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MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

MINUTES OF THE 49th MEETING OF EMPOWERED COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REVISED DISTRICT PLANS UNDER MULTI-SECTORAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME IN MINORITY CONCENTRATION DISTRICTS OF MORIGAON, BARPETA, HAILAKANDI, KOKRAJHAR, NAGAON, CACHAR, KARIMGANJ, CHIRANG (BONGAIGAON PART) IN ASSAM AND PURNIA, WEST CHAMPARAN, ARARIA, KISHANGANJ, SITAMARHI, KATI HAR IN BIHAR, HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2011 AT 10.00 A.M. UNDER THE CHAIRPERSONSHIP OF SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS.

A list of members and officials present in the meeting and through video conferencing is annexed.

2. **Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP):** MsDP is implemented in 90 Minority Concentration Districts (MCD) in the country and is considered as an iconic programme of the Central Government. These districts were identified on the basis of the presence of a certain proportion of minority population and relative backwardness parameters in socio-economic and basic amenities of the district concerned. The main objective of MsDP is to accelerate development in MCDs by providing additional resources to address the development deficits and bring the relevant backwardness parameters of the district, which resulted in the identification of the district as backward, at par with the national average. In order to ensure that maximum benefits accrue to minorities, MsDP provides for location of assets in villages/localities having the highest percentage of minority population.

3. **Progress on website:** The progress of implementation of various projects taken up under MsDP is reported on quarterly basis to the Delivery Monitoring Unit (DMU) in PMO (Prime Minister's Office) in terms of funds released by the Ministry of Minority Affairs and utilised by the States/UTs; number of works sanctioned, completed and in progress. These details and photographs of works are placed in the Ministry's and PMO's website for transparency. State Governments/UT Administrations are required to review the implementation on quarterly basis; ensure that Central funds are released to the districts within one month of sanction; State share (wherever applicable) released along with the Central funds; ensure that the executing agencies start the construction works at the earliest, and complete the construction works within the scheduled period. A computer software application called MIS-MsDP has been made operational in July, 2011 and the States/UT

have been advised to ensure that data is entered by all concerned so that Quarterly Progress Report (QPR), utilization certificate and various progress reports are generated through the software. The States/UTs have also been advised to upload in MIS-MsDP the list of villages/localities where the projects are located and list of beneficiaries.

4. **Inclusive growth:** 90 minority concentration districts (MCDs) were identified as backward and multi-sectoral development programme (MsDP) is being implemented in these districts for addressing the 'development deficits' identified by baseline survey and ranked according to the extent of deprivation in the district. Multi-sectoral development plan are required to be prepared in such a manner that the various interventions proposed addresses the identified development deficits in order of priority and result in improvement of the backwardness parameters to bring the relevant parameters of the minority concentration district concerned at par with the national average. These districts not only have a substantial minority population, but also have other sections of the society who suffer from the same backwardness and deprivation, since the identification of the district as backward, have four parameters which are for the whole district. The initiative is, therefore, a joint effort of the Centre and the States/UTs for inclusive growth/development, accelerating development process and improving the quality of life of the people in the MCDs. MsDP also aims at focused development programme for backward MCDs to help reduce imbalances and speed up development.

5. **Saturating Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme:** The programme envisages providing additional resources to various existing Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) which were already addressing national concerns with time-tested guidelines and implementation mechanism, especially those included in the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities, for saturating them in MCDs. As envisaged in the programme, the States/UTs have been advised to ensure that topping up CSS, wherever appropriate, could be proposed in the district plan as these are established schemes and could be implemented with ease without setting up new structures for implementing them.

6. **MsDP fund an additionality:** States/UTs are required to ensure that the funds provided for MCDs constitute additional resources for these districts and do not substitute State Government funds already flowing to the districts. To prevent diversion of funds from MCDs, the flow of funds to the districts concerned in the previous year should be taken as a benchmark.

7. **Adhering to guidelines and eliminating duplication:** States/UTs should ensure that the proposals sent have the approval of the State department/ mission director of CSS concerned in order to ensure that the proposal, in terms of specification, norms, standards etc., is in accordance with the guidelines of the scheme concerned and that duplication has been ruled out. The responsibility for eliminating duplication of work and avoiding double counting of a scheme under two funding sources vest with both the district authority and the State Government. Accounts under MsDP should be maintained separately and Central Ministry concerned informed of assets created in respect of CSS topped up under MsDP.

8. **Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) guidelines:** MsDP provides that there would be no change in guidelines of any existing Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) under implementation in such districts for which this programme would provide additional funds. In case schemes for individual benefits are taken up under the programme, there shall be no divergence from existing norms for selection of beneficiaries from the list of BPL families in the district, so that benefits from the additional funds flow to all BPL families and not selectively. However, the provision under Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) guidelines for making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST) will not be followed under MsDP. The entire number of units sanctioned under MsDP would be given to BPL households, from minority communities as well as other communities, in order of the serial number in the approved wait list without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). Hence it is important that villages/localities having the highest percentage of minority population is selected.

9. **Timely release of funds:** The sanction letters of the Ministry stipulate that funds should be released to the district/implementing agency within a month's time, but the States/UTs have been generally taking a longer time in releasing funds to the district/implementing agency. State shares, wherever applicable, are not released along with the Central funds by some States. Prompt release of funds was advised to ensure that works are started at the earliest and State share is released along with the Central fund.

10. **Utilisation Certificate:** For release of second instalment, utilization certificate (UC) is required. If the UC is furnished within a period of one year after release by the Ministry, 60% UC would be required for releasing the next instalment. However, if expenditure is reported after a period of one year, 100% utilization certificate would be necessary. In both

cases, the UCs would need to be accompanied by QPR showing physical progress, photographs as proof of the work in progress and schedule for release of funds.

11. **Sample testing and quality control:** Quality control is to be ensured through regular and frequent field visits and by testing samples of the construction works for which funds the Ministry has conveyed its readiness to sanction funds in this regard on receipt of proposal and UCs for previous administrative expenditure sanctioned to the State/UT concerned. The findings and observations contained in the report of Internal Auditor Team of the Ministry of Minority Affairs to Muzzaffar Nagar and Bijnor districts in Uttar Pradesh has been sent to all the States/UTs with advise to carry out field visits, quality control tests and review all works under MsDP to ensure that the shortcomings pointed out in the report do not take place in their State/UT.

12. **National Level Monitors (NLMs):** NLMs have been appointed for MCDs and they would be undertaking the second round of field visits to report on the quality of assets and the outcome/impact of the assets created.

13. **Inclusion of Members of Parliament in State and district level committees:** Members of Parliament (MP) and Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs) have been included in the State and district level committees for implementation of the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities which also serves as the committee for MsDP. MLAs are also to be nominated on the Committees by the State Government. It should be ensured that they are invited to attend the meetings of the district and State level committees.

14. **Display boards:** Para 19 of the scheme of MsDP provides for a 'display board' which should have – Name of the project/scheme printed followed by "Multi-sectoral Development Programme (MsDP), Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India." For projects with longer construction period, in addition to above, the name of implementing agency, date of sanction of the project, likely date of completion and estimated cost of the project should be printed on the display boards. States/UT should ensure this and put up a permanent display on completion of each project.

General conditions applicable to projects approved by the Empowered Committee

14. For approvals given by the Empowered Committee, including in-principle approvals, the Principal Secretaries/Secretaries of States/UTs and the District Collectors/representatives

were advised to note that the following conditions would apply to all projects under MsDP. State Government/UT administration concerned should ensure that the following have been complied with before requesting for release of funds:-

- (i) **Approval of the State department concerned/Mission Director** for Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) concerned have covered the following -
 - (a) **Need** for taking up the proposal under MsDP.
 - (b) **Duplications have been eliminated.**
 - (c) Proposals are as **per norms, specifications, layout design, funding norms and cost norms of the CSS guidelines** concerned.
 - (d) **Separate accounts for schemes under MsDP will be maintained** and details sent to the Central Ministry concerned for maintaining proper record of assets and avoiding double counting and duplication.
 - (e) **Estimates have been prepared as per Schedule of Rates (SOR)** of the State Government and have been **approved by a competent engineering department** of the State Govt.
 - (b) **Staff is available** for functioning units or will be provided for new units.
 - (c) **Recurring expenditure** would be provided by the State Government.
 - (d) **Land is available and/or will be made available by the State Government in villages/locations having the highest proportion (percentage) of minority population.**
- (ii) The State Secretary/Government representative should confirm, if not indicated already in the minutes of the State level committee held for recommending the district plans, that:-
 - (a) State share, wherever applicable for CSS, would be provided as per its funding pattern by the State Government and it shall be released alongwith the Central funds to the districts/implementation agencies.
 - (b) Central funds will be released to the district/implementing agencies within one month of the receipt from the Central Govt.
 - (c) funds under MsDP will not be used for purchase of land, repairs, maintenance, staff, adjustment of any taxes and running of the scheme; and
 - (d) List of beneficiaries along with all relevant details and list of villages/locations where assets under MsDP have been created along with the proportion (percentage) of minority population of each village/location would be provided.

15. **Review meetings of Oversight committee in State, and State and district level committees:** The scheme of MsDP envisages quarterly review meetings by the State and district level committees for implementation of the Prime Minister's New 15 Point Programme for the Welfare of Minorities which also serves as the review committees for

MsDP. The State level committee also acts as the Oversight Committee for MsDP. Quarterly review meetings for State level committee/State Oversight Committee and district level Committee should be held and copy of the meeting notice for the State and Oversight committees should be sent to the Ministry to enable a representative to attend as envisaged under MsDP. It should be ensured that Members of Parliament nominated in such Committees are invited to attend the meetings.

16. **Photographs:** Photographs of completed works and works in progress indicating type of asset, name of locations/villages and date should be placed in the MIS-MsDP software application. Officials from the State and districts were impressed upon the need to have photographs, in digital format sent by email to **Mr. Anuj Kumar, Section Officer in the Ministry - anuj.k@nic.in** The photographs are also required for release of second instalment.

