

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING

126th MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The 126th meeting of the Finance Committee of the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) was held at 3.00 p.m. on 03rd June, 2014 in the Committee Room, 1st Floor, Zakir Hussain Block, NIE Campus, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi - 110016 under the chairpersonship of Prof. Parvin Sinclair, Director NCERT. A list of members who attended the meeting is attached as Annexure - I.

The Director welcomed the members, especially Mr Amit Cowshish who attended the meeting for the first time. The Secretary, NCERT, with the permission of the Chairperson, thereafter took up the agenda items.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 125th Finance Committee Meeting held on 28th November, 2013.

The minutes of the 125th meeting of the Finance Committee, held on 28th November, 2013 were confirmed.

Item No. 2: Action taken on the Minutes of the 125th Meeting of the Finance Committee held on 28th November, 2013.

The Committee noted the action taken by the Council on the various decisions taken in the 125th meeting of the Finance Committee, held on 28.11.2013. DS(F)/MHRD stated that special attention should be given to the pending audit paras, and timelines be drawn to resolve them. The audit para on CGHS contribution was discussed at length. Director (Sch 4) mentioned that this Committee in its meeting held on 3-12-2004 had recommended to the Ministry payment of contribution for the Pensioners @ Rs. 3340/- per card prevailing at that time. Audit has now raised an objection as the contributions are now being made on higher rate. It was decided that the difference amount should be paid by the Council from time to time and this aspect should be taken up with the CAG after taking approval from MHRD. The



regarding water charges was also discussed in detail, and it was also noted that it was surprising that NCERT was being charged commercial rates for water supply by DJB; in this content it was suggested that the rates of water supplied to IIT, ICAR, IGNOU, be studied.

Item No. 3: To consider and approve the Annual Accounts of the Council for the year 2013-14.

The Committee approved the Annual Accounts of the Council, for 2013-14. The following suggestions were made by the members which were agreed to.

- (A) In the columns of Sundry Debtors, it was pointed out that dues from the debtors (except those appearing in Item nos. 1-5) of credit sale of books is still pending in spite of the best efforts made by the department to realize them. Members were of the view that since the dues are quite old and the possibility of recovery is remote, the same may be waived with the consent of MHRD.
- (B) Regarding advances of Rs. 60,06,93,869, the matter should be taken up with CPWD. A footnote explaining details of the amount should be also provided.
- (C) The substantial amount of DNPS contribution (Tier I) locked in the form of TDRs was due to non issue of PRAN numbers and some death cases for which clear guidelines from the Govt. of India are not available. It was suggested that a specific foot note on this aspect be provided.
- (D) In the annual account of the Council, the figure under heading Funds in Transit has been shown as Rs 49,30,000, which may be read as Rs 79,00,000. As a result, the cash in bank will be Rs.67,73,90,410/-.

Item No.4: Proposed Utilisation of Budgetary Support (Grant-in-aid) for the Financial year 2014-15 as per BE Provisions.

It was mentioned that the budget (BE 2014-15) of Rs.4.68 cr. towards creation of capital is far less then required, as revised estimates from PSSCIVE, Bhopal and NERIE/Shillong have been received. Secretary, NCERT asked for additional funds. Sh. Om Prakash, Director, MHRD stated that both the issues are under consideration with the SFC in the ministry and assured the members that the enhanced provisions will be considered at the RE stage.



The issue of under utilization of the Plan Budget for PAC was raised by Director, MHRD. Secretary stated that strict monitoring and periodic review is done at the level of the Director this year to ensure optimum utilization of funds and timely completion of activities.

With these comments, the Committee approved the utilization of budgetary support for the year 2014-15.

Item No.5: Procurement of Paper for Textbooks.

The Head, Publication Division stated that for the session 2014-15 NCERT procured the papers for textbooks as under:

Stock in hand before start of session- 652 MTs (Approx)

Name of the Mill	Mode of Purchase	Order placed (in MTs)	Supply Received (in MTs)	Remarks
M/s Shreyans Industries Ltd	On DGS&D R/C rate	6250	5948	Order completed under +/-5% clause
M/s Satia Industries Ltd	On DGS&D R/C rate	5000	5007	Order completed under +/-5% clause
M/s Shreyans Industries Ltd	Open Tender	2400	2399	Order completed under +/-5% clause
M/s Satia Industries Ltd.	Open Tender	2400	2404	Order completed under +/-5% clause
M/s HPCL	On DGS&D R/C rate	3050 balance of session 13-14	2748	302 MTs is in transit
M/s HPCL	On DGS&D R/C rate	6000 for current session 14-15	NIL	Supply is to be expected upto 15.09.2014 as per revised schedule.

Paper likely to be received from M/s HPCL 6302 MTs (Approx)

Stock likely to be in hand before start of session 2015-16 6456 MTs (Approx)

The cover paper (Art Card) procured for the session 2014-15 is as under:

Total Requirement 1342 MTs (Approx)

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