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**National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency**  
**Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 15-NBCC Tower, Bhikaji Cama Place New Delhi**

Dated: 09.03.2021

**Subject: Minutes of the 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the General Body of the National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency.**

Enclosed herewith please find a copy of the approved minutes of 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the General Body of National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency held on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, Government of India and Chairperson NRIDA.

Enc: As above:-

  
(Deepak Ashish Kaul)  
Director (F&A) 9/3/2021

1. PPS to Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development & Chairperson NRIDA
2. PPS to Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development & Co-chairperson NRIDA
3. PPS to Secretary, Rural Development, Government of India, Krishi Bhawan & Vice chairperson, NRIDA
4. Sh Ashish Upadhyaya, Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
5. Smt Alka Upadhyaya, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
6. Dr. Ashish Kumar Goel, Joint Secretary, Rural Connectivity, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan & DG, NRIDA
7. Sh Gaya Prasad, Deputy Director General, Rural Housing, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
8. Sh I. K. Pandey, Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
9. Sh Anjan Kumar Mohanty, Inspector General of Forests (Forest Conservation) (Representative of Director General, Forests & Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India).

10. Sh Sudhendu Jyoti Sinha, Advisor (Transport), NITI Ayog, New Delhi.
11. Shri Rajesh Kemprai, Commissioner – cum – Special Secretary, Public Works Department, Government of Assam
12. Shri Prabhakar Hemmagi, Chief Operating Officer, Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency (Representative of Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of Karnataka).
13. Sh Sanjay Dubey, Special Secretary – cum – ACEP, BRRDA and Sh Bhagwat Ram, Nodal Officer, PMGSY (Representative of Secretary, Rural Works Department, Government of Bihar).
14. Sh Shashank Mishra, Chief Executive Officer, MPRRDA (Representative of Additional Chief Secretary, Panchayat and Rural Development Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh).
15. Sh Sanjeev Sood, Additional Director (RD) and Sh Rajesh Chandel Executive Engineer (RD). (Representative of Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government Himachal Pradesh).
16. Sh Satish Chandra, Director, Central Road Research Institute
17. Smt. Reshma Dudani, ED, National Building Construction Corporation, New Delhi.
18. Brig. Nitin K Sharma (DDG) (Tech Planning), Seema Sadak Bhawan, Naraina, New Delhi. (Representative of VSM, Director General (Border Roads), Border Roads Organization, New Delhi
19. Prof G. J. Joshi, Dean (Planning and Development), Surat, Gujarat
20. Sh M. K. Gupta, Retired Engineer-in-Chief, MPRRDA, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

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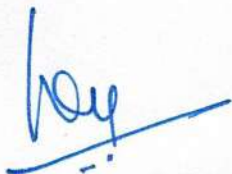
**MINUTES OF THE 25<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF GENERAL BODY (GB) OF NATIONAL RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NRIDA) HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2021.**

The 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the General Body of National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency (NRIDA) was held under the Chairpersonship of Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development and Chairperson NRIDA on 16.2.2021 through video conferencing. Hon'ble MoS (RD) Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti, Co-Chairperson was also present via video conference.

**List of members present in the meeting is at Annexure-I**

At the very outset, Joint Secretary (RC), Ministry of Rural Development & Director General, NRIDA welcomed the Chairperson of General Body NRIDA, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, Minister of State for Rural Development and Co-chairperson of General Body, NRIDA, Secretary, MoRD and Vice- Chairperson of General Body, NRIDA, Additional Secretary & Financial Advisor, MoRD, Additional Secretary (RD) and other members of the General Body. Thereafter, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development inaugurated the following initiatives undertaken by NRIDA:-

1. **Revamped Citizen Centric Meri-Sadak Mobile App**-The modified version of **Meri-Sadak Mobile App** was inaugurated. The revamped App contains new features and it auto identifies and recommends a list of PMGSY roads to the user based on the selected block. It has provision to reopen a complaint within 10 days if the citizen is dissatisfied with the response. It also enables the user to see the list of roads (new connectivity and up-gradation works). Besides, it has improved User Interface facility and enhanced 'My Profile' section.
  - i) It was suggested by the Chairperson that the App should also incorporate road rating system by the users.
  - ii) Photographs of ongoing works should be uploaded on OMMAS (during construction), before payment.
2. **Geo-Sadak**-Geo- Sadak is a Web-based GIS Application which enables collation, edit and management of spatial data and its quality online. This application is



utilized by all the State Government departments and Ministry of Rural Development for preparation, monitoring, and management of new road proposals.

3. **Revamped Official website of PMGSY** -- The modified and improved version of official website of PMGSY was inaugurated. The revamped website (pmgsy.nic.in) is compliant with Government of India guidelines and has been developed on an open-source platform. It is a secure website having sections for the Latest News, Videos & Photos gallery, social media interactive platform i.e. Twitter & YouTube etc. for the visitors.

Thereafter, the Agenda Items, as circulated, were taken up for discussion and deliberation. The proceedings of the meeting and the decision of GB on the agenda items are recorded below.

<b>Agenda Item No.</b> 25.1	<b>Confirmation of the Minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the General Body of NRIDA held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 and action taken thereon.</b>	
	<p>Proceedings of the 24<sup>th</sup> GB meeting held on 18.01.2019 are placed at Appendix-I. The same were circulated among all the members and no comments have been received till date. The GB is requested to confirm the minutes of the 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.</p> <p><b>Action taken on the Minutes of 24<sup>th</sup> GB meeting are as follows:</b></p>	
	<b>Item No. VIII</b>	<b>Setting up of the NTSA as a separate unit within NRIDA and renaming of NRRDA as NRIDA</b>
		The revised Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations of NRIDA have been registered with Registrar of Societies. Hon'ble MoS, Ministry of Rural Development has been included in the General Body of NRIDA in the capacity of Co-chairperson.
		DG, NRIDA informed the GB that NRRDA has been renamed as NRIDA and revised Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations of NRIDA have been registered with Registrar of Societies. Also, Hon'ble MoS, Ministry of Rural Development has been included in the General Body of NRIDA in the capacity of Co-chairperson.
	<b>Item No. 2E</b>	<b>Engagement of Consultant for the post of Director in NRIDA</b>
	<b>Action Taken</b>	In respect of filling up the post of Director in NRIDA, an advertisement was published in various newspapers in December