17. **Review by Oversight Committee and recommendations of the Empowered Committee:** The progress of implementation of projects approved earlier by the Empowered Committee (EC) for Morigaon, Barpeta, Hailakandi, Kokrajhar, Nagaon, Cachar, Karimganj, Chirang (Bongaigaon Part) (Assam) and Purnea, West Champaran, Araria, Kishanganj, Sitamarhi (Bihar) were reviewed by the Oversight Committee and the status is given below:

(A) **Assam:** The total allocation for 13 MCDs of Assam for the 11th Five Year Plan is Rs.703.50 crore. Ministry of Minority Affairs has approved plans for 12 MCDs and released Rs.290.31 crore (41% of total allocation). Expenditure reported by State is Rs.138.50 crore (47.71% of total released by the Ministry). District plans containing proposals for total balance fund of Rs.157.82 crore for 8 MCDs have been received and is being considered in the instant meeting. 8 DPRs for ITI are awaited from State. The scheme-wise performance is given below:-

Items of work	Fund release (Rs. in lakh)	Utilized by State (Rs. in lakh)	No. of units	Completed (C)	WIP	Total (C+WIP)	% of C+WIP
Indira Awas Yojna	22102.75	7969.68	77190	20852	5887	26739	34.64
Health facilities	322.50		98	9	3	12	12.24
Anganwadi	1948.73	322.27	1642	189	155	344	20.95
Drinking Water	789.54	51.75	4714	3107		3107	65.91

Additional Class Rooms	3605.94	862.75	2792	298	165	463	16.58
Hostels	26.35	-	12	-	-	-	-

It was advised that small items of construction works like IAY houses, sub-health centres, anganwadi centres, hand pumps, additional class rooms etc should be completed at the earliest within the next few months. Efforts should be made to accelerate and complete all works including bigger buildings in the current financial year. The State Govt. of Assam was advised that regular quality control tests should be carried out to ensure use of good quality material in the construction work. The district-wise progress was reviewed and the status is as follows:-

(i) Morigaon

14th EC Meeting – Projects approved: The second instalment for construction of IAY houses was released to the State Govt. in February, 2011. The Deputy Commissioner (DC) stated that she has received funds only in September, 2011. It was indicated by all representatives from the districts that State share has not been released for any of the CSS taken up under MsDP. **It was noted that there has been delay in transfer of Central funds from the State Government to the districts/implementing agencies. State share has not been released for any of the CSS taken up under MsDP. The State Principal Secretary was advised to look into this matter as no work would be completed in full, quality will suffer and such situation can lead to mis-appropriation of funds.** He was advised to send UCs, completion certificates, photographs in respect of both the instalments released for construction of IAY houses and also send confirmation regarding release and utilisation of the State share. The DC mentioned that the requisite UC and other relevant details would be made available in 4 to 5 months time.

In-principle approved projects: For providing science equipment in 3 high schools, a proposal was approved in principle. The State Govt. informed that the revised DPR as per the advice of the D/o School Education and Literacy has already been sent. Given that the funds involved was Rs.1.50 lakh only and has been pending for a long time, it was decided to approve the said proposal as the same has been approved by the School Education Department in the State. The State Government will, however, ensure that there is no duplication and the science equipment is provided to high schools covering an area which

have a substantial minority population. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for ensuring proper implementation.**

38 the EC meeting : Funds for construction of 80 anganwadi centres, 8 sub-centres, 3 labour rooms in PHCs, 2 maternity wards, 2 (4 bedded) sterilization units, additional class rooms in high schools/Govt. Madarsas, computer rooms, toilet blocks for girls etc was sanctioned and released by the Ministry in December, 2010. The DC stated that funds have not been received by the district. The State Principal Secretary stated that the funds could not be released / utilised by the concerned department as the model code of conduct was in force during the State Assembly elections and assured that funds will be released to the district within 10 days. The DC was advised that 60% UC could be sent for these projects upto March 2012. **She was requested to have UCs sent for release of second instalment by December, 2011.**

Construction of workshop-cum-classroom building for electrical trade as also for Mechanical (MV) was approved in-principle by the 38th EC meeting and the comments of the Ministry of Labour & Employment have been sent to the State Govt. with advice to revise the DPR. **The DC has handed over the revised DPR for construction of workshop-cum-classroom building in the meeting and the same was sent to the Ministry of Labour and Employment for comments/advice.**

42nd and 44th EC meeting: The representative from the State Government handed over in the meeting letters for release of funds along with confirmation for installation of 135 spot sources and construction of 3 girls hostels and 1 boys hostel. These will now be processed for release of first instalment.

Cachar:

14th EC meeting: Construction of 1500 units of IAY houses was approved for which 1st instalment was released on 20.08.2009 and 2nd instalment was released on 20.12.10. UCs and completion certificate are required. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to monitor these works and send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of October, 2011.**

Karimganj:

14th and 23rd EC meeting: Construction of 8017 units of IAY houses and 314 units of AWCs were approved for which 1st instalment was released on 20.08.2009 and 01.01.2010

and 2nd instalment was released on 14.1.11. (IAY&AWCs) respectively. UCs and completion certificate are required to be furnished now. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to monitor these works and send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of October, 2011.**

44th EC meeting: The State Principal Secretary and DC assured to send the clarifications sought by this Ministry dated 24.05.11 for the projects for construction of 6 units of additional classrooms and installation of Tara hand pumps amounting to Rs.60.201 lakh for release of the 1st instalment.

In-principle approved projects: Construction of 3 units of girl's hostel and 2 units boys hostel and one unit of ITI building was approved in principle. The State Govt. has already been advised to send the DPR and clarifications required as per letter dated 2.08.2011. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to look into this matter.**

Barpeta:

14th EC meeting: Construction of 12000 units of IAY houses, 724 units of ACRs in primary and middle schools and 3282 units of Tara hand pumps were approved for which 1st instalment was released on 26.12.2008 and 2nd instalment was released on 13.02.10. UCs and completion certificate are required. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to monitor these works and send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of October, 2011.**

25th EC meeting: Construction of 40 units of science laboratory with overhead water tank, and 6665 units of solar lantern were approved. First instalment for science laboratory was released on 13.02.2010 and 2nd instalment was released on 15.02.11. UCs and completion certificate are required. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to monitor these works and send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of October, 2011.**

Solar lantern: The State Government of Assam was requested several times on 11.01.2010, 18.01.2011, 02.08.2011 and 13.09.2011 **to send the clarifications, commitment and fulfil the conditions that these solar lanterns are not taken up under any other programme of the State Government and furnish no duplication certificate from State Renewable Energy Development Department. This is still awaited.** In case it is not possible to do so,

this project would be cancelled in the next meeting. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to look into this matter.**

In-principle approval: Construction of one unit of girl's hostel was approved in-principle. The State Govt. has submitted the DPR to this Ministry and same was considered in the instant meeting.

42nd EC meeting: The representative from the State Government assured in the meeting that the **letters for release of funds along with confirmation/commitments for construction of 50 units of ACRs, 50 units of toilets and 1 unit of girls and 1 unit of boys hostel will be send to this Ministry at the earliest. The State Principal Secretary was advised to look into this matter.**

Hailakandi:

14th EC meeting: Construction of 6357 units of IAY houses was approved for which 1st instalment was released on 20.08.2009. **Request for release of 2nd instalment for IAY is awaited from the State Government. The State Principal Secretary was advised to send the Utilisation Certificates (UCs) for release of second instalment by end of October, 2011.**

25th EC meeting: Construction of 32 units of AWCs was approved for which 1st instalment was released on 11.02.2010. **Request for release of 2nd instalment for AWCs is awaited from the State Government. The State Principal Secretary was advised to send the Utilisation Certificates (UCs) for release of second instalment by end of October, 2011.**

In-principle approval: For construction of 1 unit of girls hostel was approved in-principle. The State Govt. has submitted the DPR to this Ministry and same was considered in the instant meeting.

Nagaon:

14th and 38th EC meeting: Construction of 4820 units of IAY houses was approved for which 1st instalment was released on 20.08.2009 and 2nd instalment was released on 10.02.2011. Request for release of 2nd instalment for 4180 units of IAY (Phase-II) is awaited from the State Government. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to send the Utilisation Certificates (UCs) for release of second instalment by end of October, 2011.**

44th EC meeting: The representative from the State Government handed over in the meeting letters for release of funds along with confirmation for construction of 838 units of additional classrooms in primary and middle schools. These will now be processed for release of first instalment.

In-principle approval: For construction of 6 units of girls hostel was approved in principle. The State Govt. has submitted the DPR to this Ministry and same was considered in the instant meeting. A DPR for construction of two ITI building approved in-principle is still awaited from state Government. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to look into this matter.**

(B.) Bihar: The allocation for 7 MCDs of Bihar is Rs.523.20 crore for the 11th Five Year Plan. The Ministry has released Rs.276.04 crore. Expenditure reported by State Govt. is Rs.117.03 crore (42.39%). District plans containing proposals for total balance fund of Rs.101.29 crore for 6 MCDs have been received and is being considered in the instant meeting. 6 DPRs are awaited from State. The scheme-wise performance is given below:

Items of work	Fund release (Rs. in lakh)	Utilized by State (Rs. in lakh)	No. of units	Completed (C)	WIP	Total (C+WIP)	% of C+WIP
Indira Awas Yojna	8604.85	2858.17	35058	6061	8901	14962	42.67
Health facilities	1769.4	398.2	160	32	33	65	40.62
Anganwadi	10697.74	5516.20	4835	400	2399	2799	57.89
Drinking Water	118.79	94.4	2733	469	575	1044	38.19
Additional Class Rooms	3761.20	2036.47	1694	90	320	410	24.20
School Buildings	552.94	552.75	97	2	58	60	61.85
Hostels	1326.09	211.92	27		5	5	18.52
Solar street light/Solar lantern	293.76	35.76	14285	1817	360	2177	15.23

Representatives from the State Government namely Special Secretary (Minority Affairs) & Deputy Secretary attended the EC meeting on 19.09.2011. The proceedings of the EC were

conducted through video conferencing with the Secretary for minority welfare, Government of Bihar, and the District Magistrate (DM) concerned. The problem of availability of land for construction of anganwadi centres (AWCs) was common for all the MCDs. It was once again suggested to locate AWCs in the premises of Govt. schools. In case this was not possible, attempts may be made in consultation with local leaders from the minority communities to identify land for this purpose. **The State Secretary and the DMs agreed that it should be possible for them to identify land for construction of AWCs within a period of one month. The issue of locating assets in villages having the highest percentage of minority population was discussed and it was advised that as provided in the MsDP guidelines and advised in all the meetings of the Empowered Committee, the State Govt. and the DMs should ensure that this provision was followed strictly.** The district wise progress was reviewed with the State Secretary and other officials as per details given below:

(i) **Purnea:**

11th EC meeting: Second instalment was released in March, 2010 for the projects viz (a) Construction of 1000 AWCs, (b) Strengthening of girl's high schools, (c) ACRs in KGBVs and (d) construction of buildings for PHSCs. The total number of AWCs approved under MsDP in all the EC meetings for this district was 1121 AWCs. Of these, land has been identified in 610 cases, 220 AWCs have been completed and in 350 works are in progress. Remaining land will be identified. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Utilisation Certificates (UCs) for release of second instalment by end of October, 2011**

For the in-principle approval of the projects viz lab facility in Mahila College and upgradation of polytechnic college, DM Purnea informed that both the projects are for govt. colleges. Mahila College is a bachelor level college and DM Purnea stated that computer furniture and other equipments are proposed to be procured. The State Govt. was advised that the revised DPR with the approval of State Department of Higher Education may be expedited. Similarly, for upgradation of polytechnic college, DM Purnea stated that it involves construction of ACRs, waiting room for girls, books, laboratories electrical fixtures. **The State Secretary was advised that the revised DPR vetted by the State technical education department may be sent at the earliest.**

27th EC meeting: UC in respect of the 1st instalment released in Feb, 2010 for the construction of 42 AWCs has not been furnished. Similarly, revised DPR was awaited for in-principle approved project for construction of classrooms, workshops and administrative building for girls' ITI, and procurement of equipments. DM Purnea assured that the UCs and

the revised DPR would be sent by end of Sept. 2011. **The State Secretary was advised that UCs and the revised DPR vetted by the State technical education department may be sent at the earliest.**

32nd EC meeting: The project for construction of girls' hostels in ITI approved by the EC was proposed not to be taken up by the DM and was dropped by the State Govt. since another project for the same ITI was already sanctioned. The funds already released will be adjusted while releasing further instalment.

