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Government of India
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Room No. 517, 5<sup>th</sup>floor, AntyodayaBhawan, CGO Complex New Delhi 110003 Dated 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

To,

Director, NIEPMD, Chennai.

Sub: Minutes of the  $59^{th}$  of the Executive Council Meeting of NIEPMD (D), Chennai scheduled on 30.11.2023.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Institute's email dated 05.12.2023 forwarding therewith draft minutes of 59<sup>th</sup> Executive Council meeting of NIEPMD(D), Chennai held on 30.11.2023 through hybrid mode, as approved by Joint Secretary(RS), DEPwD & the Chairperson of Executive Council, NIEPMD(D), Chennai for necessary action at your end. It is also requested that the minutes may be circulated among the members of Executive Council with your signature on each page.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure as above

(Amit Rathi)

Section Officer (NI)

Minutes of the 59<sup>th</sup> EC Meeting of NIEPMD(D) Chennai held on 30.11.2023 through Hybrid Mode under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary and Chairman EC NIEPMD:

Members Present:-

1. Shri. Rajeev Sharma

Chairperson

Joint Secretary, DEPwD, MSJ & E, Govt of India.

(Physical)

Members Present through on-line:-

2. Joint Secretary (F & A)

Member

DEPwD, MSJ & E, Govt of India

3. Shri Vineet Singhal,

Member

Director (NI) DEPwD, MSJ & E, Govt of India

4. Major (Retd) B.V.Ram Kumar,

Member

Director (offg.) NIEPID, Secundrabad

5. Ms Kusum Gupta,

Member

New Delhi Email.Id.kusumgupta007@gmail.com

- 6. Shri Govindarao
- 7. Dr. Nachiketa Rout,

Member Secretary

Director

NIEPMD(D) Chennai

The Member Secretary welcomed the Chairperson and Members to the meeting and with the permission of the Chairperson, point-wise discussion on the agenda was taken up.

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## Agenda Point 59.01:

Confirmation of minutes of previous meetings.

#### Decision:

The Council confirmed the minutes of the 58th meeting of the Executive Council.

### Agenda Point 59.02:

Approval for the Audit Report on the accounts of NIEPMD(D) for the year 2022-23.

## Decision:

The director, NIEPMD(D), and Accounts Officer, NIEPMD(D) briefed the observation of CAG with regard to the difference in figures between the Form 65 deposit issued by CPWD and the annual accounts of NIEPMD(D) to the Council. The Council approved the audit report of NIEPMD(D) for the year 2022-23 to be placed before the General Council.

## Agenda Point 59.03:

Approval for annual budget and action plan for NIEPMD(D), Chennai and associated for the year 2024-25

### Decision:

The Executive Council approved the annual budget and action plan of NIEPMD(D) subject to budget allocation of DEPwD.

### NIEPMD Chennai:

| Particulars                     | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA General                     | 2218.24      | 3186.18      |
| GIA Salary                      | 497.28       | 695.74       |
| GIA Capital - Building projects | 50.00        | 1450.00      |
| GIA Capital - General           | 21.44        | 619.00       |
| Schemes & Projects:             |              |              |
| ADIP                            | 846.71       | 547.28       |
| SC General                      | 50.00        | 50.00        |
| ST General                      | 50.00        | 50.00        |
| NER                             | 200.00       | 110.00       |
| Swatch Action Plan              | 50.00        | 50.00        |

### CRC Kozhikode:

| Particulars | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA Salary  | 230.00       | 240.00       |

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| GIA Recurring Other than Salary | 121.00 | 188.00 |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|
| GIA Non-Recurring               | 20.00  | 25.00  |
| Total                           | 371.00 | 453.00 |

### CRC A&N Islands:

| Particulars                     | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA Recurring Other than Salary | 198.00       | 278.40       |
| GIA Non-Recurring               | 66.00        | 72.60        |
| Total                           | 264.00       | 351.00       |

### CRC Shillong:

| Particulars                     | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA Recurring Other than Salary | 141.63       | 189.61       |
| GIA Non-Recurring               | 472.50       | 2587.00      |
| Total                           | 614.13       | 2776.61      |

### CRC Madurai:

| Particulars                     | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA Recurring Other than Salary | 58.00        | 200.00       |
| GIA Non-Recurring               | 27.00        | 300.00       |
| Total                           | 85.00        | 500.00       |

### CRC Karaikal:

| Particulars                     | BE 2023 - 24 | BE 2024 - 25 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| GIA Recurring Other than Salary | 00.00        | 164.00       |
| GIA Non-Recurring               | 0.00         | 44.15        |
| Total                           | 0.00         | 208.15       |

# Agenda Point 59.04:

Approval for the expenditure to be incurred towards Repair and maintenance of infrastructure and procurement of stationery items.

