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Government of Himachal Pradesh
Planning Department

From

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Shimla-2.

To

1. Additional Chief Secretary (IPH / Agri.) to the GoHP, Shimla-2.
2. Pr. Secretary (AH/Horticulture) to the GoHP, Shimla-2.
3. Secretary (PW) to the GoHP, Shimla-2.

Dated: Shimla-2, the 8th June, 2012.


Subject: Minutes of the 39th Meeting of High Powered Committee on RIDF held on 21st May, 2012.

Sir,

I am directed to enclose the minutes of the **39th High Powered Committee Meeting** on RIDF projects / schemes held on 21st May, 2012 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for immediate follow-up and necessary action.

2. The point-wise action taken report on the points pertaining to your department may kindly be sent to this department at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,



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Copy is forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Engineer-in-Chief (HPPWD), Nirman Bhawan, Nigam Vihar, HP, Shimla-2.
2. The Engineer-in-Chief (I&PH) U.S. Club, HP, Shimla-1.
3. The Director (Agriculture / Animal Husbandry) HP, Shimla-5.
4. The Director (Horticulture) HP, Shimla-2.
5. The Chief General Manager, NABARD, Block No. 32, SDA Complex Kasumpti, Shimla-9.
6. The C.E.O-cum-Secretary, HIMUDA, Nigam Vihar, HP, Shimla-2
7. PS to Pr. Secretary (Planning) GoHP, Shimla-2.


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Minutes of the 39th Meeting of High Powered Committee (HPC) on Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) held on 21st May, 2012 at 2.45 PM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sudripta Roy, Chief Secretary to the GoHP.

The List of Participants is at **Annexure- "A"**.

The Chairman welcomed all the participants in the meeting. The Pr. Secretary (Planning) to the GoHP apprised that RIDF programme was launched in the year 1995-96 and NABARD provides funds on concessional rate of interest for the creation of rural infrastructure. He further informed that till last year the rate of interest on RIDF programme was 6.5% and the State Government achieved the full loan sanction and reimbursement targets. Now, the Reserve Bank of India has raised the rate of interest on RIDF loan to 7.5% w.e.f. 01.04.2012 and also linked it to the bank rate. The increased rate of interest is also applicable on the amount to be disbursed in respect of loans sanctioned prior to 1st April, 2012. The Pr. Secretary (Planning) informed that the State Government has requested the RBI, Ministry of Finance and NABARD to reduce the rate of interest on RIDF loan. He also stated that the borrowing limit for availing loan from NABARD is fixed by Planning Commission, GoI and this is the part of financing State's Annual Plan. He further stressed that implementing departments should focus on completing the ongoing works/projects of oldest tranches instead of starting the work of new tranches.

Initiating the discussion, the Adviser (Planning) apprised that total 225 projects worth of ₹ 423.69 crore were sanctioned against the target of ₹ 400.00 crore during the last financial year 2011-12. The reimbursement target of ₹ 300.00 crore was fully achieved during the year 2011-12. Thereafter, each item of the agenda was discussed and the following decisions were taken :-

1. PWD will ensure the completion of 11 incomplete projects of RIDF-XI amounting to ₹ 6.71 crore within the approved plan ceiling of the department for the current financial year 2012-13 and no additionality will be provided for this purpose.

2. Implementing Departments will accord highest priority for the completion of all on-going projects within the respective phasing periods. The highest priority will be for the oldest tranche projects, viz, first priority for tranche-XII projects (closing on 31.12.2012), next for tranche-XIII projects (closing on 31.03.2013) and so on.
3. The Chairman directed the implementing departments that full reimbursement should be availed under RIDF-XII and XIII and gap should be zero by the end of current financial year.
4. While issuing LOC to PW and IPH departments, a condition to utilise funds on the works of oldest tranches first (i.e. on RIDF-XII to XIV) be imposed.
5. CGM, NABARD was requested to extend the phasing period of RIDF-XIV by one more year i.e. upto 31.03.2014 and RIDF-XV by two more years i.e. upto 31.03.2015.
6. Department-wise loan sanction and reimbursement targets for the year 2012-13 were approved as under :-

