

5.14 The Minutes of the Project Steering Committee meeting held on 6.11.1996

Rural Development (P1) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 259

Dated: 17.12.1996

ORDER

The Minutes of the Project Steering Committee Meeting of the DANIDA assisted Integrated Sanitation and Water Supply Project held on 06.11.1996 in the Conference Hall, IIInd Floor, Namakal Kavignar Maligai, Secretariat are hereby recorded.

2. A copy of the Minutes is annexed.

3. The Government direct that the decisions arrived at the Project Steering Committee Meeting on the proposals can be taken up as approved as far as those proposals are concerned.

4. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O.No.993/DS/LSR/96) dated: 10.12.96.

(By order of the Governor)

S.NARAYAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

5. TSC

ANNEXURE

MINUTES OF THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 06.11.1996 AT 3.00 P.M IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF NAMA KAL KAVIGNAR MALIGAI (IIND FLOOR)

In review of Closing of Integrated Rural Sanitation and Water Supply Project the Chief Adviser, project Management Group informed that DANIDA has released to Government of Tamil Nadu Rs.4, 65,37,000/- as their contribution under indirect funding. Government transferred funds to the tune of Rs.5, 69,86,000/- to the Block Development Officers and TWAD Board during the Project period. The Chief Adviser also informed that there will be a closing balance of Rs.18, 87,750 available with the Project officers (DRDA) and Rs.3, 92,460/- with the TWAD Board. The TWAD Board will require 3.5 lakhs to complete the solar Energy Scheme at Maduvankarai i.e., Portanova Block.

It has been decided that the following additional activities proposed for implementation during the interim phase as per PSC's resolution dt.16.2.1996 have been either dropped or modified.

1. Water supply : 15.00 lakhs
2. Sanitation : 8.00 lakhs
3. Organisation of District Task Force, Cuddalore : 16.50 lakhs
4. Organisation of District Task Force at Villupuram : 6.50 lakhs

The Chief Adviser, Project Advisory Group would send a report on this.

The Chief Adviser, PMG has informed that the Project Completion Report is being finalized and a copy of the report shall be made available to Government.

Secretary, Rural Development Department questioned about the progress of work entrusted to TWAD. The Joint Chief Engineer, TWAD Board replied that all the works taken up by the TWAD Board under water supply constructions have been completed except for the Solar Energy Scheme at Maduvankarai, which is presently under progress. The total cost of the scheme including construction of Over Head Tank, installation of Solar Panels laying of pipes lines and distribution system was estimated to be of Rs.537 lakhs. An expenditure of Rs.1.87 lakhs has been incurred so far. A sum of Rs.3.5 lakhs is required to complete the scheme. The superintending Engineer, TWAD said that solar Panels are available at Coimbatore and would be installed soon. Secretary wanted to know, whether the scheme would be completed before November end, by which time the DANISH Ministerial is expected to visit the project area. The Chief Adviser said that solar energy Scheme in other areas could be shown to the Minister.

Secretary R.D. informed that Rs.22, 27,409 has been shown as expenditure for water quality lab at Cuddalore against the fund allocation of Rs.15 lakhs for provision of Lab equipments. He told that some expenditure incurred towards construction of laboratory has also been included and booked under DANIDA account.

The TWAD Board officials said that the water quality laboratory building at Cuddalore was sanctioned as a time bound programme under the World Bank Project and the cost incurred towards establishment charges have also been included in the project cost which should not be done. As the building could not be completed in all respects bills could not be settle and claimed before 31.12.94.

The S.E. TWAD Board said that in anticipation of PSC's approval, the expenditure of Rs.7.27 lakhs incurred on the construction of building after 31.12.94 over the above the sanctioned amount of Rs.15.00 lakhs has been booked under DANIDA accounts.

The Secretary observed that only due to delayed completion of the building i.e., before 31.12.94 TWAD has lost the chance of getting the world Bank aid. However it was agreed to permit the expenditure of Rs.7.27 lakhs spent over and above the amount of Rs.15.00 lakhs for the provision of lab equipments and other accessories.

Secretary, R.D said that an amount of Rs.9.5 lakhs has been allocated for construction of DTF Building and wanted to know the progress of work. The Collector, South Arcot Vallalar District said that the work is in progress and that there is no difficulty in roofing.

The Chief Adviser said that the first phase building to houses the DTF is expected to be completed soon and that it would be better if DRDA would continue and complete the second phase of the building also, as the PWD and the contractor will find it easy to continue and complete the work.

Secretary said that there will be no provision, but if the fund position is sound enough it could be taken up by the DRDA.

In Sanitation proposal, it was informed that in Marakkanam all the 700 house – hold latrines have been completed and in Portonovo all the 678 house – hold latrines have been completed.

Regarding lease out the sanitary complex, the P.O., Villupuram has been requested to identify the NGO who can run the building effectively.

