

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF  
NORTH GOA DISTRICT MINERAL FOUNDATION HELD ON 05<sup>th</sup>  
JUNE 2020 UNDER THE CHAIRPERSONSHIP OF THE COLLECTOR  
(NORTH)/ CHAIRPERSON DMF (NORTH) GOA IN THE  
CONFERENCE HALL, OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR,  
COLLECTORATE BUILDING, PANAJI-GOA AT 4:30 p.m.**

A meeting was convened on 05<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 04:30 p.m. in the office of The Collector, North Goa, by the Collector, North Goa/Chairperson North Goa District Mineral Foundation of the Governing Council of the District Mineral Foundation (North). The Following officials/members attended the Governing Council meeting:

| <b>Sr.N<br/>o.</b> | <b>Name</b>                         | <b>Designation &amp; Department</b>   |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1                  | Smt. R.Menaka, I.A.S                | Collector, North Goa & Chairperson-<br>North Goa DMF Committee.                           |
| 2                  | Shri. Pravin Zantye                 | MLA, Mayem Constituency.  |
| 3                  | Shri. Glenn Ticio                   | MLA, Aldona Constituency.   |
| 4                  | Shri. Y. Durga Prasad               | Director, Directorate of Planning Statistics<br>& Evaluation                              |
| 5                  | Shri. Manuel Barreto                | Member Secretary, North Goa DMF / Dy.<br>Director -I, Directorate of Mines and<br>Geology |
| 6                  | Shri Mallappa Hullalada             | Executive Engineer, SE-II(IV), Electricity<br>Department, Panaji Goa                      |
| 7                  | Shri. Nitin V.S. Neurekar           | EE, WD XXIV, (P.W.D),Bicholim   |
| 8                  | Smt. Sweta Alias Sonam<br>Parulekar | CDPO, Women & Child Development,<br>Bicholim  |
| 9                  | Shri. Prashant Gaude                | AE, SD-III, P.W.D, Div-XXIV.  |
| 10                 | Shri. Arun M. Naik                  | Executive Engineer, Water Resource<br>Department- Bicholim                                |
| 11                 | Smt Supriya Arolkar                 | Assistant Director, Directorate of Social<br>Welfare.                                     |
| 12                 | Dr. Sunita S. Perni                 | Medical Officer, Directorate of Health<br>Services, Panaji.                               |
| 13                 | Shri Manoj B. Sawalkar              | Dy. Director, North Education Zone,<br>Directorate of Education.                          |
| 14                 | Shri. Vithal A. Joshi               | Asst. Director of Agriculture, Directorate<br>of Agriculture.                             |
| 15                 | Smt. Maya Pednekar                  | Under Secretary, Finance (Budget)   |
| 16                 | Smt. Fiona Audrey<br>Cardozo        | Dy. Director of Panchayats, North Goa.  |
| 17                 | Shri. Yogesh S. Sawant              | JE, SD-III/ WD-XXIV (P.W.D), Valpoi.  |
| 18                 | Shri Altaf Rafi Aga                 | JE, SD-II/D-XXIV, Bicholim-Goa.   |
| 19                 | Shri. Prasad Keni                   | Vice President, Goa Mining Association.   |
| 20                 | Shri. Glenn Kalavampara             | Secretary GMOEA   |

At the outset the Collector North Goa/ Chairperson DMF North Goa welcomed all the members of the Governing Council and briefed them about the Notification from the Ministry of Mines with regards to



one time relaxation for utilizing upto 30% of funds from the District Mineral Foundation for supplementing and augmenting facilities of medical testing, screening and other requirements in connection with preventing the spread of COVID-19 pandemic as well as for treating the patients affected with COVID-19 pandemic.

Thereafter the following proposals were placed before the Governing Council as discussed and approved by the Managing Committee in its meeting dated 05-06-2020:

### **1. Proposals received under COVID-19**

(i) The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) informed the members that seven proposals were received requesting funds for COVID-19 purpose out of which due to the emergency involved, two proposals had already been sanctioned and disbursed after obtaining the Government approval and therefore were now put up before the Council for post-facto approval as under:

- (a) 06 Nos Bio-safety Cabinets proposal from DHS for an amount of Rs. 20,47,300/-
- (b) 5 True Lab Quarto (2 at NGDH Mapusa, 2 at Ponda and 1 at GMC) and 2000 Testing Kits - proposal from DHS for an amount of Rs.88,48,000/-.

