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From

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To,

All Members, Governing Body of Odisha Forestry Sector Development Society (OFSDS).

[Principal Secretary to Government, Forest & Environment Department, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha Special Secretary to Govt., Forest & Environment Department, Secretary, Nature, Environment and Wild Life Society(NEWS), Angul]

Sub: 19th Governing Body Meeting of OFSDS – Proceedings.

Sir,

A copy of the approved proceedings of the 19th meeting of the Governing Body of Odisha Forestry Sector Development Society (OFSDS) held on 24th April, 2014 chaired by Shri U. N. Behera, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department and Chairperson of the Governing Body of OFSDS, is enclosed herewith for your reference and record.

Yours faithfully,

Principal CCF(Projects)-cum-Project Director & Member Secretary, OFSDS

Encl: As above.

Copy forwarded to P.S. to the Additional Chief Secretary to Govt., Finance Department and Chairperson of the Governing Body of OFSDS along with a copy of the approved proceedings of the 19th meeting of Governing Body of OFSDS for kind information of the Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt., Finance Department and Chairperson of the Governing Body of OFSDS.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE 19TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF ODISHA FORESTRY SECTOR DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY, HELD ON 24.04.2014 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Nineteenth meeting of Governing Body of the Odisha Forestry Sector Development Society (OFSDS) was held under the chairmanship of Shri U.N. Behera, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Odisha, Finance Department on 24th April, 2014 at 3.30 PM in the Conference Hall of Finance Department. The list of members present is at *Annexure-I*.

At the outset, Project Director OFSDP extended warm welcome to all members and special invitees of the meeting and initiated the discussions, agenda wise.

1. Confirmation of the Proceedings of the 18th meeting

The Project Director informed that the approved proceedings of the 18th Governing Body meeting held on 22nd February, 2014 were communicated to the members vide letter No. 721/OFSDP-110 (Vol. IV)/2007 dated 03.03.2014. No comments were received.

The Governing Body confirmed the minutes of the proceedings of the Eighteenth G.B. Meeting.

2. Review of OFSDP Action Plan for 2013-14 and progress there upon :

Implementation of Action Plan for 2013-14 and progress thereupon was deliberated in respect of all project components of Odisha Forestry Sector Development Project in its penultimate year i.e. 8th year. The physical progress on original project components and additional activities taken up with saving utilization plan were presented. The Governing body further discussed cumulative achievement in physical and financial terms and noted the progress as under:

BUDGET OUTLAY AND EXPENDITURE FOR 2013-14 (Rs in Million)			
COMPONENTS	BUDGET 2013-14	EXPENDITURE 2013-14	
Restoration of degraded forests	485.53	458.04	
Coastal Plantation	20.00	15.43	
Biodiversity Management	29.50	39.66	
Community development	392.82	332.27	
Supporting activities	222.02	157.05	
Consulting Services	30.00	42.12	
Administrative Expenses	269.60	232.10	
Total	1449.47	1276.67	

The Project Director briefed that the project has been able to utilize 88% of the approved budget. The Governing body noted the physical progress on Action Plan 2013-14 and financial expenditure thereon as under:

OFSDP BUDGET OUTLAY AND EXPENDITURE FOR 2013-14				
COMPONENTS	BUDGET 2013-14	EXPENDITURE 2013-14		
Preparatory Works		3.02		
Strengthening of Executing Body	34.55	3.68		
Capacity Building of VSSs	71.69	41.86		
Community / tribal development	339.13	290.41		
Biodiversity Management	29.5	39.66		
Forest Management under JFM Mode	272.23	225.29		
Forest Management under Non-JFM Mode	145.3	141.14		
Farm Forestry Development	70	107.04		
Infrastructure Development	110	130.03		
Forest Researches	5	4.62		
Publicity and Communication	2	1.76		
Monitoring and Evaluation	70.47	13.94		
Price escalation/Physical contingency				
Consulting services	30	42.12		
Interest during construction	40	39.38		
Total JICA Loan	1219.87	1083.95		
NON ELIGIBLE PORTION				
Govt share	229.6	192.72		
Grand total	1449.47	1276.67		