### Decision:

The Council approved the expenditure to the tune of Rs.45 lakhs against the sum of Rs.64.32 proposed.

The Joint Secretary (F&A) advised that while projecting the action plan for the year, approval should be taken in the broader category of Head of A/c.

The Council approved for procurement of software that is currently used by NIEPID, Secunderabad for taking case history for the clients to the financial implication of Rs.65,000/- + Tax + Travel and accommodation for personnel who train the officials of NIEPMD(D).

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### Agenda Point 59.05:

Expenditure sanction for the conduct of flagship program in North East Region.

### Decision:.

The program may follow some innovative methods and models to conduct the program to address the local needs and if any gap in implementing the schemes apart from doing awareness programs. The Council advised that the official of the CRC should conduct the program in the North East Regions. They may coordinate with State officials in all the NE states to conduct the program as per EC/GC guidelines.

### Agenda Point 59.06:

Expenditure sanctioned for implementation of SC/ST flagship programme.

#### Decision:

The Council was appraised that carry-over fund is available in SC-ST head. The Council noted that programs have been conducted for the SC-ST population under three categories:-

- 1. Training programmes for professionals
- 2. Awareness programs for Parents and persons with disabilities
- 3. conducting events for persons with disabilities.

As far as possible the Council is advised to conduct the programs in the SC-ST populated districts /areas for the SC-ST population with disabilities including the caregivers, parents and teachers, and special schools located in the SC/ST populated areas on a pan-India basis.

#### Agenda Point 59.07:

Approval for expenditure to be incurred to organize SwachhataCampaign.

### Decision:

The Council opined that the fund is sanctioned for a specific action plan and can be utilised for the same hence there is no need to take separate approval for such programmes.

### Agenda Point 59.08:

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Approval for conducting a training program for officials from Govt. of Tamil Nadu in all the District headquarters of Tamil Nadu on "Creating barrier-free accessibility for PwDs"

### Decision:

The Council advised to request the State Government to bear the expenditure of Rs.10.31 lakh proposed. Also, it was advised to submit the proposal to the Department of Social Welfare, Govt. of Tamil Nadu for further discussion on 1.12.2023. JS, F&A informed about a meeting which was being conducted with officials of Tamil Nadu on 1st December 2023.

## Agenda Point 59.09:

Approval for Annual Maintenance contract of various items/systems through GEM.

#### Decision

The EC approved the proposal for an annual maintenance contract of various items/systems as detailed below:

| S.No. | Description                                                                                          | Cost     |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1     | AC-AMC (206 ACs)                                                                                     | 8,78,800 |
| 2     | AMC- Lift M/Johnson (05 Lifts)                                                                       | 5,68,488 |
| 3     | AMC- Lift M/s. Kone Elevator (01 Lift)                                                               | 64,117   |
| 4     | AMC- EPABX (Hi-path 3550 & 3800 with PSU, Control card, Trunk lines, BRI digital lines & Extensions) | 44,250   |
| 5     | AMC- Fire alarm for 4 months                                                                         | 1,36,644 |
| 6     | AMC – Lift G+7 building for one year (04 Lifts)                                                      | 5,00,000 |
| 7     | Substation & Transformer Maintenance                                                                 | 1,00,000 |
| 8     | Diesel Generator Maintenance                                                                         | 2,00,000 |
| 9     | Open well distilling for 3 wells                                                                     | 1,50,000 |

# Agenda Point 59.10:

Engagement of human resources for smooth operation of 3-D printing technology lab

#### Decision:

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The Council advised that a regular staff of NIEPMD(D) and other staff with P&O qualifications be trained to handle the machine instead of hiring a mechanical engineer

# Agenda Point 59.11:

Discontinuation and closure of the extension center (therapy center) of NIEPMD(D) AT RGNIYD.

