

Minutes of 3rd MEETING (FY 2011-12) OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE ON ASIDE SCHEME (EC) UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF COMMERCE SECRETARY ON 28.11.2011 (MONDAY) AT 11:00 AM IN ROOM NO. 141, UDYOG BHAVAN, NEW DELHI

EC met with Dr Rahul Khullar, Secretary to the Govt. of India, Department of Commerce (DoC) in chair, on 28.11.2011 in Room No. 141, Udyog Bhawan. A list of participants is at Annex-1.

2. Shri Ravi Capoor, Joint Secretary welcomed participants and informed the EC that for the year 2011-12, revised allocation for ASIDE Scheme is Rs 700.00 Cr. As per ASIDE Scheme Guidelines, 80% of these funds i.e. Rs.560.00 crore have been earmarked for State Component of ASIDE Scheme and balance 20% of the total allocation i.e. Rs. 140.00 crore have been kept under Central Component of ASIDE. After adjustment made as per IFD, DOC recommendation, Rs 52.45 Crores are still available for central component of ASIDE.

Against the availability of Rs. 52.45 crores, 9 Deferred Projects, 1 New project and 6 (3 +3) Ongoing projects were submitted for consideration / review of EC. No projects were for post facto approval of EC. One project was considered by EC as an additional agenda item.

2.1 Commerce Secretary emphasized the following policy decisions as under:-

2.1.1 Land free from all encumbrances is prerequisite for consideration of project(s) for assistance under ASIDE.

2.1.2 Since very limited resources are available in the Central component, Agency like Port Trusts etc must priorities their projects and come forward with a project for funding on cost sharing basis(co-finance).

2.1.3 The release of fund in the current year will be as per absorption capacity of the agency to avoid parking of fund unnecessarily.

2.1.4 Agencies must complete projects sanctioned within stipulated timeline / maximum gestation period of two years. Any deviation on this account would be viewed seriously.

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3. Thereafter, agenda items were deliberated and following decisions were taken:

3.1 Deferred Projects :

(Rs in lakh)

Sl No	Agency	Project/ Nature of projects	Total Cost	Administrative Approval accorded	Release approved in 2011-12
1	Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC)	Setting up of Diamond Grading and Jewellery Testing Project	284.20	214.00 GJEPC: 70.20	214.00
2	Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council	Setting up of Gems & Jewellery Training Centre at Domjur, Howrah	1149.25	Deferred	----
3	Noida SEZ (NSEZ)	Construction of SDF Block 'M' at NSEZ Noida	2143.17	1800.00 NSEZ: 343.17	600.00
4	CONCOR	Expansion of Existing CFS & Development of new Rail Siding at Malanpur, Gwalior	1014.50	340.00 CONCOR:674.50	340.00
5	CWC	Setting up of Container Freight Station (CFS) at Dronagiri Node, Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) Navi Mumbai for LCL export Cargo	205.05	190.87 CWC: 14.18	190.87
6	Mormugao Port Trust (MoPT)	Procurement and Deployment of 1 no Harbour Mobile Crane as a service facility at General Cargo Berths (Berth No . 10 & 11)	2945.00	1300.00 MoPT: 1645.00	1300.00
7	Kolkata Port Trust (KoPT)	Hard- standing of iron storage area of about 1 lakh sq. meter for Haldia Dock Complex	2700.00	1350.00 KoPT: 1350.00	400.00

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8	Kolkata Port Trust (KoPT)	Railway Siding	1500.00	KoPT withdrew the proposal (based on priority against S.No. 3.1.7).	----
9	Cochin Port Trusts (CoPT)	Supply and installation of one 25 T capacity ELL wharf Crane for Cochin Port	2481.00	1000.00 CoPT: 1481.00	1000.00

3.2 NEW PROJECTS:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No	Agency	Project / Nature of Projects	Total cost	Assistance sought	EC decision / Release approved in 2011-12
1	IDBI Intech	eBRC PORTAL --- part of e-commerce initiative taken by DOC / DGFT	800.00	800.00 (interest free term loan)	Deferred. As per ASIDE Scheme guideline, only outright grant is permissible. Interest free term loan is outside the scope of ASIDE Scheme Guidelines.

