0DELHI JAL BOARD
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Minutes of the 103rd meeting of Delhi Jal Board held on 30.05.2011 at 04.00 P.M. in the Conference Hall No. 2, Level-2, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi – 110002.

P R E S E N T

1.	**Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Delhi**	**Chairperson**
2.	**Shri Mateen Ahmad, MLA**	**Vice-Chairperson**
3.	**Shri Ramesh Negi, C.E.O.**	**Member**
4.	**Shri Balram Tanwar, MLA**	**Member**
5.	**Shri Asif Mohd. Khan, MLA**	**Member**
6.	**Shri Devender Mohan Katyal, Member, MCD**	**Member**
7.	**Shri V.P. Pandey, Member, MCD**	**Member**
8.	**Smt. Neena Sharma, Member, Delhi Cantonment Board**	**Member**
9.	**Shri R.K. Srivastava, Secretary, UD**	**Member**
10.	**Shri Parimal Rai, Chairperson. NDMC**	**Member**
11.	**Smt. Rinku Dhugga, Member(Admn.)**	**Member**
12.	**Shri Prashant Goyal, Member (Fin.)**	**Member**
13.	**Shri R.K. Garg, Member (WS/Dr.)**	**Member**

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the 102nd meeting of the Board held on 25.03.2011 and 29.03.2011 were confirmed.

ACTION TAKEN NOTE

The Action Taken Note in respect of the decisions taken in the 102nd meeting of the Board were placed before the Board and taken on record with the following clarifications:-

Resolution No. 2058 – Sh. V.P. Pandey, Member raised the issue of penalty imposed upon Sh. Sateyender Kumar Singh, AE(C) and Pratap Singh, JE(C). He requested for reduction of one lower stage in time scale of pay for one year without cumulative effect instead of cumulative effect as decided by the Board in its 102nd meeting. CEO clarified that the case is under consideration of CVC.

Resolution No. 2069 – Hon'ble Chairperson directed to complete the supply of the Bio-metric machine expeditiously. C.E.O. informed that NIT has been floated, however, due to defect in e-tendering system tenders could not be uploaded. Now tenders are expected in a week's time.

Resolution No. 2073 – Hon'ble Chairperson directed to complete the process of tendering immediately. It was informed that existing procedure for engaging private tankers will follow and the present proposal for water tanker supply services for zone V, VII and VIII will be processed targeting next summer.

RESOLUTION NO. 2075

ITEM NO. Admn. 87 Fixing the Water & Sewerage Development charges for the year 2011-2012.

The Board considered the proposal contained in Director (Revenue)'s letter No. DJB/109 dated-16.05.2011. Shri Asif Mohd. Khan, Member requested not to revise the development charges on the ground that the rates are already very high. It was explained to the Board that the existing rates were fixed in the year 2010 and rates need to be revised annually on the basis of increase in price index. Rates would apply proportionately only to those unauthorized colonies where new water and sewer infrastructure will be laid. As rate revision is an annual exercise, the Board resolved to approve the revision of water and sewerage development charges for the year 2011-2012 from Rs.329/- and Rs. 369/- to Rs.405/- and Rs.455/- per sq. meter respectively. S/Shri V.P. Pandey, Devender Mohan Katyal and Smt. Neena Sharma recorded their dissent to the proposal. The Board further resolved to take action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2076

ITEM NO. Admn. 88 Ad-hoc promotion to the post of CE(E&M) in PB-4 in the grade of Rs. 37,400 – 67000 plus grade pay of Rs. 10,000/- after relaxing the condition of qualifying service.

The Board decided that agenda items involving routine matters where Board is not the authority competent to take decision need not be brought before the Board and desired that this may be noted for future compliance.

RESOLUTION NO. 2077

ITEM NO. Admn. 89 Granting Higher pay scale of Rs. 14,300–18,300/- (Pre-revised) to PB-4 of Rs.37,400-67,000 with a grade pay of Rs.8,700/- to Superintending Engineers of Delhi Jal Board on completion of 09 years regular service instead of 13 years regular service in Group 'A' post on the analogy of CPWD.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the Director(A&P)'s letter No. DJB/511 dated-23.05.2011 and resolved to refer the proposal to Principal Secretary (Services) and Secretary(UD)GNCT of Delhi for necessary examination. With the views of Pr. Secretary (Services) and Secretary (UD), the proposal may be re-submitted to the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 2078

ITEM NO. Admn. 90 Levy of Charges on unauthorized connections on peripheral lines of DJB.

The Board considered the proposal contained in Director(Revenue)'s letter No. DJB/110 dated-20.05.2011. Shri V.P. Pandey, Member desired to know the data on unauthorized connections on peripheral lines of DJB in Slum clusters. Shri Asif Mohd. Khan, Member raised the issue of fixing the recovery charges through contract. Based on clarification, the Board approved the proposal 'in principle' to charge a token amount of Rs.50/- from hutments with existing water connection. The Board further directed that the detailed modalities such as number of huts having water connections, collection through contractors and commission to the Contractors be worked out before issuing of tenders.