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	2019 but no suitable response was received. The advertisement has again been published in August 2020 and the last date for receipt of applications was extended up to 18.12.2020, but no complete application through proper channel was received till the last date.															
	DG,NRIDA informed the GB that advertisement has been published twice, however, no response has been received. The post has been re-advertised on 05.01.2021 and the last date of submission of application was 15.02.2021 which has been extended till 19.02.2021.															
<b>Item No. 2H</b>	<b>Setting up an Information Communication Technology (ICT) Project Management Unit (PMU) in NRIDA</b>															
	ICT Project Management Unit has started functioning in NRIDA since January 2020 and three consultants have been appointed on contract basis for the ICTPMU as mentioned below: <table><tr><th>Name of the person</th><th>Post Offered</th><th>Date of joining on contract of one year</th><th>Remuneration (Rs.) per month</th></tr><tr><td>Shri Vishal Srivastava</td><td>IT Project Director</td><td>4.2.2020</td><td>1,20,000</td></tr><tr><td>Ms. Sonam Sharma</td><td>Product Manager</td><td>13.1.2020</td><td rowspan="2">1,00,000</td></tr><tr><td>Ms. Richa Marwah</td><td>Product Manager</td><td>26.5.2020</td></tr></table>	Name of the person	Post Offered	Date of joining on contract of one year	Remuneration (Rs.) per month	Shri Vishal Srivastava	IT Project Director	4.2.2020	1,20,000	Ms. Sonam Sharma	Product Manager	13.1.2020	1,00,000	Ms. Richa Marwah	Product Manager	26.5.2020
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	<b>This is for information of GB.</b>															
	DG, NRIDA informed GB that ICT Project Management Unit has started functioning in NRIDA since January 2020 and three consultants have been appointed on contract basis for the ICTPMU.															
	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The General Body confirmed the said minutes and took note of the action taken upon the actionable points of the 24 GB meeting.															
<b>AGENDA FOR 25<sup>TH</sup> GB MEETING</b>																
<b>Item No. 25.2</b>	<b>PMGSY at a Glance (As on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2020)</b>															
	DG, NRIDA gave a brief presentation about the progress of the PMGSY project as on 31.1.2021.															
	<b>Decision of GB</b>															
	General Body took note of the information.															
<b>Item No. 25.3</b>	<b>Strengthening of NRIDA</b>															
<b>A.</b>	<b>Staff position</b>															



The current status of sanctioned strength and persons in position in NRIDA is as under: -

S. No.	Post	Sanctioned strength	Persons in place	Vacancy
1.	Director	5	4	1
2.	Jt. Director	7	3	4
3.	Dy. Director	5	3	2
4.	Asstt. Director	26	17*	9
	<b>Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>16</b>

\* 11 YCEs, 1 CA and 1 Consultant are working on contract basis against vacant posts of Assistant Director.

For filling up of various posts on deputation in NRIDA as mentioned above, advertisement dated 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 has been published in all the leading newspapers. 4 applications for post of DD(F&A), 6 applications for the post AD(F&A) and 1 application for the post of AD(P/T) were received. The Selection committee has finalised selection for one post of Deputy Director (F&A), Asstt Director (F&A) and Asstt Director (P/T) as detailed below :

Sl No	Name and Designation	Post Selected
1.	Dr. Pardeep Kumar	Dy Director (F&A)
2.	Shri Sudhir Chopra	Asst. Director (F&A)
3.	Shri Anand Kapoor	Asst. Director (P/T)

The letter(s) to the respective department(s) have been issued to relieve the concerned officers to enable them to join this office.

Further, the last date of receipt of application for the post of Director/ Dy Director/Jt Director (P/T) was extended till 18.12.2020. In response only 3 applications for the post of Joint Director (P/T) has been received through proper channel till 18.12.2020 against the vacancy of 4 Joint Directors (P/T).

**B. Incumbency developments in NRIDA since the last GB meeting.**

- i. **Following officers have joined on the vacant posts on deputation**

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Name	Designation	Date of Joining
Dr. I. K. Pateriya	Director	25.4.2019
Shri. Deepak Ashish Kaul	Director	03.06.2019
Shri. Pradeep Agarwal	Director	07.06.2019
Ms. Tanupreet Kaur	Dy. Director	1.10.2019
Shri Raj Kumar Arora	Asst. Director	21.10.2019
Shri Rajesh Makkar	Asst. Director	03.03.2020

(ii) Repatriation of following officers have been made since the last GB:

Name	Designation	Date of Joining	Date of relieving
Smt. Shanthi Priya Sarella	Director (F&A)	19.7.2017	17.12.2018
Shri Uttam Kumar	Director (P-III)	15.10.2015	29.11.2019
Smt. Shalini Das	Joint Director (P-III)	19.5.2017	1.08.2019
Shri A. V. Rajesh	Joint Director (P-II)	16.8.2017	31.01.2019
Shri Parveen Kumar Bhalla	Dy. Director (F&A)	10.6.2016	9.08.2018
Smt. T. Sujatha,	Asstt. Director (P-I)	11.7.2016	31.07.2018
Shri P. Rajendran,	Asstt. Director (III)	9.6.2017	31.07.2018
Shri Hari Shankar Sharma	Asstt. Director (P-II)	2.9.2018	25.02.2020
Shri. Bhupender Singh Bisht	Dy. Director (F&A)	30.8.2018	29.08.2020
Shri Rajeev Lochan	Joint Director (Tech)	1.11.2018	30.10.2020

(iii) The deputation tenures of the following officers in NRIDA have been extended with the approval of the competent authority for the periods shown against their names:

Name	Designation	Date of Joining	Period extended upto
Shri P. Mohanasundram	Jt. Director (Tech)	15.4.2015	14.04.2021
Shri K.K. Bisht	Dy. Director (F&A)	6.11.2015	5.11.2021

Shri. Girish Chander Singh	Asstt. Director (F&A)	24.8.2018	23.08.2021
Shri C. P. S. Yadav	Asstt. Director (P-I)-	29.6.2017	29.06.2021
Shri Rakesh Kumar	Dy. Director (P-III)	23.8.2018	22.08.2022
Shri. Satyendra Prasad	Jt. Director (P-II)	13.9.2018	12.9.2022
Shri. Sunil Kumar	Jt. Director (P-II)	21.12.2018	20.12.2022

**(iv) Extension of contracts in respect of Consultants engaged in NRIDA**

Name	Designation	Date of Joining	Period extended upto
Shri B.C. Pradhan	Consultant Director (Tech)	8.8.2018	7.8.2021
Shri Harsh Nisar	Data Scientist	20.4.2018	19.4.2021
Shri H.S. Saini	Consultant (F&A)	14.11.2012	31.12.2020
Shri Rahul Charaya	Chartered Accountant (CA)	1.11.2017	31.10.2021

**(v) Termination of contracts in respect of Consultants engaged in NRIDA**

Name	Designation	Date of Termination
Shri S.D. Singh	Consultant (F&A)	30.9.2019
Shri Randhir Singh	Consultant (F&A)	30.3.2020
Shri H. S. Saini	Consultant (F&A)	31.12.2020

**This is for information of GB.**

DG, NRIDA informed the GB regarding the present staff position of NRIDA. The steps taken for filling up the vacant post(s) were also brought to the notice of GB.