39th EC meeting: As regards projects relating to (i) construction of boys hostel and ITI and (ii) construction of boys hostel building, for which last instalment was released in Dec, 2010, the DM Purnea informed that the construction work has started in July, 2011 and assured that the UC for (i) above will be furnished by Oct. 2011 and for (ii) would be sent by Nov. 2011 for release of the 2nd instalment. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs at the earliest.**

45th EC meeting: The 45th EC meeting approved the proposals for (i) construction of 79 AWCs (ii) construction of 195 ACRs in high schools, (iii) construction of 729 ACRs in middle schools, and (iv) construction of girl's hostels of 152 seats in ITI of which 1st instalment was released in March, 2011. The DM Purnea informed that the tender formalities have been finalized and UCs for release of second instalment could be sent by mid- Nov, 2011. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs at the earliest.**

(ii) **Sitamarhi:**

11th EC meeting: DM Sitamarhi informed that non-availability of land is a problem for construction of 300 AWCs which was approved in the 11th EC meeting and for which 1st instalment was released on 25.06.2009. He informed that construction work has been started in 70 AWCs only and suggested that flexibility should be allowed in identifying locations because govt. land is not available. Chairman, Empowered Committee clarified that flexibility is permitted subject to the condition that minority population criteria has to be fulfilled. DM Sitamarhi mentioned that relocation of site would be completed in a month's time and construction would commence in 2 months time. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs for 100% expenditure at the earliest.**

27th EC meeting: Second instalment for construction of 5000 units of IAY houses has been released however UC and completion certificate are still awaited. DM Sitamarhi assured that the UC and completion certificate would be furnished in 2 months time. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of November, 2011.**

33rd EC meeting: The State Govt. was informed that the 2nd instalment released on 23.08.2011 for construction of 3402 IAY houses. The completion certificate along with the UC is to be furnished by the Government of Bihar. DM Sitamarhi assured that these documents would be made available within 2 months time. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of November, 2011.**

(iii) **Kishanganj:**

11th EC meeting: First instalment for upgradation of 6 PHCs was released on 30.11.2010 but second instalment has not been released so far. The district officer stated that one unit has been completed and two were in progress and UC has been sent to the State Govt. In respect of construction of 4971 units of IAY houses and construction of 594 AWCs 2nd instalment has been released and CC and UC were required to be submitted. DM Kishanganj informed that there were some problems in availability of land for construction of AWCs, but stated that this will be resolved in a month's time.

24th EC meeting: UC for procurement of furniture / equipments and other facility, approved in the 24th EC meeting, has not been received. The State Govt. assured that the UC would be furnished in 2 month's time. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs for 100% expenditure by November, 2011.** In respect of all other projects approved by the 24th EC, CCs and UCs are required to be furnished. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of November, 2011.**

33rd EC meeting: Projects for construction of laboratory in Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Geography with equipment was approved in-principle in the 33rd EC meeting. The DPR has already been received and sent to Department of School Education and Literacy for their appraisal and observation. The same is still awaited from line Department. The State Govt.

was advised to get approval of the State Education Department and also send the no duplication certificate to this Ministry.

(iv) **West Champaran:**

24th EC meeting: The State Govt. was informed that the 100% UC for the release made for procurement of laboratory equipments for Physics, Chemistry and Biology is awaited. DM West Champaran informed that the tender has been finalised and the UC will be furnished by Oct. 2011. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs for 100% expenditure by end of October, 2011.** In respect of all other projects approved by the 24th EC, CCs and UCs are required to be furnished. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of November, 2011.**

33rd EC meeting: With regard to the proposal for procurement of 360 solar street lights which was approved in the 33rd EC meeting, the State Govt. informed that procurement order has been issued and UC will be submitted by end of October, 2011. **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs at the earliest.**

45th EC meeting: Projects for construction of 84 ACRs with verandah for 21 high schools and for construction of 114 ACRs for 19 high were approved in the 45th EC meeting. However, the State Govt. informed that the construction work is likely to start in Oct, 2011 and they will approach the Ministry for release of 2nd instalment by December, 2011. **The State Secretary was advised to make efforts for sending UCs by December 2011.**

(v) **Araria:**

8th EC meeting: Utilization Certificates (UCs) for the projects viz (i) Construction of 44 ARCs in high schools, (ii) construction of 10 school buildings in primary and middle schools and (iii) construction of AWCs (300 units) are still awaited. **The State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by end of November, 2011.**

24th EC meeting: 100% UC for the projects for 04 units PHCs, 24 units of ADPHCs , 70 units of HSCs, 25000 units of furniture in primary schools and 24000 units of furniture in middle schools of which 1st instalment was released on 21.12.2009 are still awaited. . **The State Secretary was advised to monitor this matter for sending UCs for 100%**

expenditure at the earliest. In respect of works for which second instalment has been released on 13.9.2011, the State Govt. was requested to release the funds immediately to the district. Further, the position on release of State share was requested to be furnished.

33rd EC meeting: For construction of hostels for boys in ITI Forsebganj was converted into administrative approval in 45th EC meeting and fund was released in March, 2011. The DM stated that the tender process has been started and is likely to be finalized in 2 month's time. It was requested that efforts be made to seek release of second instalment by March, 2012.

45th EC meeting: The projects for construction of (i) 104 units of AWCs (ii) girls hostel in high school (iii) boys hostel in high school (iv) girls hostel of 152 seats in ITI, Forsebganj and (v) Boys hostel in ITI in Forsebganj were approved in 45th EC meeting. The State Govt. informed that the tender process has been started and this is likely to be finalized in next 2 month's time. It was requested that efforts be made to seek release of second instalment by March, 2012.

(vi) **Katihar:**

8th EC meeting: The State Govt. has not furnished UC for the funds released in 1st instalment in Dec, 2008 for the projects (i) construction of additional PHC building (ii) construction of AWC and (iii) Toilet and water facilities in high school. District official of Katihar stated through video conferencing that the availability of land was a problem for the construction of AWC. Work for construction of 154 AWCs out of 1st instalment released by the Centre has been taken up. Work taken up in effect is only 50% of 308 AWCs sanctioned which is not the right approach and should be 100% of works sanctioned. Secretary (MA) advised that the State Govt. should undertake construction of 308 AWC simultaneously. The 2nd instalment can be released after UC for the 1st instalment is received. The practice followed by the State Govt. to commence construction work of only 154 AWC would only delay the completion of the project thereby defeating the very purpose of the programme. The State Secretary confirmed that necessary directions would be given to DM, Katihar and other DMs of MCDs to simultaneously take up all sanctioned units at a time and not 50% of sanctioned units. **He also mentioned that the pending UCs would be finalized by end of Sept. 2011. The State Secretary was advised to make efforts for sending UCs by September, 2011. In respect of ACRs, lab equipment and toilet with water facility in high schools, the State Secretary was advised to send the Completion Certificates (CCs) and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) at the earliest.**

33rd EC meeting: The UCs for the 1st instalment released for (a) IAY houses (7140 units), (b) 2980 Solar Street lights and (c) 7040 Solar Lantern are awaited. DM Katihar assured that the UCs would be made available within next 2-3 months. **The State Secretary was advised to make efforts for sending UCs with 100% expenditure by November 2011.**

45th EC meeting: The State Govt. informed that construction work for 1725 units of IAY houses is in progress. District official of Katihar stated that UC for 100% expenditure for IAY houses and AWC can be sent latest by the end of Oct. 2011. **The State Secretary was advised to make efforts for sending UCs with 100% expenditure by October, 2011.**

As regards procurement of 3520 Solar Lanterns, district official of Katihar informed that so far 1432 Solar Lantern has already been distributed and by October, 2011, UCs will be sent for 60% expenditure. For the project relating to construction of boys hostel in MBTA College, the State Govt. informed that the estimates are being prepared by the State PWD. **The State Secretary was advised to make efforts for sending UCs for 60% expenditure by January, 2012.**

(A) District plans and the proposal contained therein considered State wise and the recommendations of the Empowered Committee are as under:

Item No. 1 (Morigaon, Assam)

Morigaon is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the district under MsDP was Rs.5900 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Morigaon were considered in the meetings of the 14th, 28th, 42nd and 44th Empowered Committee (EC). Balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.2269.31 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects Approved

(a) Construction of building for Sub-centres (SCs) at Goroimari and Bortchapatri and construction of labour room with maternity facility: In the district 9.70 % deliveries were institutional which is below the national average of 38.7%. Eight (8) units of sub-centres, 3 units of labour rooms, 2 units of maternity ward and 2 units of sterilization in PHCs have already been sanctioned to the Government of Assam in 38th EC meeting. The proposal is for additional 2 units for construction of sub-centres at Goroimari and Bortchapatri for a total cost of Rs.20.31 lakh and construction of 3 labour room with maternity facility at 3 health

centres at a total cost of Rs.40.78 lakh. The Deputy Commissioner (DC) confirmed the unit cost of Rs.9.00 lakh for health centres have been proposed as per NRHM norms. It was stated by the State Principal Secretary, Welfare of Minorities and Development Department that the approval of NRHM Mission Director would be obtained in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, IPA standards and elimination of duplication. The copy of the approval of NRHM Mission Director will be provided to this Ministry. The representative of State Govt. stated that land and staff are available and the assets will be located in the villages/localities having the highest percentage of minority population.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of two health centre (HCs) @ Rs.9.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.18.00 lakh and construction of 3 labour room with maternity facility at 3 health centres at a total cost of Rs.40.78 lakh subject to the confirmation given that the NRHM Mission Director has approved the project in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, standards and elimination of duplication. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.15.30 lakh and Rs.34.67 lakh and Rs.2.70 lakh and Rs.6.11 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of NRHM between Centre and State in the ratio of 85:15 respectively. A list of villages where the assets would be created with percentage of minority population will be provided. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share 85%	State Share 15%	Total cost
			(Rs. in Lakh)			
1	Construction of Sub-centres (SCs) at Goroimari and Bortchapatri	2	9.00	15.30	2.70	18.00
2	Construction of labour room with maternity facility at 3 health centres	3	-	34.67	6.11	40.78
	Total			49.97	8.81	58.78

