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MINUTES OF THE 31st MEETING OF EMPOWERED COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MULTI-SECTORAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR MINORITY CONCENTRATION DISTRICTS OF NORTH SIKKIM (SIKKIM) AND REVISED PLANS FOR BALANCE FUND OF NICOBAR (ANDAMAN & NICOBAR), GULBARGA & BIDAR (KARNATAKA) AND IN-PRINCIPLE APPROVED PROJECT FOR BAHRAICH (UTTAR PRADESH) HELD AT 11.00 A.M. ON 16TH APRIL, 2010 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS.

A list of members and officials present in the meeting is annexed.

2. At the outset, the Chairman of the Empowered Committee stated that multi-sectoral development programme (MsDP) for Minority Concentration Districts (MCD) was now an iconic programme of the Central Government and the progress of implementation was reviewed on quarterly basis by the Delivery Monitoring Unit (DMU) in PMO. It was further stated that details of the status of implementation of multi-sectoral development (MsD) plans in MCDs have also been placed on the Ministry's web-site. The details consisted of status of submission and approval of MsD plans and revised plans to the Ministry by the States, funds released to the States, progress of expenditure, number of work completed, in progress and yet to be started etc. Placing such details, including photographs, in the public domain has made information available to all and has facilitated social audit. It was, therefore, imperative that the State Governments/UT Administrations implement the programme properly as per schedule and also have it reviewed and monitored regularly and closely. State Government should particularly ensure that there were no delays in the sanction and release of funds, both Central and State share (wherever applicable), to the districts and by the districts to the implementing agency. The Quarterly Progress Report (QPR) for MsDP comprehensively covers all important aspects of implementation of the programme and in the context of presenting the latest data and information of the website, it is of utmost importance that QPRs are submitted accurately covering all columns by the district administration and the State Government.

3. The Chairman of the Empowered Committee explained the background for identification of minority concentration districts (MCDs) and the scheme of a multi-sectoral development programme (MsDP) designed to address the 'development deficits' of such districts. The baseline survey carried out, as envisaged in the programme, not only brought out the updated position in respect of the relevant parameters used for identification of such district, but also ranked deficits in order of the extent of deprivation in the district. It was expected that the MsD plan submitted by the State Government would address the identified development deficits in the order of priority ranked by a baseline survey so that the various interventions by MsDP would result in improvement of the backwardness parameters of a minority concentration district and bring the relevant parameters at par with the national averages. In case a deficit, ranked higher in the order of deprivation, was not proposed to be addressed by the plan, it would be incumbent on the part of the District Level Committee and the State Level Committee to bring out the reasons for not doing so.

4. The Chairman stated that the fact that these districts were not just MCDs, having a substantial minority population, but were also districts comprising of other communities who suffer

from the same backwardness and deprivation, should not be lost sight of. It was important to keep in mind that the large presence of minorities may have resulted in the identification of such districts for appropriate developmental intervention, but the scheme, while giving priority to villages/areas having a substantial minority population, was intended to benefit the district as a whole as it is a special area development programme. Improving the relevant backwardness indices upto national averages was the primary mandate of the scheme for inclusive growth. The programme envisages providing additional resources to various existing Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) which were already addressing national concerns with time-tested guidelines and implementation mechanism, especially those included in the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities, for saturating them in MCDs. As envisaged in the programme, the States/UTs were advised to ensure that topping up Centrally Sponsored Schemes, wherever appropriate, could be proposed in the MsD plan as these were established schemes and could be implemented with ease without setting up new structures for implementing them. The Chairman emphasized that deviations from the existing guidelines of Centrally Sponsored Schemes were not permitted under the MsDP.

5. It was important to ensure that funds given under MsDP for supplementing the resources for CSS are to be treated as an additionality and the existing level of resources allocated annually under various CSS to the district is not to be reduced. To prevent diversion of funds from MCDs, the flow of fund to the district concerned in the previous year would be taken as a benchmark. It was crucial that basic requirements like primary and secondary education, skill development, safe drinking water, housing etc. were addressed on priority, depending upon their deprivation ranking. The responsibility for eliminating duplication of work and avoiding double counting of a scheme under two funding sources vested with both the district authority and the State Government. It was stressed by the Chairman that accounts under MsDP should be maintained separately and Central Ministry concerned informed of assets created in respect of Centrally sponsored schemes topped up under MsDP. The provision in para 19 of the scheme of MsDP requiring erection or displaying a plate on a 'display board' containing information of the date of sanction of the project, likely date of completion, estimated cost of the project, source of funding i.e. Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP), Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India, name of implementing agency and the physical target was pointed out. The State Government was advised to put up a permanent display on completion of each project.