GB was also informed about the Officers who had been repatriated to their parent organizations on completion of the tenure of deputation. Also, the GB was informed about the Officers who have joined NRIDA on deputation basis and have been engaged in NRIDA as Consultant.

**Decision of GB:** The GB took note of the information.

<b>Item No.25.4</b>	<b>Revision in Terms of Reference (ToR) for the recruitment of Dy. Director (F&amp;A) and Assistant Director (F&amp;A) on deputation basis.</b>
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In order to ensure wider response and better choice of officers, one time relaxation in the eligibility criteria for the posts of Dy Director (F&A) and Asst. Director (F&A) were made with the approval of Chairperson, NRIDA GB, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development and it now includes "officers from State Government/ PSUs/ Autonomous Bodies" in addition to eligible employees of Central Government.

**This is for ratification by GB.**

DG, NRIDA informed the GB about one time relaxation in the eligibility criteria for the posts of Dy Director (F&A) and Asst. Director (F&A) made with the approval of Chairperson NRIDA.

**Decision of GB:** The GB ratified the decision.

**Item No.25.5 Increase in number of posts of Young Civil Engineers and enhancement of their remuneration**

Total sanctioned members of YCEs have been increased from 12 to 13 with the approval of Chairperson NRIDA GB, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development against the vacant post of Assistant Director (P/T). In this regard, currently 11 young civil engineers are working in this office as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Date of Joining
1	Shri Devesh Kumar	YCE	1.4.2016
2	Shri Rakshit Tyagi	YCE	14.12.2017
3	Shri Akshay Kagla	YCE	2.7.2019
4	Shri Pankaj Sharma	YCE	19.7.2019
5	Shri Avinash Panda	YCE	29.7.2019
6	Shri Undela Nagarjuna Reddy	YCE	25.7.2019
7	Shri Nagrale Tejas Moreshwar	YCE	1.7.2019
8	Shri Prashank Kumar	YCE	3.7.2019
9	Shri Nayaab Mittal	YCE	24.7.2019
10	Shri Pulkit Narula	YCE	1.8.2019
11	Shri Galli Kiran Kumar	YCE	24.2.2020

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Date of Joining	Resigned
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	1	Shri Bapun Behra	YCE	03.03.2020	06.03.2020
	2	Shri Amit Kumar Pandey	YCE	1.8.2018	21.08.2020
	The abovementioned 2 YCEs left NRIDA after tendering their resignation				
	<b>This is for ratification by GB.</b>				
	DG, NRIDA informed GB that sanctioned strength of YCEs have been increased from 12 to 13 with the approval of Chairperson, NRIDA against the posts of Assistant Director (Technical/Project) and currently 11 YCEs are in position. The GB was also informed that 3 YCEs have been selected against 3 posts, who are expected to join shortly. It was suggested by SRD that recruitment for vacant posts of AD/DD/JD etc. may be made from engineering services. Options to recruit on the basis of GATE formula may also be explored.				
	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB ratified the increase in number of posts of YCEs.				
<b>Item No. 25.6</b>	<b>Increase in remuneration of Data Scientist</b>				
	The monthly remuneration of Shri. Harsh Nisar, Data Scientist has been increased from Rs. 1,35,000/- to Rs.1,50,000/- from May 2020 with the approval of Chairperson NRIDA GB, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development.				
	<b>This is for ratification by GB.</b>				
	DG, NRIDA informed GB that remuneration payable to the Data Scientist has been increased from Rs.1.35 lakh to Rs.1.50 lakh per month from the month of May, 2020 with the approval of Hon'ble Chairperson, GB, NRIDA.				
	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB ratified the decision				
<b>Item No.25.7</b>	<b>Increase in remuneration of Consultant Director (Technical)</b>				
	The contract of Shri B C Pradhan, Consultant Director (Technical) has been extended till 7.8.2021 with 5% hike in emoluments. Currently he is getting Rs 1,65,375/- from August 2020. The proposal has been approved by the Chairperson NRIDA GB, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development.				
	<b>This is for ratification by GB.</b>				
	DG, NRIDA informed GB that contract of Consultant Director (Technical) has been extended with hike of 5% in emoluments.				
	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB ratified the decision.				
<b>Item No. 25.8</b>	<b>Ratification of Annual Report and Audited Accounts of NRIDA for 2018-19</b>				
	NRIDA's annual accounts for the financial year 2018-19 have been audited by M/s. G.K. Sureka & Co. and are placed at <b>Appendix III</b> . During the year 2018-				

19 an expenditure of Rs. 11,353.82 crores (including loan from NABARD for PMAY along with interest payment of Rs. 11,312.58 crore) respectively was incurred.

Some of the auditor's observations on the accounts and action taken on them are as under :

Sl No	Observation	Action Taken
a)	NRIDA office accommodation is pending for registration before the Authority.	A DO letter has been sent to NBCC through AS, MoRD in this regard.
b)	A total amount of Rs. 18008.40 crore was received from NABARD upto 2018-19 for Rural Housing under PMAY-G and disbursed to states for which UCs have to be collected from states.	Matter was followed up for obtaining the copies of UCs.

The General Body is requested to consider the Audited Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure statement and adopt the same. The accounts have been incorporated in the Annual Report for the year 2018-19.

The GB is requested to ratify the Annual Report and accounts for the year 2018-19 placed at Appendix III. The Annual Report of 2018-19 duly approved by the Chairperson, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development, was laid in both the Houses of Parliament in February and March 2020 respectively.

**The Annual Report and Audited Accounts of NRIDA for the year 2018-19 are for ratification by GB.**

DG informed the GB about observations of the Auditors on the Annual Report and accounts 2018-19 and action taken thereon by NRIDA.

With reference to the pending UC's of PMAY-G, DDG (RH) MoRD informed that only 1 UC was pending from Madhya Pradesh and copies of all other UCs have been sent to NRIDA. It was suggested by Secretary, Rural Development that RH Division of MoRD will coordinate with States for timely submission of Utilization Certificates and that it will compile and send the copies of the UCs to NRIDA so that UCs could be reconciled properly.

