भारत सरकार Government Of India

Ministry Of Railways And **Ministry Of Rural Development**

Minutes Of The Inter-Ministerial Coordination Meeting For Executing Railway Works Through 'MGNREGA'

Held on Thursday, The 7th August 2014

1. In pursuance to the presentation made before the Prime Minister by the Secretaries and the communications between Minister of Railways & Minister of Rural Development in connection with execution of few Railway works through 'MGNREGA'; an inter-ministerial coordination meeting was held on 7th August 2014 in the office of JS/MGNREGA/MoRD, as requested by MoR vide its letter no. 2007/CE-I/CT/13, dated 31.7.2014. The following officers were present :

Ministry Of Railways	*Ministry Of Rural Development*
Shri Alok Kumar	Shri R. Subrahmanyam
Executive Director/Civil Engg.(G)	*Joint Secretary/NREGA-I*

2. After fruitful detailed discussion, the following points emerged :

   (i) The items for construction of new railway line and block plantation were earlier discussed between the two Ministries in Feb. '13 and could not be concluded due to various issues.

   (ii) Considering the ambit of MGNREGA, the following Railway works & activities were identified for execution through this scheme :

   (a) Construction & maintenance of approach roads for level crossings
   (b) Developing & cleaning silted water-ways, trenches & drains along track
   (c) Construction & maintenance of approach road to railway stations
   (d) Repairs of earthwork to the existing railway embankments/ cuttings
   (e) Clearing vegetation growth

   (iii) Activity of plantation at extreme boundary of Railway land at such locations where land is available in plenty, not likely to restrict expansion of Railways and also not to infringe train operation due to tree falling, may also be added to the scope of identified works after examining the related modalities.

   (iv) It was suggested that Railway officials should also have a feel of the scheme and its implementation methodology through visit to some of the Districts which have shown excellence with 'MGNREGA'. It will help in proper understanding and formulation for execution of Railway works under the scheme. The District Administration and concerned Railway Divisions shall be advised to have joint meeting, visit & discussion alongwith submission of feedback. The identified districts are -

(1)	Andhra Pradesh	*District* - Warangal
(2)	Rajasthan	*District* - Udaipur
(3)	Tamil Nadu	*District* - Madurai
(4)	Uttar Pradesh	*District* - Allahabad
(5)	West Bengal	*District* - Malda

3. It was decided that a framework for taking up the identified Railway activities under MGNREGA would be finalised early through meetings & discussion, so that it may be started by the State Govts. alongwith Railway's supervision.

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