General conditions applicable to projects approved by the Empowered Committee

6. For approvals given by the Empowered Committee, including in-principle approvals, the State Principal Secretary/Secretary and the District Collectors/representatives were advised to note that the following conditions would apply to all projects under MsDP and compliance with these is to be ensured by the State Government/UT administration concerned.

- (i) The proposal should be approved by the State Mission Director/department implementing the concerned Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS).
- (ii) State Government should ensure that the proposal in terms of its norms, specifications, design and funding norms is in accordance with the guidelines of the CSS concerned.
- (iii) It should be ensured that the unit cost approved for projects under MsDP does not exceed the unit cost approved for the CSS concerned.
- (iv) The cost estimates should be approved by a competent engineering department of the State Government.
- (v) State share, wherever applicable for CSS as per its funding pattern, would be provided by the State Government.
- (vi) Land for the project would be provided by the State Government.

- (vii) Staff and recurring expenditure for the project would be provided by the State Government.
- (viii) Funds under MsDP should not be used for purchase of land, repairs, maintenance and running of the scheme.
- (ix) Duplication of the same work between MsDP and any other scheme/programme should not take place. Separate accounts for schemes under MsDP should be maintained.
- (x) Villages/locations with the highest population of minorities should be selected for location of project/assets. A list of such villages/locations where the project/asset would be located would be submitted to the Ministry of Minority Affairs giving the percentage of minority population of each village/location.
- (xi) Details of the assets created under MsDP funds, which are CSS, would be maintained by the State Department/State Mission Director and data should be sent to the Central Ministry concerned for maintaining proper record and avoiding double counting and duplication.

Review by Oversight Committee

7. The implementation of projects approved by the Empowered Committee for Nicobar district in Andaman & Nicobar Island and Gulbarga and Bidar districts in Karnataka were reviewed by the Oversight Committee. The status is given below:-

(a) **Nicobar district:** Video conferencing was carried out with the Secretary, Social Welfare, UT administration of Andaman & Nicobar Island who stated that process of tender finalization for construction of anganwadi centres (AWCs) would be completed shortly and the construction activities would commence by the end of May, 2010. The construction work will be completed within six to seven months. The DPRs for the remaining AWCs would be sent shortly. It was informed that the DPR for construction of a new ITI, which was approved in-principle, has been sent to the M/o Labour and Employment and their comments were awaited.

(b) **Bidar and Gulbarga districts:** The State Secretary of Karnataka stated that the tenders are likely to be finalized shortly for construction activities of ACRs, anganwadi centres and labour rooms. In case of IAY houses in Bidar district, technical guidance would be provided by Rajiv Gandhi Housing Corporation and in Gulbarga district project of IAY houses would be executed through Zila Panchayat.

7.2 The scheme of MsDP envisages quarterly review meetings by the State and district level committees for implementation of the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities which also serves as the review committees for MsDP. The State level committee also doubles as the Oversight Committee for MsDP. It was advised that quarterly review meetings for State level committee/State Oversight Committee and district level Committee should be held and copy of the meeting notice should be sent to the Ministry to enable a representative to attend State Level meetings as envisaged under MsDP.

Recommendations of the Empowered Committee (EC)

9. The Empowered Committee considered the multi-sectoral development plans for the districts of North Sikkim (Sikkim) and revised plans for balance fund of Nicobar (Andaman & Nicobar

Island), Bidar and Gulbarga (Karnataka). Video Conferencing was carried out with Secretary, Social Welfare, UT administration of Andaman & Nicobar Island and Director, Social Welfare, Govt. of Sikkim. Power point presentations were made on the district plans of Bidar and Gulbarga. The Secretaries of State Government/UT administration and District Collectors/representatives clarified, confirmed the status and fulfillment of conditions in the guidelines of MsDP as well as those given in para 6 above and assured that the list of villages/locations along with percentage of minority population would be send to the Ministry of Minority Affairs. The conclusions that emerged in the meeting of the Empowered Committee are given below.

Item No. 1 Nicobar(A&N Island)(3rd Phase): Minority population of the Nicobar district is around 73%. Nicobar is a sub-category B2 of category B district ie., it has basic amenities parameters below the national average.