**Decision of GB :** The GB ratified the Annual Report and Audited Accounts 2018-19.

Item No. 25.9	Approval of Annual Report and Audited Accounts of NRIDA for 2019-20
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NRIDA's annual accounts for the financial year 2019-20 have been audited by M/s. G.K. Sureka & Co. and are placed at **Appendix IV**. During the year 2019-20 an expenditure of Rs. 12,413.37 crore (including loan from NABARD for PMAY along with interest payment of Rs. 12,378.53 crore) was incurred. Some of the auditor's observations on the accounts and action taken on them are as under :

Sl No	Observation	Action Taken
a)	NRIDA office accommodation is pending for registration before the Authority.	The matter has already been taken up with NBCC for necessary action. The matter has been discussed with Sh R P Jaiswal, GM, NBCC and it has been intimated telephonically that the matter is pending with L&DO, MoHU&A and will be processed once approval is received from them.
b)	A total amount of Rs. 28819.40 crore was received from NABARD upto 2019-20 for Rural Housing under PMAY-G and disbursed to states for which UCs have to be collected from states.	UCs amounting to Rs. 16578.87 crore has been received from states till date. For the remaining UCs the matter is being pursued.

The General Body is requested to consider the Audited Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure statement and adopt the same. The accounts have been incorporated in the Annual Report for the year 2019-20.

The Annual Report and Audited Accounts for the year 2019-20 were approved by NRIDA EC in its 41<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 21.09.2020 and the same is placed at Appendix IV for the approval of GB.

**The Annual Report and Audited Accounts of NRIDA for the year 2019-20 are submitted for approval of GB.**

DG informed the observations of the Auditors on the Annual Report and Accounts and action taken thereon by NRIDA. The Annual Report and

	<p>Audited Accounts for the year 2019-20 were approved by NRIDA EC in its 41st meeting held on 21.09.2020 and subsequently approval of the Chairperson was obtained so that it could be laid on the table of both houses of the Parliament. The Annual report was now to be ratified by the GB.</p> <p>On the issue of pending registration for NRIDA office accommodation Smt. Reshma Dudani, ED, NBCC representing CMD, NBCC informed that they have received the permission of the L&amp;DO and suggested to nominate an officer from NRIDA for coordinating the task with officials from NBCC so that the registration of NRIDA office in NBCC tower could be completed expeditiously.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB :</b> The GB ratified the Annual Report and Audited Accounts 2019-20 and directed the NRIDA to do the needful for registration of its premises.</p>
Item No 25.10	<p><b>NRIDA (Medical Attendance) Byelaws, 2004 - Revision of Rules</b></p> <p>NRRDA (Medial Attendance) Byelaws, 2004 were formulated largely on the lines of Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1944.</p> <p>As per Byelaw 5, ibid, consultation fee charged by the AMA shall be reimbursed subject to the ceilings as laid down in the byelaws and revised from time to time by the competent authority (DG, NRIDA or any other authority so designated by him/her).</p> <p>Since 2006 a single rate of consultation fee at Rs. 400 per consultation has been fixed on this account. <b>This limit is being followed presently while processing cases of medical claims of NRIDA officers.</b></p> <p>It is further submitted that most officers joining NRIDA on deputation are opting for NRRDA (Medical Attendance) Byelaws instead of CGHS or other facilities availed by them in their parent offices. They have already surrendered their CGHS cards there and thus do not get the benefit of CGHS rates at empanelled hospitals where charges for consultation fees are usually quite higher for non-CGHS patients as compared to the NRIDA ceiling of Rs. 400 per consultation. Similarly, the consultation fee charged by private medical practitioners is generally higher than this limit and therefore it was proposed to increase the ceiling of consultation charges.</p> <p>The EC in its meeting dated 13.03.2018 agreed to increase the ceiling of consultation charges as given below :-</p> <p>a) Doctors with specialized qualification like MD, MS or equivalent or those treated as specialists</p>

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	<p>- Rs. 1000/- for consultation or actual paid, whichever is less</p> <p>b) Doctor with MBBS Degree</p> <p>- Rs.600/- or actual paid, whichever is less.</p> <p>Further, the proposal was subsequently placed before the General Body in its 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 for approval. However, the General Body decided that the matter be re-examined with reference to the CSMA rules and submit the same on file.</p> <p>As directed by GB, the matter has been re-examined with reference to the CSMA rules and found to be justified. The proposal has been approved by the Chairperson, EC for inclusion in the forthcoming GB agenda in File No. NRRDA-A021(11)/7/2017-Dir(FA) (356041).</p> <p>It is also submitted that revised byelaws of NRIDA are also under consideration for approval. If the revised limit as given above is approved, the same will also be incorporated in revised byelaws of NRIDA.</p> <p><b>This is for approval of GB.</b></p> <p>DG, NRIDA informed that the proposal was placed before the General Body in its 24th Meeting held on 18th January, 2019 for approval. However, the General Body decided that the matter be re-examined. As directed by GB, the matter has been re-examined on file with reference to the rates of other equivalent organisations and found to be justified.</p> <p>The matter was discussed and it was observed that medical consultation rates in comparable organizations like NCDC, NHAI etc are ranging from Rs. 300/- to Rs. 1000/- per consultation.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB directed to also examine the medical consultation rates of premier organisations and seek its decision. In case, no meeting is proposed in near future, the same be put up to its Chairperson.</p>
Item No 25.11	<p><b>Loan from NABARD for Pradhan Mantri AwasYojana – Gramin (PMAY-G)</b></p> <p>The Union Cabinet on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016 has approved the implementation of PMAY-G. Around 2.95 crore houses are to be constructed under PMAY-G by 2022 in a phased manner. In the first phase, one crore houses are to be constructed over a period of 3 years viz. 2016-17 to 2018-19 with a financial requirement towards Central Share amounting to Rs. 81,975 crore. Central share would be 60% of the per unit assistance for all States except for the North Eastern States and three Himalayan States where it would be 90% Union Cabinet had also approved that out of the total financial requirement of Rs. 81,975 crore for construction of one crore houses in a period of 3 years (2016-17 to 2018-19), an amount of Rs. 60,000 crore would be met from budgetary sources and the balance financial requirement of Rs. 21,975 crore shall be met through borrowing from National Bank for Agriculture and Rural</p>

Development (NABARD). Accordingly, MoRD, GOI has decided to borrow Rs. 21,975 crore from NABARD from 2017-18 onwards in a phased manner, for providing central share assistance for construction of one crore houses.

