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Government of India Ministry of Rural Development Department of Rural Development Rural Connectivity (RC) Division

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MINUTES

Subject: Minutes of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 15th February, 2024 to consider the project proposals submitted by Government of Rajasthan under PM JANMAN scheme, Batch- II, 2023-24-reg.

A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 15th February, 2024 through Video Conferencing to **discuss the project proposals under Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN), Batch-II, 2023-24** is forwarded herewith for information and necessary action. The State Government is requested to furnish compliance on the observations of Empowered Committee on priority.

2. This issues with the approval of the competent Authority.

(Vijay Pal Guriyan) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Distribution:

- (i) The Principal Secretary, PWD Main Building room 5225, Secretariat, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- (ii) The Secretary, PWD, Secretariat, SSO Building Room No 8118, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
- (iii) Sh. Vibhu Nayar, Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Room No 737, Wing 'A', 7th Floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (iv) Sh. Naval Jit Kapoor, Addl. Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Room No 738, Wing 'A', 7th Floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- (v) Sh. Biswajit Das, DDG, Ministry of Tribal Allairs, 1st Floor, Jeewan Tara Building, Sansad Marg, Patel Chowk, New Delhi.
- (vi) The Chief Engineer, RRRDA
- (vii) The Advisor (TPT), NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi.
- (viii) The Director, Central Roads Research Institute, Mathura Road, New Delhi.

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PSO to Secretary (RD) /PPS to JS&FA /PPS to JS (RC)/All Directors in NRIDA, New Delhi

Minutes of the Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 15th February, 2024 to consider the Project Proposal submitted by Government of Rajasthan under PM JANMAN, (Batch- II of 2023-24).

A Meeting of the Empowered Committee was held on 15th February, 2024 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Rural Development to consider the project proposal of Baran District submitted by the State of Rajasthan under PM JANMAN for Batch II of 2023-2024. The following Officers were present in the meeting:

Representatives from the Government of India				
Shri Shailesh Kumar Singh	Secretary, Department of Rural Development			
Ms Tanuja Thakur Khalkho	Joint Secretary and Financial Advisor (JS&FA), MoRD			
Shri Amit Shukla	Joint Secretary (RC) & DG, NRIDA			
Shri Devinder Kumar	Director (RC), MoRD			
Shri Jagdish Kumar	Director, IFD, MoRD			
Shri Satyendra Chadha	Director, Ministry of Tribal Affairs			
Shri B.C. Pradhan	Consultant Director (Technical), NRIDA			
Shri Pradeep Agrawal	Director (P-I), NRIDA			
Shri Vishal Srivastava	Consultant Director (ICT), NRIDA			
Shri I.K.Pateriya	Consultant Director (P-III)			
Smt. Shalini Das	Joint Director (Tech.), NRIDA			
Represer	ntatives from Govt of Rajasthan			
Shri Sandeep Verma	Additional Chief Secretary, PWD			
Shri Sunil Jai Singh	Chief Engineer, RRRDA			
Shri Laxmi Kumar Gupta	Additional Chief Engineer			
Smt. Anupama Sharma	Financial Advisor, National Highways			
Shri Girish Jain	Superintending Engineer, RRDA			
Smt. Rinku Jain	Executive Engineer-cum- ITNO			

2. Current Proposal by the State:

A detailed presentation on the proposal of unconnected habitations of Baran District submitted by the State of Rajasthan under Batch-II of 2023-24 was made by Joint Secretary (RC) & DG, NRIDA before the Empowered Committee. It was apprised to the Empowered Committee that Ministry of Tribal Affairs had identified 38 unconnected habitations in Baran District of Rajasthan, out of which, connectivity to 16 habitations had already been sanctioned under Batch-I of 2023-24. Out of remaining 22 habitations, connectivity to 21 were proposed before Pre-EC and the remaining one pertaining to PVTG Tatavani has also been proposed for consideration before Empowered Committee. The State representatives informed the Committee that all 22 roads are in forest area and hence will require forest clearance from forest department. The details of 22 Current Proposals as per OMMAS are as follows:

	As per PRE-EC				As per OMMAS dated 12.02.2024			
Item	No	Length (in km/m)	Cost (Rs in Crores)	Avg. Cost per km/m (Lakhs)	No	Length (in km/m)	Cost (Rs in Crores)	Avg. Cost per km/m (Lakhs)
Roads	21	70.640 km	48.47	68.62	22	75.44 km	50.63	67.11
Total	21	70.640 km	48.47	68.62	22	75.44 km	50.63	67.11

^{*} Central Share - Rs. 30.38 Crore,

- (i) All roads are of 3.75 m carriage width.
- (ii) All proposals have been uploaded and scrutinized by the STA on OMMAS. Proposals have also been scrutinized by PTA.
- (iii) State has brought out that all 22 proposals are in forest area. The Committee observed that all 22 roads being required clearances from forest department may affect the execution of road work and further delay the connectivity to habitations. The Committee was apprised by the State that approval of the projects will be taken from the State Finance after receiving the clearance from the Govt. of India. Thereafter, the State will take up the matter without any delay with the forest department for the clearances for these projects.
- (iv) State was requested to furnish the list of facilities in the PVTG habitations which are at the terminating point of the proposed roads.
- (v) During EC meeting, the IT Division, NRIDA informed that the habitations proposed to be connected under the instant proposal have been migrated from Geosadak to PM-GatiShakti portal. It was further informed that details of habitations, received from MoTA, in excel format have been entered in the OMMAS backend and DPR for only those habitations that are present in this list are allowed to be uploaded on OMMAS.
- (vi) The representative of MoTA informed that the list provided by them had been downloaded from GatiShakti and this can also be downloaded by all users of the portal. **EC** advised NRIDA to re-confirm the list of proposed habitations from the list of habitations downloaded from GatiShakti portal.