(₹ in crore)

Sr. No.	Name of Department	Loan Sanction Target	Reimbursement Target
1.	2.	3.	4.
1.	PWD	250.00	220.00
2.	IPH	150.00	139.66
3.	Agriculture	0.00	40.00
4.	AH	0.00	0.34
	Total :-	400.00	400.00

7. Out of the total reimbursement targets for the year 2012-13, PW and IPH departments will ensure the full reimbursement under tranches-XII and XIII and atleast 50% of the balance amount under tranche-XIV. On this basis, the following tranche-wise targets emerged from 2012-13 which need to be ensured by the implementing departments :-

Sr. No.	Name of Department	Departments will ensure following tranche-wise reimbursement (₹ in crore)		
		XII	XIII	XIV
1.	PWD	28.91	58.58	15.40
2.	IPH	15.53	15.90	7.00
3.	Agriculture	0.00	0.00	40.00
4.	AH	0.34	0.00	0.00
	Total :-	44.78	74.48	62.40

8. As was decided in the review meeting of Polyhouses held on 20.04.2012, the Agriculture and Horticulture departments may evolve a mechanism to avail maximum grant based funds under HTM from Gol. There is a difference of subsidy amount between HTM and NABARD assisted poly house project and this amount can be provided from the State budget to Horticulture department. The per square mtr. subsidy on construction of poly houses under HTM and NABARD may be kept equal for similar specification. Both the departments may submit their proposals in this regard.

9. Implementing Departments will ensure to avail maximum assistance under Gol grant based programmes/schemes and pose the MLAs priority schemes for funding under PMGSY, CRF, World Bank, RKVY, AIBP, NRDWP, Watershed Development programme, Flood Management programme, etc. The Planning Department will not entertain the DPRs of the MLA priority schemes for NABARD funding for which grant based funds are available with Gol. The implementing departments may pose only projects like tunnels and bridges for RIDF funding which cannot be covered under above mentioned programmes and for which grant based funds from Gol is not available.

10. The available potential utilisation and the minimum energy consumption certificates in respect of DPRs for LIS and LWSS must be countersigned by the E-in-C, IPH.

11. The IPH department should ensure the creation of major storage facilities (as big as possible) by constructing check dams, culverts etc. near the habitations in respect of MI and Water Supply Schemes in order to save/reduce the increasing electricity energy bills.

12. The PWD and IPH department may expedite the projects which are pending with the departments for want of clarifications/ additional information.
13. Both the departments may start work on all the non-starter projects of RIDF-XII to XVI, expedite the progress of slow moving projects and speed-up the filing of reimbursement claims with NABARD. Both the departments may supply the latest information of Non-starter and Slow Moving Projects to NABARD and Planning Department.
14. The CGM, NABARD was requested to give priority for sanction of MI and Water Supply schemes in view of large gap in reimbursement of PWD under tranche -XII to XV.
15. The implementing departments may ensure to supply the PCRs of all completed projects to NABARD.
16. The PWD and IPH department have already started the e-tendering process for awarding of RIDF works and there is no hurdle in achieving the targets set by the PSC of NABARD.
17. NABARD will supply a list of projects which are cleared for sanction by PSC alongwith details of sanctioned amount to implementing and Planning Departments so that the process of according administrative approval / technical sanction of such projects are completed on or before the issue of formal sanction letter by the Regional Office, NABARD.
18. The CGM, NABARD may take-up the matter with their Head Office, Mumbai for funding the purchase of buses by HRTC for plying in rural areas through NABARD loan assistance under RIDF (out of equity contribution to HRTC) as the rural road length has considerably been increased due to large investment of RIDF funds under Road & Bridge sector.
19. The IPH department may expedite the proposal for delegation of powers and send the same to Finance Department within a week.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.
