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Office Memorandum

Sub: Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of Project Oversight Committee of NCRMP – reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer this Ministry's letter of even no. dated 23rd May, 2022 on the subject cited above and to forward the minutes of the meeting held on 7th June, 2022 at 1100hrs under the Chairmanship of Union Home Secretary for necessary action.

Encl: as above.


(Gouri Shankar Jha) 21/6/22

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1. Member Secretary(I/C), NDMA, A-1 Safdurjung Enclave, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, MoES, Prithvi Bhawan, Loshi Road, New Delhi – 110003.
3. Secretary, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi-110003.
4. Chairman, Central Water Commission, 315, Sewa Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. Additional Secretary(MI), D/o Economic Affairs, MHA.
6. Executive Director, NIDM, Rohini, Delhi.
7. Advisor(PMAD), NITI Aayog, Parliament Street, New Delhi.

Copy to:

1. PSO to Union Home Secretary
2. Sr. PPS to AS(DM), MHA
3. Sr. PPS to AS&FA(H), MHA
4. Sr. PPS to JS(DM), MHA

Copy also to:

Project Manager(NCRMP), NDMA – with the request to share the minutes of the meeting with the participants from States / SPIUs for necessary action at their end.

Minutes of the Sixth meeting of Project Oversight Committee for National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project (NCRMP) held on 7th June, 2022 at 11.00 AM in Room No. 119, North Block, New Delhi.

The sixth meeting of the Project Oversight Committee was held under the Chairmanship of Union Home Secretary on 7th June, 2022 at 11.00 AM in Room No. 119, North Block, New Delhi. The list of participants is Annexed.

2. At the outset, JS (DM) welcomed the Chair and participants and apprised the details of the last POC meeting held in 2019. He referred to the agenda for the sixth meeting which viz. stocktaking of the project implementation status, concerns on performance of the implementing agencies (SPIUs) on various components; issue of slow disbursement/ low fund utilization as raised by the World Bank during their World Bank Support Mission Wrap-up Meeting and Status on the additional financing proposal.

3. This was followed by detailed presentation by Project Director (PD), NCRMP covering state-wise progress on all activities under components A, B and C of NCRMP phase-II as well as the updates on other agenda items viz. proposed extension of timeline up to March 2023 and proposed revision in activities envisaged under Additional Financing.

Inputs from the State's representatives were also obtained and after detailed deliberations, following State (SPIU-wise) decisions were taken:-

(a) Gujarat: SPIU will complete all activities under Component-B by July, 2022. They will also provide the compulsory pre-requisites viz. audit report, utilization certificates etc. to NDMA for processing of their outstanding bills.

As regards, settlement of issue regarding over-expenditure under component D of Rs 15 crore; SPIU, Gujarat

will coordinate with NDMA for suitable disposal of this issue either through accommodating the said expenditure from State's own fund provisions or by taking up the matter with NDMA for its disposal under exceptional circumstances, as deems fit. SPIU will also send their pending UC and audit report to NDMA.

(b) Kerala:- SPIU will ensure completion of one pending MPCs by September, 2022. For another pending MPCs, which is under litigation, NDMA will liaise with SPIU to take a view if extension would be required or this activity may be left-out by indicating likely savings for this.

For consideration of installation of EWDS equipment (Alert Sirens etc.) at telecoms' towers, NDMA will take the issue with the concerned authority i.e. D/o Telecommunications. Further a meeting with DoT may also be convened at the level of AS(DM). In the meanwhile, SPIU, Kerala will also take up the matter with State's respective Infrastructure authorities having towers or such installations of required height for re-positioning of alert sirens etc.

State Government of Kerala was also advised to release the money disbursed by NDMA to SPIU.

(c) Karnataka:- It was brought to the notice of the chair that there has been an inordinate delay in EWDS works due to re-tendering (as the present contractor is stated to be a non-performer). The Chair directed that SPIU/ Govt. of Karnataka may finalize their decision either by reviving the existing tender or to re-tender with the revised scope of work in a week's time and place the matter before NDMA by providing revised timeline for completion of EWDS activities.

(d) Goa:- It was informed that there is a delay in implementation of EWDS activities and shelter level equipment procurement. SPIUs mentioned reasons for delay owing to difficulty in installing heavy equipment at sandy beach areas. It was, however, noted that the scheme is being implemented in other States with similar concerns. Chair

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directed SPIU to take up the matter with their counterparts in other States for suitable solution and expedite the work for its completion in prescribed timeline.

