

Minutes of the Meeting of Pre-EC held on 03rd July, 2013 for the proposals of the State of Odisha under PMGSY

State: Odisha

A Meeting of Pre-Empowered Committee for PMGSY was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. P.K. Anand, Joint Secretary (RD) in his chamber on 03rd July, 2013 at 4.00 PM to discuss the proposals sent by the State of Odisha for the new connectivity under ADB RCIP Tr-II. The following were present in the meeting:-

Dr P K Anand	Joint Secretary, Min of Rural Development
Dr. I. K. Pateriya	Dir (Tech), NRRDA
Sh P K Katare	Director (P-III), NRRDA
Shri N. C. Solanki	Director (P-I), NRRDA
Shri Bhupal Nanda	Director (F&A), NRRDA
Shri Y. S. Dwivedi	Director (RC), MoRD
State Govt Representatives	
Sh C J Venugopal	Pri Secy RD
Sh H K Sadangi	C E III, RW
Sh H K Dutt	EE,

Proposal by the State

2. Director (Tech.) presented the proposal sent by the State as under:-

Item	New Connectivity	Long Span Bridges	Total
Value in Rs. Crores	595.72	483.31	1079.03
No. of Road /Bridges works	347	140	347 roads
			140 bridge
Length in Km	1205.69	10631.09 mtr	1205.69 Km
			10631.09 mtr

3. Habitations details on OMMAS:

Though the State has entered the habitations details on OMMAS, the updation has not been carried to include the left-out habitations, habitations connected under State schemes etc. JS asked the State update the status on OMMAS in consultation with Director (Tech) and send the reconciled details duly tallied with OMMAS before sending brief for EC.

4. Balance length to be cleared to complete new connectivity as per PMGSY guidelines in the State:

JS asked the State to send the abstract of balance length of new connectivity yet to be sanctioned excluding the present proposal duly signed and its road-wise details in soft copy for reference before sending brief for EC.

5. Updating Proposal and Progress Modules on OMMAS:

JS asked the State to update the Proposal and Progress Modules on OMMAS and send the MPR as per OMMAS data alongwith the brief of EC.

6. Completion Plan:

JS observed that the actual achievement by the State is only about 50% compared to completion plan sent by the State in Aug, 2012 and asked the State to send realistic month-wise completion plan alongwith brief for EC, and to expedite completion.

7. Verification of Bridge estimates by the Chief Engineer/SEs:

JS advised the State that all the bridge DPRs should be verified by the CE/SE and suggest if any improvement or corrections required to the PIUs.

8. 5-year Maintenance component in the proposal:

JS asked the State to increase the maintenance component in the proposal from 5.21% to at least 9%.

9. Dropping of roads:

JS asked the State to send all cases of dropping to NRRDA and attach the Statement with brief for EC.

10. Compliance of DPR issues:

Director (Tech) brought out some issues with regard to DPRs sent by the State (Annexure). JS asked the State to comply with the observations before sending brief for EC.

11. Implementation and executional capacity of the State:

The State has engaged 25 PIUs in IAP districts and 25 PIUs in the Non-IAP districts. Considering capacity of each PIU as Rs. 50 crore in Non-IAP districts and Rs. 75 crore in IAP districts, the current capacity of the State to handle the work load is Rs. 3,125 crore. The State is already having projects work load of Rs. 5,000 crore in hand to be completed. Hence to execute additional projects it requires to enhance its implementation capacity.

JS asked to send the PIU-wise work-load after considering the present proposal and its strategy to handle the workload efficiently.

12. Quality assurance by the State:

Dir (P-III) brought out that the quality assurance by the State is in a bad shape. As per PMGSY guidelines, each work should be inspected at least three times by the SQMs but on average it is being inspected only once. Though the State has engaged 35 SQMs, they are not being fully utilised. During the previous financial years 2011-12 and 2012-13, the NQMs have reported Unsatisfactory works of 9% and 25% respectively for completed and ongoing works inspected by them which is on the high side.

JS asked the State to send the SQM inspection programme for the works in hand and its plan to institutionalise the second tier quality monitoring.

13. Finance and accounts issues:

Director (F&A) brought out the accounts issues. The State agreed to address these issues and send status alongwith the brief for EC.

14. Final Bill payments and financial closure of projects:

The State also agreed to concentrate on the clearance of pending Final bills of the contractors and financially close the works on the OMMAS.

15. Compliance status of issues in Clearance letter dated 07th Feb, 2013

JS asked the State to send the Status of compliance of issues in Clearance letter dated 07th Feb, 2013 alongwith the brief for EC.

16. Utilisation of Marginal Material in road construction:

The State is having large resources of Marginal materials like iron slag, Fly ash etc. which can be utilised in the road construction. JS and Dir (Tech) advised that the State should bring some proposals for the same.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

The DPR issues to be complied by the State of Odisha for the proposals discussed in the pre-EC meeting held on 03th July, 2013:

- In some sample DPR, the target habitations are less than 500+ in normal area like in Cuttack district.
- In some proposals of Sambalpur IAP district in OMMS, the target habitation are is less than 250+.
- The provision of M-10 below Hume pipe should be replaced by GSB.
- The provision of earth work is on higher side.
- The provision of 75mm WBM and 75 mm GSB below CC Pavement should be replaced by 150mm GSB Material
- In some sample DPR, the proposed road is not as per alignment of CN 6.
- The provision of 10 m long hume pipe should be reduced to 7.50m.
- The provision of 75mm wearing coat in RCC culvert should be replaced by bituminous layer.
- The existing black top road crust thickness has not been incorporated in proposed design crust.
- The provision of RCC box cell /RCC culvert having more than 15m span should prepare separate DPR as Long Span Bridges accordingly enters in OMMS separately.
- The reply of road works observations have not received in NRRDA. However, the State has intimated about submission of compliance to the observation vide email on dated 11-06-2013. But the same has not received in NRRDA.
- No R&D Proposals taken up in Current Batch of Proposals.
- The Soft copies of Current Proposals have not been submitted by the State.