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Ministry of Rural Development  
Department of Rural Development  
Rural Connectivity Division

Room No.552-A  
Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi,  
Dated the 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

**Subject: Minutes of the Pre-Empowered Committee Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2016  
at 11.00 AM in respect of the State of Uttarakhand.**

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Pre-Empowered Committee held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RC) 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 at 11.00 AM to consider the project proposals of Uttarakhand under PMGSY-I (Batch-I) for the year 2015-16 for necessary action.

  
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**Copy to:**

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3. Shri A.K. Dinkar, Chief Engineer & Dy. CEO, URRDA, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Uttarakhand, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Directorate of Panchayati Raj, Opp. IT Park, Shastra Dhara, Dehradun-248001, Uttarakhand.

**For information to:**

Director Finance/PPS to JS(RC)/All Directors, NRRDA.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRE-EMPOWERED COMMITTEE FOR PMGSY HELD ON  
26<sup>th</sup> February, 2016.**

**STATE: UTTARAKHAND**

A meeting of Pre-Empowered Committee was held on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 at 11.00 AM under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (RC) to discuss the project proposals of the State of Uttarakhand under PMGSY. List of participants is given below:

<b>Shri Rajesh Bhushan</b>	<b>Joint Secretary (RC) – in Chair</b>
Shri Priya Ranjan	Director (RC)
Shri I.K. Pateriya	Director (Tech), NRRDA
Shri Uttam Kumar	Director (P-III), NRRDA
Ms Anjali Singh	Director (F&A), NRRDA
Shri Basavaraja	Director (P-II), NRRDA
<b>State Govt Representatives</b>	
Shri A.S. Hyanki	Chief Empowered Officer
Shri A.K. Dinkar	Chief Engineer
Shri Puran Chand	State Quality Coordinator
Shri Manish Mittal	Ex Engineer

2. Details of proposals discussed by the Pre-Empowered Committee for the State of Uttarakhand under PMGSY-I (Batch-I) for the year 2015-16 including bridges are as under:

Item	No of works	Length (in km)	Value (Rs in crore)	Habitations
Stage-I	113	949.739	662.86	4 of 1000+
Full Stage	27	272.414	182.19	46 of 500+
Stage-II	42	441.847	233.31	162 of 250+
LSBs (Conventional type)	5	0.15	8.60	109 of < 250
LSBs (Innovative Technology)	2	0.11	9.21	
<b>Total</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>1664.26</b>	<b>1096.17</b>	<b>321</b>

3. **DPR Issues:** Director (Tech), NRRDA mentioned the following DPR issues before Pre-EC meeting:

- After scrutiny and advise of NRRDA the State has reworked the proposals and the total cost has been scaled down by Rs. 12.66 Crores.
- The average proposed cost is still on the higher side in certain proposals pertaining to Stage I, II and Full stage (20 Nos) and the state needs to further review this.
- The pavement design in the proposals must be based on IRC SP-72 – 2015, Guidelines for the Design of Flexible pavements for Low Volume Rural Roads. This would further reduce the cost of construction.

- URRDA needs to verify and certify that, proposed GSB for Stage II works has not been included in the already sanctioned Stage I DPR.
- CBR and Traffic details have not been entered for many roads which are proposed for Stage II and Complete construction.
- The State has to propose 94 Km under New technology (focussing on cold mix and waste plastic on a priority basis), as per new technology initiative guidelines whereas State has proposed only 17.70 Km under new technology. It needs to be increased.
- Earth work cutting seems to be on higher side. In most of the cases, Ruling Gradient have been adopted for the entire length of the roads. The State may explore the possibility to change some portions of the roads to acceptable gradient as per expert committees' recommendations.
- Cross drainage works proposed is on higher side and it needs to be justified wrt to L Section and X Section drawings.
- State should confirm that no CD structures were sanctioned under Stage I at those locations where stage II proposals have been formulated.
- CBR, Traffic details, Proforma C and photographs of all proposals not yet uploaded on OMMAS.

**4. JS(RC) pointed out that the average cost in comparison to the last two financial year is on the higher side and needs to be reduced. A revised comparative table of Average Cost to be furnished by the State before EC.**

**5. R&D proposals:** As per technology initiative guidelines 15% (10% with IRC specifications and 5% without IRC specifications) length have to be proposed under R&D technology. The total road length proposed under R&D head is less than 15% and therefore needs to be enhanced.

**6. Quality issues:** Director (P-III), NRRDA pointed out that two inspections of road works are yet to be carried out by SQMs, which are more than 12 months old. In 5 Packages, labs are yet to be established and 15 labs although established are not fully functional. 5 ATR's are still pending from the year 2014-15. The State is required to submit pending ATR before the next EC meeting.

**7. Maintenance issues:** The details of maintenance fund required, release of maintenance fund to SRRDA its utilization during the current financial year was also discussed. URRDA has received 100% of maintenance fund against which expenditure is 50% upto December, 2015 has been done. State officials assured that URRDA intends to utilize entire available funds before March, 2016.

**8. Financial issues:** Director (F&A), NRRDA pointed out that Internal Audit Report has not been submitted by the State to NRRDA. State needs to take action for financial closure of 115 number of physically completed works. In addition, interest earned on Term Deposits to be intimated to NRRDA. State needs to furnish a Term Deposit a Certificate to NRRDA.

**9. The State will complete the following activities and following that request the Ministry to schedule an early date for Empowered Committee meeting:**

- I. The State will upload DPRs of 189 Road works on OMMAS (duly approved by STAs)
- II. The State will include atleast 2 bridges of new design & technology in the present proposals.
- III. The State will include at least 5% of road works under R&D .
- IV. The State will submit a revised comparative table of Average Cost.
- V. The State would update the maintenance status on OMMAS.
- VI. Action should be taken to send status of pending 5 ATRs of the year 2014-15 and upload the status on OMMAS.
- VII. The State will take steps to set the remaining 5 labs make the already existent 15 labs functional.
- VIII. The State will inform the Ministry of interest earned on Programme fund Term Deposit Certificate for.
- IX. The State will submit a justification for increase in average cost per km of current proposal.
- X. The State will send a compliance report on all the issues indicated above to the Ministry/NRRDA before seeking date for EC meeting.

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

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