3.3 Partial Release (ONGOING PROJECTS)

(Rs in lakhs)

Sl No	Agency	Project	Total cost	Assistance sought / Amount approved	Amount released so far	Balance to be released	EC decision for release in 2011-12
1	Spices Board	Spices Park at Guna, Madhya Pradesh	4518.80 (2010-11)	1900.00	500.00	1500.00	500.00

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2	MPEDA	Common Pre-processing Centre at Ambalapuzha	393.34803	246.00 + 88.34803# # as additional amount to meet project cost escalation.	246.00	88.34803	88.34803
3	SIDICO	Infrastructure Development at Nathula Border, Sikkim	1,644.17 (2006-07)	1644.17	1636.24	7.93	07.93

3.4 Any other agenda item(s) with the permission of the chair

With the permission of the chair, Chairman, Central Warehousing Corporation(CWC) submitted a proposal – “Setting up of Rail based Container Freight Station (CFS) at Pipavav (Gujarat)” before EC on ASIDE and informed that the Corporation has acquired a piece of land measuring around 90000 sq. mts from the Gujarat Pipavav Port Limited on 25 yrs of lease. After development of state of the art Container Terminal at Pipava by M/s. APM Terminals Pvt. Ltd., there has been a consistent demand from EXIM Trade for setting up of Container Freight Station facility in this port area. Based on Commissioner of Customs, Jamnagar the proposal was approved by M/o Commerce. The project is under implementation with a provision for rail connectivity from the main rail linkages connecting the port of Pipavav.

The instant proposal was placed before the last EC on ASIDE meeting held on 14.10.2011 wherein EC on ASIDE directed DC, Kandla SEZ to report on it. DC, KSEZ report has now submitted the requisite report recommending the instant proposal for assistance of 50% assistance under ASIDE. The report among others mention that the instant facility will help the exporters of bulk cargo particularly agricultural commodities exporters / farmers of the surrounding area in providing them cost beneficial and efficient transport-cum-storage service at single place. DC, KASEZ also submitted that against the estimated total project cost of Rs 34.51 Cr, CWC is seeking 50% funding from the ASIDE Scheme and the balance 50% will be borne by CWC itself from their own sources.

EC on ASIDE decided that the proposal be considered on file for assistance under ASIDE (Central Component) and release of fund in 2011-12 (if any).

3.5 Meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

Annex.-1

List of Participants for the Empowered Committee Meeting of ASIDE held on 28/11/2011 at 11.00 A.M. under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rahul Khullar, Commerce Secretary in R.No. 141, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi.

Sr. No.	Name of the participants	Designation/Organization
1.	Sh. Ravi Capoor	Joint Secretary
2.	Sh. Anup Wadhawan	Joint Secretary
3.	Sh. D. S. Dhese	Joint Secretary
4.	Sh. J. K. Dadoo	Joint Secretary
5.	Sh. Sanjeet Singh	Director (States Cell)
6.	Smt. Amrit Raj	Director (Finance)
7.	Smt. Indira Murthy	Director
8.	Sh. D.K. Singh	Addl. DGFT
9.	Smt. Sutapa Majumdar	Director, Planning Commission
10.	Sh. S.C. Panda	Development Commissioner, NSEZ
11.	Sh. Sanjeev Nandwani	Development Commissioner, FSEZ
12.	Sh. Pravir Kumar	Development Commissioner, KSEZ
13.	Sh. Ved Prakash	Development Commissioner, SEEPZ SEZ
14.	Ms. Sabyasaili Ray	ED, GJEPC
15.	Sh. Nirmal Barmecha	Convener, GJEPC
16.	Sh. K.K. Duggal	RD, GJEPC
17.	Sh. P. Mohanasundram	Director , MPEDA
18.	Sh. K.C. Kuncheria	Chief Mechanical Engineer, Mormugao Port Trust
19.	Sh. Paul Antony	Chairman, Cochin Port Trust
20.	Sh. Rajesh Rawat	Dy. Director, EPCH
21.	Sh. M. L. Meena	Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust
22.	Sh. N.L. Manjoka	GGM, CONCOR
23.	Sh. T,K, Doshi	Director, CWC
24.	Sh. R.N. Meena	Dy. GM, CWC
25.	Sh. K.Jagannathan	Asst. Director, Spices Board
26.	Sh. P.M. Suresh Kumar	Secretary, Spices Board
27.	Sh. Ram Lakhan	Under Secretary
28.	Sh. D.K. Himanshu	Section Officer, States Cell (ASIDE Scheme)

IMMEDIATE

No.13/02/2011-States Cell
Government of India
Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Department of Commerce

Dated the 8th December , 2011

Subject:- Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Empowered Committee of the ASIDE Scheme held on 28.11.2011 for 2011-12 -Regarding.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Empowered Committee (EC) on central component of ASIDE Scheme held under the chairmanship of Commerce Secretary on 28.11.2011 in the Conference Room No. 141, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi for information and further necessary action.

(Mala Iyengar)
Director

To

1. As per list attached.
2. Mrs Sutapa Majumdar, Director, Planning Commission, New Delhi

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1. PPS to CS / AS(VLJ) / AS&FA / JS((AS) / JS(AW) / JS(AM) /JS(RC) / JS(SC) / JS(DSD) / JS(S) / JS(TS) / Dir(Fin)

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Annex. I

(Rs. in lacs)

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		Sub-Total			4141.15
11	Spices Board	Spices Park at Guna, Madhya Pradesh	4518.80	1900.00	500.00
		Grand Total			4641.15