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Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Rural Development

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
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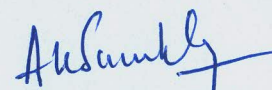
The Commissioner
Rural Development Department
Government of Arunachal Pradesh
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Sir,

This is in reference to the meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 18.03.2016 at Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development to discuss and scrutinize Labour Budget Estimates under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) for FY 2016-17 submitted by Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

A copy of the approved minutes of the Empowered Committee meeting is enclosed for kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



(Ajay Kumar Sumbly)

Deputy Secretary (MGNREGA)

Encl: as above

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Shri P.K. Mittal, Sr. Technical Director, NIC-DRD- with a request to get the minutes uploaded on NREGA Soft as "Minutes of meeting of Labour Budget 2016-17 for Arunachal Pradesh under What's New Section and Circular>Planning>Labour Budget".



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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE ON STATE
RURAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (SRDP) INCLUDING LABOUR BUDGET FOR THE
STATE OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH FOR FY 2016-17.**

DATE: 18.03.2016

A meeting of the Empowered Committee for the State of Arunachal Pradesh for the Financial Year 2016-17 was held on 18.03.2016 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development in Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi. The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh was represented by Smt. Indra Mallo, Commissioner, Rural Development Department. The list of other participants is at Annexure-I.

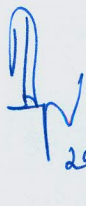
2. After going through the presentation made by the State and after due discussion on various aspects of implementation of MGNREGA, the Committee made the following observations:

- i. **Commitment of the State with regard to Focus Areas:** The targets taken by the State as noted by the Ministry, are as under for FY 2016-17:

S. No.	Targets for the Focus Areas	No./Length in Km.	Average Unit Cost (in Rs.)
1.	Construction of Farm Ponds	1108	45000
2.	Construction of Vermi Compost / NADEP Tanks	1800	5000
3.	Construction of IHHL	1194	12,000
4.	Construction of AWC Buildings	500	7.00 lakh
5.	Roadside Plantation	885 Km.	24450/Km.

However, State will share their strategy for achieving the above targets with the Ministry within a week. By 19.03.2016, NIC – DRD will make an enabling provision in NREGA soft for enabling the States to upload their specific targets district-wise. State should upload the district-wise targets in NREGA Soft by 31.03.2016.

- ii. **Completion of Incomplete Works:** Since inception till 31.03.2015, the percentage of works completed is 8.21 %. During FY 2015-16 (as on 07.03.2016), the percentage of works completed is 0.53 %. It is advised that all works taken up till 31.03.2015 should be completed and this Ministry's letter dated 17.03.2016 may be referred to in this regard. The

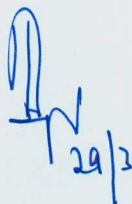

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State will examine the reasons for poor rate of completion of works. The State will make efforts for completing all incomplete works (6592) as on **31.03.2015** by **30.06.2016** without fail.

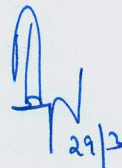
- iii. **Public Works relating to Natural Resource Management (NRM):** Out of total works, 1345 number of works (14.95 % of total works) have been taken up as Public Works relating to NRM (Category A of Para 4 (1) of Schedule 1 of the Act) in FY 2015-16. The State needs to scale up the works related to NRM during FY 2016-17. The State is requested to ensure linkage between MGNREGS and Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojana (PMKSY).
- iv. **Creation of Individual Assets:** In order to strengthen the livelihood resource base of the rural poor, it is desirable to put adequate emphasis on creation of more individual assets (Category B of Para 4(1) of Schedule 1 of the Act). An analysis of the performance of the number of individual assets being created reveal that, out of the total works, 560 number of works (6.22 % of the total works) have been taken up on private lands in FY 2015-16 (as on 17.03.2016). The State is expected to take up more works under individual category and get them completed on time.
- v. **Progress of integration and synchronization with the planning process of Gram Panchayat Development Plan: The State will submit its Action Plan in week's time.** The Planning process under MGNREGA for works of 2017-18 should be seamlessly integrated with the process of planning for the Gram Panchayat Development Plan. The State will send an action plan on the method of integration of the two processes and issue detailed guidelines for operationalizing this.
- vi. **Training of Technical Personnel:** State should finalize the Training Calendar and share it with the Ministry by 31.03.2016 and complete the training of 109 officials as part of District/Block Technical Resource Teams on SAMARTHYA Technical Training Manual (MGNREGA) latest by 30th June 2016. State should also ensure that SAMARTHYA Technical Training Manual (MGNREGA) is translated into Regional language and uploaded on their website (with a link to NREGA soft) before the start of training.
- vii. **Deployment of Senior Technical Personnel at State/District level:** State should ensure that Senior Technical Personnel are deployed at State/ District level to guide and monitor the technical personnel at the field level.


