monitoring and timely completion, the Department may sign a MOU with the Government of Manipur for each of these projects.
3.7 **Women Polytechnic in Imphal:** The Committee observed that there is already one Polytechnic in Imphal and two ITIs of which one is exclusively for women. Another Polytechnic for Women therefore need not be accorded a high priority. Moreover, a new Woman Polytechnic in Imphal will also require creation of posts etc. but the proposal is silent on these aspects. In view of these, the proposal was not recommended.

**Nagaland**

3.8 **Assembly Complex:** The Committee observed that providing Rs. 4.00 crore for Assembly Complex, will not lead to the Complex becoming operational and hence decided not to recommend the project under NLCPR.

3.9 **Dimapur to Ganeshnagar Road:** The revised DPR of Improvement of road from Dimapur to Ganeshnagar (35 Kms) prepared by State Government was in accordance with the observations and comments of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways. The project at a cost of Rs. 12.12 crore, at the current schedule of rate i.e. 2002-03, was recommended for funding under NLCPR. The project should be completed by March 2004.

3.10 **Integrated Rural Piggery Development Programme:** Since it is a beneficiary oriented project, it does not fall strictly within the broad objectives of NLCPR. The Committee noted that the Department of Animal Husbandry has been spending less than the stipulated 10% on the North East and Sikkim. The Committee therefore suggested that the State Government may pose this project to Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Agriculture for funding.
3.11 **Construction of Sports Hall at Mokokchung:** The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has approved 41 on-going sports infrastructure projects all over Nagaland at a cost of Rs. 10.37 crore including a district level sports complex at Mokokchung. However, looking at the keen interest of people of Mokokchung in sports the Committee recommended the proposal of construction of sports complex at Mokokchung at a cost of Rs. 1.94 crore to be completed by March 2004.

3.12 **Protection of Erosion of Chathe River:** The Committee did not recommend the proposal for funding under NLCPR as the project is included under NEC’s Plan.

3.13 **Sub-Transmission System at Mokokchung:** The Committee noted that State Government have availed loan from Power Finance Corporation amounting to Rs. 5.50 crore and has requested to meet balance amount of Rs.6.99 crore for completing works of sub-transmission system at Mokokchung. CEA has examined and recommended the project proposal. The Committee agreed to recommend the proposal for funding under NLCPR at a cost of Rs. 6.99 crore to be completed by March 2004.

**Tripura**

3.14 **Drinking Water Supply at Dharamnagar:** The Committee noted that the technical comments of the Ministry of Urban Development in respect of the project proposal relating to Drinking Water Supply for Dharamnagar in Tripura was favourable. The project was agreed for extending support under NLCPR for Rs. 5.49 crore to be completed by March 2004.

3.15 **Drinking Water Supply at Teliamura:** Technical comments of the Ministry of Urban Development were favourable in respect of the
project. However, the estimated cost of the Rs. 6.38 crore included land acquisition cost of Rs. 0.17 crore. As the land acquisition cost was not admissible under the NLCPR, the Committee agreed to recommend the project at a cost of Rs. 6.21 crore (excluding land acquisition). In accordance with the guidelines, funds should be released only after all clearances including land acquisition has been completed by State Government.

3.16 **Strengthening of district hospitals in Tripura:** The proposal was deferred and the State Government requested to prepare individual location-specific projects for different locations.

3.17 **State Level Paramedical Training Institute:** The Committee noted that the proposal to setup State Level Paramedical Training Institute in Tripura was not included in the revised list of priority projects for consideration under the NLCPR. The Committee suggested that the State Government’s priority in respect of this project may be ascertained before the same is considered for funding under the Central Pool.

3.18 **Infrastructure Development of Tripura Engineering College:** As the comments of the Department of Secondary and Higher Education for the project Infrastructure Development for Tripura Engineering College were yet to be received, the decision on this project was deferred.

4. **Tamenglong Seminar Projects:**

4.1 **A Seminar at Tamenglong** organized by Ministry of Home Affairs on 10-11 November 2000 had identified some projects for development of the area to be taken up, inter-alia, under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources. After detailed discussions, the following projects were
identified for recommending assistance under Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources.

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<td>Sub-transmission system at Noney (33x11 KVA sub station)</td>
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While recommending the projects, the Committee stipulated following conditions:

(a) A confirmation will be obtained from the Ministry of Power about non-funding of these schemes under Accelerated Power Development Scheme.

(b) The Project will be got executed by the State Government on a turn-key basis and with a Memorandum of Understanding.

(c) The project should be implemented within two years failing which State Government has to refund the entire amount/ or DONER will adjust these funds against other approved schemes under NLCPR.

(d) State Government will submit monitorable schedule of implementation.

4.2 The Tamenglong Seminar had recommended some educational institutions for funding. It was noted that all but three Junior High Schools had already been covered under other ongoing NLCPR projects. The committee recommended that these three Junior High Schools be also covered by State Government under the Project already sanctioned from Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources for 172 Secondary Schools.
5. **Bamboo Processing Industry in Mizoram:** The project has already been sanctioned under Non-lapsable Central Pool of Resources but further release could not be made for want response of State Government on TIFAC’s comments. Government of India has also sought clarification from State Government on single bid from a firm for supply of equipments. The Committee suggested that the Government of Mizoram may be requested to offer their comments on the observations of National mission on Bamboo Applications (TIFAC). Further, the State Government should follow proper tender procedure to ensure competitive bidding for selection of firm for supply of machinery. The Department of Development of North Eastern Region may appropriately consider the response of the State Government and accordingly process further release of funds.