3. Approval of Annual Action Plan of OFSDP for 2014-15:

The Governing Body was presented about the annual action plan of OFSDP for 2014-15. The activities planned are for the final of project completion and are mainly focused on remaining consolidation activities of Savings Utilization Plan(SUP) and proposed Sustainability Action Plan at project withdrawal stage as well as post withdrawal phase. The major components are on Capacity Building; Forest Management under JFM mode with SMC intensification, NTFP under-planting, and Farm Forestry; and Monitoring & Evaluations of project.

Various activities proposed in the annual action plan were discussed. The PCCF's representative presented the PCCF's views with his letter dated 22.04.2014 on action being planned on larger scale in Forest Department from other Schemes for Strengthening GIS based planning and monitoring as well as on construction and improvement of permanent nurseries and to avoid duplication from OFSDP. The Project Director informed that action plan 2014-15 does not include any new construction or improvement on those counts except for completing incomplete works upto 2013-14. The Project Director further informed about

the past observations of Governing Body on these matters for OFSDP action plan to be implemented in consultation with PCCF in 2012-13. He also informed on action taken regarding networking for using developed facilities on GIS in 2011-12 and for internalization of OFSDP's Geomatics Centre in Forest department as per Sustainability Plan proposed here. After deliberations on development on these counts so far, the Governing Body observed that

- (a) the OFSDP activities on GIS applications and Permanent Nurseries developed shall remain limited to project needs, analysis, monitoring and evaluations, and
- (b) the F&E Department would take a view on appropriate & sustainable application of facilities developed by the Department in post project scenario vide sustainability plan.

Therefore, with deliberations of proposed action plan with the gist of the components and corresponding budgetary outlays for 2014-15 as shown below were recommended by the Governing Body to the High Power Committee.

OFSDP BUDGET OUTLAY 2014-15			
COMPONENTS	BUDGET (Rs in Million)		
Preparatory Work			
Strengthening of Executing Body	2.10		
Capacity Building of VSSs	61.80		
Community / tribal development & Capacity building of VSSs	162.23		
Biodiversity Management	25.30		
Forest Management under JFM Mode	82.33		
Forest Management under Non-JFM Mode	64.42		
Farm Forestry Development	252.83		
Infrastructure Development	30.00		
Forest Researches	5.00		
Publicity and Communication	2.00		
Monitoring and Evaluation	68.03		
Phase Out Activities	1.00		
Consulting services	40.00		
Interest during construction	40.00		
Total JBIC Loan	837.04		
NON ELIGIBLE PORTION			
Govt share	241.00		
Grand total	1078.04		

4. Approval of Annual Action Plan for Ama Jangala Yojana, 2014-15:

Annual Action Plan for Ama Jangala Yojana 2014-15, which is being implemented by the Forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Odisha through the Odisha Forestry Sector Development Society was discussed along with action taken since notification in Jan 2014. The Project Director informed that (a) Orientation training completed for 43 Forest & WL Divisions in Feb 2014, and (b) Preliminary selection of 3,703 VSS completed for survey & demarcation with GPS mapping in 38 Divisions. The proposed action plan for 2014-15 includes all activities of the scheme for 1,000 VSS as phase I in 2014-15 and preparatory actions for 2000 VSS in Phase II. The following components have been envisaged for implementation during 2014-15.

