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Sub: Pre-Empowered Committee Meeting to discuss the project proposals of State of Uttar Pradesh under PMGSY-I and PMGSY-II (Batch-I, 2018-19) -reg.

A copy of the Minutes of the Pre-Empowered Committee Meeting held on 13th July, 2018 at 11:00 AM to discuss the project proposals of the State of Uttar Pradesh for PMGSY-I and PMGSY-II (Batch-I, 2018-19) is forwarded herewith for information and necessary action.

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Minutes of the Meeting of Pre-Empowered Committee held on 13.07.2018 for the proposals of State of Uttar Pradesh under Regular PMGSY-I &II-Batch-I (2018-19)

A Meeting of the Pre- Empowered Committee for PMGSY was held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RC) in her Chamber on 13th July, 2018 at 11.00 AM to discuss the project proposals from the State Govt. of Uttar Pradesh under Regular PMGSY-I & II Batch-I (2018-19). The following officers were present in the meeting:

Ms. Alka Upadhayaya	Joint Secretary(RC), MoRD & DG NRRDA
Dr. Surabhi Rai	Deputy Secretary(RC)
Shri Uttam Kumar	Director (P-III), NRIDA
Shri. P. Mohansundaram	Joint Director (Tech), NRIDA
Shri Parveen Bhalla	Joint Director (F&A), NRIDA
State Govt. Representatives and Others	
Shri. Avdesh Tiwari	CEO, UPRRDA
Shri. Ansari	
Shri. G.P.Panday	Chief Engineer, UPRRDA

Proposal by the State

The current proposal (Batch-I) submitted before the Pre Empowered Committee is as given below:-

Item	As per State's email dated 12.07.2018	As per OMMAS as on 12.07.2018**
Value in Rs. Crores	441.08	456.47
No. of roads	90	93
Length in Km	654.83	682.08
Average Cost in Lakhs / Km	67.36	66.92

* MoRD Share (60%): Rs. 210 Cr. State Share (40%): Rs. 231.08 Cr.

Since the Ministry had issued approval for proposing 652.27 Kms at a cost of Rs. 210.01 Crores under PMGSY in place of dropped roads vide Ministry's letter dated 24.04.2018, the state share will be restricted to 210 crores only and the rest will have to be borne by the state.

(PMGSY-II) Batch I:-

Item	As per State's email dated 12.07.2018	As per OMMAS as on 12.07.2018**
Value in Rs. Crores	237.16	253.15*
No. of roads	34	35
Length in Km	284.56	297.01
Average Cost in Lakhs / Km	83.34	85.23

* MoRD Share (60%): Rs. 27.196 Cr.

State Share (40%): Rs. 225.954 Cr.

Target: 7575 Km

Sanctioned : 7504.96 Km

Ministry had issued approval for proposing 128.73 Kms at a cost of Rs. 67.99 Crores in place of dropped roads and balance length of 70.04 kms under PMGSY-II vide Ministry's letter dated 24.04.2018 so the state share will be restricted to 27.196 crores only and the rest will have to be borne by the state. The state has a target of 7575 km and 7504 km has already been sanctioned. The state responded that 13 roads are being dropped and the balance length will be adjusted against the dropped length.

Issues discussed :

Issues	Directions of Pre Empowered Committee
DPR and General Issues	
MP-I, MP-II, MP-III and copy of SLSC approval not submitted.	Copies of the same need to be submitted by the state
Average cost/km is much higher when compared to previous sanctions.	The State was asked to look into issues discussed below which contributed to higher average costs and rationalize and justify the same. The committee was of the view that the costs were just too high.
States were asked to make the SORs inclusive of the GST rates.	NRIDA was asked to issue a circular to all states to do the same.
Traffic seems to be overestimated in most of the DPRs. Third party traffic verification against the provisions of IRC guidelines (Clause 3.4.1 (iv) and para 7.6 (ii) of PMGSY-II guidelines have not been done	The State has been directed to submit the traffic verification data and.
<p>The following anomalies in the DPRs were pointed out during the discussions.</p> <p>225 mm WMM has been proposed with 50 mm Bituminous Macadam which is against the para 2.2.3 of IRC SP:72-2015. Equivalent thickness of BM ie 75 mm should be deducted from the WMM layer thickness of 225 mm.</p> <p>For rigid pavement panelled cement concrete pavement may be proposed in order to achieve economy in construction.</p> <p>For up-gradation in Abadi portion base thickness of two/three layer of WBM proposed below interlocking block/cement concrete pavement is not justified, needs correction. It should be 100 mmm thickness (UP2656 & UP0184).</p> <p>Rate of edge block is already included in rate analysis of interlocking pavement, however again edge block cost included in DPR, needs correction(UP66128). Shoulders proposed with Inter Locking Concrete Pavement (ICBP). Earthen shoulders should be proposed or the difference in cost should come from the State (UP63133).</p> <p>Protection works not justified with reference to L/S and C/S drawings. Cost of protective works is on higher side (UP5072).</p>	The state has been asked to relook into the DPRs and reconsider the issues as pointed out.

