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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development
Rural Connectivity Division

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated the 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

Subject: Minutes of meeting of Pre-Empowered committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 to discuss project proposals (Batch-I, 2018-19) submitted by State Government of Meghalaya under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-II (PMGSY-II)

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of minutes of the meeting of Pre-Empowered Committee held under the Chairpersonship of Joint Secretary (RC) on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 to discuss project proposals (Batch-I, 2018-19) submitted by the State Government of Meghalaya under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana-II (PMGSY-II).

2. It is requested that a compliance report on all the observations of the Committee may please be sent to the Ministry/NRIDA..

Encl.: As above.

(Dr. Surabhi Rai)

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Deputy Secretary to Govt. of India (RC)

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Pre-Empowered Committee held on 25.02.2019 for the proposals of the State of Meghalaya PMGSY-II Batch-I (2018-19)

A Meeting of the Pre-Empowered Committee meeting of Meghalaya considered the proposals of PMGSY-II Batch-I upto 2018-19 was held on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 in chamber of Joint Secretary(RD). The present proposals brought forth by the State in this current batch is as follows:-

ltem	As per Pre-EC brief dated 24.02.2019				As per OMMAS as on 24.02.2019			
	No of Roads	Length (in km)	Cost (Rs in Crores)	Avg. Cost/km (Lakhs)	No of Roads	Length (in km)	Cost (Rs in Crores)	Avg. Cost/km (Lakhs)
Up-Gradation	59	340.65	226.72	66.55	59	340.65	226.72	66.55
Total	59 roads	340.65 Km roads	226.72*		59 roads	340.65 Km roads	226.72*	
*MoRDShare:	Rs. 204.05	Crore		<u></u> i		State sha	re :Rs. 22.	67 Crore

UG - Target : 490 Km

Sanctioned: Nil

## Discussions held and Decisions taken:

At the very outset, it was brought forth by NRRIDA officials that not a single DPR has been received in NRRIDA for scrutiny. The State was asked to call for sample DPRs and get them examined in NRRIDA. The State submitted that the DPRs will be submitted to NRRIDA by 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.

- It was seen that the average cost per kilometre at 66.55 lakhs is at a higher level with respect to earlier batches.
- Higher costs have been noted in the case of East Garo Hills and West Garo Hills. The cost entered for Jaintia district for 3 meter roads appears to be flawed. State was asked to look into the proposals.
- With respect to the maintenance costs, State need to provide the renewal 6<sup>th</sup> year cost on OMMAS. State was also asked to make provision for 5year DLP period on the 6<sup>th</sup> year renewal.
- With respect to the R&D proposals, specific technology is to be uploaded on OMMAS.
  Rate analysis needs to be verified at atleast one DPR in NRRIDA. State was asked to
  submit MoU for performance evaluation for earlier sanctioned roads. Out of 65
  proposals 6 remained to be scrutinized by STA. State was asked to expedite the STA
  scrutiny.
- It was seen that 73% of works sanctioned in 1980 has been awarded till date. State was asked to expedite the tender process.
- Concern was expressed on the very poor performance of only 75 Kms achievement against target length of 400 Km and 18 habitations connected against the 200 targeted habitations. State was told that the physical performance should be expedited in view of the completion date of March, 2019.

- With respect to quality the following issues were flagged
  - While the State has been getting the full requirement of maintenance funds as per contract. The expenditure in the current year on maintenance is only 33% and the State has 10% 'U' percentage maintenance as per NQM inspections.
  - 117 works have not been inspected even once by SQMs in payment over one lakh rupees has been done in 9 of these works.
  - 99.28% of the contractors have not been inspected even once by NQMs.
  - 23 ATRs ongoing are pending with the State and the State was advised to liquidate this on priority.
- With respect to the Finance and Accounts Issue the main observations raised as below:-
  - 58.21 crores balance in the Saving Bank Account.
  - Outstanding advances against contractors DPR preparations, Administrative Expenses, recoverable from State Government etc. are to be resolved.
  - Outstanding liabilities against Income Tax, Commercial Tax, amount payable to State Government etc. are to be resolved.
  - The State has 14 works which have been physically closed but have not been closed financially and is pending for more than 6 months.

The Empowered Committee meeting for the State has been fixed on the 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. Since physical gaps of DPRs were not submitted to NRIDA before the Pre-EC, the observations on DPRs issues will be communicated to the State separately by NRIDA within this week.

The meeting ended with the Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

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