(b) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) and construction of science laboratory: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy has been ranked 6th and 7th in priority ranking as per the baseline survey. The proposal was for construction of 10 units of ACRs @Rs.5.00 lakh in Govt. higher secondary schools and 34 units of science laboratory @Rs.15.60 lakh. Such activities for higher secondary schools are taken up under RMSA and

it is important that the approval of the State Mission Director for RMSA for the proposal is obtained to ensure that there is a need for such a proposal, duplication has been eliminated, specifications and cost norms as prescribed under RMSA guidelines have been followed and the estimates prepared as per SOR of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of 10 ACRs @ Rs.5.00 lakh per unit for higher secondary schools and 34 units of science laboratory @Rs.15.60 lakh for a total cost of Rs.580.4 lakh (50.00+530.4 lakh). Central contribution would be Rs.522.36 lakh and State share would be Rs.58.04 lakh in the ratio of 90:10 between the Centre and the State respectively as per RMSA guidelines. This would be subject to the condition that the approval of the State Mission Director for RMSA for the proposal is obtained to ensure that there is a need for such a proposal, duplication has been eliminated, specifications and cost norms as prescribed under RMSA guidelines have been followed and the estimates prepared as per SOR of the state government and approved by a competent engineering department. It was noted that the State Government has met all the commitments required under para 14 above and the proposal has been recommended by the district committee and approved by the State committee for MsDP. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1.	Construction of additional class rooms in Govt. higher secondary college	10	5.00	45.00	5.00	50.00
2	Construction of science laboratory	34	15.60	477.36	53.04	530.4
	Total			522.36	58.04	580.4

(ii) Projects approved in-principle

(a) Construction of new Women's ITI at Morigoan

Rate of female work participation is 10.02% against 21.50% of All India average as per the baseline survey. This parameter is below the national average and the proposal of the State Government is for bridging the development deficit identified by a baseline survey for the district.

State Govt. has proposed for construction of a Women's ITI building for a total cost of Rs.682 lakh. DPR is required to be prepared and submitted along with the approval of the State Govt. for staff, recurring expenditure, land with name of proposed location which should have at least 25% minority population.

The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded in-principle approval for the construction of a new Women's ITI building for a total cost of Rs. 682 lakh. **The State Pr. Secretary was advised to have a DPR prepared by the State Technical Department with reference to the check list enclosed (also in the Ministry's website) and have it sent along with the check list to the Ministry for getting it apprised by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. This should be completed within a fortnight.**

(iii) **Proposal needs clarifications and details:**

(a) **Construction of anganwadi centres:** The State Government of Assam has proposed for construction of 113 anganwadi centres (AWCs) at a unit cost of Rs.2.67 lakh for a total cost of Rs.301 lakh. On the advice of the representative of Ministry of Women & Child Development (M/o WCD), the State Principal Secretary was advised to prepare estimates based on the scheduled of rates of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department which would adhere strictly to the advice of the M/o WCD for construction of AWC having a minimum floor area of 600 sq. feet, with a sitting room for children/women, separate kitchen, store for storing food items, child friendly toilets and space for children to play with drinking water facility. The proposal should also indicate land and staff availability, number of AWCs in the district, number of AWCs in own Govt. building, number of AWCs requiring own building of which number in villages having a substantial minority population.

(iv) **Summary of projects of Morigaon (Assam) district approved by the Empowered Committee:**

Sl. no	Name of the project for Morigaon (Assam)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of Sub-centres (SCs) at Goroimari and Bortchapatri	85:15	2	9.00	15.30	2.70	18.00	7.65
2	Construction of labour room with maternity facility at 3 health centres	85:15	3	-	34.67	6.11	40.78	17.335
3	Construction of	90:10	10	5.00	45.00	5.00	50.00	22.50

	additional class rooms in Govt. higher secondary college							
4	Construction of science laboratory	90:10	34	15.60	477.36	53.04	530.4	238.68
	Sub-total				572.33	66.84	639.18	286.165
In-principle approval								
5	Construction of new Women's ITI at Morigoan	100:00	1	682	682.00		682.00	
	Grand Total				1254.33	66.84	1321.18	286.165

(v) **Status of district plan and balance fund:** Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.5900 lakh for Morigoan district, projects totalling to Rs.3630.69 lakh (In the 14th, 38th, 42nd, 44th EC meetings) were approved as Central assistance including in principle approval of Rs.43.27 lakh. A balance of Rs.2269.31 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.1254.33 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to **Rs.4885.02 lakh**. A balance of **Rs.1014.98 lakh** would be available for proposing a revised district plan. District plan for the balance fund available is required to be submitted and the State Principal Secretary was advised to have the revised plan submitted at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.

Item No. 2 Cachar District

Cachar is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.4050 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plan of Cachar was considered in the 14th Empowered Committee (EC) meeting. Balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.3530.25 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval.

(i) **Projects approved:**

(a) **Construction of Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses:** Households with pucca walls ranked 1st priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed additional unit of 4500 IAY houses @Rs.0.485 lakh per unit under MsDP for this district. In the first phase 1500 units of IAY have already been approved for the total cost of Rs. 577.50 lakh (Rs. 519.75 lakh as central share). Approving the instant proposal for 4500 units for Rs 2182.50 lakh would result in exceeding 50% of

total allocation for the district for one single project. It was therefore proposed to restrict the number of units to 3448 IAY houses at a total cost of Rs.1672.28 lakh @ Rs. 0.485 lakh per unit.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the construction of 3448 IAY houses for a total cost of Rs.1672.28 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.1505.05 lakh and Rs.167.23 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). Villages with the highest proportion of minority population would be selected and the list of beneficiaries would be hosted in the district/State website and also sent to the Ministry. It was confirmed by the district and State officials that the conditions mentioned in para 14 above have been fulfilled. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total Cost
1.	Construction of IAY houses	3448	0.485	1505.05	167.23	1672.28

(b) Construction of building for health Sub-centres (HSCs): In the district 22.30 % deliveries were institutional which is below the national average of 38.7%. The proposal was for construction of 21 health sub-centres @Rs.10.98 lakh for a total cost of Rs. 230.58 lakh. It was confirmed by the representative from the district that the unit cost approved by the State Mission Director of NRHM for construction of sub-centres is @ Rs.9.00 lakh. The proposal was reduced from 21 units to 19 units as two units are being taken up under NRHM by the State Health Department. The State Principal Secretary, Welfare of Minorities and Development Department that the approval of NRHM Mission Director would be obtained in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, IPA standards and elimination of duplication. The copy of the approval of NRHM Mission Director will be provided to this Ministry. The representative of State Govt. stated that land and staff are available and the assets will be located in the villages/localities having the highest percentage of minority population.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 19 health sub-centre (HSCs) @ Rs.9.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.171.00 lakh subject to the confirmation given that the NRHM Mission Director has approved the project in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, standards and elimination of duplication. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.145.35 lakh and Rs.25.65 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of NRHM between Centre and State in the ratio of 85:15. A list of villages where the assets would be created with percentage of minority population will be provided. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share 85%	State Share 15%	Total cost
			(Rs. in Lakh)			
1	Construction of health Sub-centres (HSCs)	19	9.00	145.35	25.65	171.00
	Total			145.35	25.65	171.00

(c) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in Govt. Madarasas and Govt. Lower primary & upper primary schools: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy has been ranked 7th and 9th in priority ranking as per the baseline survey. The proposal was for construction of 7 units of ACRs in Govt. madarasas (Provincialised) @Rs.2.30 lakh and 50 units of ACRs in Govt. lower and upper primary schools @Rs.2.30 lakh. The representative from the State Government has indicated that the cost of SSA has been revised by PAB for Assam @ Rs.3.28 lakh as per ACR.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of 7 ACRs in Govt. Madarasas (Provincialised) @ Rs.3.28 lakh per unit and 50 ACRs in Govt. lower and upper primary schools @Rs.3.28 lakh for a total cost of Rs.186.96 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.168.264 lakh and State share would be Rs.18.696 lakh in the ratio of 90:10 between the Centre and the State as per SSA guidelines for north east. This would be subject to the condition that the approval of the State Mission Director for SSA for the proposal is obtained to ensure that there is a need for such a proposal, duplication has been eliminated, specifications and cost norms as prescribed under SSA guidelines have been followed and the estimates prepared as per SOR of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department. The Empowered Committee approved for release of

50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1.	Construction of Additional Classroom in 7 Govt. Madarasas (Provincialised)	7	3.28	20.664	2.296	22.96
2	Construction of 50 Additional Class Rooms in Govt. lower and upper primary schools	50	3.28	147.60	16.40	164.00
	Total			168.264	18.696	186.96

(ii) In-principle approval:

(a) Construction of ITI at Silchar: Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 5th and 4th respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Assam has proposed for construction of ITI for a total cost of Rs.878.00 lakh. Deputy Commissioner stated that the proposed ITI is for new construction and also it has not been taken up under any other scheme/programme in the State. It was confirmed that land, staff and recurring expenditure would be provided by the State Government. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment in the form of check list available in the Ministry's website. The DPR has already been sent to the Ministry of Labour and Employment and their observation are still awaited.

The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded in-principle approval for the construction of a new ITI building for a total cost of Rs.878.00. **The State Pr. Secretary was advised to have a DPR prepared by the State Technical Department with reference to the check list enclosed (also in the Ministry's website) and have it sent along with the check list to the Ministry for getting it apprised by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. This should be completed within a fortnight.**

(b) Opening of new branches in existing polytechnic institute with girls hostels at Silchar: Percentage of total literacy and female literacy rate has been ranked 7th and 9th in the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for opening of new branches in

existing Polytechnic (information technology, Architecture and Fashion technology) with girl's hostel for an amount of Rs.500.00 lakh. The estimates includes the cost of civil works for Rs.300.00 lakh as per APWD norms, detailed estimate will be provided by Assam PWD norms on receipt of approval.

The Empowered Committee considered and accorded in-principle approval for opening of new branches in existing Polytechnic (i.e information technology, Architecture and Fashion technology) with girl's hostel for an amount of Rs.500.00 lakh. This would be subject to confirmation that the proposal has been sanctioned by the State Government for providing staff, recurring expenditure, land would be provided by the State Government, construction would be done as per DPR to be prepared by the State Technical Education Department in accordance with AICTE norms and specification, unit cost should be within the ceiling of the scheme of sub-mission of polytechnic of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, and that duplication has been eliminated.

(iii) Proposal needs clarifications and details:

(a) Construction of anganwadi centres: The State Government of Assam has proposed for construction of 100 anganwadi centres (AWCs) at a unit cost of Rs.2.35 lakh for a total cost of Rs.235.00 lakhs. On the advice of the representative of Ministry of Women & Child Development (M/o WCD), the State Principal Secretary was advised to prepare estimates based on the scheduled of rates of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department which would adhere strictly to the advice of the M/o WCD for construction of AWC having a minimum floor area of 600 sq. feet, with a sitting room for children/women, separate kitchen, store for storing food items, child friendly toilets and space for children to play with drinking water facility. The proposal should also indicate land and staff availability, number of AWCs in the district, number of AWCs in own Govt. building, number of AWCs requiring own building of which number in villages having a substantial minority population.