MoRD had designated NRIDA, an entity registered as society under Societies Registration Act, 1860 to act as the Nodal Agency for borrowing funds from NABARD for PMAY-G and also to release funds as Central Assistance to the State Governments /UTs/Implementing agencies. The details of loans availed by NRIDA from NABARD during financial year 2017-18 to 2019-20 are given below :

#### PHASE-I

Based on the provisions of Principal MoA signed on 15.02.2018 amongst Ministry of Rural Development and National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency (NRIDA) and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) for borrowing financial assistance of Rs. 21,975 crores of loan in phased manner, a sum of Rs. 18008.23 crores was taken loan from NABARD for PMAY-G of Phase I during FY 2017-18 & 2018-19.

#### PHASE-II

The Union Cabinet on 19.02.2019 had accorded approval for construction of 1.95 crore houses under PMAY-G Phase-II upto 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022. The continuation of Phase-II of the PMAY-G scheme during the Financial Year 2019-20 is to achieve a target of 60 lakh houses with a central funding of Rs. 48,195 crore (Rs. 19,000 crore from Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) and Rs. 26,170 crore through Extra Budgetary Resources (EBR) from NABARD and supplementary demand of Rs. 3025 crore). Out of this Rs. 22,025 crore is to be met from GBS and Rs. 26,170 crore through EBR from NABARD. A supplementary agreement has been signed on 20<sup>January</sup>, 2020 amongst Ministry of Rural Development and National Rural Infrastructure Development Agency (NRIDA) and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) for implementation of PMAY-G Phase -II upto 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022. Based on the provisions contained in the Principal and Supplementary agreements, a loan of Rs.10,811 crore was taken from NABARD during FY 2019-20.

During the financial year 2020-21, loan amounting to Rs. 6,121.30 crore has been taken from NABARD on 2 occasions for PMAY-G.

Thus, a total loan of Rs. 34940.53 crore has been taken so far for implementation of Phase I and Phase II of PMAY-G as detailed below

Month	Date of Loan Received	Amount of Loan (In crores)
February, 2018	27-02-2018	2180.00
March, 2018	09-03-2018	2227.00
March, 2018	16-03-2018	2922.43
October, 2018	05-10-2018	2814.40
December, 2018	13-12-2018	1971.40
December, 2018	26-12-2018	2379.90
February, 2019	13-02-2019	1283.10
March, 2019	22-03-2019	2230.00
Jan.2020	31.01.2020	5102.60
February. 2020	10-02-2020	3283.40
March 2020	19-03-2020	2425.00
November, 2020	21-11-2020	3343.70
November, 2020	25-11-2020	2777.60
<b>Total</b>		<b>34940.53</b>

#### **Payment of Interest**

A sum of Rs.3545.78 crores as interest towards margin of NABARD, payable quarterly, and interest for coupon servicing of bonds, payable half yearly, has been paid to NABARD till 15th December, 2020.

#### **This is for information of GB.**

DG, NRIDA informed GB about the present position of loan taken from NABARD for implementation of Phase I and Phase II of PMAY-G and interest paid to NABARD.

**Decision of GB:** The GB took note of the information.

<b>Item No</b> <b>25.12</b>	<b>Opening of new Account Heads in the Chart of Accounts of PMGSY Manual of Maintenance Fund</b>
	New heads/sub-heads for booking of GST amount and to monitor the receipt and expenditure being incurred by the states against the incentive money have been opened in the chart of account of "PMGSY – Account Manual of Maintenance Fund" (Appendix V) and the same is submitted for approval of

	GB.
	<b>This is for approval of GB</b>
	DG, NRIDA informed the committee about the opening of new account heads in the chart of accounts of PMGSY Manual of Maintenance Fund.
	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB approved the opening of new account heads.
<b>Item No 25.13</b>	<b>Revision of NRIDA Byelaws</b>
	<p>There are 4 byelaws applicable in NRIDA (Erstwhile NRRDA) namely</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NRRDA (Regulation of Pay &amp; Allowances) Byelaws, 2004</li> <li>2. NRRDA (Leave) Byelaws, 2004</li> <li>3. NRRDA (Medical Attendance) Byelaws, 2004 and</li> <li>4. NRRDA (Travelling Allowance) Byelaws, 2004</li> </ol> <p>These byelaws were formulated on the basis of various rules, instructions and orders issued by various Ministries/ Departments of Central Government and applicable to all Central Government Offices in 2004. Since then, vast changes have been made in Central Government rules, especially after implementation of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC. Thus, keeping in view the changes as made in 7<sup>th</sup> CPC, the byelaws have been revised and updated to bring it at par with Central Government rules. The revised byelaws are placed at <b>Appendix VI</b>. These revised byelaws were duly approved by EC in its 41<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 21.09.2020.</p> <p><b>The revised byelaws are for approval of GB</b></p> <p>DG, NRIDA informed GB that there are 4 byelaws applicable in NRIDA (Erstwhile NRRDA) formulated on the basis of various rules, instructions and orders issued by various Ministries/ Departments of Central Government and applicable to all Central Government Offices in 2004.</p> <p>In TA Byelaw 17, as observed by the IFD, MoRD, the entitlement of NRIDA officers during foreign tours will be the same as prescribed by GoI.</p> <p>Keeping in view the changes as made in 7<sup>th</sup> CPC, the byelaws have been revised and updated to bring it at par with Central Government rules and is placed for approval of GB.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB approved the byelaws with instruction that matter relating to Personal pay may be referred to Ministry of Finance for relaxation.</p>
<b>Item No 25.14</b>	<b>Revised HR Policy of NRIDA</b>
	The HR policy applicable in NRIDA has been revised to make the terms and

