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Minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Steering Committee of NERUDP held on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2014

The National Steering Committee of the NERUDP met on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2014 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Urban Development) to review the physical and financial progress of the projects and suggest measures to improve performance. The list of participants is placed at Annex -I.

The Secretary (UD) welcomed the participants. JS(UD) apprised the Committee about the progress.

Director (UD) gave the presentation on the progress of execution of projects under Tranche-I and Tranche-II, and status of Tranche-III.

The Project Directors of all the five NERUDP States made their presentations on progress under the two tranches in their respective States.

Following action points were suggested by the Committee after deliberation on various issues :

1. Considering the need to unify scheme and avoid multiplicity of procedures and resource schemes, it was requested to all Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries of UD Departments of the project States to deliberate on this issue. The possible solution proposed was to deal with sanctioning infrastructure projects under JNNURM using the entire framework of mission while preserving the special funding stream for North Eastern States. This would help providing a readymade and time tested procedure to prepare, appraise and sanction projects as well as to review/monitor the physical and financial progress linked to reform implementation.

States were requested to submit their views on the above idea latest by mid May'14.

2. SIPMIUs were advised to include plan for 100% re-cycling and reuse of waste water in the sewerage projects under implementation and in future DPRs as well. Secretary (UD) stressed upon strict compliance of prescribed standards for discharge of water into rivers and streams from waste water treatment plants.
3. Secretary (UD) once again insisted to ensure 100% recycling and reuse of solid waste for zero landfill as a condition for consideration of SWM and sewerage projects in Tranche-III to protect ecology and environment for which technologies are available. He told JS(UD) to review these projects involving CPHEEO and the Ministry of environment and submit a report by end May'14.
4. States to submit specific quarterly milestones for timely completion of projects. PMMC (MoUD) to monitor and generate report also citing reasons for delay.
5. SIPMIUs have submitted proposals for addition/variation in scope and cost of approved projects. Since all funds have already been committed in Tranche-I and II, it was not feasible to agree for all the proposals. Instead, only those proposals shall be considered which are necessary for completion of the sanctioned on-going projects depending upon actual field conditions. Planning Commission also

supported. It has been agreed that MoUD would bear only 10% of the originally contracted cost for such variations/additions and the balance would be borne by the States. This would be subject to clearance from ADB. The variations/additions agreed to by the Committee are at Annex-II

6. PD Mizoram would submit revised DPR for SWM Tranche-III incorporating waste resource management techniques by end May '14 aiming at zero land-fill. DPR on decentralized septage management will also be submitted shortly.

7. Reforms

a. JS(UD) to modify the mechanism of reporting progress of reforms in measurable terms and ask States to submit progress reports accordingly, since in the opinion of Secretary (UD) States have done lot of work but reporting is not reflecting to that extent

b. Secretary (UD) told States that approval of Tranche-III projects would be linked with progress of all the 23 JNNURM reforms. Secretary (UD) has desired to discuss reforms through video conference with the States' Principal Secretaries

c. Progress in case of Shillong and Kohima has been very slow. Project Directors were asked to take vigorous steps to expedite project execution

8. Funds Flow: SIPMIUs were told that all pending claims would be cleared by MoUD shortly.

9. Workshop: DIR(UD) informed that three workshops are planned to be conducted during next six months.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair and the participants.

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List of Participants – 28.04.2014

Annex – I

1. Dr. Sudhir Krishna, Secretary, MoUD
2. Shri Neeraj Mandloi, Jt. Secretary, MoUD
3. Shri AS Bhal, Economic Advisor, MoUD
4. Dr. PK Anand, Sr. Advisor, Planning Commission
5. Ms Jhanja Tripathy, JS&FA, MoUD
6. Shri RL Rinawma, Pr. Secretary, UD&PA, Mizoram
7. Shri Parmod Kumar, Director, UD, MoUD
8. Dr. M. Dhinadhayalan, Jt. Adv., CPHEEO, MoUD
9. Shri R Srinivas, TCPO
10. Shri JB Ravinder, Dy. Adv., CPHEEO, MoUD
11. Shri Valbuanga, PD, SIPMIU, Mizoram
12. Shri B Dutta, PD, SIPMIU, Meghalaya
13. Shri JD Bhutia, PD, SIPMIU, Sikkim
14. Shri RK Majumder, PD, SIPMIU, Tripura
15. Shri Khupi Nalso, Addl. PD, SIPMIU, Nagaland
16. Shri B Paul, BME/MIS Officer, SIPMIU, Tripura
17. Shri KC Lalawmpuia, Procurement Engineer, SIPMIU, Mizoram
18. Shri D Sharma, Project Manager, SIPMIU, Sikkim
19. Shri AK Saha, Asst. Adv., CPHEEO, MoUD
20. Ms Usha Kumar, RO, Planning Commission
21. Shri Yogesh Goel, Consultant (Admn. & Fin), NERUDP, MoUD
22. Shri P Kapur, Team Leader, PMMC, MoUD
23. Shri AK Sharma, PMMC, MoUD

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