(i) Recommendation of Empowered Committee for in-principle approved project (Comments received from the line Ministry concerned):

(a) Providing modern teaching aid for 25 schools : District plan of Nicobar was considered in the 9th Empowered Committee meeting and in-principle approval was given for the procurement of modern teaching aid for 25 schools for the total cost of Rs.12.50 lakh. In-principle approval was subject to the condition that the UT administration would provide the list of teaching aids, the cost estimate of each items and the basis of costing. The UT administration had sent details of teaching aid which included colour T.V., DVD Player, Educational CDs, Cassettes, Cassettes player with radio, overhead projector and computer with all accessories which cost Rs. 54000/- per school for a total cost of Rs.13.50 lakh for 25 schools. This was forwarded to the Department of School Education & Literacy for their comments. Comments have been received wherein they have indicated that Rs.45 lakh has been approved under SSA for computer aided learning in primary and upper primary in 3 districts. It was also mentioned that the Ministry of Minority Affairs may take a view with respect to the proposal of the UT of Andaman & Nicobar Islands in the light of SSA approvals. The representative of Ministry of HRD stated that approvals have been given for teaching aids for primary and upper primary schools under SSA. The Secretary of Social Welfare clarified that the proposal is for middle, secondary and senior secondary schools and was not covered under SSA. The physical spread of Andaman and Nicobar Islands requires innovative approaches and urged that the proposal may be approved. She allayed fears that the equipments purchased would not be misused and assured that it will be installed in the class rooms of the schools.

Considering the unique situation of the islands, the Empowered Committee accorded approval for procurement of the above mentioned modern teaching aid for 25 schools at the cost of Rs. 54000/- per school for a total cost of Rs.13.50 lakh subject to the condition that the items will be procured as per the procurement procedure of the UT administration and the teaching aids would be installed and made functional in all 25 schools. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)		
1	Providing modern teaching aid for 25 schools	25	0.54	13.50	13.50

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

(ii) Project deferred for clarification of the State Govt.

Coconut mission for capacity building of farmers, traders, entrepreneurs on scientific coconut cultivation and processing technology: Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 3rd and 4th respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Cost estimates were as per the High Value Agricultural Development Agency (HVADA), Directorate of Agriculture, Port Blair. In-principle approval was accorded in the 9th EC meeting for Rs. 25.00 lakh as central share. Later on the cost estimate was revised to Rs.63.50 lakh as central share for the following items:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	CDB share	NREGA Share	Beneficiaries contribution	Total cost
								(Lakh Rs.)
1.	Laying out of demonstration in coconut garden	150 Ha	-	7.50	52.50	15.00	-	75.00
2	Rejuvenation of Senile coconut garden	2000Ha	-	50.00	300.00	80.16	80.00	510.00
3	Laying out of Demonstration unit for Organic Manure Production	30	-	6.00	6.00	-	3.00	15.00
	Total			63.50	358.50	95.16	83.00	600.16

Comments were obtained from Horticulture Division, Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperation. They have mentioned that they are implementing a pilot project “Replanting and Rejuvenation of coconut garden in 3 root wilt affected districts including Andaman & Nicobar Islands”. The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation is implementing this programme through Coconut Development Board an amount of Rs.69.00 crore has been allocated for this project. Neither the coconut development board nor Andaman & Nicobar Islands has informed any deficiency of resources under this scheme. The comments of M/o Agriculture and Cooperation were sent to UT administration of A&N Islands for clarification and decision as to whether they wish to proceed with the proposal or propose a new project in its place.

(iii) Project declined:

Integrated Waste Management: Waste material is considered a serious and visible environment problem and public health risk. The waste that is being generated in the Island cover agricultural waste i.e. immature nuts of coconut tree, leaves, legs of trees dry and dead shrubs residual parts & vegetables, paper waste being generated from houses & offices, plastic waste and medicinal waste from BJR Hospital. All types of waste material are littered in open spaces causing health and environment problems. There is an absence of local body/organization/PRI in Car Nicobar that can handle the problem of waste. The constraints challenging the implementation of successful solid waste management in the island include: (i) geographically scattered rural communities, each containing relatively small populations and relatively large distances separating them; (ii) poor accessibility within the villages, due to their unpaved, narrow streets; (iii) the limited availability of land that can be used for disposal has led to the waste being dumped onto road sides significantly degrading water quality and public health. The project has two components; containing Bio-Medical Waste Management, and disposal of waste with the project cost of Rs.109.00 lakh and Rs.116.20 lakh respectively for a total cost of Rs. 225.20 lakh.

The Empowered Committee discussed the above mentioned proposal and it was observed that such type of proposals is not envisaged under MsDP. Hence the proposal was declined by the Committee.