The Chief Adviser suggested that one IAS officer should be recommended to work as Project Director of the Project Advisory Group.

Regarding posting of one Training Expert / Social Scientist to PAG as Government counter part secretary wanted to know from the Additional Director, DRD's office that if anybody with suitable background and training experience is available in the SIRD for the post of Social Scientist he felt that TINIP may be asked to depute suitable person or otherwise DD Post may be recommended to fill up the post, Secretary also opined that some higher level officer may be suggested and paid from State funds.

For the post of water Sanitation Engineer to PMG TWAD Board has deputed the Executive Engineer Thiru.V.ELUMALAI who can be continued in the new project.

As regards the request for sanction of the following staff to work in the PMG

1. One Post of Steno – typist
2. One Post of Typist.
3. One post of Record Clerk
4. Two Post of Office Assistants
5. Jeep Drivers - 5 (Two Posts for DTFs and 3 for PMG Government Officers)

Secretary said that the additional posts over and above what has been previously agreed upon for the new Project fresh proposals may be sent to Government through the District Collectors for consideration.

Additional Director, DRD's office has also requested for sanction of one post of Assistant for DRD's office to look after the work. Secretary replied that whatever new posts are required separate proposals should be sent.

For the implementation of the new Project the Chief Adviser said that it will be implemented in a phased manner and the first two years will cover 8 coastal blocks in each district. Blocks have been identified in both the districts and the work of selection of Panchayats in Block is in progress.

Secretary wanted to know whether Town Panchayats could be considered for Household latrines. The Chief Adviser said if it comes as a public demand it could be considered.

The Chief Adviser informed that offices at various levels to house the Field Teams in Villupuram, Tindivanam, Chidambaram and Cuddalore.

Four Field Organisers already worked in the Project have been diverted along with the three new Field Organisers who were recruited by PAG last month. One more male PO still has to be recruited. He has also informed that four Assistant Engineers from TWAD Board have to be posted on deputation.

5. TSC

The Chief Adviser asked permission for retaining the vehicles / furniture and other assets purchased during the pilot project under indirect funding and from beneficiaries contribution in the New Project. The PSC has agreed for the request.

Secretary, asked the Collectors to write to the Accountant – general and local Fund Accounts requesting them to complete the Audit of accounts (upto 30.09.96) relating to the pilot project in respect of the two blocks.

Similarly a letter would be sent from the Director of Rural Development to Accountant – General to complete the audit and furnish certificates.

S.NARAYAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

LIST OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ATTENDED PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 06.11.1996 AT 3.00 P.M

1. Dr. S. NARAYAN, I.A.S
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
2. MR.KARL AAGE HENK
CHIEF ADVISOR,
DANIDA, INTEGRATED RURAL SANITATION AND WATER SUPPLY PROJECT
3. MR.PRAVEEN KUMAR I.A.S.
COLLECTOR, VILLUPURAM RAMASAMY PADAYATCHIAR DISTRICT
4. MR.ASHOK RANJAN MOHANTY, IAS,.
COLLECTOR, SOUTH ARCOT VALLALAR DISTRICT
5. MR.L.S.RANJAN
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, FINANCE DEPARTMENT, CHENNAI – 9
6. MR.K.SUBRAMANIAM
ADDITIONAL DIRECTOR OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (WS)
O/O.DIRECTOR OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT, CHENNAI – 15.
7. MR.SUCH BO DAHLBERG, WATER AND SANITATION ENGINEERING (DANIDA)
8. MRS.MERCY MILTON JOSEPH, M.A.,
DEPUTY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, CHENNAI.
9. MR.E.SHANMUGASUNDARAM,
JOINT DIRECTOR, NUTRITIOUS MEAL PROGRAMME
DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND NMP
CHEPAUK, CHENNAI –5
10. MR.G.KURUPPIAH
JOINT CHIEF ENGINEER (PM), TWAD, CHENNAI
11. MR.V.VEERIAH, EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
TWAD, RURAL WATER SUPPLY DEPARTMENT,
CUDDALORE
12. MR.SYED HYDER,
S.E., TWAD., CHENNAI – 5
13. MR.S.RAJAGOPALAN
DEPUTY CHIEF ENGINEER, TWAD
14. MR.M.ARUMUGAM
UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPT, CHENNAI – 9
15. MR.V.ARUNACHALAM
A.E., TWAD BOARD, CHENNAI
16. MR.G.UMAPATHY
D.H.G, SOUTH ARCOT VALLALAR DISTRICT, CUDDALORE
17. MR.V.MD.KARIMULLAH SHERIFF
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT, CHENNAI – 15
18. MR.K.CHETTIYAR GOWDER
HYDROGEOLOGIST, TWAD BOARD, CHEPAUK, CHENNAI – 5
19. MR.M.DEVARAJAN,
DEPUTY HYDROGEOLOGIST, TWAD, CHEPAUK, CHENNAI - 5