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) further informed the members that out of the payments made of Rs.88,48,000/- towards proposals at (b) above, an amount of Rs 34,58,560/- was to be reimbursed to the North Goa DMF by the South Goa DMF since the said amount was utilized towards purchase of 2 True Lab Quarto at Ponda and 750 test kits. The Chairperson (DMF North) further informed that since the meeting of the Managing Committee and Governing Council could not be conducted earlier because of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the above amount was released to the DHS on account of the emergency involved and therefore the proposals are to be approved by the Council on ex-post facto basis.

**Decision:-** The Council after discussion gave post facto approval for the above proposals.

(ii) The Collector/Chairperson (North DMF) thereafter placed the other proposals with respect to COVID-19 which needed to be decided by the Council and which were approved by the Managing Committee as under :

- 1. Purchase of M2000 Abbott RT PCR system proposal from GMC for an amount of Rs.1,59,30,000/-
- 2. Purchase of Ventilators of GMC for an amount of 14,56,00,000/-.
- 3. Purchase of 1000 face shields of standard specifications for the use of district administration staff working at check post and railways for an amount of Rs 1,14,450/-.



4. Purchase of Personal protective Equipment (PPE) 20000 Nos for GMC from the District Mineral Foundation Funds for an amount of Rs. 4,59,99,968/-.
5. Purchase of True Lab Quatro Machine and Test kits for DHS for an amount of Rs. 2,21,76,000 /-.

**Decision:** - The Governing Council after deliberating on the above proposals at Sr.No. (ii) above, approved the same.

## **2. Proposal from the Goa State Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (GSIDCL):**

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North), placed the above proposal received from GSIDC i.e. "Repairs/Up gradation and Maintenance of Government schools in the State of Goa – Civil, Plumbing and Electrical Works - Schools undertaken under mining belt in the State of Goa" for an amount of Rs 5.00 Cr. before the Council and informed the members that since the Managing Committee's and Governing Council's meeting could not be conducted due to COVID-19 Pandemic emergency, the proposal was moved for Government approval. The proposal was regarding urgent repairs to be carried out in 21 number of Schools in the Mining areas in North Goa. The amount of Rs. 2.967 Cr. was approved by the Government towards the said proposal subject to post facto approval of the Council. It was informed to the Council that above said proposal was approved by the Managing Committee post facto as directed by the Government in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 and therefore was put up before the Council for post facto approval as decided by the Managing Committee.

**Decision:** The Council after discussion approved the above proposal post facto. The Council approved that the funds of Rs. 2.967 Cr. from the budget allocated towards Education purpose (i.e Rs. 4.614 Cr.) will be utilised for the above project. Further the Council also agreed to the opinion of the Managing Committee that the proposal should be routed through the Education Department.

## **3. Directorate of Education**

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) informed the Council that as approved in the Managing Committee meeting, the member from the Education Department was directed to verify the proposal with respect to Smart Class rooms and resubmit to the DMF North Goa at the earliest.

**Decision:** - The Council after discussion approved the decision taken by the Managing Committee.

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#### **4. Proposals from the Public Works Department:-**

The proposals discussed and approved by the Managing Committee in the meeting on 05-06-2020 were as under:

1. Augmentation of water supply system to the Village Panchayats Pale, Velguem & Surla in Sankhali Constituency amounting to Rs.10.0 Cr.
2. Supply of potable water by water tankers to the Mining affected villages in Vaghurem, Kodiye, Shigne and surrounding areas amounting to Rs.1,64,482/-
3. Supply of potable water by water tankers to the Mining affected villages of Sonshi, Soliyem and surrounding areas amounting to Rs.20,79,438/-.
4. Supply of drinking water through tanker in Shantinagar in Village Panchayat Pissurlem & Ovaliya and surrounding area amounting to Rs.19,80,418/-.
5. Supply of drinking water by water tanker to Cudnem Velguem & Pale Panchayat in Sakhali Constituency amounting to Rs.17,32,866/-.

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) brought to the notice of the Council members that a total amount of Rs.4.614 Crores was available under the budget head for Drinking water supply for the period ( 2019-2022) and that an amount of Rs. 50,29,779.58 and Rs. 54,14,193/- was already earlier disbursed to the PWD towards drinking water supply in Sattari and Bicholim taluka.

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) then placed the proposals at Sr.No. 2 to 5 above before the Council who after discussion approved the said proposals on account of drinking water being a necessity and the supply of water had to be maintained. The Chairperson (DMF North) then informed the members that an additional amount of Rs. 59,57,204/- was required towards the proposals at Sr. Nos. 2 to 5 as mentioned above and therefore the total liability under Drinking Water supply would be Rs. 1,64,01,176.58 against the budgeted amount of Rs. 4.614 Cr for the period ( 2019-2022), thereby leaving only a balance of Rs.2,97,38,823.42 which could be utilized for “Augmentation of water supply system to the Village Panchayats of Pale, Velguem & Surla in Sankhali Constituency” (Proposal No. 1) and therefore the PWD had to source the balance funds of Rs.8,35,98,823.42 from their own budget.