Summary of projects of Nicobar (A&N) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Nicobar(A&N)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh							
Administrative Approval							
a	Providing modern teaching aid for 25 schools	100:00	25	0.54	13.50	13.50	6.75
Grand Total					13.50	13.50	6.75

Revised plan for balance fund available: The Empowered Committee has already approved projects amounting to Rs. 1225.33 lakh as a central share and instant approval of Rs.13.50 lakh. Total approved amount is Rs.1238.83 lakh leaving a balance of Rs. 261.17 lakh. The UT administration was advised by the Committee to work out a revised plan for the fund available in accordance with the guidelines of the MsDP. It was advised that the revised plan may be prepared in such a manner that the various development deficits identified by the baseline survey were addressed in order of their priority and it should be possible for the EC to approve the revised district plan in full in the next meeting of the Empowered Committee for this district.

Item No. 2: North Sikkim (Sikkim)

North Sikkim falls under sub-category ‘B-2’ district and has basic amenities parameters below the national average. There are two sub-divisions and twenty one Gram Panchayat in the District. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs. 15.00 crore for the 11th Plan period.

(i) Projects approved:

(a) **Construction of anganwadi centres:** 69.76% are fully vaccinated children which are above the national average of 43.5%. However, the State Govt. has proposed for construction of 6 anganwadi centres @ Rs.3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs.18.00 lakh. There are two ICDS projects with 179 anganwadi centres in North district. Most of the centres are currently located in private rent-free on-room premises provided by Panchayat. It was informed by the representative of the State Government that the availability of their own building would improve the services provided.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 6 AWCs @ of Rs.3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs. 18.00 lakh, subject to the conditions that the centres would be constructed as per the design, specification and norms of the M/o Women and Child Development. The conditions stated at para 6 above would also apply.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1.	Construction of anganwadi centres	6	3.00	18.00	-	18.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

(ii) **Projects approved in-principle:**

(a) **Construction of IAY houses:** Households with pucca walls ranked 1st priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. The proposal was for construction of 98 IAY houses for Rs.683.06 lakh @ Rs.6.97 lakh per unit. It was informed by the representative of the State Government that the proposal, which was for model houses, has been revised to IAY houses of the M/o Rural Development. The representative agreed to follow the IAY guidelines and norms of Ministry of Rural Development. The number of IAY houses proposed was revised to 250 houses at a unit cost of Rs. 38500/- for a total cost of Rs. 96.25 lakh. It was stated by the State Govt. representative that the waiting list for IAY houses for North Sikkim District would be provided.

The Empowered Committee considered and accorded in-principle approval to the proposal for construction of 250 IAY houses for BPL families for a total cost of Rs.96.25 lakh subject to the condition that nos. in the waiting list for BPL families for construction of IAY houses will be submitted to this Ministry. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs. 86.63 lakh and Rs. 9.62 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 subject to the condition that the total number of waitlist of BPL families for North Sikkim district and the number of IAY houses funded annually by Ministry of Rural Development would be provided by the State Government. This was further subject to the condition that the BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number/ priority in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities. List of beneficiaries and their village would be provided. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable. The following in-principle approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of IAY houses	250	0.385	86.63	9.62	96.25

The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total central share as 1st instalment after the comments on the DPR are received and proposal cleared by the concerned Ministry/Department

(b) **Construction of additional classrooms (ACRs) for primary and secondary schools:**

Percentage of total rate of literacy and female rate literacy has been ranked as 4th and 6th in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Sikkim proposed for construction of 5 ACRs each in a primary school and in a secondary school for a total cost of Rs. 59.85 lakh and Rs.47.55 lakh respectively. Due to the hilly terrain of Sikkim, the unit cost would vary according to the location of the site for construction of ACRs. It was stated by the representative of the State Govt. that the proposal has been forwarded by the State Education Department and has the approval of SSA/RMSA mission directors. The unit cost of construction of ACRs is high in this district due to higher head load cost.

Subsequently, comments on these proposals were received from Department of School Education and Literacy, M/o Human Resource Development. For construction of ACRs for primary schools, although the Ministry of HRD has no objection to the proposal, it has been mentioned in the letter that the unit cost of one ACR under SSA is Rs. 5.302 lakh. Regarding ACRs for secondary schools, the Ministry has no objection provided there is appropriate convergence with RMSA and model school programme and there is no duplication. There is no mentioned about the unit cost. Keeping in view the higher unit cost of the proposed ACRs of the Primary and Secondary schools, it

is felt that the detailed project report would be required with justification of high unit cost for the proposed ACRs.

The Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval to the proposal for construction of 5 additional classrooms each in primary and secondary schools for a total cost of Rs.59.85 lakh and Rs.47.55 lakh respectively with the condition that the detailed project report would be submitted indicating with justification for high unit cost. The following in-principle was accorded. Conditions mentioned at para 6 above would also be applicable.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1.	Construction of additional classrooms in primary school	5	--	53.87	5.98	59.85
2	Construction of additional classrooms in secondary school	5	--	42.80	4.75	47.55
	Total			96.67	10.73	107.40

The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total central share as 1st instalment after the comments on the DPR are received and proposal cleared by the concerned Ministry/Department

(c) **Construction of building for Primary Health Sub-centres (PHSCs):** 52.94% of the deliveries are institutional against 38.70% of all India. State Govt. proposed for construction of one primary health sub-centres (PHSCs) @ Rs.50.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs.50.00 lakh. It was stated by the representative of the State Govt. that the present PHSC were wooden structure and were about 30 years old and needed to be replaced with a new PHSC building. The existing PHSCs were without staff quarters. The proposal has been approved by the State Health Department. The proposed PHSCs are located in remote areas and the cost of construction for these PHSCs is high in view of the high head-load cost for transportation of building materials. These are functioning PHSCs located in minority concentration areas and staffs were available.

The Empowered Committee considered and accorded in-principle approval for the construction of building for PHSCs subject to the condition that the State Government would provide a Detailed Project Report (DPR) approved by the competent engineering department and also approved by the NRHM mission director specially with reference to certifying 'no duplication' and 'adherence to NRHM norms.' DPR should specifically indicate that the conditions in para 6 above have been complied with. The following in-principle was accorded.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (85%)	State Share (15%)	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1	Construction of building for Primary Health Sub-Cenres (PHSCs)	1	50.00	42.50	7.50	50.00

The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total central share as 1st instalment after the comments on the DPR are received and proposal cleared by the concerned Ministry/Department

(b) **Construction of Rural Water Supply Scheme(RWSS):** Availability of safe drinking water has been ranked as 2nd in the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for the construction of rural water supply scheme in four villages at a total cost of Rs.372.15 lakh. It was stated by the representative of State Govt. that the proposed unit cost has been approved by the State PHED and the selected villages are minority dominated. The representative of D/o Drinking Water Supply

mentioned that names of villages should be entered in online monitoring system. A detailed project report may be sent indicating the water source for the water supply schemes.

The Empowered Committee considered and accorded in-principle approval for construction of water supply scheme for a total cost of Rs.372.15 lakh subject to the condition that the State Government would provide a Detailed Project Report (DPR) approved by the competent engineering department and also approved by the PHED specially with reference to certifying 'no duplication' and 'adherence to NRDWP norms.' DPR should specifically indicate that the conditions in para 6 above have been complied with. The following in-principle approval was accorded:

Proposal for consideration and approval of the Empowered Committee:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1	RWSS at Remit Khola Gaon	1	3.23	2.90	0.32	3.23
2	RWSS at Mantyang & Lungdung	1	28.33	25.49	2.83	28.33
3	RWSS at Pentong & Sakyong Village	1	45.15	40.63	4.50	45.15
4	RWSS at Kabi-Lungchok GPU	1	295.44	265.89	29.54	295.44
	Total	4	--	334.91	37.19	372.15

The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total central share as 1st instalment after the comments on the DPR are received and proposal cleared by the concerned Ministry/Department

Summary of projects of North Sikkim (Sikkim) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for North Sikkim (Sikkim)	Shari ng ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
a	Construction of anganwadi centres	100:00	6	3.00	18.00	-	18.00	9.00
In-principle approval								
b	Construction of IAY houses	90:10	250	0.385	86.63	9.62	96.25	43.32
c	Construction of additional classrooms in primary school	90:10	5	--	53.87	5.98	59.85	26.94
d	Construction of additional classrooms in secondary school	90:10	5	--	42.80	4.75	47.55	21.40
e	Construction of building for Primary Health Sub-Cenres (PHSCs)	85:15	1	50.00	42.50	7.50	50.00	21.25
f	RWSS at Remit Khola Gaon	90:10	1	3.23	2.91	0.32	3.23	1.45
g	RWSS at Mantyang & Lungdung	90:10	1	28.33	25.50	2.83	28.33	12.75
h	RWSS at Pentong & Sakyong Village	90:10	1	45.15	40.64	4.51	45.15	20.32
i	RWSS at Kabi-Lungchok GPU	90:10	1	295.44	265.90	29.54	295.44	132.95
	Sub-total				560.75	65.05	625.80	280.38
	Grand total				578.75	65.05	643.80	289.38

Setting up of IT enabled cell: The State Government representative was advised to send the proposal for setting up of IT enabled cells in State and district headquarters as per para 16.1 of the guidelines of the scheme.

