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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF STATE EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE COUNCIL (SEGC) UNDER MGNREGA HELD ON 27th JUNE, 2017 AT 1300 HRS UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF PU R. LALZIRLIANA, HON'BLE MINISTER, RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AT AIJAL CLUB.

List of Participants is Appended.

The meeting was chaired by Pu R. Lalzirliana, Hon'ble Minister, Rural Development Department who welcomed the members and apprised them that the Council Meeting was held with the purview of Monitoring the functioning and reviewing the implementation of MGNREGA in the state. The Chairman highlighted on the Agenda of the meeting and due deliberation was made Agenda wise and the following decisions were arrived at:

1. Issue of Village Employment Council (VEC) dissolution :

As per the Mizoram Rural Employment Guarantee Schemes, 2014, "In case of dissolution of the Village Council for any reason whatsoever, the power and function of the Executive Body of VEC shall be vested with the Block Development Officer/Programme Officer and it shall be the Implementing Agency till the Village Council is re-constituted". However, in extraordinary circumstances an Executive order may be issued by the Administrative Department to delegate the power and functions of VEC from the BDO to the Advisory Council in case of dissolution of VEC. On the issue of dissolution of VEC in ordinary circumstances it was decided that the power and function of VEC be delegated to the BDO until the formation of new VEC.

2. Fund flow under MGNREGA 2016-17:

It was evinced that during the F/Y 2017-18, 1st installment of 1st Tranche was released by the Ministry on the 10th of April amounting to Rs.13449.09 lakh, this installment has been released and disbursed to all Districts on 8th May, 2017 and the fund utilization at present is about 90%. The issues of pending Master Roll and FTO was raised and it was asserted that stringent effort should be taken to expedite the process of wage payment through FTO generation so that the wage earner received their wage in time thus nullifying the issue of delay in payment thus ushering in the t+8 payment.

3. Material Component Sharing Ratio:

Section 16(5) of the MGNREGA Act 2005 emphasized that at least 50% of the total works under MGNREGA is to be allocated to the Village Panchayat. Since, 100% of the labour/wage component are executed/implemented by the Village Panchayat/VEC, in order to streamline and rationalize the implementation of Material Component amongst the three Stake-Holders, the meeting decided to allocate the percentage share under Material Component as:

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| a) | DRDA | - | 40% |
| b) | BDO | - | 30% |
| c) | VEC | - | 30% |

However, it was asserted that this allocation of percentage share under Material Component amongst the three Stake Holders will be liable to change depending on its impact in the creation of Durable Assets under MGNREGA.

Action: All DPOs

4. Annual Reports of Social Audit Unit :

MGNREGA Operational Guidelines, 2013 para 13.11.2 and 13.11.3 stipulated that SEGC shall prepare an Annual report for the State Legislature and should be placed before 31st December of the succeeding year. Para 13.4.5 also stipulated that SEGC shall monitor action taken by the State Government on Social Audit findings and incorporate the Action Taken report in the annual report to be laid before the State Legislature by the State Govt. The Annual report of the Social Audit Unit was deliberated and the Action Taken report discussed and the Council decided that the consolidated report as well as Action Taken Report for F/Y 2014-15, 2015-16 & 2016-17 would be laid before the State Legislature as there are report for a particular F/Y that is yet to be laid before the State Legislature.

Action: Administrative Department, RD & Director, Social Audit Unit.

5. Labour Cess:

The Mizoram Mahatma Gandhi Rural Employment Guarantee Schemes, 2014, section 31 stipulated Payment of 1% Labour Cess as "State Government shall ensure that payment of 1% of labour cess to the Building & other construction workers Welfare Board if MGNREGA workers have worked for 50 days in a financial year. The 1% labour cess shall be paid from the Material Component". However, as per Ministry's letter F.No.J-11060/15/2016-RE-III dt.18/7/2016, it was not feasible to deduct 1% labour cess from MGNREGA fund. Hence, on the ground and instruction from the Ministry, the Council unanimously consented to Amend/Delete Section 31 of the Mizoram MGNREGA Scheme rules.

Action: Administrative Department, R.D.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the Chair.

Sd/- V. LALREMTHANGA
Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram
Rural Development Department

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23. P.A. to Director, Agriculture Department.
24. P.A. to Director, AH & Vety Department.
25. P.A. to Director, Fisheries Department.
26. All Project Directors, DRDA.
27. Officers under Rural Development Department Secretariat.

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