The old existing culverts which appear to be in good condition have been replaced by the new Slab Culverts not fully justified.	
Rate of WBM II is higher than WBM III in some districts. WBM II layer may be replaced with WBM III in order to achieve economy in construction.	As the cost difference of Rs. 300 was too high the state was asked to reduce the cost by replacing the WBM II layer with a WBM III layer.
Drainage length provided in the DPRs does not match with the photographs provided in the sample DPRs. Pucca drain provided in open areas needs to be deleted (UP7509, UP0184 & UP2656).	State was asked to make provisions for earthen drains in open areas.
The details of sanction and completion of works was not yet updated in OMMAS	The State was asked to do the same quickly. NRIDA was asked to conduct a drive in the states for one to one mapping of roads on OMMAS.
R&D DPRs needs to be verified at NRRDA at least on sample basis for each of the technologies.	State said that the same had been done. State was asked to upload in OMMAS
Maintenance Issues	
State has not made provision for Periodic renewal at 6 th year.	The State was asked to make provisions for the 6 th year renewal cost with a 5 year guarantee period based on the Madhya Pradesh experience. NRIDA was also asked to issue a circular to all states to make a provision for the same.
Quality Issues	
The following issues regarding Quality were a point of concern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 209 contractor's (41.55%) works were not at all inspected by the NQMs. Out of these 22 contractors had more than 22 works in hand. • The High % of Unsatisfactory grading in maintenance even after adequate expenditure on maintenance was a striking matter of concern. 	The State committed to look into these issues as well. The State was advised that since most of the quality issues arose mainly due to non maintenance of signboards, off carriage way and kilometer stones, these should be taken care of.
Financial and Accounts issues	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outstanding advances details (Advance to Contractor: 9.78; Misc. works Advance: 1.51; DPR Preparation- 10.54; Administrative expenses recoverable from the state government:1.12 & Other Misc. Advance: 0.02) {5.92 crore recovered from contractor & 0.75 recovered from SG}-16.30 • Opening Balance difference between cash Book and Balance Sheet under Administrative Expenses Fund Account. (BRS Point) - 2.66 crores • Pending Stale Cheques {Prog.:3.70; Admin: 2.44} (Cleared: Prog: 1.36; Admin:2.37) - 2.41 crores • Un-reconciled balance standing in Audited Balance Sheet of Administrative Fund (Un-reconciled Bank Authorizations: 1.95 & Un-reconciled Programme 	State was asked to act on these issues.

<p>Fund transferred to PIUs: (-)0.13)-1.82 crores</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount Credited by Bank but not entered in Cash Book {Prog.:1.22; Admin: 3.20} (Cleared: Prog: 0.11; Admin:2.92) -1.39 crores • Amount Debited by Bank but not entered in Cash Book {Prog:0.89; Admin: 3.10} (Cleared: Prog: 0.41; Admin:2.81)-0.77 crores • Imperest to Staff-0.38 crores 	
<p>343 bills of works finally closed were pending as on date. Out of 343 physically completed works, 14 works are beyond 6 months.</p>	<p>State was asked to liquidate the pending bills by 30th July as also told in the RRM. NRIDA was asked to conduct an FC's conference every three month starting the 1st of August to follow up on the audit related issues of the states.</p>

The Pre EC for the next batch was fixed on 20th of July and the EC for the present batch was fixed on the 30th of July.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.
