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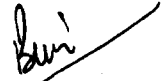
Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi-110001
Dated: 27th February, 2019

Subject: Meeting of the Pre-Empowered Committee held on 25th February, 2019 to discuss project proposals of Mizoram under Regular PMGSY (Batch-II, 2018-19) – MINUTES THEREON

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of minutes of the Pre-Empowered Committee held on 25th February, 2019 under the chairpersonship of Joint Secretary (RC) to discuss the project proposals of Mizoram under Regular PMGSY (Batch-II, 2018-19) for necessary action.

Yours faithfully

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

A Meeting of the Pre-Empowered Committee meeting of Mizoram Regular PMGSY Batch-II of 2018-19 was held on 25th February, 2019 in chamber of Joint Secretary (RC). The details of the current proposals submitted by the State are as under:-

Items	As per OMMAS as on 25.02.2019			
	Nos	Length (in km)	Cost (Rs in Crores)	Avg. Cost/km (Lakhs)
New connectivity Stage - II	9	117.37	143.07	121.90
Total	9	117.37	143.07	121.90
MoRD share :Rs. 128.76 Crores State share :Rs. 14.31 Crores				

The State submitted total number of proposals are 11 in number and 2 are to be uploaded on OMMAS.

Discussions held and Decisions taken:

- With respect to the habitation data on OMMAS, State submitted that under the 250+ category, only 7 habitations have been connected under State scheme. One habitation from that category will shift to the balance unconnected and is being undertaken under the current proposal.
- The average cost trend of 121-90 lakhs per kilometre in the current proposal is very high. The State submitted that all the DPRs have been bought. NRRIDA officials were instructed to scrutinise the DPRs and give their observations.
- It was seen that the State has proposed only 3.7% of maintenance cost as against the instruction cost which is very much on the lower side and State was directed to increase it to 10-13%. The State has to upload the proposed roads under R&D technology on OMMAS.
- Analysis of pending roads has shown 13 roads of 2013-14(51.50 per Kms) is still pending. State responded that these roads are 90% complete and will be finally closed by May to June. 56 roads (390.26 Kms) is pending from 2016-17. This pendency was viewed seriously by the Committee and State was told that this would have to be completed by March, 2019.
- The achievements of 191 Kms against 400 Kms and 0 habitations against the 35 target habitations was also raised as a point of concern. The State said that only 22 of the 35 habitations would be connected by March, 2019.

- 61 % (230 Kms) of the works sanctioned in 2018-19 is yet to be awarded.

With regard to quality the following issues were flagged:

- It is seen that the State has been providing funds for maintenance as per contract however utilisation of the same is not done fully and in the previous year the 'U' percentage based on NQM Inspections was 75% which is not acceptable.
- 64.16 % of the field labs has not been uploaded on OMMAS. The State assured that a system was prevalent where bills are not cleared if labs are not established which keeps a check on this.
- 76 works have not been inspected even once by SQMs and payment of over one lakh have been made in 21 works.
- 19.17 % of the contractors are such whose work has not been inspected by NQMs even once.
- It was seen that State has 3 pending ATRs of completed works. 46 ATRs are pending on ongoing works. It was seen that 36 of the ongoing works are in the SRI category which can be easily liquidated. State was asked to liquidate the same before the Empowered Committee.
- The 50% 'U' Grading in maintenance works and 22.2 % 'U' Grading in ongoing works is shocking.

The Committee observed that the State Quality Coordinator (SQC) does not seem to be functioning properly and State was asked to look into the issue and either get him changed or ensure his proper functioning.

The major Finance and Accounts Issue flagged are as under:

- Outstanding advances to contractors and for DPR Preparation.
- Store issue to contractors.
- The State has no works whose final bills are pending for more than 6 months.

The Empowered Committee meeting for the State has been fixed on the 7th 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 Vote of Thanks to the Chair.