	<p>conditions uniform for the Consultants and also to update the pay scales of deputationist employees on the basis of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC. Certain other minor changes have also been carried out in the HR policy. The revised HR policy was approved by the NRIDA EC in its 40<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 06.01.2020</p> <p>Thereafter the revised HR Policy of NRIDA was sent to the Ministry for approval. Revised HR Policy is placed at <b>Appendix VII</b>.</p> <p><b>The revised HR policy is for approval of GB.</b></p>
	<p>DG, NRIDA made a brief presentation on the revised HR Policy before the GB. He informed the GB that while the revised HR policy was being examined in the Ministry, the IFD MoRD had made certain observations with respect to some clauses. These clauses were discussed by GB.</p>
	<p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB, after careful consideration of all the issues approved the HR policy of NRIDA with the following changes:</p> <p><b>Clause 4.3.1</b> – All future cases of fixation of deputation allowance shall be governed in accordance with the provisions of DoP&amp;T OM Dated 24.11.2017.</p> <p><b>Clause 4.3.2</b> - All future cases of fixation of lump sum incentive for acquiring higher qualifications shall be governed in accordance with the provisions of DoP&amp;T OM Dated 15.3.2019.</p> <p><b>Clause 4.3.3</b> - dealing with Personal Pay be referred to Ministry of Finance for relaxation.</p> <p><b>Clause 4.4</b> – dealing with remuneration to retired officers / specialists engaged in NRIDA as Consultants on contract basis be referred to Ministry of Finance for relaxation as suitable talent may not be available on the remuneration formulation postulated vide MoF OM Dated 9.12.2020.</p> <p>Clauses 4.4.1 and 5.2.2 having provision of Medical insurance facility and 10 days medical leave for YCE be dropped.</p>
<b>Item No 25.15</b>	<b>Approval of the Annual Action Plan 2021-22</b>
	<p>Clause 14(b) of the Rules &amp; Regulations of NRIDA provides that the General Body shall approve the Annual Action Plan of NRIDA. The Annual Action Plan for 2021-22 is placed at Appendix VIII.</p> <p><b>This is for approval of GB.</b></p>
	<p>DG, NRIDA briefed the GB members about the NRIDA Annual Action Plan for 2021-22.</p>

### Decision of GB

GB approved the Annual Action Plan of NRIDA for the year 2021-22 along with the following additions as suggested by Secretary (RD)

1. iGoT based modules for training of NQMs, SQMs and Engineers of SRRDAs and PIUs to be arranged.
2. Providing full training material for engineers working in the RES or counterpart departments.
3. Development of assessment modules for assessing the competencies of NQMs, SQMs and Engineers of SRRDAs and PIUs on a voluntary basis.
4. Working out precise methodology for connecting habitations that are still unconnected to the core network, through MGNREGA.

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### Approval of Annual Budget of NRIDA for the year 2020-21

As per clause 14(b) of the Rules & Regulations of NRIDA, the NRIDA GB has the power to approve NRIDA budget. Accordingly, the budget and expenditure position of NRIDA for the year 2020-21 (upto November 2020) and BE for 2021-22 is shown in the table below:

(Rs. in crore)

Budget Head	OB on 01.04.20	BE 20-21	RE 20-21	Grant Recd	Total Funds	Exp till Nov 2020	Bal	BE 21-22
Grant-in aid (General)	1.43	31.41	28.05	14.00	15.43	9.45	5.98	34.71
Grant-in aid (Salaries)	9.45*	12.8	9.01	1.68	11.13	5.33	5.80	11.20
ADB	0.78	8.3	2.53	2.00	2.78	1.28	1.50	1.50
World Bank	0.14	32.7	17.69	8.50	8.64	5.02	3.62	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>85.21</b>	<b>57.28</b>	<b>26.18</b>	<b>37.98</b>	<b>21.08</b>	<b>16.90</b>	<b>47.41</b>

\* Includes an amount of Rs. 8.38 crores received as interest

The Annual Budget of NRIDA for Financial Year 2020-21 is for approval of GB.

DG, NRIDA informed GB about the budget and expenditure position of NRIDA for the year 2020-21 (upto November 2020) and BE for 2021-22.

	<b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB approved the Annual Budget of NRIDA for 2020-21 and BE 2021-22.											
<b>Item No</b> 25.17	<b>Status of external aided projects</b>											
	<b>Status of Externally Aided Project</b> <b>a. World Bank RRP-II Additional Financing</b>  The Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India had received a loan of USD 1400 Million under PMGSY RRP-II, which became effective on 30 <sup>th</sup> March, 2011. The project has been fully disbursed and Disbursement linked Indicators have been fully achieved in December, 2016. The project closure was extended up to April 2018 to continue various activities under the Technical Assistance Component.  In order to continue the technical support and continue various initiatives under the programme, an Additional Financing (AF) of 500 Million USD has been approved under the WB funding. GoI will provide counterpart funding of 500 Million USD. The project has become effective from 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2018. Also under Additional Financing, the state of Tripura is added to the existing 8 states under RRP-II. The project period is 32 months closing on 15 December, 2020.  The Additional Financing will emphasize on introducing green and climate resilient construction and scaling-up the institutional development agenda and includes various institutional strengthening measures like Asset management, Green and climate-resilient rural roads strategy, Skills development and gender-targeted opportunities, Road Safety Management, Program Management Strengthening, Research and development, Outcome monitoring, Rural transport services and agriculture supply chain, Engineering design, project management and implementation. The details of Additional Financing are given below. <table><tr><td colspan="4">Component A – Civil Works 970 Million USD (GoI 485 MUSD &amp; WB 485 MUSD)</td></tr><tr><td>Component A1</td><td>Construction and /or rehabilitation/improvement of about 5,500 km rural roads. (Includes 2,000 Km roads adopting green and climate resilient designs)</td><td>In 9 WB States</td><td rowspan="2">670 Million USD</td></tr><tr><td>Component</td><td>Pilot Projects to</td><td>In Non-</td></tr></table>	Component A – Civil Works 970 Million USD (GoI 485 MUSD & WB 485 MUSD)				Component A1	Construction and /or rehabilitation/improvement of about 5,500 km rural roads. (Includes 2,000 Km roads adopting green and climate resilient designs)	In 9 WB States	670 Million USD	Component	Pilot Projects to	In Non-
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A2	demonstrate use of green and climate resilient designs in about 1,500 Km rural roads.	WB States	
Component A3	Retro Financing 4,000 Km rural roads of original RRP II project	In 8 WB states	300 Million USD
Component B1-B9	Institutional Strengthening	All states	30 Million USD

**So far an amount of 146.35 Million USD has been disbursed till August 2020 under the project.**

Ministry has requested DEA many times for time extension of WB Loan for Additional Financing for PMGSY RRP II in order to achieve the desired goals as per the loan agreement. DEA has not agreed to the Ministry's proposal rather it has allowed MoRD to use the project fund through Front Loading and sought proposal for the same considering the DLI based disbursement in the project. Under the option of Front Loading percentage share of World Bank financing will be raised from 50% to 100% retroactively with effect from the loan effectiveness date i.e 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and Ministry will be able to get maximum reimbursement till the closing date i.e 15 December 2020 of the loan in accordance with the DEA minutes of meeting dated 19 Oct 2020. The projected reimbursement that can be claimed under World Bank Additional financing till 15 December 2020 is approximately 270 US\$ million considering 100 % Bank share retroactively with effect from the loan effectiveness date. Also, the restructuring of DLIs is proposed to get the maximum reimbursement.