**Decision:** The above proposals after discussion in detail by the Governing Council were approved as approved by the Managing Committee i.e. an amount of Rs. 2,97,38,823.42 towards the proposals at Sr. Nos. 1 above - “Augmentation of water supply system to the Village Panchayats Pale, Velguem & Surla in Sankhali Constituency” and Rs. 59,57,204/- towards the proposals at Sr. Nos. 2 to 5 above for supply of portable drinking water.

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Further, the other proposals from the PWD (Roads) which were also discussed by the Managing Committee and approved were as under:

1. Urgent improvement of drainage system of main road from SH.NO. 3 to Navarwada in V.P. Pale Cottombi in Sankhali Constituency amounting to Rs. 1.05 Cr.
2. Improvement and hotmixing of road from State highway No. 03 at Ambegal-Pale in Sankhali Constituency amounting to Rs. 1.704 Cr.

It was informed to the Council that the total amount required for both the above proposals was Rs.2.754 Cr. which was higher than the budgeted amount allocated under physical infrastructure i.e. Rs.2.307 Cr. for the period (2019-2022) and the Managing Committee in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 had approved the allotment of Rs.2.307 Crores from the DMF funds as available under the budget head of Physical Infrastructure with a condition that PWD had to source the balance funds i.e. Rs.0.447 crores from their own budget head.

**Decision:** The Governing Council after discussion agreed with the decision of the Managing Committee and approved the said proposals for allocation of funds as mentioned therein.

## **5. Proposal from the Goa State Biodiversity Board - "Go Van Project"**

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) informed the members that a proposal was received from the Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) by DMF for both North and South Goa as a combined project pertaining to generating source of income for the people residing near the forest area from the forest produce and that the Managing Committee had decided in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 that the Goa State Biodiversity Board should submit a separate proposal for both North and South Goa and hence had deferred the project for the next meeting wherein the GSBB should give the members of the Committee a presentation to understand the concept better and accordingly take a decision on the proposal.

**Decision:** The Governing Council discussed the proposal and was of the same opinion that the GSBB should give the presentation as desired by the Managing Committee to take a decision and that the Governing Council also should be given the said presentation to accordingly take a decision in the matter.

## **6. Transportation Facility for School Going Children: -**

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) informed the Council that additional 4 people have submitted the relevant details as required for settlement of bills and the Managing Committee in their meeting dated 05-06-2020 had approved in principle to settle the transport bills for an amount of Rs. 15,23,625/-. The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) further mentioned that the bills with regards to transportation can be



settled provided that all required documents are submitted by the transporters.

**Decision:** The Council agreed to the proposal to settle the bills through the North Goa DMF funds as approved by the Managing Committee.

#### **7. Directorate of Women and Child Development:-**

The Council was informed that the Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) had directed the member from the Directorate of Women and Child Development to submit a new revised proposal with regards to Anganwadis that needed renovation alongwith the exact estimated amount during the next meeting and the same was approved by the Managing Committee in their meeting dated 05-06-2020.

**Decision:** The Governing Council agreed to the decision taken by the Managing Committee and approved the same.

#### **8. Water Resources Department:-**

The member from the Water Resources Department briefed the Council with regards to the de-siltation work carried out through the DMF funds. He mentioned that the de-siltation work started in the month of February-2020 and about 35 Ha. of area has been reclaimed and seeds are supplied by the Agriculture Department at subsidised rates to the farmers. The work of further de-silting will be started in the month of January-2021 because the area is water logged during the Monsoons and also post Monsoons.

The Member from WRD thereafter informed the Council that only Rs 4.7 lakhs has been utilised from the Rs 45 lakhs disbursed towards Pumping of water from mining pits at Pale, Surla, Velguem Sonshi, Pissurlem & Shirigao for agriculture and drinking purpose. He also mentioned that the Auditors have raised query with regards to utilising funds for covering the Operator's cost for operating the pump which was not covered in the minutes confirmed earlier. It was informed to the Council that the proposal was discussed and the Managing Committee in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 had approved the inclusion of the operator's cost to be included in the payment towards pumping of water from the DMF funds on ex-post facto basis.

**Decision:** The Governing Council approved the proposal for inclusion of operators cost to be included in the payment and informed the WRD member to act accordingly.

#### **9. Directorate of Social Welfare:-**

The proposal with regards to Cochlear implant was discussed and the same was approved. The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) directed the Member to submit the proposal with regards to assistive devices for disabled people and further directed the Member to submit the details of the separate account for fund transfer under DMF.