(b) Construction of hostel for boys/girls: The State Govt. has proposed for construction of 6 hostels (2 for girls, 4 for boys) at unit cost ranging from Rs.25 lakh to Rs.30 lakh for a total cost of Rs.160.00 lakh. The EC observed that the unit cost of a hostel was on the lower side and details in terms of capacity of hostel, provision for warden, kitchen and chowkidar was not given The DC was unable to provided the information sought by the EC. The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal may be considered along with DPR duly

prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(iv) Summary of projects of Cachar (Assam) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Cachar (Assam)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of IAY houses	90:10	3448	0.485	1505.05	167.23	1672.28	752.525
2	Construction of health Sub-centres (HSCs)	85:15	19	9.00	145.35	25.65	171.00	72.675
3	Construction of Additional Classroom in 7 Madrassa	90:10	7	3.28	20.664	2.296	22.96	10.332
4	Construction of Additional Classroom in 50 schools	90:10	50	3.28	147.60	16.40	164.00	73.8
	Sub-total				1818.664	211.576	2030.24	909.332
In-principle approval								
5	Construction of women ITI in Silchar	100:00	1	878.00	878.00	-	878.00	
6	Opening of new branches in existing Polytechnic (information technology, Architecture and Fashion technology) with girls hostel at Silchar	100:00	1	500.00	500.00	-	500.00	
	Sub-total				1378.00		1378.00	
	Grand Total				3196.664	211.576	3408.24	909.332

(v) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.4050 lakh for Cachar district, projects totalling to Rs.519.75 lakh in the 14th EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance fund of Rs.3530.25 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.3196.664 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting including in-principle approvals taking the total to Rs.3716.414 lakh. **A balance of Rs.333.586 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. The State Principal Secretary was advised**

to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.

Item No. 3 Karimganj District

Karimganj is a district of 'A' category having both socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.4950 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Karimganj were considered in the 14th, 23rd, 44th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. Balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.468.75 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Installation of Tara hand pumps : Availability of safe drinking water ranked 1st in the baseline survey of the district. To provide safe drinking water, the State Government has proposed for installation of 875 Tara hand pumps @Rs.0.40 lakh for a total cost of Rs.350.00 lakh. The first priority in terms of deficit is for safe drinking water under which an amount of Rs 90.0 lakh sanctioned earlier and another 875 units have been proposed. The representative from the Department of Drinking Water Supply stated that they have no objection to the proposal but it should be ensured that there would be no duplication of sanction or utilizations of funds for these projects from NRDWP or other GOI schemes, and the estimates should be technically examined and approved by the State Public Health Engineering Department/SLSSC in terms of elimination of duplication, adherence to CSS guidelines, norms etc.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for installation of 875 Tara hand pumps @Rs.0.40 lakh for a total cost of Rs.350.00 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.315.00 lakh and Rs.35.00 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east States. The approval was given subject to the condition that the State Screening & Sanctioning Committee for water supply schemes would approve the proposal and ensure that there is a need for these units in the proposed area, duplication eliminated and the estimates approved by a competent engineering department. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Approval was accorded in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central share (90%)	State share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Installation of Tara hand pumps	875	0.40	315.00	35.00	350.00
	Total	875	0.40	315.00	35.00	350.00

(b) Construction of Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses: Households with pucca walls ranked 2nd priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed additional unit of 4500 IAY houses @Rs.0.485 lakh per unit under MsDP for this district. Construction of IAY houses for 8017 units has been approved earlier for this district for a total amount of Rs 2777.90 lakh. The total allocation for the district is Rs.4950 lakh and the balance left is Rs.148.75 lakh. The balance fund available can accommodate 340 units of IAY.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved for construction of 340 IAY houses for a total cost of Rs.164.90 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.148.41 lakh and Rs.16.49 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). Villages with the highest proportion of minority population would be selected and the list of beneficiaries would be hosted in the district/State website and also sent to the Ministry. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total Cost
1.	Construction of IAY houses	340	0.485	148.41	16.49	164.90
	Total	340	0.485	148.41	16.49	164.90

(ii) Summary of projects of Karimganj (Assam) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Karimganj (Assam)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
				Rupee in lakh				
Administrative Approval								

1	Installation of Tara hand pumps	90:10	875	0.40	315.00	35.00	350.00	157.50
2	Construction of IAY houses	90:10	340	0.485	148.41	16.49	164.90	74.205
	Total				463.41	51.49	514.9	231.705

(iii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.4950 lakh for Karimganj district, projects totalling to Rs.4481.25 lakh in the 14th, 23rd, and 44th EC meetings was approved as Central assistance including in-principle approval of Rs.1002.05 lakh. A balance of Rs.468.75 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.463.41 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.4944.66 lakh. A balance of Rs.5.34 lakh kept for administrative cost. **The allocation for the district is fully exhausted.**

Item No. 4 Kokrajhar

Kokrajhar is a district of ‘A’ category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs. 5400 lakh for the 11th Plan period. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Construction of Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses: Households with pucca walls ranked 1st priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for construction of 4166 units of IAY houses @Rs.0.485 lakh under MsDP for this district for a total cost of Rs.2020.51 lakh. The representative from the district has indicated that total number of BPL families is above one lakh in the district.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved for construction of 4166 IAY houses for a total cost of Rs.2020.51 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.1818.46 lakh and Rs.202.05 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). The State Government will ensure that the district administration/implementing agency select villages with the highest proportion of minority population and the list of beneficiaries would be hosted in MIS-MsDP and also sent to the Ministry. Conditions in para 14 above would also

be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total Cost
1.	Construction of IAY houses	4166	0.485	1818.46	202.05	2020.51
	Total	4166	0.485	1818.46	202.05	2020.51

(b) Construction of building for Sub-centres: In the district 19.15 % deliveries were institutional which is below the national average of 38.7%. The proposal was for construction of 10 health sub-centres @Rs.15 lakh for a total cost of Rs.150 lakh. It was stated by the State Principal Secretary that the State Mission Director of NRHM has sanctioned Rs.9.00 lakh as the unit cost for one sub-centre. The State Principal Secretary, Welfare of Minorities and Development Department indicated that the approval of NRHM Mission Director would be obtained in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, IPA standards and elimination of duplication. The copy of the approval of NRHM Mission Director will be provided to this Ministry. The representative of State Govt. stated that land and staff are available and the assets will be located in the villages/localities having the highest percentage of minority population.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 10 health sub-centre (HSCs) @ Rs.9.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.90.00 lakh subject to the confirmation given that the NRHM Mission Director has approved the project in terms of its requirement for villages/localities inhabited by substantial minority population, adherence to specifications, norms, standards and elimination of duplication. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.76.50 lakh and Rs.13.50 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of NRHM between Centre and State in the ratio of 85:15. A list of villages where the assets would be created with percentage of minority population will be provided. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share 85%	State Share 15%	Total cost
				(Rs. in Lakh)		
1	Construction of Sub-centres	10	9.00	76.50	13.50	90.00
	Total	10	9.00	76.50	13.50	90.00

(c) **Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in Govt. Higher educational institution (upto class 12th):** Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy has been ranked 6th and 7th in priority ranking as per the baseline survey. The proposal was for construction of 50 units of ACRs in Govt. higher educational institution (upto class 12th) @Rs.2.50 lakh for a total cost of Rs.125.00 lakh. The representative from the State Government stated that the cost for ACRs under RMSA has been revised for Assam @ Rs.3.28 lakh per ACR.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of 50 ACRs in Govt. higher educational institution (upto class 12th) @ Rs.3.28 lakh for a total cost of Rs.164.00 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.147.60 lakh and State share would be Rs.16.4 lakh in the ratio of 90:10 between the Centre and the State as per RMSA guidelines for north east. This would be subject to the condition that the State Mission Director for RMSA has approved the proposal in terms of taking it up under MsDP, non-duplication of work, adherence to specifications and norms prescribed under RMSA guidelines and preparation of estimates as per SOR of the State Government and its approval by a competent engineering department. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of Additional Classroom in Govt. Higher educational institutions (upto class 12 th)	50	3.28	147.60	16.4	164.00
	Total	50	3.28	147.60	16.4	164.00

(ii) In-principle approval:

(a) **Construction of two ITI building at Gossaigaon and Parbatjhora:** Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 8th and 5th respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Assam has proposed for construction of two ITI buildings @Rs.500.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.1000.00 lakh. It was confirmed by the State Principal Secretary that land, staff and recurring expenditure would be provided by the State

Government. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment in the form of check list available in the Ministry's website.

The Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval for construction of two ITI building @Rs.500.00 lakh for a total cost of Rs.1000.00 lakh. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment in the form of check list available in the Ministry's website. The DPR has already been sent to the Ministry of Labour and Employment and their observation are still awaited.

The Empowered Committee considered the proposal and accorded in-principle approval for the construction of two new ITI buildings for a total cost of Rs.1000 lakh. **The State Pr. Secretary was advised to have DPRs prepared by the State Technical Department with reference to the check list enclosed (also in the Ministry's website) and have it sent along with the check list to the Ministry for getting it appraised by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. This should be completed within a fortnight.**

(iii) Proposal needs clarifications and details:

(a) Construction of anganwadi centres: The State Government of Assam has proposed for construction of 40 anganwadi centres at a unit cost of Rs.1.75 lakh for a total cost of Rs.70.00 lakhs. On the advice of the representative of Ministry of Women & Child Development (M/o WCD), the State Principal Secretary was advised to prepare estimates based on the scheduled of rates of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department which would adhere strictly to the advice of the M/o WCD for construction of AWC having a minimum floor area of 600 sq. feet, with a sitting room for children/women, separate kitchen, store for storing food items, child friendly toilets and space for children to play with drinking water facility. The proposal should also indicate land and staff availability, number of AWCs in the district, number of AWCs in own Govt. building, number of AWCs requiring own building of which number in villages having a substantial minority population.

(b) Construction of hostel for girls: The State Govt. has proposed for construction of 10 girls hostel for a total cost of Rs. 1000.00 lakh. The EC observed that the unit cost of a hostel was on the lower side and details in terms of capacity of hostel, provision for warden, kitchen and chowkidar was not given The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal

may be considered along with DPR duly prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(c) **Construction of Singur hand pumps, installation of Tara hand pumps and construction of RCC ring well:** The representative from Department of Drinking Water Supply advised for revision of the proposal and to resubmit with the approval of the State Screening & Sanctioning Committee for water supply schemes in terms of need for taking up under MsDP, non-duplication of work and preparation of estimates as per NRDWP guidelines and its approval by a competent engineering department.