Some of DLIs like Research and Development , Revision of IRS SP:20 , Creation of GIS Cell-PMGSY III , Setting up VC facility at SRRDAs & PIUs and Engagement of Individual Consultants NRIDA are required to be continued as they are beneficial to the entire PMGSY programme and accordingly MoRD has been requested for continuation and the expenditure should be borne by MoRD.

**This is for information of GB.**

DG, NRIDA informed GB about the status of externally aided projects.

**Decision of GB:** The GB took note of the information.

Item No 25.18	<b>Status of ADB assisted projects</b>
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I. Rural Connectivity Investment Program (RCIP)

Loan no.	Amount (MUSD)	Date of Effectiveness/Date of Closure	Status
2881-IND	252	05 <sup>th</sup> June 2013 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Completed
3065-IND	275	31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2014 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018	Completed
3306-IND	273	29 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2015 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2019	Completed
<b>Total</b>	<b>800</b>		

II. Second Rural Connectivity Investment Program (SRCIP)

Loan no.	Amount (MUSD)	Date of Effectiveness/Date of Closure	Scope	Disbursement As on 15.12.2020 (MUSD)
3611-IND	250	20 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2018 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	6253 KM /TSC, ISC & RSE	170.542/ 219.53 (77.69%)
3703-IND	110	2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2019 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	2859 KM	72.883/ 94.00 (77.53%)
Tranche 3	140	Not availed		
<b>Total</b>	<b>500</b>			

III. Working towards Safer Rural Roads

1. Design Stage Road Safety Audit made mandatory for all PMGSY-III roads, more than 5 km in length.
2. Road Safety Audit Handbook for PMGSY was released on 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020.
3. About 250 engineers from Rural Road Departments got trained in Road Safety Audit.
4. A Road Safety Audit Module has been created on OMMAS to monitor action on audit recommendations.

*Trainings organised during the year 2019-20*

Institute	No. of Topics	No. of Batches		Officials Trained	
		Planned	Achieved	Planned	Achieved
IAHE, Noida	10	33	24	1018	656

ESCI, Hyderabad	02	7	06	291	267
CRRI, New Delhi	06	17	16	725	569
AITD, New Delhi	02	06	05	168	179
NICMAR, Pune	01	01	01	30	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>2232</b>	<b>1701</b>

**This is for information of GB.**

DG, NRIDA informed GB about the status of ADB assisted projects.

**Decision of GB :** The GB took note of the information.

**Item No. 25.19 Hiring of office space from Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited**

The proposal is regarding hiring of office space on the Ground Floor of NBCC Tower, Bhikaji Cama Place from Rastriya Ispat Nigam Limited, a Government of India undertaking for shifting of the NRIDA office located in a hired premises in August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place. NRIDA needs more office space for its activities that are undergoing expansion. Apart from its owned office space on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of NBCC Tower, NRIDA has hired office space of 2951.85 sq ft in August Kranti Bhawan from HUDCO. Recently, correspondence was made by NRIDA with RINL for leasing out their vacant premises having an area of 3772 sqft in NBCC tower and RINL has shown its willingness to do so. The rent of the premises proposed to be hired from RINL (Rs.180/- sqft) is much lower than that being paid by NRIDA for its office in August Kranti Bhawan (Rs 451.76/- sq ft.)

In view of above it is financially beneficial for NRIDA to hire RINL premises at NBCC Tower in comparison to its existing office of August Kranti Bhawan. Although some expenditure would have to be incurred on minor renovation of the RINL hired premises, yet in the long run it would be highly economical. Also, the hiring of this premise would be administratively convenient for NRIDA as both the offices would then be located in NBCC Tower building itself. Moreover, the area of proposed premises is 820.15 sq. ft. (3772 sq. ft – 2951.85 sqft) more than existing hired premise of August Kranti Bhawan, which would be useful in accommodating the additional officers / staff engaged in NRIDA in future .

The hiring proposal as above has been approved by the Chairperson NRIDA, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development and the same is submitted for

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	<p>ratification by the NRIDA General Body.</p> <p><b>This is for ratification by GB.</b></p> <p>DG, informed GB about hiring of office space on the Ground Floor of NBCC Tower, Bhikaji Cama Place from Rastriya Ispat Nigam Limited, a Government of India undertaking for shifting of the NRIDA office located in a hired premises in August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place. NRIDA needs more office space for its activities that are undergoing expansion. Approval has been taken from Chairperson of GB.</p> <p>DG further informed that it is financially beneficial for NRIDA to hire RINL premises at NBCC Tower in comparison to its existing office of August Kranti Bhawan.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB ratified the decision.</p>
<b>Item No 25.20</b>	<b>Appointment of a Rajbhasha consultant on contract basis in NRIDA</b>
	<p>The Parliamentary Committee for Official Language has conducted an inspection of NRIDA in September 2020. The committee suggested to appoint one Hindi Officer so that the norm of implementation of official language in NRIDA could be followed up strictly. There is no sanctioned post of Hindi Officer in NRIDA. However there are 26 sanctioned posts of Asstt. Director out of which 9 are lying vacant. As mentioned above, since there is no post of Hindi Officer, a proposal to appoint a Rajbhasha consultant (preferably retired government officer) on contractual basis against a vacant post of AD was approved by Chairperson, NRIDA, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development. The remuneration of the officer will be fixed as per last pay drawn minus pension and the selection would be done by a Selection Committee after following a transparent process.</p> <p><b>This is for ratification by GB.</b></p> <p>DG, NRIDA informed GB that the Parliamentary Committee for Official Language suggested to appoint one Hindi Officer so that the norm of implementation of official language in NRIDA could be followed up strictly. A proposal to appoint a Rajbhasha consultant (preferably retired government officer) on contractual basis against a vacant post of AD was approved by Chairperson, NRIDA and the selection of Rajbhasha consultant has been done. The remuneration of the consultant will be fixed as per provision contained in OM of Department of Expenditure dated 09.02.2020.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB ratified the decision.</p>
<b>Item No. 25.21</b>	<b>Establishment of Quality Monitoring Unit (QMU)</b>
	<p>A Quality Monitoring Unit is proposed to be set up in NRIDA, to strengthen the quality management system, scrutiny of inspection reports of National Quality Monitors (NQMs) and random scrutiny of reports of State Quality</p>

