



**Government of West Bengal  
Irrigation & Waterways Department  
Jalasampad Bhavan, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Western Block  
Bidhannagar, Salt Lake City, Kolkata 700091,**

**Records of discussion of the 'Departmental Review Meeting' held on 18.11.2016 at  
Sech Nibas, Salt Lake, Kolkata**

*The following were present:-*

1. Hon'ble Minister-In-Charge,
2. Shri Naveen Prakash IAS Principal Secretary,
3. Shri K Chattopadhyay, Secretary ,
4. Shri G.K Chatterjee Chief Engineer South,
5. Shri S Dutta Chief Engineer West,
6. Shri B K. Chaudhuri Chief Engineer Teesta Barrage Project,
7. Shri R K. Saha D.P. & Ex-Officio Chief Engineer,
8. Shri B Mukherjee Deputy Secretary-I,
9. Shri A Ghosh Deputy Secretary-II,
10. Shri S Kundu Director, Advance Planning PE&M Cell
11. Shri S Chakraborty Superintending Engineer, NEIC- I,
12. Shri G Patra Superintending Engineer, NEIC - II,
13. Shri A Roy ,Director, DSO
14. Shri B.C Barman ,Deputy Director DSO
15. Shri Abhijit Ganguly, Executive Engineer, attached to office of Principal Secretary

The meeting was presided over by the Hon'ble Minister-in-Charge.

**Agenda 1: Monitoring of Plan fund utilisation status.**

The overall plan fund utilisation as reflected in Format-I prepared by the Chief Engineers and that as per IFMS of Finance Department were scrutinized. Percentage utilisation figures in respect of fund released by the Department to the DDOs' showed slight improvement from last review held on 16.09.2016 viz. from 79% on 31.08.16 to 82% on 31.10.2016. The utilisation figure in respect of Finance Department ceiling limit was 65% on 07.11.2016 in comparison to 52% on 16.09.2016.

The Chief Engineer wise status of plan fund utilisation as stood on 31.10.2016 is detailed below:

Status updated till 31/10/2016	(Rs in Crore)							Total
	CE (N-E)	CE (N)	CE (TBP)	CE (W)	CE (S)	CE (S-W)	CE (D&R)	
Fund released	31.56	109.55	6.62	109.16	280.84	202.70	0.04	740.47
Fund utilised	27.19	92.48	5.76	100.71	240.16	141.31	0.04	607.65
% of UC with respect to release	86%	84%	87%	92%	86%	70%	100%	82% (65%, w.r.t Finance Dept ceiling in the IFMS as stood on 07.11.2010)

Hon'ble MIC and Principal Secretary emphasised on timely completion of all old ongoing Plan schemes and achieving 100% utilisation of already allotted funds latest by 07/12/2016 and instructed undertaking rigorous monitoring by Superintending Engineers and Chief Engineers for desired 100% completion of all spill over schemes.

Chief Engineer (North East), Chief Engineer (South) and Chief Engineer (North) assured that 100% utilisation of up to date allotted fund would be achieved by 07.12.2016. Chief Engineer (West) would be submitting proposal of re-allotment of unspent RIDF allotments for other works where there is scope of immediate utilisation. It was further decided that Principal Secretary would be visiting the Anicut construction site shortly.

**Agenda 2:** Re-prioritisation of few projects for inclusion of important fresh projects under Core Plan during 2016-17.

NABARD, Kolkata has returned 16 no. of DPRs having aggregate cost of approx. Rs 33.00 crore originally submitted for inclusion under RIDF-XXII, later identified as ineligible due to their individual cost components of de-siltation items exceeding 15% of project costs. It was decided that a few of those are needed to be commenced in this financial year itself. Hence the following excluded schemes are to be included under Core Plan in this year:

- i. Re-excavation of 11.0 km stretch of Suti Khal in Barasat – I&II (Rough cost ₹ 4.0 Cr.)
- ii. R/S of Sundarban Embankment including pitching at Kusumtala, P.S. Namkhana (Rough cost ₹ 4.0 Cr.)
- iii. Improvement of Julkia for 8.70 km stretch at Haripal and Singur (Rough cost ₹ 2.0 Cr.)

*Other important projects required to be incorporated under Core Plan:*

i. Fencing & balance work on both banks of Kestopur canal	(Rough cost ₹ 0.50 Cr.)
ii. Anti erosion work at Shibkalinagar (Khutiya para)	(Rough cost ₹ 3.94 Cr.)
iii. Anti erosion work at Mouza Ramganga, P.S Patharpratima	(Rough Cost ₹ 1.34 Cr.)
iv. Special Repair of Pumps & infrastructure under M&E Circle	(Rough Cost ₹ 1.50 Cr.)
<b>Total rough assessed cost</b>	<b>: ₹ 17.50 Cr.</b>

In order to accommodate the above seven projects within the overall cost identified in the previous meetings, the following schemes identified and recommended in earlier DSC meetings but not approved administratively were excluded. These projects would be considered on priority in the next year of 2017-18.

IW/CSP 137, 139, 142, 143, 144, 146, 149, 150, 152, 153, 156, 160, 161, 162, 175 at an aggregate cost of approx. ₹ 18.00 crore.

The Chief Engineers were requested to submit DPRs of these seven new projects early for accordance of formal Administrative Approval.

**Agenda 3:** Actions taken in compliance to decisions taken in the previous review meetings held on 16.09.2016 and 04.10.2016

- i. Regarding safety audit of dams, barrages and bridges, the rate offered by WAPCOS is to be negotiated by the Departmental Committee.
- ii. Pilot projects on use of geo-synthetic and vetiver grass on river banks and embankment slope, are to be taken up wherever possible, at least in 5% of new embankment schemes on an experimental basis/as pilot projects. A report on implementation of such pilot projects already taken up or being planned to be taken up in this working season is to be submitted by the concerned Chief Engineers latest by 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.
- iii. Regarding SCADA-PLC Project of Teesta Barrage, it was decided that 'e-Request for Proposal' would be floated by Teesta Barrage Project Authority by end of December, 2016.
- iv. The two Committees headed by Chief Engineers set up for identification of scraps and fixation of reserve prices would have to submit their final reports to the Department, latest by 31.12.2016. It was decided that a proposal for allowing 3% service charge to 'Metal Scrap Trading Corporation Limited', for conducting e-Auctions using their portal would be sent to Finance Department immediately.
- v. The Chief Engineers were requested to expedite the handing over of 67 nos. of identified bridges on NH, SH & MDR to Public Works Department with relevant drawings at the earliest.

- vi. Chief Engineer, Teesta Barrage Project was once again requested to submit the formal relinquishment proposal of unutilised Departmental land & properties of Gazoldoba Advance Colony and that at Lichupukhari to the respective District Magistrates.
- vii. Director, RRI was instructed to prepare a comprehensive list for deployment of underutilised/ idle manpower in the subordinate offices in his control, particularly in the cadre of Group-D and Contractual workers for transfer to adjoining offices/Divisions in Nadia and North 24-Parganas. A proposal in this regard should reach this Department by 15.12.2016.
- viii. Chief Engineer North was requested to contact IWAI and inform them of the immense threat being encountered due to continuous movement of barges close to vulnerable spots on the banks of Bhagirathi.

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30.11.2016  
**[NAVEEN PRAKASH, IAS]**  
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