6. **Hamilton Bridge (Nagaland):** The Committee recommended the BRO’s cost estimates of construction of 40 meter span RCC permanent bridge on Chare-Dikhu-Mokokchung Road to replace the old Hamilton Bridge at a cost of Rs. 1.60 crore to be executed within two years of release of funds. No compensation for the land should be paid out of NLCPR funds.

7. **Construction of School Building for Government School at Pfutsero (Nagaland):** The Committee did not recommend the proposal under NLCPR as an amount of Rs. 32.24 crore is already sanctioned for schools in Nagaland. State Government may consider this project out of the funds released/ to be released for that project.

8. **Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati, Assam (OperationTheatre):** The proposal was for purchase of
equipments at the estimated cost of Rs. 1,53,70,400 lakhs. The proposal was recommended for extending support under NLCPR at an estimated cost of Rs. 1.53 crores. The Committee further observed that the hospital is a renowned one and since its authorities are technical experts in this field, technical examination of their proposal by the Central Ministry concerned need not be insisted upon.

9. **Guwahati University Campus at Kokrajhar - Rs. 5 crore:** The Committee was informed that in its Sixth meeting held on 23-1-2001, the NLCPR Committee had decided to consider strengthening of Campus of Guwahati University at Kokrajhar and Ministry of HRD was to prepare a DPR for Central funding of the Kokrajhar Campus of the Guwahati University. The Ministry of HRD has now examined the DPR submitted by the Government of Assam for development of basic infrastructure of Kokrajhar Campus in Guwahati University and recommended it for support under NLCPR at the estimated cost of Rs. 5 crore. The Committee has agreed to recommend the project at the cost of Rs. 5 crore, this being a BAC area project.

10. **Construction of 33/11 KV, 2x5 MVA S/S at Maram under Senapati District (Manipur) – Rs. 3.67 crore:** The Committee considered the proposal and agreed to recommend NLCPR support for the project. The Committee recommended NLCPR support subject to:
   (i) Confirmation from Ministry of Power of the project not being funded under Accelerated Power Development Programme;
   (ii) Project should be executed on a turnkey basis and a Memorandum of Understanding;
   (iii) Project should be implemented within 2 years of release of funds, failing which DONER will adjust the amount against other approved project.
11. **Construction of 33/11 KV, 2x5 MVA S/S at Behiang (Manipur)- Rs. 2.38 crores:** Behiang is a border town with Myanmar and one of the most remote areas. The Committee considered the proposal and agreed to recommend NLCPR support for the project, subject to:
   (i) Confirmation from Ministry of Power of the project not being funded under Accelerated Power Development Programme;
   (ii) Project should be executed on a turnkey basis and a Memorandum of Understanding;
   (iii) Project should be implemented within 2 years of release of funds, failing which DONER will adjust the amount against other approved project.

12. **Upgradation of Thoubal District Hospital to 100 bedded- Rs. 25.08 crore:** The Committee wants to get the project technically examined in the first instance.

**Priority List of Arunachal, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Sikkim:**

13. The Committee considered the list of priority projects of the Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Sikkim. While identifying the projects to be retained for detailed examination the committee was guided by the following considerations:
   (a) Projects of economic infrastructure will be given priority;
   (b) In the social sector, priority to drinking water supply and other health and sanitation projects accorded during the current year will continue;
   (c) Projects in Autonomous district Council (VIth Schedule of the Constitution) will be given priority;
(d) Past performance of a state in implementing projects in the particular sectors to which the projects belong would also be considered;

(e) The overall utilisation and absorption of funds by a particular state in the past years would also guide the overall quantum of projects to be undertaken for that state in a year.

After careful consideration of these aspects, the committee decided to retain the following projects for detailed technical examination:

**Arunachal Pradesh**
1. Transmission line from Along to Pasighat.
2. Restoration of Transmission Line from Yingkiong to Pasighat.
3. Water Supply Scheme at Daporijo
4. Water Supply Scheme at Yupia
5. Water Supply Scheme at Chambang.
6. Water Supply Scheme at Yangte.

**Meghalaya**
2. Tura Phase-III Water Supply Scheme

**Mizoram**
1. Power Evacuation from Thermal Power Plant, Bairabi.
2. Improvement and widening of Bawngkawn to Durtlang Road.
4. Pilot Project for Agricultural Technical Based NAAN (Israel) Irrigation System.
5. Construction of Out-Patient Department Block, Civil Hospital, Aizawl.
6. Six Bedded Intensive Care Unit at Civil Hospital, Aizawl.
Sikkim

1. Multi stage pumping for Drinking Water from River Rangeet to Namchi, South Sikkim.
2. Extension of Gangtok Sewerage System (Phase-II).
3. Renovation/upgradation of Dicheling Cremation ground.

Further, Sikkim was advised to develop comprehensive road projects that will help the state economy instead of present 10 proposals covering small portions of existing roads.

Other Items With the Permission of the Chair:

14. **Renovation of 220 KV BTPS-Agia-Sarusajai Transmission Line (Circuit-I & Circuit-II) in Assam:** The Committee discussed the project and noted that the project appears at priority no. 3 of the list submitted by Government of Assam and would benefit both Assam and Meghalaya and that CEA has accorded techno-economic clearance in respect of the above project. The Committee recommended supporting the project under NLCPR at an estimated cost of Rs. 28.38 crore as approved by CEA.

15. **Operation Desk Project in Nagaland:** The NLCPR Committee in its 15th Meeting held on 18.6.2002 had provisionally retained the project proposal of Government of Nagaland namely Operation Desk Project involving providing benches and desks in 1670 government schools. However, this project did not figure in the list of priority projects submitted by State Planning Department for consideration under NLCPR. The Committee therefore recommended the dropping of the project from NLCPR.