Revised plan for balance fund available: The State Government representative was advised to work out a revised plan for the balance fund available in accordance with the guidelines of the MsDP. It was advised that the revised plan may be prepared in such a manner that the various development deficits identified by the baseline survey were addressed in order of their priority. It was also advised that, wherever there was a need for setting up a new Industrial Training Institutes, Polytechnics, model secondary/higher secondary schools and hostels for girls/boys or strengthening existing ones, such proposals could be made in the revised district plan with the commitment that the State Government would provide the land, staff and recurring costs. The district plans of North Sikkim has been considered once and it should now be proposed in such a manner that in the next meeting of the EC for this district, it should be possible for the EC to approve the revised district plan in full.

Item No. 3: Bidar(Karnataka)(2nd Phase) The district is rural in character as 77 percent of the population lives in rural areas. The administrative unit of the district includes five talukas, 30 revenue hoblies 592 revenue villages and 175 Gram panchayat. Bidar is a category ‘B1’ district ie., it has socio-economic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs. 16.60 crore for the 11th Plan period.

(i) Projects approved:

Enhancement in numbers of units

(a) Construction of IAY houses (Phase- II): Households with pucca walls ranked 2nd priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. Construction of 525 units of IAY houses were approved in the 21st Empowered Committee meeting. The instant proposal was for construction of additional 1100 IAY houses @ Rs.0.35 lakh for a total cost of Rs.385.00 lakh. It was informed by the Secretary, Department of Minority Welfare that there is a large number of BPL families in the waiting list as it is revised every year and added that fair selection of beneficiaries would be ensured by the district authorities and panchayat functionaries based on the approved modalities.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of an additional 1100 number of IAY houses for a total cost of Rs. 385.00 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs. 288.75 lakh and Rs. 96.25 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 75:25. The approval was subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number/ priority in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities. List of beneficiaries along with the percentage of minority population of the village would be provided. With this approval, the total nos. of IAY taken up under MsDP would be 1625. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (75%)	State Share (25%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of IAY houses	1100	0.35	288.75	96.25	385.00

Release of 1st Instalment: The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the central share.

(b) Construction of anganwadi centres (Phase –II): 23% are fully vaccinated children which are below the national average of 43.5%. Construction of 50 units of anganwadi centres were approved in the 21st Empowered Committee meeting. The instant proposal was for construction of additional 126 anganwadi centres @ Rs.3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs.378.00 lakh. The State Secretary stated that these are functioning in rented buildings and availability of their own building would improve the delivery of services. Staff and land are available.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 126 AWCs @ of Rs.3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs. 378.00 lakh, subject to the conditions that the centres would be constructed as per the design, specification and norms of the M/o Women and Child Development. List of villages where AWCs would be constructed along with the percentage of minority population covered by the AWC concerned would be provided by Karnataka Government. With this approval, the total nos. of AWCs taken up under MsDP would be 176. The conditions stated at para 6 above would also apply.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost
						(Lakh Rs.)
1.	Construction of anganwadi centres	126	3.00	378.00	-	378.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

New Proposal

(a) Hostels for students: Percentage of total rate of literacy and female rate literacy has been ranked as 3rd and 4th in the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for construction of 12 hostels, six each for girls and boys, @ Rs.42.50 lakh at a total cost of Rs.510.00 lakh. The Secretary, Minority Welfare Department stated that such hostels are being managed by the Department of Minorities Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka and the ones taken up under MsDP would also be managed by them. It was stated that these hostels would be located in schools/colleges and confirmed that these were meant only for students. Availability of such facility will help the students living in villages without secondary and senior secondary schools to continue their education in a safe environment and at lower cost.

The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded approval for construction of 12 hostels, six each for girls and boys, subject to obtaining confirmation from the State Govt. for the following conditions:

- (i) All the norms including cost norms and specifications of Centrally Sponsored Scheme for ‘construction and running of Girls hostels for students of secondary and higher secondary schools’ of the Ministry of Human Resource Development will be followed.
- (ii) The hostels will be constructed at the prescribed unit cost of Rs.42.50 lakh for 100 capacity hostel. Any estimated cost above the prescribed ceiling amount would be borne by the State Government.
- (iii) The Centre and State funding ratio for the scheme is 90:10. The State share will be provided by the State Government.
- (iv) The specification, norms and standard prescribed in the Girls hostels scheme of the Central Govt. would be followed.
- (v) The building plan of the girl’s hostel, which will be prepared by the State Government, should be innovative and boarder friendly.

- (vi) Large dormitories should be avoided. Even for small dormitories, partition could be provided to provide a sense of privacy.
- (vii) In case of proposal for construction of boys' hostel, it may be confirmed that it would be constructed within the same unit cost.

