

MINUTES OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE MEETING OF NORTH GOA DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION, HELD ON 04/10/2024 UNDER THE CHAIRPERSONSHIP OF COLLECTOR, NORTH GOA AT THE CONFERENCE HALL OF COLLECTORATE BUILDING, PANAJI, GOA AT 11.30 AM

The Managing Committee Meeting of the North Goa District Mineral Foundation (Trust) was convened by the Collector North/Chairperson (DMF-North). The meeting was attended by the following members/officials:

Sr.No	MEMBERS	DESIGNATION & DEPARTMENT
Ex Officio Members		
1	Dr. Sneha Gitte, IAS	Collector, North Goa/Chairperson (NGDMFT)
2	Shri. Ratnakant D. Govenker	Dy. Director I, Directorate of Mines & Geology/Member Secretary (NGDMFT)
3	Smt. Rena Menezes	District Agriculture Officer (DAO-N), 9423056306
4	Shri. Dattaraj S. Pai Kakode	A.E Water Supply, Public Works Department, Bicholim,9960290878
5	Shri. Naresh Pokle	Assistant Engineer, Water Resources Department,9423314472
On Behalf of the Department/Representatives of Members/Others		
6	Dr. Shaheen Sayed	Dy. Director, DHS 9423889215
7	Shri. S.S. Gaonkar	Director, DSDE, 9422062929
8	Smt. Lynette Viegas	CDPO, DWCD, 9850467161
9	Shri. Gajanan R. Desai	PWD, 9271145231
10	Smt. Joshna Mahale	Scientist 'A' Goa State Pollution Control Board, 9158008642
11	Shri. Navnath C. Ambre	BDO Bicholim, 9049555925
12	Shri. Rajesh Dalvi	BDO, Sattari ,8554036810
13	Dr. Mohan R Girap	Scientist 'C' GSPCB, 9422451650
14	Shri. Vidhesh Borkar	AAO, Directorate of Mines & Geology

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The Meeting started with the Chairperson presiding over the meeting. The Member Secretary guided the discussion with the assistance from Project Management Unit on the following agenda.

Agenda 1

INVESTMENTS OF NORTH GOA DMF(T)

In exercise of Rule 10(g) of Goa DMF Rules, 2018, the Managing Committee has powers to invest the trust fund in a diligent manner in fixed deposits/Government banks/Bank bonds in Scheduled Commercial Banks.

The current fund status of DMF was explained to the Managing Committee. Multiple fixed deposits of total maturity amount of approximately ₹20cr had matured in SBI Treasury Branch, Panaji, Goa on 30-06-2024. Multiple FDs in SBI, Treasury Branch, Panaji, totalling a deposit value of around ₹38cr were set to mature, ranging from December 2024 to March 2026, albeit at lower interest rates from 6.00%-6.80%. FD having deposit amount of approximately ₹40cr in HDFC Bank, Panaji is set to mature in January 2025.

Prior to the meeting, interest rates were called from different eligible banks. Quotes for interest rates were called from all Nationalised Banks and from Scheduled Commercial Banks having deposit total of over Rs. 2,500cr in the state of Goa. Rates were called for amounts of Rs. 55cr and Rs. 8.5cr for 1 year duration (Callable). Rates were initially called on 30.09.2024 till 01.10.2024 5pm, however, the period was subsequently extended till 03.10.2024 till 04:30pm. Rates received from different banks were presented in front of the Managing Committee for an amount of Rs. 55Cr (Callable) and 8.5 Cr (Callable).

After perusing the interest rates from different banks it was observed that for ₹ 55cr, within the initial time limit, SBI Treasury Branch had offered the highest interest rates of 7.75%. Axis Bank offered Highest rate of interest of 7.76% overall, but had quoted it beyond the initial set time limit. For ₹8.5cr, Bank of Maharashtra had quoted the highest amount of 7.70% within the initial set time limit. The Managing Committee opined that since the DMF may require a substantial callable corpus to spend over the next year, an amount

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of ₹10cr can be kept separately instead of ₹8.5cr and the balance amount can be kept in a separate FD. The amount of ₹10cr can be booked from the already matured amount of approximately ₹20cr.