**Decision:** The Governing Council approved the decision taken by the Managing Committee.

#### 10. Directorate of Agriculture:-

It was informed to the council that the Managing Committee's meeting dated 05-06-2020 the Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) had directed the member from the Agriculture Department to submit a concrete proposal with regards to developing the area for agriculture purpose during the next meeting which was approved by the Managing Committee.

**Decision:** The Governing Council approved the directions given to the Directorate of Agriculture as approved by Managing Committee.

#### 11. Department of Electricity:-

The Collector/Chairperson (DMF North) inquired about the status of the proposals with respect to the Department of Electricity. The Member Secretary informed that an amount of Rs. 36,28,271/- is approved towards the following proposals:

“A”

| Sr. No.      | Village   | Proposal   | Amount             |
|--------------|-----------|--|--------------------|
| 1            | Pissurlem | Renovation and improvement of erection of new 200KVA transformer and LT distribution network at Shantinagar under the jurisdiction of of Sub-Div-III (O&M), Valpoi.                | 6,89,615/-         |
| 2            | Pissurlem | Renovation and improvement of erection of new 150KVA DTC to 200KVA DTC and LT distribution network under the jurisdiction of Sub-Div-III (O&M), Valpoi.                            | 4,10,648/-         |
| 3            | Honda     | Renovation and improvement for enhancement of 63KVA DTC to 100KVA DTC and LT distribution network at Soliyem under the jurisdiction of of Sub-Div-III (O&M), Valpoi.               | 5,71,661/-         |
| 4            | Surla     | Erection of new 200KVA transformer centre at Dergun, Dignem for distribution of irrigation water from mining pit to the fields through drip/micro sprinkler method.                | 9,06,468/-         |
| 5            | Surla     | Extension of 1 Phase 4 wire LT and A.P.S. to 10 No. of LED fitting, 25 watts at Siddheshwar Nagar, Bhile.  | 4,08,300/-         |
| 6            | Dhabdaba  | Enhancement of transformer capacity from 100 KVA to 200 KVA at Katarwada & Dhabdaba, Bicholim, in the Jurisdiction of Section Office Bicholim under Sub Division – I (U), Bicholim | 6,41,579/-         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |           |  | <b>36,28,271/-</b> |



It was also informed to the Council that besides the proposals as at “A”, above, there were other proposals which were pending and the same were discussed and the Managing Committee in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 had also decided to approve the other proposals received i.e. one from Pilgao and two from Mayem in Bicholim taluka which are in mining affected areas as under:

“B”

| Sr. No. | Village | Proposal  | Amount      |
|---------|---------|---|-------------|
| 1       | Pilgao  | Estimate under DMF fund, North Goa for erection of new 200KVA transformer near village panchayat Pilgao, in the jurisdiction of section office Mayem under sub-division I(U) Bicholim..               | 8,20,609/-  |
| 2       | Mayem   | Estimate under DMF fund, North Goa for erection of new 100KVA distribution transformer centre at Hindlewada in the jurisdiction of section office Mayem under sub-division I(U) Bicholim..            | 28,34,280/- |
| 3       | Mayem   | Estimate under DMF fund, North Goa for enhancement of transformer capacity from 100KVA to 200KVA at Gaonkarwada, Mayem in the jurisdiction of section office Mayem under sub-division I(U) Bicholim.. | 4,39,634/-  |
|         |         | <b>Total</b>  | 40,94,523/- |

**Decision:** The Governing Council deliberated the proposals at “A” and “B” above and decided to approve the same.

## 12. Any other subject :-

(a) The Council was informed that there are various other proposals received from individuals, Schools, Village Panchayats etc. seeking to execute the same through DMF funds and the Managing Committee in its meeting dated 05-06-2020 had resolved that all such proposals should be received from the respective Departments in order to avoid duplication of works.

**Decision:** The Governing Council discussed the above issue as discussed by the Managing Committee and was of the view that the decision taken by the Managing Committee would definitely lead to streamlining of the proposals and also will prevent duplication of works by other bodies and therefore approved the decision taken by the Managing Committee as above.

(b) It was informed to the Council that the Managing Committee in meeting dated 05-06-2020 had decided that in view of the Covid



19 situation, the next meeting will be conducted through Video Conference.

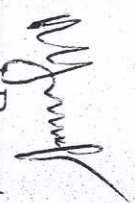
**Decision:** The Governing Council agreed to the above suggestion.

As there were no other proposals to be discussed, the meeting thereafter ended with thanks to the Chair.

This is issued with the approval of the Chairperson, DMF-North Goa.

**Place:-Panaji - Goa.**

**Date: 05/06/2020**



Manuel Barreto

(Dy. Director-I, Directorate of  
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Secretary North Goa DMF)