	<p>Monitors (SQMs) on regular basis. NRIDA has been carrying out sample verification of NQM reports on random basis and communicating the discrepancies observed to NQMs. However, the size of sample needs to be increased for further improvements in quality and reporting, as well as verification of action taken reports by states. With above aim, it is proposed to establish Quality Monitoring Unit (QMU) at NRIDA in P-III Division, with 07 number of technical staff and 01 non technical staff.</p> <p>An advertisement for selection of Consultants and Young Civil Engineers on contract basis, for manning the QMU has been published. Selection would be done by a Selection Committee after following a transparent process.</p> <p><b>This is for information of GB.</b></p>
	<p>DG, NRIDA informed the GB that a Quality Monitoring Unit is proposed to be set up in NRIDA, to strengthen the quality management system, scrutiny of inspection reports of National Quality Monitors (NQMs) and random scrutiny of reports of State Quality Monitors (SQMs) on regular basis. An advertisement for selection of Consultants and Young Civil Engineers on contract basis against the vacant AD posts in NRIDA has been published for manning the QMU.</p> <p><b>Decision of GB:</b> The GB took note of the information.</p>
<p><b>Item No</b> <b>25.22</b></p>	<p><b>Any other item with the approval of the Chairperson</b></p>
	<p><b>Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti</b>, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development, Government of India and Co-chairperson of General Body, NRIDA suggested that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintenance of roads under PMGSY should be strongly monitored and States should be directed to carry out regular maintenance of PMGSY roads.</li> <li>A road constructed under PMGSY should be widened at interlocking point when it joins any National/State Highway in order to avoid accidents and other casualties and this should be factored in proposed DPR.</li> <li>The Member of Parliament of respective constituency may be consulted for identification of PMGSY roads.</li> </ol> <p><b>Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha</b>, Secretary (Rural Development), Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India and Vice- Chairperson of General Body, NRIDA suggested the following:</p>

- a. The training modules/learning material of the programmes conducted under PMGSY should be made available on iGOT Platform of DoPT, Govt. of India for wider dissemination and coverage on flexi-time and on site basis.
- b. Online assessment of SQMs should be organized.
- c. OMMAS dashboard to be developed for enhanced presentation and user convenience.
- d. Rating System for PMGSY Contractors should be developed for better quality
- e. There should be provision for training of workers/manpower engaged by the Contractors so that skilled manpower is built and quality of work be improved. Also, the details of trained manpower should be provided on OMMAS.
- f. To the suggestion of representative from Border Road Organization (BRO), the Secretary, Rural Development suggested that common roads constructed under in PMGSY and BRO to be earmarked and the technical details should be shared with BRO for uniformity in technical specification. Also, this will remove duplication of efforts and resources.

**Smt. Alka Upadhyaya**, Additional Secretary, Rural Development suggested following:

- a. Details of defaulting PMGSY contractors' should be made available in OMMAS.
- b. In order to ensure maintenance of PMGSY roads by State Government, it should be checked while releasing grants whether the States have made Budget provision for maintenance of roads in their Annual Budget.

**Shri Sudhendu Jyoti Sinha**, Advisor (Transport), NITI Aayog opined that:

- a. There should be outreach programme for publicity and wider dissemination of the good work done under PMGSY.
- b. Options should be explored for formation of Standing Contract Dispute redressal mechanism under PMGSY.
- c. The alignment of rural roads constructed under PMGSY with natural drainage system etc. should be looked into for protection from floods.

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**Shri M. K. Gupta**, former, Engineer-in-Chief, MPRRDA opined that:

- a. Maintenance of road works constructed under PMGSY to be given due importance. He further suggested that provision for rating of contractors to be initiated for construction and maintenance works.
- b. As maintenance is very important part for rural roads, eMarg should have post 5 year module also.

**Shri. Shashank Mishra**, Chief Executive Officer, MPRRDA suggested that some clause should be provided in SBD for ratings regarding poor performance of contractor.

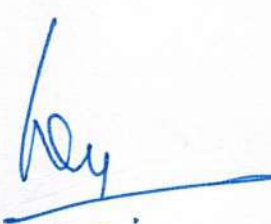
**Shri I.K. Pandey**, DG, MoRTH suggested that training should be imparted to personnel working for contractors in good training institutes.

Chairperson of General Body, NRIDA, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development in his concluding remarks suggested that:

- a. Contractor's rating facility should be inbuilt in Meri Sadak App. Further, facility for uploading of photos and feedback of under construction roads should also be provided on OMMAS/Meri Sadak App.
- b. GIS database should be shared with BRO so that BRO can identify common segments of road.
- c. Small videos to be prepared for NQM/SQM and whatsapp group to be created for them.

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

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List of Members present in the meeting

**List of members/representative present in General Body meeting**

1. Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development & Chairperson NRIDA
2. Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development & Co-chairperson NRIDA
3. Shri Nagendra Nath Sinha, Secretary, Rural Development, Government of India, Krishi Bhawan & Vice chairperson, NRIDA
4. Sh Ashish Upadhyaya, Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
5. Smt Alka Upadhyaya, Additional Secretary, Rural Connectivity, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
6. Dr. Ashish Kumar Goel, Joint Secretary, Rural Connectivity, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan & DG, NRIDA
7. Sh Gaya Prasad, Deputy Director General, Rural Housing, Ministry of Rural Development, Krishi Bhawan
8. Sh I. K. Pandey, Director General (Road Development) & Special Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
9. Sh Anjan Kumar Mohanty, Inspector General of Forests (Forest Conservation) (Representative of Director General, Forests & Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India) .
10. Sh Sudhendu Jyoti Sinha, Advisor (Transport), NITI Ayog
11. Shri Rajesh Kemprai, Commissioner - cum - Special Secretary, Public Works Department, Government of Assam
12. Shri Prabhakar Hemmagi, Chief Operating Officer, Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency (Representative of Principal Secretary, Department of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of Karnataka).
13. Sh Sanjay Dubey, Special Secretary - cum - ACEP, BRRDA and Sh Bhagwat Ram, Nodal Officer, PMGSY (Representative of Secretary, Rural Works Department, Government of Bihar).
14. Sh Shashank, Chief Executive Officer, MPRRDA (Representative of Additional Chief Secretary, Panchayat and Rural Development Department, Government of Madhya Pradesh).
15. Sh Sanjeev Sood, Additional Director (RD) and Sh Rajesh Chandel Executive Engineer (RD). (Representative of Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government Himachal Pradesh).
16. Sh Satish Chandra, Director, Central Road Research Institute
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