On the issue of tendering in respect of Shelter Level Equipment (SLE), it was decided that SPIU may seek the advice from their counterpart at other States for suitable solution.

SPIU, Goa was also sensitized about non use of MPCSS as "strong room" for document retention etc. as well as for exclusive duties like elections etc.

(e) Maharashtra: SPIU updated that all requisite permissions for UG Cabling has been obtained & R&R issues for Saline Embankments have also been settled and the pending infrastructure under component B will be completed by December, 2022. As raised by PD, NCRMP, SPIU was advised to rectify the sand cushioning in some parts of UGC work.

(f) West Bengal: SPIU updated that transferring of corpus fund for maintenance and capacity building will be started from 08.06.2022.

4. Member Secretary (I/c), NDMA, on the matter of additional financing, mentioned that States should take up some innovative activities as it is an opportunity to do the activities as per the present day requirement. Advisor, Niti Aayog raised few issues regarding maintenance of MPCSS, shelter level equipments and EWS O&M, ensuring no duplication in central and state schemes on EWS, and on shelf life of equipments. He also requested project director to share the details of activities completed under the project to NITI Aayog. The concerns expressed by the representative of NITI Aayog were deliberated and it was decided that in order to ensure proper upkeep of assets, all SPIUs should expedite the following:

i. Provisioning of Operations & Maintenance arrangement

of the infrastructure set up under the scheme and SOP there for.

- ii. Dedicated maintenance fund for the MPCs's;
- iii. A clear perspective on the operational issues for EWDS installed under NCRMP, its coordination and integration with other warning alert systems installed in the States under other schemes.

5. It was decided that PD, PMU, NCRMP will ensure compliance of above activities from the States. He will also provide a gist of all the activities completed under 1st and 2nd Phase of NCRMP to NITI Aayog to facilitate them in taking suitable decisions in other schemes / projects.

6. PD, NCRMP, explained the reasons for the extension in timeline of the project from 15.09.2022 to 31.03.2023. After deliberations on the extension of timeline issue, it was decided that:-

(a) For each of the work/ activity, completion period of which is very likely to go beyond the prescribed time-period i.e. 15.09.2022, the timeline will be prepared by NDMA in consultation with the implementing States so as to ensure final completion as per their proposed time.

(b) Details of anticipated savings, to be chalked out by NDMA in consultation with implementing States, which may be offered to DEA for cancellation/ surrendering from World Bank assistance.

7. The issue regarding Additional Financing for other mitigation activities *vice* the activities left-out during revision of outlay and timeline for NCRMP-Phase-II was also discussed in detail. The Chair was apprised that earlier those important activities which were left out during revision of the scheme (having financial outlay of Rs. 769.80 Crore) were identified and with the approval of Hon'ble Union Home Minister, it was posed to the World Bank through DEA. Draft EFC memo have also been circulated. Thereafter, NDMA has proposed changes in the scope of activities. PD, NDMA explained the

justification for changes in activities and that it has also been discussed with SPIUs of the States concerned and the World Bank. Representative of World Bank mentioned that for ensuring timely completion of activities, concurrence of States and the readiness of the line departments to offer their facility, must be obtained.

8. After discussion, the proposal for revision in the scope of activities of additional financing was agreed in-principle. However, NDMA was advised that before sending a formal proposal to MHA, they should take the concurrence of the State Governments concerned for carrying out the revised activities along with the readiness of the State Department concerned to offer their facilities for retrofitting etc. and their subsequent use as MPCs.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure

1. Union Home Secretary	-In the Chair
2. Member Secretary (I/C)	NDMA (VC)
3. AS(DM)	MHA
4. AS&FA(Home)	MHA
5. JS(DM)	MHA
6. DG(Meteorology)	IMD (VC)
6. JS&PD, PMU (NCRMP)	NDMA
7. Senior Advisor (PAMD)	Niti Aayog
8. Sh. Surya Prakash, Professor	NIDM
8. Sh. AnupKaranth (DRM Specialist)	World Bank

State Representative (SPIU)

9. Sh. DushyantNariala, Pr. Secretary West Bengal
& PD
10. Sh. Sanjay Dharukar; Project Manager Maharashtra (VC)
11. Sh. Kamal Dayani, ACS Revenue & CEO GSDMA Gujarat(VC)
12. Dr. A Jayathilak, ACS Revenue & DM Kerala (VC)
13. Dr. Kausigan , Project Manager Kerala (VC)
14. Dr. Rajkumar Pujari, Project Manager Karnataka (VC)
15. Sh. ParmodBadami, CE-WRD & PD GOA (VC)