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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

MINUTES OF THE 5th MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MULTI-SECTORAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR MINORITY CONCENTRATION DISTRICTS HELD AT 3.30 P.M. ON 21st NOVEMBER, 2008 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

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

The Chairman of the Empowered Committee explained the background for identification of minority concentration districts and the formulation of a multi-sectoral development programme designed to address the development deficit of such districts. The Chairman pointed out that the baseline survey not only brought out the updated position in respect of the relevant parameters used for identification of such districts, but also ranked the deficits in order of the extent of deprivation in the district. It was expected that the plans submitted by the State Governments would address the deficits in order of priority. In case a deficit, ranking 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.

2. The multi sectoral development plan for Sirsa district of Haryana was considered. The proposal for a modification of the approval accorded by the Empowered Committee in its 1st meeting in respect of proposals of Mewat disatrick was also considered. The conclusions that emerged after each Power Point Presentation by the District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate concerned, clarification by the Director from the State Government of Haryana, comments/clarifications from the members of the Empowered Committee and the representatives of Ministry/Department are as follows:-

Item No.1: Sirsa district

The fund allocated for the MSDP Plan was Rs.15.00 crore for the 11th Plan period. It was mentioned that projects for rural electrification and sanitation have not been proposed because funds allocation under RGGVY and TSC are sufficient to address the deficits.

(i) Project approved

(a) Additional classrooms for schools: Literacy rate (total) and female literacy has been identified as the 1st and 3rd deficit in the district respectively. The proposal was for providing 95 ACRs in 47 primary and 16 upper primary/secondary schools. The proposal was approved by the Empowered Committee for construction of 95 ACRs in already existing Government schools for a total cost of Rs.250.60 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs. 162.89 lakh and Rs. 87.71 lakh as State share as per SSA funding pattern. It was clarified by the State representative that the schools are located in areas with more than 25% minority population. This

fund would be an additionality over and above the normal annual SSA fund flow to the district.

The proposal was approved by the Empowered Committee. It was agreed that 50% of the Central share would be released as 1st instalment. The State Government should ensure that the cost for the construction of ACRs was approved by the State PWD and the State Government was asked to provide a list of villages where these centres would be constructed.

- (b) Anganwadi Centres:** It was submitted that there were 914 anganwadi centres in the district, of which 507 were in government buildings and 407 in rented buildings. The proposal was for construction of 71 anganwadi centres @ Rs.3.66 lakh per centre. The Ministry of Women and Child Development (W & CD) has already advised that anganwadi centres may be constructed @ Rs. 3.00 lakh per unit and it should be ensured that kitchen, toilet, drinking water and playing space were provided. Representative from M/o W & CD clarified that Government was normally not constructing AWCs and they have suggested that Rs. 3.00 lakh was sufficient to construct AWCs according to the specification, standard and design by the Ministry. Land was confirmed to be available.

Empowered Committee approved the construction of 71 anganwadi centres @ Rs. 3 lakh for the total cost of Rs. 213.00 lakh. The State Government should ensure that the centres were located in villages/mouzas which have the highest concentration of minority population in all the 7 CD blocks in the district. Toilet and water facility may be provided in these anganwadi centres from the Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) programme and Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) respectively in case it was not covered within the unit cost of Rs 3.00 lakh. The State Government assured to provide a list of villages where these centres would be constructed.

- (c) Indira Awas Yojana (IAY):** Households having pucca walls were ranked 7th in the order of deficit in the baseline survey. State Government representative stated that the Ministry of Rural Development was providing about 1300 IAY houses to the district every year. The proposal was for an additional 2000 houses at the approved unit cost of the Ministry of Rural Development i.e. Rs. 35,000/-.