(iv) **Summary of projects of Kokrajhar (Assam) district approved by the Empowered Committee:**

Sl. no	Name of the project for Kokrajhar (Assam)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of IAY houses	90:10	4166	0.485	1818.46	202.05	2020.51	909.23
2	Construction of Sub-centres	85:15	10	9.00	76.50	13.50	90.00	38.25
3	Construction of Additional Classroom in Govt. Higher educational institutions (upto class 12 th)	90:10	50	3.28	147.60	16.40	164.00	73.80
	Sub-total				2042.56	231.95	2274.51	1021.28
In-principle approval								
4	Construction of two ITI at Gossaigaon and Parbatjhora	100:00	2	500.00	1000.00	-	1000.00	
	Total				3042.56	231.95	3274.51	1021.28

(v) **Status of district plan and balance fund:** Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.5400 lakh for Kokrajhar district. Projects amounting to Rs.3042.56 lakh have

been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting. A balance of Rs.2357.44 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 5 Chirang (part of Bongaigaon district)

Minority population is about 41% of the total population of the district. Bongaigaon is a category A district having socio-economic and basic amenities parameters below the national average. The tentative fund allocated under MsDP for Bongaigaon (undivided) is Rs.5610 lakh. However, in view of the direction of Guwahati High Court, the allocated funds for MsDP has been apportioned between the minority concentration district of Bongaigaon & the district of Chirang newly created after 2001 Census as under:

- (a) **Bongaigaon:** Rs.35.48 crore
- (b) **Chirang:** Rs.20.62 crore.

The proposal under consideration is for Chirang, a part of undivided Bongaigaon district.

(i) **Projects approved:**

(a) **Installation of Tara hand pumps and tube wells:** Availability of safe drinking water ranked 4th in the baseline survey of the district. To provide safe drinking water, the State Government has proposed for installation of 257 Tara hand pumps @Rs.0.2480 lakh and 987 tube wells @Rs.0.14300 lakh for a total cost of Rs.204.877 lakh. The representative from the Department of Drinking Water Supply stated that they have no objection to the proposal but it should be ensured that there would be no duplication of sanction or utilizations of funds for these projects from NRDWP or other GOI schemes, and the estimates should be technically examined and approved by the State Public Health Engineering Department/SLSSC in terms of elimination of duplication, adherence to CSS guidelines, norms etc.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for installation of 257 Tara hand pumps @Rs.0.24800 lakh and 987 tube wells @Rs.0.14300 lakh for a total cost of Rs.204.877 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.184.3893 lakh and Rs.20.4877 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east States. . The approval was given subject to the condition that the State Screening & Sanctioning Committee for water supply schemes would approve the proposal and ensure that there is a need for these units in the proposed area, duplication

eliminated and the estimates approved by a competent engineering department. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Approval was accorded in the following manner:

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S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central share (90%)	State share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Installation of Tara hand pumps	257	0.24800	57.3624	6.3736	63.736
2	Installation of tube wells	987	0.14300	127.0269	14.1141	141.141
	Total			184.3893	20.4877	204.877

(b) Construction of Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses: Households with pucca walls ranked 2nd priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for construction of 100 units of IAY houses @Rs.0.485 lakh under MsDP for this district for a total cost of Rs.48.50 lakh. The representative from the district has indicated that total number of BPL is 3609 in the district.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved for construction of 100 IAY houses @Rs.0.485 lakh for a total cost of Rs.48.50 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.43.65 lakh and Rs.4.85 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 90:10 for north east subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). The State Government would ensure that villages with the highest proportion of minority population are selected and the list of beneficiaries would be hosted in MIS-MsDP and also sent to the Ministry. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. The following approval was accorded:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total Cost
1.	Construction of IAY houses	100	0.485	43.65	4.85	48.50
	Total	100	0.485	43.65	4.85	48.50

(c) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in Govt. High school and higher secondary schools and construction of toilets in schools: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy has been ranked 6th and 7th in priority ranking as per the baseline survey. The proposal was for construction of 159 units of ACRs in Govt. high schools and higher secondary schools @Rs.3.96 lakh and 263 units of toilets @Rs.2.35 lakh for a total cost of Rs.1247.69 lakh. The representative from the State Government has indicated that the cost has been revised @ Rs.3.28 lakh for construction of ACRs under RMSA. The cost for construction of toilets in schools, as per the guideline of Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) of Department of Drinking Water Supply para 5.8.2 is restricted to Rs.38000/- in case of hilly and difficult areas.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of 159 ACRs in Govt. high and higher secondary schools @ Rs.3.28 lakh and construction of toilets in schools @Rs.0.38500 lakh for a total cost of Rs.622.775 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.560.4975 lakh and State share would be Rs.62.2775 lakh in the ratio of 90:10 between the Centre and the State as per RMSA and TSC guidelines for north east. This would be subject to the condition that the approval of the State Mission Director for RMSA/TSC for the proposal is obtained to ensure that there is a need for such a proposal, duplication has been eliminated, specifications and cost norms as prescribed under SSA guidelines have been followed and the estimates prepared as per SOR of the state government and approved by a competent engineering department. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Total cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of ACRs in high and higher secondary schools	159	3.28	469.3680	52.1520	521.52
2	Construction of toilets in schools	263	0.385	91.1295	10.1255	101.2550
	Total			560.4975	62.2775	622.775

(ii) In-principle approval:

(a) Construction of ITI cum-hostel building at Amguri: Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 5th and 3rd respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Assam has proposed for construction of ITI with hostel for a total cost of Rs.625.00 lakh. It was confirmed by the Principal Secretary, Minority Welfare Development Department, Government of Assam that land, staff and recurring expenditure would be provided by the State Government. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. The comments from the Ministry of Labour and Employment on this DPR has already been received and sent to State Government for revision.

The Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval for construction of ITI building with hostel for a total cost of Rs.628.00 lakh. This was made subject to the condition that the State Government would provide a revised Detailed Project Report (DPR) as per the NCVT norms and in accordance with instructions of DG&ET for setting up ITI. Para 14 above would also applicable.

(iii) Proposal needs clarifications and details:

(a) Construction of anganwadi centres: The State Government of Assam has proposed for construction of 199 anganwadi centres at a unit cost of Rs.2.50 lakh for a total cost of Rs.498.077 lakhs. On the advice of the representative of Ministry of Women & Child Development (M/o WCD), the State Principal Secretary was advised to prepare estimates based on the scheduled of rates of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department which would adhere strictly to the advice of the M/o WCD for construction of AWC having a minimum floor area of 600 sq. feet, with a sitting room for children/women, separate kitchen, store for storing food items, child friendly toilets and space for children to play with drinking water facility. The proposal should also indicate land and staff availability, number of AWCs in the district, number of AWCs in own Govt. building, number of AWCs requiring own building of which number in villages having a substantial minority population.

(b) Construction of hostel for girls: The State Govt. has proposed for construction of 3 girls hostel for a total cost of Rs. 244.52 lakh. The EC observed that the unit cost of a hostel was on the lower side and details in terms of capacity of hostel, provision for warden, kitchen

and chowkidar was not given The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal may be considered along with DPR duly prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(iv) **Summary of projects of Chirang (Assam) district approved by the Empowered Committee:**

Sl. no	Name of the project for Chirang (Assam)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Installation of Tara hand pumps	90:10	257	0.2480	57.3624	6.3736	63.736	28.6812
2	Set up tube wells	90:10	987	0.1430	127.0269	14.1141	141.141	63.5135
3	Construction of IAY houses	90:10	100	0.485	43.65	4.85	48.50	21.825
4	Construction of ACRs in high and higher secondary schools	90:10	159	3.28	469.368	52.152	521.52	234.684
5	Construction of toilets in schools	90:10	263	0.385	91.1295	10.1255	101.2550	45.5647
	Sub-total				788.5368	87.6152	876.152	394.2684
In-principle approval								
4	Construction of ITI with hostel at Amguri	100:00	1	628.00	628.00		628.00	
	Grand total				1416.537	87.6152	1504.152	394.2684

(v) **Status of district plan and balance fund:** Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.2062 lakh for Chirang district, projects amounting to Rs.1416.537 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting. A balance of Rs.645.463 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 6 Nagaon

Nagaon is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.7030 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Nagaon were considered in the 14th, 38th and 44th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. Proposal for conversion of in-principle approval into administrative approval was considered.

(i) Projects converted into administrative approval:

(a) Construction of 6 Girls Hostel for the district Nagaon was considered and approved in-principle in the 44th Empowered Committee Meeting. The proposal was for Rs. 455.59 lakh for 6 hostels of 50 inmates. The Empowered Committee noted that the proposed unit cost for construction of hostels were high and need revision by a competent engineering department of the State Government. The Government of Assam has now sent a DPR for construction of 7 hostels instead of 6 hostels @ Rs.200.53 lakh for 100 inmates. The project was ready for consideration of approval. **However, the State Principal Secretary submitted that there is a need to prepare a uniform type design for construction of hostels under MsDP in Assam. He mentioned that hostels are being constructed under tribal welfare scheme in the State which could be used for guidance. He suggested that he may be given a fortnight's time to prepare a standardised DPR.** The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal may be considered along with DPR duly prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(ii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.7030 lakh for Nagaon district, projects totalling to Rs.7078.33 lakh (Rs.5082.88+Rs.1995.45 lakh in-principle) in the 14th, 38th, and 44th EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. An exceeding amount of Rs.48.33 lakh will be adjusted while converting the in-principle cases into administrative approvals. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to submit a revised DPR for construction of hostels in the district at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 7 Hailakandi

Hailakandi is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.4450 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Hailakandi were considered in the 14th, and 25th Empowered Committee (EC) meeting. The conversion of in-principle approval into administrative approval was considered:

(i) Projects converted into administrative approval approved:

(a) Construction of Girls Hostel at Kalinagar for the district Hailakandi was considered and approved in- principle in the 25th Empowered Committee Meeting for a total cost of Rs 50.00 lakh. The approval was given on the condition that the State Government would provide a detailed project report, the hostel would be designed and constructed as per the specification and cost of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya's pattern. DPR has been received and the project was ready for consideration of approval. **However, the State Principal Secretary submitted that there is a need to prepare a uniform type design for construction of hostels under MsDP in Assam. He mentioned that hostels are being constructed under tribal welfare scheme in the State which could be used for guidance. He suggested that he may be given a fortnight's time to prepare a standardised DPR.** The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal may be considered along with DPR duly prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(ii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.4450 lakh for Hailakandi district, projects totalling to Rs.2343.71 lakh (Rs.2298.71+Rs.45.00 lakh in-principle approval) in the 14th, and 25th EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.2106.29 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration next EC. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan along with the revised DPR for construction of girl's hostel at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 8 Barpeta

Barpeta is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.7300 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Barpeta were considered in the 14th, 25th and 42nd Empowered Committee (EC) meeting. The conversion of in-principle approval into administrative approval was considered:

(i) Projects converted into administrative approval approved:

(a) Construction of Model Hostel for Minority Girls Student at Kalgachia, Barpeta was considered and approved in- principle in the 25th Empowered Committee Meeting for a total cost of Rs 50.00 lakh. The approval was given on the condition that the State Government would provide a detailed project report, the hostel would be designed and constructed as per the specification and cost of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya's pattern. The Government of Assam has now sent a DPR for construction of girl's hostel at Kalgachia for a total cost of Rs.42.50 lakh with clarification/information. **However, the State Principal Secretary submitted that there is a need to prepare a uniform type design for construction of hostels under MsDP in Assam. He mentioned that hostels are being constructed under tribal welfare scheme in the State which could be used for guidance. He suggested that he may be given a fortnight's time to prepare a standardised DPR.** The State Principal Secretary was advised that the proposal may be considered along with DPR duly prepared as per SOR of the State Govt and approved by a competent engineering department, which should have the approval of the Mission Director of SSA/RMSA concerned, and also indicate that the State Govt. will provide staff, recurring expenditure, land, operate and maintain the facility, and locate it in the premises of a school which is situated in a village having a substantial minority population. The hostel should have rooms for warden and chowkidar, apart from kitchen, dining room, toilets, common room, and fencing for security.