The following approvals were accorded subject to the above mentioned conditions. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1.	Construction of hostels, one each for boys & girls, at (i) Basavakalyana, (ii) Bhalki, (iii) Bidar, (iv) Aurad, (v) Humanabad and (vi) Chittguppe	12	42.50	459.00	51.00	510.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

Summary of projects of Bidar (Karnataka) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for North Bidar (Karnataka)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
a	Construction of IAY houses	75:25	1100	0.35	288.75	96.25	385.00	144.38
b	Construction of anganwadi centres	100:00	126	3.00	378.00	-	378.00	189.00
c	Construction of one hostel each for boys & girls at (i) Basavakalyana, (ii) Bhalki, (iii) Bidar, (iv) Aurad, (v) Humanabad and (vi) Chittguppe	90:10	12	42.50	459.00	51.00	510.00	229.50
Total					1125.75	147.25	1273	562.88

Revised plan for balance fund available: Some fund has been set aside for operating the IT enabled cells in State and district headquarters as per para 16.1 of the guidelines of the scheme.

Item No. 4: Gulbarga(Karnataka)(3rd Phase) Gulbarga is a sub-category B1 district of category B ie., it has socio-economic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.23.30 crore for the 11th Plan period.

(i) Projects approved:

Enhancement in number of units

(a) Construction of IAY houses (Phase-II): Households with pucca walls ranked 5th priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. Construction of 1142 units of IAY houses were approved in the 13th Empowered Committee meeting. The instant proposal was for additional construction of 1633 houses for Rs.571.55 lakh @ Rs.0.35 lakh per unit. It was informed by the Secretary, Department of Minority Welfare that there is a large number of BPL families in the waiting list as it is revised every year and added that fair selection of

beneficiaries would be ensured by the district authorities and panchayat functionaries as per approved modalities.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 1633 IAY houses for a total cost of Rs. 571.55 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.428.66 lakh and Rs.142.89 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 75:25. Approval was given subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number/ priority in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities. List of beneficiaries along with the percentage of minority population of the village would be provided. With this approval, the total nos. of IAY taken up under MsDP would be 2775. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (75%)	State Share (25%)	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1	Construction of IAY houses	1633	0.35	428.66	142.89	571.55

Release of 1st Instalment: The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the central share.

(b) **Construction of anganwadi centres: (Phase-II):** 57.78% are fully vaccinated children which are above the national average of 43.5%. Construction of 100 units of anganwadi centres were approved in the 21st Empowered Committee meeting. The instant proposal was for construction of additional 167 anganwadi centres @ Rs. 3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs. 501.00 lakh. It was stated by the Secretary, Department of Minority Welfare that there are 267 anganwadi centres without building and availability of their own building would improve delivery of services. Land and Staff are available.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 167 AWCs @ of Rs.3.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs. 501.00 lakh, subject to the conditions that the centres would be constructed as per the design, specification and norms of the M/o Women and Child Development. List of villages where AWCs would be constructed along with the percentage of minority population covered by the AWC concerned would be provided by Karnataka Government. With this approval, the total nos. of AWCs taken up under MsDP would be 267. The conditions stated at para 6 above would also apply.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost
(Lakh Rs.)						
1.	Construction of anganwadi centres	167	3.00	501.00	-	501.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

New proposals

(a) **Construction of ANM sub-centres:** Only 23.35% of the deliveries are institutional against 48.7% of all India. There are 110 PHCs, 22 CHCs and 494 ANM sub centres in the district. Proposal was for the construction of 20 ANM sub-centres @ Rs.15.00 lakh at a total cost of Rs.300.00 lakh. Availability of ANM sub centre would improve delivery of health services. It was

confirmed by the Secretary, Department of Minority Welfare that the proposal has been approved by NRHM State mission director, land is available and recurring cost would be borne by the State govt.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 20 ANM sub-centres @ Rs.15.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.300.00 lakh subject to the condition that list of villages along with percentage of minority population where these centres are to be located would be provided. Villages with substantial minority population will be selected. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.255.00 lakh and Rs.45.00 lakh as State share in the ratio of 85:15 between Centre and State as per NRHM funding pattern. Conditions at para 6 above would apply. The Empowered Committee approved the proposal, in the following manner:-

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (85%)	State Share (15%)	Total cost
				(Lakh Rs.)		
1	construction of ANM sub-centres	20	15.00	255.00	45.00	300.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

(b) Hostels for students: Percentage of total rate of literacy and female rate literacy has been ranked as 3rd and 4th in the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for construction of 14 hostels, 9 for girls and 5 for boys, @ Rs. 42.50 lakh at a total cost of Rs. 595.00 lakh. The Secretary, Minority Welfare Department stated that such hostels are being managed by the Department of Minorities Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka and the ones taken up under MsDP would also be managed by them. It was stated that these hostels would be located in schools/colleges and confirmed that these were meant only for students. Availability of such facility will help the students living in villages without secondary and senior secondary schools to continue their education in a safe environment and at lower cost.