3. Average Cost trend of roads in Lakhs/km

The proposals had been formulated as per the SoR 2022-23 that had been vetted by NRIDA.

The committee observed that the average cost of the projects reduced from 68.62 lakh/km (at the time of Pre-EC) to 67.11 lakh/km. In this regard, the State informed that the number of Cross Drainage (CD) works have been reduced which has resulted into the lower cost of the projects.

4. Planning Audit Observation of Proposals:

- The State has uploaded all 22 proposals on GeoSadak.
- NRIDA has audited all 22 proposals on GeoSadak and found all projects satisfactory.

5. **Pre-EC Compliance:**

- (i) L022-Garda Gopalpura to Rajaskhera: On the road of 2.65 km length in Kishanganj block of Baran district, NRIDA Tech Division observed that the proposal appeared to commence on a non-BT road. The State informed that the project commences from other JANMAN proposal L029-Garda Gopalpura to Dandi Bataka of 0.815 km length and ending at Rajakhera. Therefore, it would be allweather connectivity at the start and ending at the PVTG habitation. NRIDA had also verified both proposals on GeoSadak.
- (ii) L033-Kasbathana Bamangaon to Chhaila: On the road of 4.625 km road length in Shahbad block of Baran district. NRIDA Tech. Division observed that the PVTG habitation supposed to connect with the proposed road could be linked to the nearby PMGSY road. State was requested to provide the reason for adoption of a longer route for habitation connectivity. The State informed that the road is proposed to connect the habitation from Kasbathana to Bamangaon road. Bamangaon village is the Panchayat Head Quarter of the habitation Chhaila. During transect walk, habitats had demanded road from PHQ side. On the other side (nearby PMGSY road) unconnected length is more than 500m and

PHQ is at distance about 37 km from habitation. Therefore longer route of 4.625 km is proposed. The State Government requested the Committee to consider the proposed route of 4.625 km as it will be very beneficial to which the Committee agreed.

(iii) L041-Bichhi to Mohanpur: On the road of 3.925 km length in Shahbad block of Baran district, NRIDA Tech Division observed that the habitation lies on PMGSY-I road as verified on GeoSadak and accordingly the habitation is considered as connected. State representative informed that actually PMGSY-I road was not constructed and data pertaining to that road requires rectification. The NRIDA during field visit found that the Mohanpur habitation is unconnected. The Committee directed the State for foreclosing of the road sanctioned under PMGSY-I and send the proposal to NRIDA.

6. Length wise details of proposal:

Length -wise details of the proposal are as follows:

S1. No	Items	No of roads	Length (in km)	Pavement cost (in crores)	Avg Pav Cost/km	Total cost (in crores)	Avg total cost/km
i.	Less than 1 km	1	0.815	0.36	44.09	0.73	89.95
ii.	1 km to 2 km	4	5.7	2.30	40.39	4.63	81.31
iii.	2 km to 3 km	6	14.65	5.95	40.60	9.71	66.30
iv.	3 km to 4 km	5	17.625	6.79	38.50	11.34	64.32
v.	4 km to 5 km	3	13.425	5.38	40.09	9.45	70.36
vi.	More than 5 km	3	23.225	8.80	37.89	14.77	63.59
	Total	22	75.44	29.58	39.21	50.63	67.11

7. Traffic Category wise and District-wise details of Roads:

In 3.75 m carriageway width, all 22 roads of length 75.44 km in Baran District are in T4 Traffic Category with average pavement cost of Rs. 39.21 lakh/km, average non pavement cost of Rs. 27.9 lakh/km and average total cost of Rs. 67.11 lakh/Km.

8. Pavement cost/km wise details:

SI. No Pavement cost/km		No. of roads
D1. 140	a a voment cost, and	3.75m
i.	Less than 50	22

The Committee found pavement cost of the roads reasonable.

9. Non pavement cost/km wise details:

SI. No	Non Pavement cost/km	No of roads 3.75m		
	Non Favement Cost/km			
i.	Less than 20	3		
ii.	20-30	10		
iii.	30-40	6		
iv.	40-50	2		
v.	More than 50	1 (54.31)		
	Total	22		

The Committee observed that non pavement cost of 2 roads is more than 40 lakh/km and of 1 roads it is more than 50 lakh/km. State was requested to re-examine these costs and furnish justifications. NRIDA Tech Division was requested to examine the justifications submitted by the State for these roads.

10. General Observations (Roads)

- i. More Picture of transect walk needs be attached in the DPR. The Committee directed to capture photos of the facilities which will be connected through these roads.
- ii. The State has proposed construction of all roads using MSS. The Committee advised the State to construct the roads using waste plastic wherever possible.

11. Maintenance

The State has proposed Rs. 278.47 lakhs for 5 years routine maintenance, which was 5.5% of the construction cost and was agreed as new construction. Similarly, the 6th year renewal cost was Rs. 843 lakhs (16.65% of the construction cost) which was also agreed.

12. Recommendations of Empowered Committee

Subject to the above observations and concurrent action/compliance by the State government as stipulated in the foregoing paras, the Empowered Committee recommended the above proposals as at para-2 above.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.