The Chairperson opined that since the remaining corpus contemplated to be invested consisted of matured FDs with SBI Treasury Branch and active FDs in SBI Treasury Branch (drawing lower rate of interest), and since the rates offered by SBI were comparable to that of Axis Bank (which were received after the stipulated time), we may give an opportunity to SBI to give rates higher than that quoted by Axis Bank. The Managing Committee agreed with the same and also stated that DMF may request waiver of penalties, if any, from SBI if the FDs are booked with SBI Treasury Branch again.

In view of this, the Chairperson and MS were authorized to do the needful.

Decision: - The Managing Committee decided to book the amount of ₹10cr with Bank of Maharashtra for 1 year duration at 7.70% (callable) and to book the FD of the balance amount with SBI, Treasury Branch for 1 year duration at rates of 7.77% or higher (callable), pending confirmation from the bank regarding the points agreed to by the Managing Committee.

Agenda 2

DETERMINATION OF DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY AFFECTED AREAS AS PER REVISED PMKKKY GUIDELINES, 2024

The MC was informed that as per revised guidelines the directly affected area was to be considered not beyond 15km from boundary of mine lease and indirectly affected area beyond the directly affected but not beyond 25km from boundary of mine lease. However, the respective District Mineral Foundation is to maintain the list of villages and the distances are to be notified by the Government. Accordingly, the Managing Committee was presented with scenarios of buffered maps with 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 km for North Goa. After deliberation, the MC opined that for North Goa DMF the area upto 10 km from mining lease be

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declared as directly affected area and area beyond 10 km but within 25 km be considered as indirectly affected area.

Decision: - The Managing Committee resolved to consider the area upto 10km from boundary of mining lease as directly affected area and area beyond 10 km but within 25 km as indirectly affected area. The final list of affected areas be prepared accordingly and the same be placed for consideration of the Governing Council.

Agenda 3

TO DISCUSS AND DECIDE UPON THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED

1. Gomantak Gausevak Mahasangh made a proposal requesting support for their goshala through District Mineral Foundation funds to lift, shelter and to rehabilitate accidental and injured cattle from mining affected areas. In the proposal only the estimated cost for the construction of cow shed of 2400 sq.meter (Total build up Area) at Rs 7000 per sq metre = 1,68,00,000/- (One Crore Sixty Eight lakhs rupees Only) is mentioned. For feeding of cattle, they are getting funds from the state government under The Goa Stray Cattle Management Scheme 2013.

Decision: - The Managing Committee recommended that the proposal should be routed through the Department of AVHS and should be submitted in a proper project format with all the detailed estimates.

Action: - (Gomantak Gausevak Mahasangh, AHVS)

2. I.C.D.S, Sattari (DWCD) A proposal was received from the I.C.D.S Sattari for repair and renovations of 13 AWCs located at Goankarwada Pissurlem, Kajyrachiwali Pissurlem, Kumbarkan Pissurlem, Ponshe Pissurlem, Shinge Pissurlem, Dhangarwada Bhuipal, Narayannagar Honda, Gaonkarwada Honda, Gaonkarwada II Honda, Soliye Honda, Madai Bhironda, Bhironda, Vante Dongerwada. Earlier a similar proposal for 14 AWC was placed in GC but the proposal was not approved as detailed estimates were not provided by DWCD.

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Decision: - The Managing Committee instructed the proponent to submit the proposal in the project proposal format through the Head Office of DWCD with proper estimates and breakup.

Action (I.C.D.S Sattari, DWCD)

3. Department of Tourism (DOT):- A proposal was received from DOT Regarding Skill Development Training Program in Mining - Affected Areas of Mayem Constituency, in Bicholim Taluka, North Goa. The proposal sought training in skills related to **Front Office Associate, Food and Beverage Associate, Pastry/ Bakery Commis, Street Food Vendor (Standalone).** Further details and estimates are not submitted by the proponent. Project proposal format as adopted by NGDMFT is also not followed.

Decision: - The Managing Committee instructed DOT to submit complete proposal in project proposal format with detailed estimates and break up.