(ii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.7300 lakh for Barpeta district, projects totalling to Rs.7083.67 lakh (RS.7038.70+Rs.45.00 lakh in-principle) in the 14th, 25th and 42nd EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.216.33 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of in next EC. **The State Principal Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan along with the revised DPR for construction of girl's hostel at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 9 Araria (Bihar)

Araria is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.8110 lakhs for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Araria were considered in the 8th, 24th, 33rd, 45th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. Balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.1326.66 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in high schools and middle schools: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy in the district were 58.0% and 46.5% against 67.3% and 57.1% of All India average as per the baseline survey. Both the parameters were below the national average and the proposal of the State Government would address the development deficit identified by a baseline survey for the district. The proposal was for construction of double storey building of eight rooms for +2 classes in 4 high school @ Rs.48.39 lakh and construction of four rooms +2 building on first floor over already constructed ground floor of +2 building in 24 high school @Rs.19.41 lakh. The District Magistrate (DM) through video conferencing stated that the proposal was for Government schools, land was available and has been approved by the Bihar Education Project. It was stated that the estimates have been worked out as per the SOR of the State Government and approved by a competent engineering department. It was confirmed by the DM that these schools were located in villages/areas having a high concentration of minority population. The Empowered Committee emphasized the need for having the proposal approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of double storey building of eight rooms for +2 classes in 4 high school @ Rs.48.39 lakh for a total cost of Rs.193.56 lakh and Construction of four rooms +2 building on first floor over already constructed ground floor of +2 building in 24 high school @Rs.19.41 lakh for a total cost of Rs.465.84 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.494.55 lakh and the State share would be Rs.164.85 lakh in the ratio of 75:25 between Centre and State for high schools as per RMSA. The approval was given on the condition that the proposal would be approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work.

Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Sharing Ratio	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total Cost	50% of approved proposals to be released as 1 st installment
	Administrative approval							
1.	Construction of double storied building of eight rooms for +2 classes in high school	75:25	4	48.39	145.17	48.39	193.56	72.58
2.	Construction of four rooms +2 building on first floor over already constructed ground floor of +2 building in high school	75:25	24	19.41	349.38	116.46	465.84	174.69
	Total				494.55	164.85	659.4	247.27

(ii) **Status of district plan and balance fund:** Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.8110 lakh for Araria district, projects totalling to Rs.6783.34 lakh in the 8th, 24th, 33rd and 45th EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.1326.66 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.494.55 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.7277.89 lakh. A balance of Rs.832.11 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. **The State Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 10 Sitamarhi (Bihar)

Sitamarhi is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.6780 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Sitamarhi were considered in the 11th, 27th, 33rd Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. Balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.3719.32 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) **Construction of hostel for girls and boys:** Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy in the district were 38.5% and 47.30% against 67.3% and 57.1% of All India average as per the baseline survey. Both the parameters were below the national average and the

proposal of the State Government would address the development deficit identified by a baseline survey for the district. The proposal was for construction of 8 units of boys' hostels (five 100 bed and three 50 bed capacity) and 3 units of girls hostel (one 100 bed and two 50 bed capacity) with a provisions for warden's and chowkidar's rooms and a perimeter fencing wall for security. The hostel will cost Rs.1466.36 lakh. It was however submitted by the State Secretary of Minority Welfare Department that the State Government has worked out a type estimate for construction of hostels of 100 bed capacity in districts for Bihar State for Rs.166.06 lakh and Rs.94.00 lakh for 50 bed prepared as per the Scheduled of Rates (SOR) of the State Government which has been approved by the competent engineering department. It was confirmed by the DM that they were to be constructed within the premises of Government high schools and all these high schools were located in villages/areas having a high concentration of minority population. The names of the schools have been given in the DPR. The State Government was aware of the funding pattern i.e. 100% Central assistance for girls' hostel and 50:50 ratio between the Centre and State for boys' hostel.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 11 hostels (8 boys' and 3 girls) in high school with a capacity of 100 and 50 students, provisions for warden's and chowkidar's rooms and a perimeter fencing wall for security @ Rs.166.06 for 100 bed capacity and 94.00 lakh for 50 bed capacity for a total cost of Rs. 1466.36 lakh. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Sharing ratio	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost
	Administrative approval			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of 100 bedded girl's hostel in high school	100:00	1	166.06	166.06	-	166.06
2	Construction of 50 bedded girl's hostel in high school	100:00	2	94.00	188.00	-	188.00
3	Construction of 100 bedded boy's hostel in high school	50:50	5	166.06	415.15	415.15	830.30
4	Construction of 50 bedded boys hostel in high school	50:50	3	94.00	141.00	141.00	282.00
	Total				910.21	556.15	1466.36

(b) Construction of boys polytechnic institute with hostel in village Malahi under

Sursand block: Percentage of total literacy and female literacy rate has been ranked 4th and 5th in the baseline survey of the district. State Govt. has proposed for construction of polytechnic institute including hostel for 150 bed capacity in village Malahi for an amount of Rs.36.00 crore. The State Secretary through video conferencing introduced an officer from the Technical Education Department who stated that the cost estimates have been prepared as per the Schedule of Rates (SOR) of the State Government adhering to the norms and specifications of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). He added that the proposal has also been approved by the State Technical Education Department and there would be no duplication. He confirmed that the polytechnic institute would be located in an area having 40 to 50% minority population. The State Secretary was informed that the unit cost funded as Central assistance under the scheme of the M/o HRD for construction of a polytechnic institute including two hostels was limited to Rs.12.30 crore. He also advised that the Central assistance under MsDP would not be in a position to sanction an amount above Rs.12.30 crore and was advised to limit the proposal to that amount. The State Secretary, however, stated that the estimates include several facilities required for operation of the institute and the amount over and above Rs.12.30 crore would be funded State Government's own resources.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of polytechnic institute with hostel of 150 beds for Rs.1230.00 lakh on the confirmation that the proposal has been sanctioned by the State Government for providing staff, recurring expenditure and land has been sanctioned by the State Government, construction would be done as per DPR prepared by the State Technical Education Department in accordance with AICTE norms and specification, unit cost was within the ceiling of the scheme of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, and that duplication has been eliminated. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Approval was given in the following manner:

Proposal for consideration and approval of the Empowered Committee:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (100%)	State Share	Total cost
1	Construction of boys Polytechnic including boys hostel in village Malahi	1	1230.00	1230.00	-	1230.00

(ii) Summary of projects of Sitamarhi (Bihar) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Sitamarhi (Bihar)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of 100 bedded girl's hostel in high school	100:00	1	166.06	166.06	-	166.06	83.03
2	Construction of 50 bedded girl's hostel in high school	100:00	2	94.00	188.00	-	188.00	94.00
3	Construction of 100 bedded boy's hostel in high school	50:50	5	166.06	415.15	415.15	830.30	207.575
4	Construction of 50 bedded boys hostel in high school	50:50	3	94.00	141.00	141.00	282.00	70.50
5	Construction of boys Polytechnic including boys hostel in village Malahi	100:00	1	1230.0	1230.00	-	1230.00	615.00
	Sub-total				2140.21	556.15	2696.36	1070.105

(iii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.6780 lakh for Sitamarhi district, projects totalling to Rs.3060.68 lakh in the 11th, 27th, 33rd EC meetings was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.3719.32 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.2140.21 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.5200.89 lakh. A balance of Rs.1579.11 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. **The State Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 11 Purnea (Bihar)

Purnea is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs. 8550 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Purnea were considered in the 11th, 27th, 32nd, 38th and 45th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. The project for construction of girl's hostel amounting to Rs.82.33 lakh approved in 32nd EC meeting was dropped by the Government of Bihar. Now the balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.943.50 lakh

including 82.33 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Construction of building for additional primary health centres (ADPHCs): In the district 13.28 % deliveries were institutional which is below the national average of 38.7%. The proposal was for construction of 16 ADPHCs @Rs.75.99 lakh for a total cost of Rs.1215.84 lakh. It was confirmed by the State Secretary over video conferencing that the State Mission Director of NRHM has approved Rs.75.99 lakh as the revised unit cost for ADPHCs prepared as per the SOR of the State Government. It was agreed that with the balance fund available for the district only 14 units of ADPHCs may be taken up. It was also confirmed by the State Secretary that the proposal has been approved by NRHM Mission Director, duplication has been eliminated and IPA standards would be followed. A copy of the approval of NRHM Mission Director will also be provided to this Ministry. The DM stated through video conferencing that land and staff are available and the assets will be located in the areas having highest percentage of minority population.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the proposal for construction of 14 units of ADPHCs @ Rs.75.99 lakh for a total cost of Rs.1063.86 lakh subject to the confirmation to be obtained from the NRHM Mission Director. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.904.281 lakh and Rs.159.579 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of NRHM between Centre and State in the ratio of 85:15. A list of villages where the assets would be created with percentage of minority population will be provided. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share 85%	State Share 15%	Total cost
			(Rs. in Lakh)			
1	Construction of additional primary health centres (ADPHCs)	14	75.99	904.281	159.579	1063.86
	Total	14	75.99	904.281	159.579	1063.86

(b) Construction of Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) houses: Households with pucca walls ranked 2nd priority among the development deficits identified by the baseline survey of the district. After the approval of 14 units of ADPHCC amounting to Rs.904.28 lakh, the balance is left to Rs.39.219 lakh. State Govt. has requested and proposed for construction of 110 units of IAY houses @Rs.0.45 lakh under MsDP for this district for a total cost of Rs.49.50 lakh.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved for construction of 110 IAY houses @Rs.0.45 lakh for a total cost of Rs.49.50 lakh. Central contribution from MsDP would be Rs.37.125 lakh and Rs.12.375 lakh as State share as per the funding pattern of IAY between Centre and State in the ratio of 75:25 subject to the condition that BPL families should be selected in order of their serial number in the approved wait list for IAY houses irrespective of whether they belong to minority communities or other communities without making separate allocation for Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST). The State Government would ensure that villages with the highest proportion of minority population would be selected and the list of beneficiaries would be hosted in MIS-MsDP and also sent to the Ministry. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment. Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share (75%)	State Share (25%)	Total Cost
1.	Construction of IAY houses	110	0.45	37.125	12.375	49.50
	Total	110	0.45	37.125	12.375	49.50