RESOLUTION NO. 2079

ITEM NO. Admn. 91 Collection of outstanding arrears of water charges through outsourcing.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the Director(Revenue)'s letter No. DJB/111 dated-23.05.2011 and resolved to make it applicable on pilot basis covering planned areas of Delhi where the recoverable arrears in each case are Rs. 5,000 and above. Companies/Agencies undertaking such collection for Banks in NCR region would be considered for competitive bidding. The Board further resolved to take action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2080

ITEM NO. Admn. 92 Promotion to the post of Deputy Accounts & Finance Officer (now Dy. Director (F&A) in the pay scale of Rs.15600-39100+Grade pay Rs. 6600/- plus usual allowance as admissible under the rules.

The Board decided that agenda items involving routine matters where Board is not the authority competent to take decision need not be brought before the Board and desired that this may be noted for future compliance.

RESOLUTION NO. 2081

ITEM NO. Est.-44 Providing laying/jointing 600 mm dia M.S. main connecting 1200 mm dia Jal Vihar main at Laxmi Nagar Chungi with 600 mm dia M.S. main at Noida Mode at N.H.-24.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(South)'s letter No. DJB/01 dated-18.04.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the estimate amounting to Rs. 3,25,62,616/- for the above work. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2082

ITEM NO. Est.-45 Transfer of land to DMRC against payment for Sarita Vihar Metro Station at Mohan Co-operative Industrial Estate, Mathura Road.

The Board considered the information contained in the C.E.(South)'s letter No. DJB/02 dated-19.05.2011 and resolved to take it on record.

RESOLUTION NO. 2083

ITEM NO. Est.-46 Providing sewerage services in Urban village Samay Pur.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(Dr.)Pr.-II's letter No. DJB/02 dated-12.05.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the estimate amounting to Rs.11,16,38,850/- based on DSR 2007 for the work of providing sewerage facilities in Urban village Samay Pur in North-West district, Delhi. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2084

ITEM NO. Est.-47 Block estimate for the work of Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of E&M equipments at Haiderpur Water Works No.-1 for Kirari Booster Pumping Station.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(WW)-I's letter No. DJB/603 dated-18.05.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the estimate amounting to Rs.5,81,34,400/- for the above work. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2085
ITEM NO. Est.-48 Providing/laying internal water supply network in Inder Enclave P-II of Kirari Constituency.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(West)'s letter No. DJB/01 dated-24.05.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the estimate amounting to Rs. 4,17,35,459/- for the above work. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2086
ITEM NO. T-50 Regarding implementation of report for increasing in hiring charges of private mounted tankers.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(East)'s letter No. DJB/ 04 dated-5.5.2011 and resolved to approve the revised rates for hiring of mounted tankers as proposed in the above letter. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2087
ITEM NO. T-51 Purchase of 14000 MTs of Poly Aluminum Chloride (PAC) for the year 2011-2012 for various water works of Delhi Jal Board.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(WW)-II's letter No. DJB/02 dated-12.05.2011. The Board desired to know the reasons for splitting of supply amongst 3 firms instead of awarding the work to L-1 contractor. It was explained that the supply is based on production capacity of the firm and keeping in view the urgent/requirement of PAC, it is not prudent to depend on a single firm and the procurement was strictly as per NIT conditions. With the above clarifications, the Board resolved to ratify the purchase of 14000 MT of PAC @ Rs. 10908/- PMT (landed cost) at a total cost of Rs. 15,27,12,000/- as under:

M/s Grasim Industries	7000 MT
M/s Kanoria Chemicals	4900 MT
M/s Gujrat Alkalies	2100 MT
Total	14000 MT

RESOLUTION NO. 2088

ITEM NO. T-52 Approval of Revised scope of work of Providing & Laying of Wazirabad Road Sewer by Micro-tunneling and Confined Trench Method under Yamuna Action Plan-II.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(Dr)Project-II's letter No. DJB/03 dated-24.05.2011. It was observed that the work was initially estimated at Rs. 79,00,00,000/- and now the cost of work is proposed to be revised to Rs. 101.36 crores. The reasons for revision and clarification for not carrying out vital study before framing the estimate be placed on record. With the above observations the Board resolved to constitute a committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (UD), comprising of Member (W/D), representative from IIT and Engineer-in-Chief (PWD) to examine/inspect and submit a detailed report on the proposal for consideration of the Board. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2089

ITEM NO. T-53 Development of SCADA System at Bhagirathi Water Treatment Plant and its major BPS and UGRs.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(WW)-II's letter No. DJB/03 dated-23.05.2011. It was observed that the work was initially estimated at Rs. 120.75 crores and now the cost of work is proposed to be revised to Rs. 259.95 crores. Board directed that the reasons for revision of estimate be placed on record. With the above observations, the Board resolved to constitute a committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary (UD) comprising of Member (W/D), representative from IIT and Engineer-in-Chief (PWD) to examine the proposal in toto including the reasonability of estimates and justified costs and submit a detailed report for consideration of the Board. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2090

ITEM NO. T-54 Construction of 9 MGD Sewage Treatment Plant including regular on Gazjipur drain at Chilla Regulator along with pumping station and other appurtenant works on design, build and operate basis.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(Dr)Project-II's letter No. DJB/04 dated-24.05.2011. Shri Devender Mohan Katyal raised a query with regard to difference in estimated, suggestive and awarded cost.