Action (DOT)

4. Directorate of Education: - A proposal was received from Shri Navadurga High School for construction of sports infrastructure in school premises under District Mineral foundation. The proposal was not forwarded through Education Department. The school has proposed indoor sports hall in school premises which can be used by the students and locals. Construction of hall consisting of 400 sqmt, having a height of 7 mtrs from ground to false ceiling with stage, green room, two dressing room, for boys and girls with independent toilet facilities, a storeroom, washroom facility for visitors. Classroom building has been constructed by Rajaram & Tarabai Bandekar Charitable Trust, Vasco -da- Gama. The school has not given detailed estimates and the project is not submitted in proper format.

Decision: - The Managing Committee desired that the proposal be routed through the Directorate of Education with proper estimates and in project proposal format.

Action: - (DoE)

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5. Directorate of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE)

Proposal was received from DSDE with regards to short term skilling of individuals in Mining affected areas in Govt ITI Bicholim and Govt ITI Sattari. The project focuses on conducting short term skill development courses for youth/women/men of mining affected area to earn their livelihood through self-employment or wage employment. Head wise distribution is as follows: Equipment 20%, Machinery 30%, Tools 10%, Consumables 20%, Faculty 15%, Premises 5%. Amount proposed for this is Rs. 5Cr. It was found that there is convergence with existing CM – Kaushalya Path Scheme for skilling. Rs. 1.7cr budget for the scheme for FY 2024-25. However, there was no clarity provided regarding the actual content of the skilling courses and how the expenditure is to be done. The Director, DSDE stated that a detailed proposal will be submitted to the DMF.

The PMU suggested that in view of various department approaching for Skill Development in the mining belt a mapping and need analysis of stakeholders be undertaken to provide best options.

Decision: - The Managing Committee requested a detailed proposal in project proposal format from the DSDE.

Action (DSDE)

Agenda 4: -

ANY OTHER AGENDA

1. Bills towards maintenance of water supply in Bicholim Taluka of drinking water by tanker to Cudnem, Velguem & Pale. The member from PWD, with the permission of the Chair, drew attention to the matter of pending payment of bills towards maintenance of water supply in Bicholim Taluka of drinking water by tanker to Cudnem, Velguem & Pale. Letter was received from EE, WD-XXIV(PHE), PWD dated 13/04/2022 requesting to pay Rs. 18,87,811/- for the said work, which had already completed execution before the letter was received by the DMF. 1st, 2nd and 3rd RA bills for the work were already settled by PWD through State Funds. Hence, it was decided by the then Chairperson that the amount shall be paid from State funds itself, so that proper test check is carried out. The matter was also placed before MC dated 14/09/2022 and GC dated 21/10/2022 and the DMF decided that the payment shall strictly be

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settled by the executing department under state fund itself. The PWD has once again requested settlement of the bills through the DMF vide letter dated 02/02/2024 and letter dated 09/07/2024. Since the matter was already decided by the Governing Council, the Managing Committee deferred on any decision on the matter and decided to place the matter for consideration of the GC.

2. The Managing Committee was informed that a letter was received from the Ministry of Mines to undertake Swacchata Hi Seva program in mining affected areas. Accordingly, North Goa District Mineral Foundation conducted cleanliness drive in Village Panchayat Assanora jointly with VP members and some locals of the Panchayat. NGDMF also provided material required for garbage collection for undertaking such drive in Sirsaim Panchayat.

3. The Members were apprised of a Workshop on DMF conducted for all Government line departments and autonomous bodies, jointly by North Goa DMF, South Goa DMF and the PMU on 4th September 2024, as desired by the Governing Council of North Goa DMF in its meeting dated 28.08.2024. The various departments were briefed regarding the functioning of the DMF and the various developmental and welfare activities and works that can be taken under DMF funds for the benefit of the mining affected people and areas.

There being no other agenda for discussion, the meeting concluded with thanks to all the members and Chair.

This is issued with the approval of the Chairperson, North Goa DMF (Trust).



(Ratnakant D. Govenker)

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Place: Panaji, Goa

Date: 04.10.2024