	AMA JANGALA YOJANA- BUDGET	2014-15	(Rs in Million)		
SL	COMPONENTS	Proposed	CAMPA	NRLM	STATE
No		Outlay			PLAN
1	Procurement and Construction				
2	Ground Survey, demarcation and mapping	60.00	60.00		
3	Micro-plan preparation	30.00	30.00		
4	Support to Capacity Development of VSS	220.00	220.00		
5	Livelihood Support	100.00		85.0	15.00
6	Forest Restoration under JFM Mode	517.50	517.50		
7	Supporting Activities and Managerial	81.88	*****		81.88
	TOTAL		827.50	85.00	96.88

The proposals of component on Supporting Activities and Managerial which included CFPMP Cell for Ama Jangala Yojana (AJY) at OFSDS, was discussed. The Chairman observed that the number of contractual staff in the Peon category should be reduced from 5 and that the engagement of contractual staff should be made after seeking Government approval. The Project Director informed that total 17 contractual staff shall be obtained from Service Provider and full number would be required only when OFSDP concludes and the Government officers – 1 CCF & 2 Dy CFs are in place for CFPMP cell. Till then the number shall be bare minimum. The PCCF's representative further raised the issue of CAMPA funding of AJY to OFSDS. The Project Director also observed that the field implementation could be taken up with major funding of CAMPA whose bottlenecks are to be first resolved.

The Governing Body after deliberations recommended proposed before the High Power Committee outlay of Rs. 1009.38 millions subject to release of funds by CAMPA & NRLM for the Annual Action Plan of Ama Jangala Yojana for implementation during 2014-15.

5. Approval of Annual Action Plan for Catchment Area Treatment Plan, 2014-15:

The Governing Body noted the action taken in 2013-14 after Notification in June 2013 for State Nodal Unit at OFSDS on Catchment Area Treatment Plan of UIP & UKP with project proposals in shape of 7 PPRs over 37,000 ha for treatment under IWMP. The Governing Body then discussed the detailed action plan under Catchment Area Treatment Plan (CATP) for

2014-15 within IWMP guidelines. Financial estimate of implementation cost is as given below:

Total proposed Outlay 2014-15 (Rs. in millions)

Amount
34.42
19.69
54.11

The programme cost would be met from IWMP sanctions by GOI to OWDM and institutional cost would be met from OHPC. The proposed annual budget of Rs. 54.51 million for CATP activities for 2014-15 was recommended by the Governing Body for implementation by State Nodal Unit of OFSDS with approval of HPC on CATP.

6. Approval of sustainability Action Plan of OFSDP:

The sustainability Action Plan of OFSDP was discussed and approved by the Governing Body.

7. Status of Progress of previous decisions of the Governing Body:

The Governing Body was appraised of the progress of previous decisions as under:

- i. Second Phase loan assistance from JICA for OFSDP-II
 The proposal for OFSDP-Phase-II was placed before the State level steering committee held on 24.02.2014 and was approved for availing assistance from JICA.
 The F&E Department informed about the present status of State Government approvals for onward transmission to Government of India.
- ii. Engagement of Support Staff on contractual basis at DMU.
 As there were vacancies in the posts of FES, contractual DMU Support Team (DST members) were engaged on contractual basis. Accordingly 9 DST members joined.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

(U.N. Behera, IAS)

Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department and Chairperson, Governing Body, OFSDS.

Annexure-I

LIST OF MEMBERS PRESENT

SI. No.	Name	Designation	Position
1.	Shri U. N. Behera,IAS	Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt., Finance Department	Chairperson
2.	Shri A. K. Mohapatra, IFS	Represented by Addl. PCCF on behalf of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha	Member
3.	Shri S.S Srivastava, IFS	Principal CCF (WL) and CWLW, Odisha	Member
4.	Dr. Debabrata Swain, IFS	Special Secretary to Govt., Forest & Environment Department	Member
5.	Shri P. K. Behera	Secretary, NEWS, Angul	Member
6.	Shri Vinod Kumar, IFS	Principal CCF & Project Director, OFSDP	Member Secretary
7.	Shri L. K. Tewari, IFS	Additional Project Director, OFSDP	Special Invitee
8.	Shri R. Raghu Prasad, IFS	Joint Project Director, OFSDP	Special Invitee