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Government of India
Ministry of Urban Development

New Delhi dated the 17th February, 2012.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the eighth meeting of the National Steering Committee for the North Eastern Region Urban Development Programme held on 14.02.2012 in New Delhi.

A copy of the minutes of the eighth meeting of the National Steering Committee for the North Eastern Region Urban Development Programme held under the chairmanship of Secretary (UD) on 14th February, 2012 in New Delhi is enclosed for information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

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2. Joint Secretary (UD), MoUD;
3. Joint Secretary (IC), MoDONER;
4. Joint Secretary (MI), DEA;
5. Adviser (HUD), Planning Commission;
6. Joint Secretary, Deptt. of Expenditure;
7. Joint Secretary, Min. of HUPA;
8. Joint Secretary, M/o Environment & Forest;
9. Principal Secretary, Finance, Meghalaya;
10. Secretary, Urban Development, Meghalaya;
11. Secretary, Urban Development &FA, Mizoram;
12. Secretary, Urban Development, Nagaland;
13. Secretary, Urban Development &Housing, Sikkim;
14. Principal Secretary, Urban Development, Tripura;
15. Secretary, Urban Development, Assam;
16. Secretary, Urban Development, Arunachal Pradesh;
17. Secretary, Urban Development, Manipur;
18. Mission Director, JNNURM;
19. Director (LSG), MoUD;
20. Director (UD), MoUD;
21. Director (Budget), MoUD;
22. Adviser, CPHEEO, M/o UD;
23. Chief Planner, TCPO, M/o UD, New Delhi;
24. Project Directors, SIPMIU.

Copy to:

1. Sr. PPS to Secretary (UD);
2. PS to JS(UD);
3. PMMC

SECTION OFFICER

**Minutes of the meeting of the National Steering Committee of the NERUDP held on
14th February, 2012**

The National Steering Committee of the NERUDP met on 14th February, 2012 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Urban Development) to review the physical and financial progress of the project and suggest measures to improve performance. The list of participants is placed at annex.

1. After the review of the projects the following decisions were made.
2. Secretary (UD) asked all States to work effectively in a planned and coordinated manner to make the best possible use of the opportunity for development presented under the programme. He prompted the Project Directors to exert themselves to get local issues resolved which could be hampering the progress and also to make extra efforts to show performance through achievements of targets.
3. In Mizoram key staff had been withdrawn from SIPMIU as the Treasury was not paying the salary of staff deputed in the SIPMIU. Principal Secretary (UD&PA), Mizoram, informed the NSC that Chief Secretary, Mizoram had taken one meeting with the concerned departments and another meeting is scheduled on 16th Feb'2012 in this regard. Secretary (UD) asked him to get the matter resolved at the earliest.
4. The Project Director, Nagaland was asked to draw up an action plan for the work of SWM, Water Supply (repair of WTP and installation of new tanks) projects and ensure adherence to the same so that the projects are implemented expeditiously.
5. It was decided that PMMC will coordinate with the SIPMIUs to complete MIS formats already circulated. The SIPMIUs would submit completed forms through e-mail to PMMC who will upload them on project web site from next month and update on monthly basis. SIPMIUs to inform any changes/modifications in the formats by end Feb'12.
6. The SIPMIUs will prepare PERT/Bar charts of the project progress, review on weekly basis and submit to MoUD who in turn will monitor on monthly basis. On line submission be provisioned by making NERUDP site dynamic immediately.
7. Signing of loan agreement for Tranche-II needs to be done before 18th May, 2012 by which time 30% of contracts have to be awarded to meet the milestone set by DEA as per the check list of activities for loan process. All states to work as per this timeline so that the milestone can be met.

8. Secretary (UD) emphasized the need for proper financial planning before submitting annual estimates. Following commitment was made to cover balance unclaimed by the 4 states present in the NSC :

Sl. No	Estimates confirmed by States in NSC-7 (22.11.11)	Exp. Incurred till Nov'11 2011-12	Exp. recd for Dec'11 under process	Balance unclaimed	Committed by States for submission by early Mar'2012
1	2	3	4	5	6
Nagaland	6.03	3.1	0.14	2.8	2.8
Mizoram	9.73	6.5	1.25	2.0	2.0
Meghalaya	6.22	2.2	-	4.0	2.0
Sikkim	8.71	1.3	.60	6.8	4.0
Tripura	6.31	2.5	-	3.8	2.2*
Total States	37.00	15.6	1.99	19.4	13.0

* as telephonically informed by SIPMIU

9. Secretary (UD) highlighted the importance of using resources that states have got blocked for themselves. Unnecessary demands for blocking additional funds without being able to use existing resources should be avoided. It was decided that Tranche-III will be negotiated only when about 50% progress of physical works of Tranche-I and Tranche-II is achieved.
10. Secretary (UD) directed that :
- All SIPMIUs must be staffed with full time personnel so that project implementation does not suffer on this count. The states were informed that a fully staffed SIPMIU was a necessary pre-condition for loans.
 - All SIPMIUs to ensure that user charges are levied for basic services to meet O&M expenses and to make these services self-sustainable. Awareness campaigns may be launched to encourage people to pay for services. To begin with there must be a notification in this regard mentioning the rates and organizational modalities.
 - All SIPMIUs to submit milestones/time plan for each activity without further delay.
 - MoUD (IPCC and PMMC) to visit SIPMIUs to assist in reconciliation of accounts

11. It was decided that :
 - a. The bottlenecks in implementation and measures required to be taken to expedite the projects would be raised with the Chief Ministers of states at UDM level.
 - b. The Chief Secretaries would be addressed to ensure that funds released by MoUD are transferred to SIPMIU accounts promptly to ensure that the project is not delayed on this count and also to ensure that Urban Secretaries should attend the NSC meetings in person.
 - c. Periodic tours would be taken for review of project's physical and financial progress.
12. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the participants.

List of Participants – 14.02.2012

1. Dr. Sudhir Krishna, Secretary, MoUD
2. Shri R. L. Rinawma, Pr. Secretary, UD&PA, Mizoram
3. Shri Arun Goel, Jt. Secretary (UD), MoUD
4. Ms Sudha Krishnana, Jt. Secretary & Financial Advisor, MoUD
5. Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Director, Planning Commission
6. Shri Ashutosh Joshi, Director, UD, MoUD
7. Shri Valbuanga, PD, SIPMIU, Mizoram
8. Shri B. Dutta, PD, SIPMIU, Meghalaya
9. Shri. K. Haralu, PD, SIPMIU, Nagaland
10. Shri. JD Bhutia, PD, SIPMIU, Sikkim
11. Shri P. Kapur, PMMC, MoUD
12. Shri SS Narula, PMMC, MoUD
13. Shri Satyapal Dabas, PMMC, MoUD