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- viii. **Integration of planning with SHG network:** Following from the two rounds of participatory planning, the next round must include the integration of the SHG network in the following manner; SHGs formally involved in planning for works (individual and community), SHGs participation in Gram Sabha on prioritization of works, SHGs demand for works for improving their livelihood to be included in MGNREGA Shelf of Works.
- ix. **Expediting Aadhaar Seeding Process:** As of now, there are 2.05 lakh active workers, out of which 3272 (1.6%) have been seeded in MIS. Against the Aadhaar numbers seeded in MIS, no account has been converted to Aadhaar Based Payment System (ABPS). To expedite the process of Aadhaar enrolment of MGNREGA workers and seeding the same into their Bank accounts, camps may be organised at Block and GP level as advised vide letter dated 23rd February, 2016 jointly issued by Department of Financial Services and Department of Rural Development. A copy of said letter was handed over to the State during the meeting. The State needs to expedite pace of seeding of Aadhaar data into the NREGA soft.
- x. **Skilling the unskilled MGNREGA workers:** The State did not submit the State Skilling Plan (SKP) under Project LIFE under MGNREGA, as only 41 Households had completed 100 days. State requested for relaxation of 100 days criteria. The Empowered Committee decided that the State may submit a proposal in this regard for consideration of the Ministry.
- xi. **Implementation of Social Audit Action Plan:** Conducting of Social Audit as laid down in the Audit of Scheme Rules 2011 is mandatory for the State to be eligible for release of funds for 2016-17. The State is expected to take following steps:
- a. Setting up of Society
 - b. Engagement of full time Director
 - c. Recruitment of core staff like SRPs & DRPs
 - d. Bank account of SAU
 - e. Finalization of Social Audit Calendar by 31st March 2016
 - f. Notification of Governing Body
- xii. **Expenditure on Agriculture and Allied Activities at the District level:** In 17 districts out of 19 districts (Anjaw - 56.42%, Changlang - 49.17%, East Kameng - 18.91%, Kurung Kumey - 46.52%, Longding -16.48%, Lower Dibang Valley - 53.67%, Lower Subansiri - 28.11%, Papum Pare - 47.05%, Siang - 0%, Tawang - 59.17%, Tirap - 35.09%, Upper Dibang Valley - 30.69%, Upper Siang - 27.69%, Upper Subansiri - 58%, West Kameng -


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53.93% and West Siang - 31.6%), the expenditure on agriculture related works are below the statutory limit of 60%. Efforts should be stepped up to ensure that more works in this category are taken up in FY 2016-17 in these Districts.

- xiii. **e-FMS:** The payment of wages to the workers being made at present through cash needs to be discontinued. State should formulate an Action Plan for payment of wages to workers through. State may also consider transfer of funds directly to GP from the State Employment Guarantee Fund. Subsequently, State should focus on shifting to electronic transfer of funds. Action Plan should be shared with the Ministry latest by 31.05.2016.
- xiv. **Strengthening of Monitoring mechanism:** Monitoring mechanism with emphasis on field supervision needs to be strengthened in the State.
- xv. **State Convergence Plan:** The State Convergence Plan for FY 2016-17, duly approved by Chief Secretary, will be finalized by State and submitted to the Ministry latest by 31.05.2016. Interim State Convergence Plan approved by Secretary (RD), Government of Arunachal Pradesh may be submitted by 30.04.2016.
- xvi. **Annual Master Circular:** Annual Master Circular should be translated and disseminated in the field latest by 31.03.2016.
- xvii. **Barefoot Technician (BFT):** The State should conduct training for BFT in two batches of 30 participants each. To facilitate the training, the State will nominate 6 Trainers to the Ministry by 30.04.2016.
- xviii. **Photo Gallery of Sustainable Assets:** The Ministry is launching an online photo gallery of sustainable assets. An online module for uploading photos will be developed by NIC and shared with the States soon. States are requested to start collecting photographs of sustainable assets with details like work code, type of work, category of work, year of construction, GP, Block, District etc. Separate communication will be sent from the Ministry regarding this. State may collect and upload 400 photographs of different sustainable assets.
- xix. **Online Compendium of Success Stories/Good Practices:** The Ministry is also launching an online compendium of Success Stories/Good Practices. Each State has to identify 25 success stories or good practices, and upload in an online module which will be made available in the NREGA soft soon. Separate communication will be sent from the Ministry in this regard.


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3. The Empowered Committee agreed to the Labour Budget of **50 lakh Person days (PDs)** for FY 2016-17 for the State of Arunachal Pradesh. The State may always come up with a proposal for the revision of Labour Budget after September, 2016, if the actual performance exceeds the agreed to Labour Budget.
4. **Under no circumstances, the State will cross the approved Labour Budget for FY 2016-17 without the prior approval of the Ministry.**
5. The State Government should furnish month-wise and District-wise Person days projection as per agreed to LB to the Ministry latest by 31st March 2016. While doing so, the need for the programme in the backward areas will be kept in mind. The uploading of this information in the MIS is an essential pre-condition for the release of funds in FY 2016-17.
6. **Issues pertaining to Livelihood and Convergence:** Efforts should be made to improve the livelihood resource base of the poor by appropriately converging MGNREGA with other RD programmes.

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Annexure-I

**LIST OF OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED
COMMITTEE HELD ON 10.03.2016 FOR FINALISING LABOUR BUDGET FOR
THE STATE OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH FOR FY 2016-17.**

MoRD Officials

1. Shri Amarjeet Sinha, Additional Secretary
2. Shri Atal Dulloo, JS (NRLM)
3. Smt. Aparajita Sarangi, JS (RE)
4. Shri P.K. Sarangi, JS (RE-III)
5. Shri Prasant Kumar, JS (A&C)
6. Ms. Sudha P. Rao, C E A
7. Shri P.K. Mukhopadhyay, Adviser (Stats)
8. Shri Prashant Mittal, Senior Technical Director
9. Shri B.C. Behera, Director (RH)
10. Shri A.K. Sumbly, DS
11. Shri Rajesh Makkar, US
12. Shri Ashutosh, PO (ICT)
13. Shri Ritesh Saxena, PO (ICT)

State Officials

1. Smt. Indra Mallo, Commissioner
2. Shri Tayi Taggu, Director Secretary
3. Shri Sanjeeb Das, PO,
4. Smt. Sang Droma, Extension Officer