# Decision:

The Council approved the discontinuation and closure of the extension center of NIEPMD(D) at RGNIYD.

# Agenda Point 59.12:

Discontinuation of Bachelor's (B.Ed) level on Deafblind & Autism Spectrum Disorder program and Masters (M.Ed) level on Autism Spectrum Disorder program at NIEPMD(D).

#### Decision:

The Council approved the discontinuation of the bachelor's (B.Ed) level in the Deafblind & Autism Spectrum Disorder program and the master's (M.Ed) level in the Autism Spectrum Disorder program at NIEPMD(D). Also, the Council noted that NIEPMD(D) is offering D.Ed/B.Ed/M.Ed - SE (MD) programme.

# Agenda Point 59.13:

Ratification of expenditure incurred towards hiring of vehicles for Ministerial program & official purposes for NIEPMD(D), Chennai, and CRC-Kozhikode.

## Decision:

The Council advised that DEPwD is in process of the revisiting the powers of the Director including hiring of vehicles. The residual powers for hiring vehicles on day-to-day emergent needs as approved by the 58th EC remain the same. The Council noted that NIEPMD is 35 KM away from the city and NIEPMD is running 6 colleges, Multi-speciality clinics, and Projects in collaboration with State Governments. the same requires frequent booking of vehicles to meet the needs of the University, meeting the State Govt. officials, conducting various awareness & training programs, travel of eminent resource persons, CBR activities, NGO visits, etc.

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The Council ratified the excess expenditure incurred of Rs.38,681/-by NIEPMD(D), Chennai, and the expenditure incurred by CRC-Kozhikode for the month from May 2023 to October 2023 to the tune of Rs.27,808/-. It was further advised to get the excess expenditure if any to be ratified by the Executive Council.

With regard to the expenditure incurred for hiring a vehicle to participate in the International Yoga Day at Secunderabad, organized by DEPwD, the Council advised calculating the III AC train fare along with local travel costs. If the calculated cost is equivalent to the cost of hiring the bus, the expenditures are ratified. The calculations in this regard will be submitted to the Chairperson, EC for approval.

# Agenda Point 59.14:

Procurement of Prosthetic and orthotic specialized equipment

#### Decision:

The Council deferred the proposal due to paucity of time.

# Agenda Point 59.15:

Extension of Contract from 89 days to 11 months with enhanced honorarium as per DEPwD norms

#### Decision:

The Council in principle approved the conversion of 89 contract engagements to 11 months/3 years contracts and to follow the DEPwD honorarium and terms and conditions for engagement of contractual staff. The DEPwD guidelines will be implemented on receipt of orders from DEPwD. While implementing the 11-month and DEPwD guidelines the process of fresh recruitment is to be conducted to engage suitable contract staff.

### Agenda Point 59.16:

Implementation of the High court of Madras, Tamil Nadu order dated 01-08-2023 in respect of Dr.TomyMampilly.

### Decision:

The Council approved the orders issued by DEPwD for implementation of the High Court of Madras order dated 01.08.2023 for payment of terminal benefits, pension, and penal interest @ 9% in respect of Dr.TomyMampilly.

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## Other Discussions and Directions:

# (1) Conduct of Divya Kala Shakthi at Bengaluru by NIEPMD (D), Chennai.

As per the direction from DEPwD, the Divya Kala Shakthi program is to be conducted by NIEPMD (D) in Bengaluru on 15th December 2023. It was appraised that a team from NIEPMD visited Bengaluru to identify accessible halls. A hall was identified as 'Ravindra Kalakshetra' by the Govt. of Karnataka had accessible features and was agreed upon by the PS to MoS Shri. Govardhan Raj. The hall is available on 9th February 2024 and needs to be booked 60 days in advance by e-payment of Rs. 01.00 Lakh.

The Council advised to go ahead with arrangements and immediately post-budget requirements to DEPwD.

# (2) CRC Madurai:

Staff engagement has been completed for six clinical posts for CRC Madurai. Salary and general expenditure may be permitted till sanction of funds.

The Council agreed to utilize the funds from the General head of NIEPMD till the funds are sanctioned and received for CRC- Madurai.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair

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