Member (Finance) DJB highlighted 3 issues for consideration of the Board. Firstly, in the Chilla tender "current" net worth was sought although generally the DJB tenders seek net worth as on 31st March of the last financial year. Secondly, the firm had completed only 21 months of operations after commissioning of the project as on 31st March 2010 whereas as per NIT, the firm ought to have completed one year successful O&M after DLP. Since the DLP period was not spelt out in NIT, the normal DLP period of one year in DJB tenders could be taken as a default benchmark. Hence the firm should have completed at least 24 months of successful running of eligible STPs as on 31st March 2010. Thirdly, the STC was headed by the CE (SDW) who is also the E&M Chief Engineer of the project. The Board desired to know how M/s HNB Engineers Pvt Ltd. was technically qualified as per the NIT conditions and why its financial bid was opened.

The Member (Dr) explained that tender is as per NIT conditions and the rates are very competitive and it will not be advisable to reject the bid on such grounds. CE(SDW) is also the CE (Planning) for E&M projects. CE(Dr) Pr.II Shri V.S.Thind confirmed that the firm meets the criteria laid down in the NIT and all issues raised in this regard were addressed to by seeking opinion of a Financial Consultant and Standing Counsel in High Court and the same are on record. Further, to have better competition, it was decided to relax the required period of 24 months. Moreover, as on date of opening of bids, the firm had completed 24 months of successful operation after commissioning. Mr Thind, Chief Engineer also brought to the notice of the Board that this project is being monitored by Supreme Court and any further delay in execution will invite adverse comments from the Court.

Considering the explanation/confirmation on Technical Qualification, given by C.E. and Member (Dr), competitive cost offered by M/s HNB Engineers Pvt. Ltd. and the urgency in the light of Supreme Court monitoring, the Board resolved to award the above work in favour of M/s HNB Engineers Pvt Ltd. at a total cost of Rs.69,06,00,000/- subject to recording of a certificate by the Chief Engineer concerned and Member (Dr) that "the firm is technically qualified as per NIT conditions". The Board resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2091

ITEM NO. T-55 Refurbishment of Sewer on C V Raman Marg from Sukhdev Vihar via Escort Hospital to Ring Road SPS in Delhi.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(Dr)Project-II's letter No. DJB/05 dated-24.05.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the estimate amounting to Rs. 7,61,71,763/- and to award the above work in favour of M/s Onsite India Pvt. Ltd. at a total negotiated cost of Rs. 5,25,00,000/-. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2092

ITEM NO. T-56 Rehabilitation, operation and Comprehensive maintenance for 10 years of 40 MGD, Phase-II, Rithala STP.

The Board considered the proposal contained in the C.E.(SDW)'s letter No. DJB/277 dated-23.05.2011 and resolved to accord administrative approval to the revised estimate amounting to Rs. 84,50,00,000/- and to award the above work in favour of M/s Degremont SA(France) along with M/s Degremont Ltd. at a total cost of Rs. 84,50,00,000/- inclusive of taxes for complete work. The Board further resolved to take further action in anticipation of confirmation of the minutes.

DISCUSSION WITH THE PERMISSION OF CHAIR

1. Shri Mateen Ahmad, Vice-Chairperson suggested to increase the number of ZROs on constituency basis to have better management. Moreover, the ZRO offices must be kept in good conditions.

2. The Board directed to carry out vital study of the projects before framing the estimate to avoid further revision at a later stage. Any increase in the scope of work and the necessary enhancement in the expenditure must be anticipated in advance.

3. Hon'ble Chairperson expressed concern on the billing complaints and asked to arrange camps at various places to settle complaints.

4. Hon'ble Chairperson directed that Delhi Jal Board must take necessary steps to manage water supply in the months of April-June well in advance.

5. Sh. Asif Mohd. Khan, Member raised the issue of drawing of Rs. 2(two) crores from the Bank by a Company forging the documents and asked for the Vigilance Enquiry. It was informed that the matter has been referred to Special Commissioner, Crime Branch and money has also been recovered. Hon'ble Chairperson directed that besides taking the necessary stringent actions in this context, the whole system must be reviewed to avoid such lapses in future. Concerned Firm must be debarred for DJB contracts.

6. Sh. Asif Mohd. Khan, Member raised the issue of deduction of Service charges from the MLAs' funds by DJB. Secretary (UD) agreed to review the matter and issue necessary directions in this context, if necessary.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

SECRETARY **CHAIRPERSON**