The proposal was approved by the Empowered Committee for construction of 2000 IAY houses for a total cost of Rs.700.00 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs. 525.00 lakhs and Rs. 175.00 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 75:25. It was agreed that 50% of the Central share would be released as 1st instalment. The approval was given on the understanding that State Government would ensure that 20 IAY houses per village would be distributed in 100 villages, having the highest population of minorities, out of the 325 villages in the district. The State Government would ensure that the IAY guidelines for selection of beneficiaries would be followed and BPL families selected from the approved waiting list, even if they belong to communities other than the minority communities, strictly in order of their ranking in the list. State share would be provided. The list of the villages

where these houses would be constructed would be furnished by the State Government.

(ii) Projects approved in-principle:

- (a) **Establishment of new Industrial training institute (ITI):** Female and total work participation were ranked 3rd and 4th in the order of deficit in the baseline survey respectively. Representative from M/o Labour and Employment informed that the cost for the establishment of a new ITI with 7 trades was in the range of Rs. 4 to 4.5 crore. There were 5 ITI's in the district and there was no ITI within a 30 km radius from the proposed location. The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded in-principle approval for establishment of a new ITI for the total cost not exceeding Rs.450.00 lakh. About 7 acres of land was confirmed to be available. Staff and recurring cost would be provided by the State Technical Education Department.

In-principle approval for setting up of a new ITI was given on the condition that a detail project profile as per the norms and specification of 'The National Council for Vocational Training' (NCVT), with modern trades, equipment, capacity, commitment on staff, recurring expenditure etc. would be sent for obtaining the comments of the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

(iii) Proposal requiring project details/profile for appraisal and comments of the Ministry/Department concerned if State Government desire to pursue the proposal:

For the following projects, the State Govt. would be required to provide project details/profile for appraisal and comments of the Central Ministry/Department concerned:-

- (a) **Skill developments for 10+2 pass students from BPL minority family:** The State Govt. was advised to make out a detailed project report as per the guidelines of the relevant schemes of M/o labour and Employment/MSME in this regard, so that it could be considered in another meeting.
- (b) **Nandi project for safe drinking water:** The State Govt. was advised to make out a project profile as per the guidelines for ARWSP, Department of Drinking Water in this regard for consideration in another meeting.

(iv) Proposals declined by the Empowered Committee as they were not identified as priority items in the baseline survey/not envisaged in the programme:

- (a) **Bridge course for total literacy campaign and support to total literacy campaign:** These proposals were declined because representative from the M/o HRD informed that though Rs. 75.00 lakh under Adult Literacy Programme had been allocated to the district a long time ago, it was yet to be utilized fully.
- (b) **Conditional cash transfer on immunization:** The "Routine Immunization Programme" under NRHM covers both pregnant women and children under Janani

Suraksha Yojana (JSY). Anti Natal Check-up (ANC), immunization and delivery were provided free of cost with all logistic support plus a maternity incentive for institutional delivery. The annual fund given to the district under NRHM could be utilized for such activities.

- (c) **RH negative, HIV AIDS and hepatitis-B testing of pregnant women and vaccine of hepatitis-B for BPL pregnant women:** These interventions were already covered under NRHM and NACO programme of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and hence it was suggested that the facilities under these programmes may be accessed.
- (d) **Children and female foeticide:** This may be covered under centrally sponsored scheme of NRHM.
- (e) **Road Sector:** The projects proposed include construction of rural roads which entailed high investment of resources and were technical. The construction period would be long and preparation of project would include detailed study and survey. Such proposals could best be sourced from the Ministry dealing with such projects.
- (f) **Transport facility for girls in minority villages for higher education:** Not envisaged in the programme.
- (v) **Summary of projects of Sirsa district approved by the Empowered Committee:**