(ii) Summary of projects of Purnea (Bihar) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Purnea (Bihar)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of additional primary health centres (ADPHCs)	85:15	14	75.99	904.281	159.579	1063.86	452.1405
2	Construction of IAY houses	75:25	110	0.45	37.125	12.375	49.50	18.5625
	Total				941.406	171.954	1113.36	470.703

(iii) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.8550 lakh for Purnea district, projects totalling to Rs.7606.5 lakh in the 11th, 27th, 32nd, 33rd, 38th and 45th EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.943.50 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.941.406 lakh have been approved in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.8547.906 lakh. This includes Rs.41.16 lakh, being 50% of the cost for construction of one girl's hostel in ITI Purnea, which has been already released and this amount will be adjusted in the next release for the district. A balance of Rs.2.094 lakh kept for administrative cost. **After these approvals the district plan is fully exhausted.**

Item No. 12 Kishanganj (Bihar)

Kishanganj is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.8550 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Kishanganj were considered in the 11th, 24th and 33rd Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. The balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.3633.63 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in KGBV, upgraded high schools and middle/upper middle Schools: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy in the district were 54.59% and 47.13% against 67.3% and 57.1% of All India average as per the baseline survey. Both the parameters were below the national average and the proposal of the State Government would address the development deficit identified by a baseline survey for the district. The proposal was for construction of 4 ACRs each in 8 KGBV @ Rs.15.06 lakh and construction of 184 ACRs (8 ACRs each) in 23 high schools+2 building on first floor over already constructed ground floor of +2 building in 24 high school @Rs.27.64 lakh and construction of 60 ACRs in 5 high school (12 ACRs each) @Rs.45.831 lakh and 469 ACRs in 469 middle and upper middle schools @Rs.3.58 lakh. The DM through video conferencing stated that the proposal was for Government schools, land was available and has been approved by the Bihar Education Project. It was stated that the estimates have been worked out as per the SOR of the State Government approved by a competent engineering department. It was confirmed by the DM that these schools were located in villages/areas having a high concentration of minority population. The Empowered Committee emphasized the need for having the proposal approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education

Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of ACRs in 8 KGBV, 28 high schools and 469 middle and upper middle schools for a total cost of Rs.2664.375 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.1998.27 lakh and the State share would be Rs.666.09 lakh in the ratio of 75:25 between Centre and State for high schools as per RMSA. The approval was given on the condition that the proposal would be approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work. Conditions in para 14 above would also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. Units	Unit cost	Central Share (75%)	State Share (25%)	Total Cost
			(Lakh Rs.)			
1	Construction of 4 ACRs in 8 KGBV schools	8	15.06	90.36	30.12	120.48
2	Construction of 184 ACRs in 23 upgraded high schools (8 ACRs in each)	23	27.64	476.79	158.93	635.72
3	Construction of 60 ACRs in 5 high schools (12 ACRs each)	5	45.831	171.86	57.29	229.155
4	Construction of 469 ACRs in MS/UMS.	469	3.58	1259.26	419.75	1679.02
	Total	505		1998.27	666.09	2664.375

(ii) In-principle approval:

(a) Construction of ITI building at Thakurganj block: Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 7th and 6th respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Bihar has proposed for construction of ITI for a total cost of Rs.589.00 lakh. It was confirmed by the Principal Secretary, Minority Welfare Department, Government of Bihar that land, staff and recurring expenditure would be provided by the State Government. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment.

The Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval for construction of ITI building for a total cost of Rs.589 lakh. This was made subject to the condition that the State Government would provide a Detailed Project Report (DPR) as per the NCVT norms and in accordance with instructions of DG&ET for setting up ITI. Para 14 above would also be applicable. **The State Pr. Secretary was advised to have DPRs prepared by the State Technical Department with reference to the check list enclosed (also in the Ministry's website) and have it sent along with the check list to the Ministry for getting it appraised by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. This should be completed within a fortnight.**

(iii) Summary of projects of Kishanganj (Bihar) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

Sl. no	Name of the project for Kishanganj (Bihar)	Sharing ratio	No. of units	Unit cost	Central share	State share	Total cost	1 st instalment amount to be released
Rupee in lakh								
Administrative Approval								
1	Construction of 4 ACRs in 8 KGBV schools	75:25	8	15.06	90.36	30.12	120.48	45.18
2	Construction of 184 ACRs in 23 upgraded high schools (8 ACRs in each)	75:25	23	27.64	476.79	158.93	635.72	238.395
3	Construction of 60 ACRs in 5 high schools (12 ACRs each)	75:25	5	45.831	171.86	57.29	229.155	85.93
4	Construction of 469 ACRs in MS/UMS.	75:25	469	3.58	1259.26	419.75	1679.02	629.63
	Sub-total				1998.27	666.09	2664.375	999.135
In-principle approval								
5	Construction of ITI at Thakurganj	100:00	1	589	589		589	
	Grand total				2587.27	666.09	3253.375	999.135

(iv) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.8790 lakh for Kishanganj district, projects totalling to Rs.5156.37 lakh including in-principle approval of Rs.75.00 lakh in the 11th, 24th, 33rd EC meeting was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.3633.63 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.2587.27 lakh

have been approved including in-principle approval in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.7743.64 lakh. A balance of Rs.1046.36 lakh would still be available for proposing a revised district plan. **The State Secretary was advised to submit a revised district plan at the earliest for having it approved in September and work started by October, 2011.**

Item No. 13 West Champaran (Bihar)

West Champaran is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs.5860 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of West Champaran were considered in the 24th, 33rd and 44th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. The balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.546.05 lakh. The following proposals contained in the district plan were considered for approval:

(i) Projects approved:

(a) Construction of additional class rooms (ACRs) in KGBV: Rate of literacy and rate of female literacy in the district were 59.7% and 48.20% against 67.3% and 57.1% of All India average as per the baseline survey. Both the parameters were below the national average and the proposal of the State Government would address the development deficit identified by a baseline survey for the district. The proposal was for construction of 36 ACRs in 18 KGBV (2 ACRs each) for a total cost of Rs.198.00 lakh. The DM through video conferencing stated that the proposal was for Government schools, land was available and has been approved by the Bihar Education Project. It was stated that the estimates have been worked out as per the SOR of the State Government approved by a competent engineering department. It was confirmed by the DM that these schools were located in villages/areas having a high concentration of minority population. The Empowered Committee emphasized the need for having the proposal approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work.

The Empowered Committee considered and approved the above proposal for construction of 36 ACRs in 18 KGBV (2 ACRs each) for a total cost of Rs.198.00 lakh. Central contribution would be Rs.148.50 lakh and the State share would be Rs.49.50 lakh in the ratio of 75:25 between Centre and State for high schools as per RMSA. The approval was given on the condition that the proposal would be approved by the RMSA Mission Director/State Education Department in terms of need, adherence to specification and cost norms of RMSA and elimination of duplication of work. Conditions in para 14 above would

also be applicable. The Empowered Committee approved for release of 50% of the total Central share as first instalment.

Approval was given in the following manner:

S. N.	Name of the scheme	Total no. Units	Unit cost	Central Share 75%	State Share 25%	Total cost	50% of approved proposals to be released as 1 st instalment
			(Lakh Rs.)				
1	Construction of additional classrooms in 18 KGBVs	18	-	148.5	49.5	198.00	74.25
	Total			148.5	49.5	198.00	74.25

(ii) In-principle approval:

(a) Providing machine, tools and equipments for workshop for ITI and construction of hostel for ITI Betia: Total work participation and female work participation has been ranked as 6th and 5th respectively in the baseline survey of the district. Govt. of Bihar has proposed for providing machine, tools and equipments for workshop for ITI for a total cost of Rs.107.00 lakh and Rs.295.33 lakh for construction and furnishing of hostel in ITI Betiah. Due to the paucity of fund of Rs.4.78 lakh, the approval for machinery, tools and equipments may be restricted to Rs.102 lakh instead of Rs.107 lakh. It was confirmed by the State Secretary that land, staff and recurring expenditure would be provided by the State Government. Approval of the State technical education department would be required in terms of fulfilment of requirements laid down by the Ministry of Labour & Employment.

The Empowered Committee accorded in-principle approval for providing machine, tools and equipments for workshop for ITI for a total cost of Rs.102.00 lakh and Rs.295.33 lakh for construction and furnishing of hostel in ITI Betiah. This was made subject to the condition that the State Government would provide a Detailed Project Report (DPR) as per the NCVT norms and in accordance with instructions of DG&ET for setting up ITI.

(iii) Summary of projects of West Champaran (Bihar) district approved by the Empowered Committee:

S. N	Name of the scheme for West Champaran district	Sharing ratio	Total no. units	Unit cost	Central Share	State Share	Total cost	50% of approved proposals to be released as 1 st instalment
				(Lakh Rs.)				
1.	construction of additional classrooms	75:25	18	-	148.5	49.5	198.00	74.25

	in 18 KGBVs							
	Sub-total				148.5	49.5	198.00	74.25
	In-principle approval							
2	Machine, tool and equipment for workshop for ITI Betiah	100:00	1	102.00	102.00	-	102.00	
3	Construction and furnishing of hostel for ITI Betiah	100:00	1	295.33	295.33	-	295.33	
	Sub-total				397.33	-	397.33	
	Total				545.83	49.5	595.33	74.25

(iv) Status of district plan and balance fund: Against the tentative allocation for the district of Rs.5860 lakh for West Champaran district, projects totalling to Rs.5313.95 lakh in the 24th, 33rd and 45th EC meetings was approved as Central assistance. A balance of Rs.546.05 lakh was available for preparation of revised district plan for consideration of the 49th EC. Projects amounting to Rs.545.83 lakh have been approved including in-principle approval in the instant 49th EC meeting taking the total to Rs.5859.78 lakh. A balance of Rs.0.22 lakh may be used for IT cell. **The district plan has been approved in full.**

Item No. 14 Katihar (Bihar)

Katihar is a district of 'A' category having socio-economic and basic parameters below the national average. The fund allocated for the MsDP Plan was Rs. 8260 lakh for the 11th Plan period. District plans of Katihar were considered in the 8th, 33rd and 45th Empowered Committee (EC) meetings. The balance fund available for preparation of district plan is Rs.97.18 lakh. The district proposals were not approved as the DC was unable to provide satisfactory explanation and give the justification to questions asked by the EC meeting. **The State Secretary and the district official was advised to prepare a revised district plan and resubmit to the Ministry by second week of October, 2011.**
