

**NATIONAL RURAL ROADS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT, GOVT OF INDIA, NEW DELHI**

**MINUTES OF THE 19th MEETING OF THE GENERAL BODY OF NATIONAL
RURAL ROADS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY HELD ON 4th FEBRUARY 2014 AT
NRRDA, NEW DELHI**

(List of members present is annexed)

At the outset DG, NRRDA welcomed the Secretary (RD) & Vice President, NRRDA and other members.

The Agenda items were then taken up for discussion as under:

Item No. 1	Confirmation of the proceedings of the 18th Meeting of the General Body held on 26th July 2013
	<p>Director General informed that Minutes of the 18th Meeting were circulated amongst the members. He provided brief explanation of the action taken on the proceedings of the 18th Meeting of the General Body. He stated that no comments on the Minutes had been received from any member and as such proposed for confirmation the minutes of 18th Meeting of General Body.</p> <p>The General Body confirmed the Minutes of its 18th Meeting.</p>
Item No. 2	Ratification to the extension of term of M/s Rawla & Co as Statutory Auditors for the fourth year (FY 2013-14)
	<p>Director General informed the General Body that M/s Rawla & Co., Chartered Accountants have conducted Statutory Audit of NRRDA for 3 years (from FY 2010-11 to 2012-13) satisfactorily. He further informed that as per the Societies Registration Act, 1860, no term is prescribed for Statutory Auditors but as per C&AG norms, Statutory Auditor can rotate for a period of 4 years in Govt. organisations. The General Body was apprised that the Executive Committee in its 33rd Meeting held on 10th January 2014 had approved the extension of M/s Rawla & Co., Statutory Auditors on the same terms & conditions for the 4th year i.e. 2013-14. The GB ratified the proposal and desired that the process of selection of Statutory auditors of NRRDA for FY 2014-15 be commenced forthwith and the requisite approval of General Body be taken adequately in advance.</p>

Item No. 3	Approval of RE 2013-14 and BE 2014-15
	<p>Director General presented a brief account of the Revised Estimates 2013-14 and Budget Estimates 2014-15 before the General Body. He informed that the proposed Revised Estimates for 2013-14 and Budget Estimates for 2014-15 had also been placed before the Executive Committee of the NRRDA in its meeting held on 10th January 2014 which had recommended these to be placed before the General Body. The General Body approved the same. The Secretary (RD) & Vice President, NRRDA desired that NRRDA should lay special emphasis on R&D work under PMGSY to promote use of marginal materials and new technologies in rural roads construction. Appropriate trainings for field personnel should also be organised in this regard. The Secretary (RD) & Vice President, NRRDA also stressed the need for NRRDA to present before the next GB an overview of its activities and progress achieved.</p>
Item No. 4	Discontinuation of IIT, Powai as PTA / STA and appointment of new PTA coordinator
	<p>The General Body took note of the information regarding discontinuation of IIT, Powai as PTA/STA and appointment of Dr. Amarnath, PTA Coordinator, University of Bangalore as a member of EC as the PTA representative.</p>
Item No. 5	Reimbursement of expenditure towards petty repairs of leased accommodation provided to deputationists
	<p>Director General gave a brief account of the proposal regarding reimbursement of expenditure towards petty repairs of leased accommodation provided to the deputationists on the lines of NHAI. After due deliberation, General Body approved that two months' rent per annum towards petty repairs of the premises may be reimbursed half yearly on pro-rata basis as per the rates prevailing for the last month of the half year in October (for April-September) and in April (for October-March), subject to actual expenditure, based on the written undertaking produced by such employees. This dispensation would be effective from the date of earlier and related decision of General Body in its meeting held on 24th August, 2011.</p>

Item No. 6	Approval to hire additional space offered by HUDCO
	<p>Director General explained the need to hire additional space for NRRDA, comprising an area of about 3000 sq.ft. The General Body, after due deliberations, approved the proposal in principle but desired that NRRDA may make an effort to negotiate with M/s HUDCO on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Downward revision of the monthly rent of Rs. 255 per sq.ft plus applicable taxes and also of the yearly increase of 10%. ii) Waiver of security deposit (12 months' rent) as NRRDA is also a Govt. organisation. Instead, an insertion of a clause in the Lease Agreement towards payment of penal interest in case rent is not paid on the date stipulated in the lease agreement, may be considered. <p>The GB also approved installation of cost effective modular furniture as the space offered by HUDCO is unfurnished.</p>
Item No. 7	Approval for extension of foreign tour
	<p>The General Body ratified the Executive Committee's approval to extend the tour of Shri Solanki, Director(P-I) by two days and consequent payments towards TA/DA/boarding & lodging etc.</p>
Item No. 8	Enhancement of remuneration of Chartered Accountant
	<p>The General Body ratified the proposal to enhance the remuneration of Chartered Accountant to Rs. 45,000/- per month effective from 1st February 2014 (i.e. on completion of CA's one year service).</p>
Item No. 9	Addition in the delegation of financial powers to Director General
	<p>The General Body took note of the Executive Committee's approval on addition in the delegation of financial powers to Director General for purchase/disposal of vehicles and while ratifying its decision desired that an appropriate insertion be made in NRRDA Bye-Laws to this effect within one month.</p>

Item No. 10	Extension of officers on deputation to NRRDA
	The General Body, after due deliberations, ratified the decision of Executive Committee to extend the tenure of deputation for a period of three years i.e. from 26.11.2013 to 25.11.2016 in respect of Dr. I.K. Pateriya, Director (Tech); for one year till 24.07.2014 and for two years till 01.03.2016 in respect of Smt Madhvi Vedula and Shri Rakesh Kumar, ADs respectively on the existing terms & conditions.
Item No. 11	Appointment of 3 more young engineers
	As the panel of seven young engineers was formed about a year ago, the General Body desired that NRRDA may go in for fresh advertisement and start the process of selecting three more professionals (civil engineers) afresh so as to strengthen its technical base.
Item No. 12	Empanelment of new NQMs and performance review of the existing NQMs
	The General Body took note of the information regarding empanelment of new NQMs and process of evaluation of existing NQMs.

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

List of Members present in the 19th meeting of General Body

1. Shri L. C. Goyal, Secretary (RD), Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, Krishi Bhawan, **New Delhi.**
2. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, JS(RC) & Director General, NRRDA, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, **New Delhi.**
3. Smt. Manju Rajpal, Dy. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan, **New Delhi.**
4. Dr. B. Rajender, Secretary, Rural Works Department, Government of Bihar, 5th Floor, Vishveshvaraiya Bhavan, Bailey Road, Patna-800015, **BIHAR**
5. Prof P.K.Sikdar, Director, International Consultants & Technocrats Pvt. Ltd., A-8.Green Park, **New Delhi-110016.**
6. Representative, Planning Commission, Room No. 222, Yojana Bhawan, **New Delhi-110001.**
7. Representative, IFD, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, **New Delhi.**
8. Representative, Central Road Research Institute, CRRI, Delhi-Mathura Road, **New Delhi.**