Sl. no.	Name of the project for Sirsa district (Haryana)	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st installment amount to be released of 50%
Rupee in lakh							
Administrative Approval							
1.	One unit of ACRs in each schools @ Rs. 2.84 lakh	33	2.84	60.92 (65%)	32.80 (35%)	93.72	30.46
2.	Two units of ACRs in each schools @ Rs. 2.54 lakh per ACR	28	5.08	92.46 (65%)	49.78 (35%)	142.24	46.23
3.	Three units of ACRs in each schools @ Rs. 2.44 lakh per ACR	2	7.32	9.52 (65%)	5.12 (35%)	14.64	4.76
4.	Construction of anganwadi centres	71	3.00	213.00 (100%)	-	213.00	106.50
5.	Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses	2000	0.35	525.00 (75%)	175.00 (25%)	700.00	262.50
	Sub-total			900.90	262.70	1163.60	450.45
In- Principle Approval							
1.	Establishment of new diploma level technical institution (ITI):	1	450.00	450.00	-	450.00	225.00
	Sub-total			450.00	-	450.00	225.00
	Grand Total			1350.90	262.70	1613.60	675.45

Item No.2: Mewat District

This proposal is for modification of the approval given in the 1st Empowered Committee meeting in respect of the proposals of Mewat District.

MsDP in respect of Mewat district (Haryana) was considered in the 1st meeting of the Empowered Committee on 25.08.2008 and approval was accorded for the construction of 05 PHCs and 01 CHC for a total cost of Rs. 9.90 crore, and also for strengthening of 06 Mewat model schools for a total cost of Rs.12.00 crore. The Government of Haryana subsequently sent a revised estimate for the construction of 05 PHCs for Rs. 1043.45 lakh and for one CHC for Rs. 531.16 lakh totaling to Rs. 1574.61 lakh thereby exceeding the approved amount by Rs. 584.61 lakh. In respect of the model schools, the estimated cost was Rs. 1251.56 lakh thereby exceeding the approved amount by Rs. 51.56 lakh.

- (a) **Construction of PHCs:** The revised cost for the construction of 05 PHCs @ Rs. 208.69 lakh for a total cost of Rs. 1043.45 lakh and Rs. 150.00 lakh for equipment and furniture were considered and approved by the Empowered Committee subject to the condition that the design, specification, items of equipment were as per the norms of NRHM. The representative of the State Government certified that the rates are approved by the State PWD. The representative from the M/o Health and Family Welfare pointed out that the space proposed for the PHCs in Mewat was almost double the standard prescribed. He however, clarified that flexibility was allowed to the State under NRHM and the proposal could be accepted. The furniture and equipment to be procured by the state government should be as prescribed under NRHM. The cost sharing pattern between Centre and State would be the 85:15 as per the NRHM norms. It was agreed that 50% of the Central share for construction would be released as 1st instalment.
- (b) **Construction of CHC:** The revised cost for the construction of 01 CHC for Rs. 531.16 lakh was considered and approved by the Empowered Committee subject to the condition the State Government would confirm that the CHC in Nuh was already existing and has been approved and that the design, specification etc. of the building would be as per the NRHM norms. The furniture and equipment to be procured by the State Government should be prescribed under NRHM. The cost sharing pattern between Centre and State would be the 85:15 as per the NRHM norms. It was agreed that 50% of the Central share for construction would be released as 1st instalment.
- (c) **Strengthening of Mewat model schools:** The revised cost for the construction of 06 Mewat model schools was considered by the Empowered Committee and as only Rs. 51.56 lakh was required over the approved amount of Rs. 1200.00 lakh, the State Government was advised that this amount may be met by the State. No revision was required.

(d) Summary of projects of Mewat district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no.	Name of the project for Mewat district (Haryana)	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st installment amount to be released of 50%
			Rupee in lakh				
1.	(a) Construction of PHCs	05	208.69	886.93 (85%)	156.52 (15%)	1043.45	443.47
	(b) Equipment and furniture fixture in PHCs	05	30.00	127.50 (85%)	22.50 (15%)	150.00	Nil
2.	(a) Construction of CHC	01	531.16	451.49 (85%)	79.67 (15%)	531.16	225.75
	(b) Equipment and furniture fixture in CHC	01	55.00	46.75 (85%)	8.25 (15%)	55.00	Nil
	Total			1512.67	266.94	1779.61	669.22