The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded approval for construction of 14 hostels, 9 for girls and 5 for boys, subject to obtaining confirmation from the State Govt. for the following conditions:

- (i) All the norms including cost norms and specifications of Centrally Sponsored Scheme for 'construction and running of Girls hostels for students of secondary and higher secondary schools' of the Ministry of Human Resource Development will be followed.
- (ii) The hostels will be constructed at the prescribed unit cost of Rs.42.50 lakh for 100 capacity hostel. Any estimated cost above the prescribed ceiling amount would be borne by the State Government.
- (iii) The Centre and State funding ratio for the scheme is 90:10. The State share will be provided by the State Government.
- (iv) The specification, norms and standard prescribed in the Girls hostels scheme of the Central Govt. would be followed.
- (v) The building plan of the girl's hostel, which will be prepared by the State Government, should be innovative and boarder friendly.
- (vi) Large dormitories should be avoided. Even for small dormitories, partition could be provided to provide a sense of privacy.
- (vii) In case of proposal for construction of boys' hostel, it may be confirmed that it would be constructed within the same unit cost.

The following approvals were accorded subject to the above mentioned conditions. Conditions in para 6 above would also be applicable.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1.	Construction of fourteen hostels 9 for girls and 5 for boys	14	42.50	535.50	59.50	595.00

Release of 1st Instalment: 50% of the total central share may be released.

Summary of projects of Gulbarga (Karnataka) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Gulbarga (Karnataka)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
				Rupee in lakh				
	Administrative Approval							
a	Construction of IAY houses	75:25	1633	0.35	428.66	142.89	571.55	214.33
b	Construction of anganwadi centres	100:00	167	3.00	501.00	-	501.00	250.50
c	construction of ANM sub-centres	85:15	20	15.00	255.00	45.00	300.00	127.50
d	Construction of fourteen hostels 9 for girls and 5for boys.	90:10	14	42.50	535.50	59.50	595.00	267.75
	Total				1720.16	247.39	1967.55	860.08

Recommendation of Empowered Committee for conversion of in-principle approved project to approved project:

Construction of ITI building at Nanpara : District plan of Bahraich was condered in the 12th Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval for the construction of building for an existing ITI at Nanpara at a cost of Rs.260.00 lakh. This approval was accorded subject to the condition that the State Government should provide a Detailed Project Report (DPR) prepared as per the specification, design, norms, modern courses/trades and standard laid down by the 'National Council for Vocational Training' (NCVT); locally relevant, modern trades and trades suitable for women should be included and DPR submitted for obtaining the advice of the Ministry of Labour & Employment. Confirmation of the State Government would be required that the ITI was sanctioned, and land, trainers, staff and recurring cost were available. Also the State Government would be required to provide details in respect of the numbers and type of courses, numbers of students enrolled and its capacity.

2. The DPR was submitted by the Govt. of Uttar Pradesh and comments were obtained from Ministry of Labour & Employment. The M/o Labour & Employment supported the proposal for construction of ITI building at Nanpara at a cost of Rs. 249.00 lakh with the following conditions:

- (i) The admission of trainees to the proposed courses may be taken only after the institute is affiliated to NCVT.
- (ii) The construction of building/procurement of equipment may be done as per the purchase procedure.
- (iii) The machine and equipment proposed to be procured, if any, may be as per the specifications prescribed in standard tool list (STL) approved by NCVT for the respective trade.

3. The Empowered Committee approved the proposal for a total cost of Rs. 249.00 lakh subject to the above mentioned conditions. This was further subject to the conditions that the recurring cost and commitment of staff are to be provided by the State Govt. Conditions stipulated in para 6 above would also apply. The following approval was accorded.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of ITI building at Nanpara	100:00	1	249.00	-	249.00

Release of 1st Installment: Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the central share.

Summary of projects of Bahraich (Uttar Pradesh) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Bahraich (Uttar Pradesh)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
				Rupee in lakh				
Administrative Approval								
a	Construction of ITI building at Nanpara	100:00	1	249.00	249.00	-	249.00	124.50

31st MEETING OF EMPOWERED COMMITTEE FOR PLANS OF NORTH SIKKIM (SIKKIM) AND REVISED PLAN OF NICOBAR (ANDAMAN & NICOBAR), GULBARGA & BIDAR (KARNATAKA) ON 16TH APRIL, 2010 AT 11.00 A.M.

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