

Proceedings of Cantonment Board ordinary meeting held on 19-07-2017 at 11.30 hrs. in Cantonment Board office, Ahmedabad Cantt. – 4.

**Members present**

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| 1. Brig.H K Pokhariyal                   | - President                |
| 2.Pathan Aiyubkhan Sariyakhan            | - Vice President           |
| 3. Shri Stephen P.D.                     | - Member Secretary         |
| 4. Brig.N.S.Narain                       | - Health Officer(S.E.M.O.) |
| 5. Col. Devendra Singh                   | - Nominated Member         |
| 6. Col. Sumeet Sharma                    | - Nominated Member         |
| 7. Shri K Ramesh Babu, IDSE              | - Garrison Engineer(MES)   |
| 8. Pareek Rekhaben Nareshbhai            | - Elected Member           |
| 9. Sonvane Sunil Ramchandra              | - Elected Member           |
| 10.Pathan Mahmad Salim Sariyakhan        | - Elected Member           |
| 11.Pathan Sirinbanu Mahmad Salim         | - Elected Member           |
| 12.Shri Ganesh Girishbhai Ramchandrabhai | - Elected Member           |

**Members not present**

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| 1. Smt.Avantika Singh Aulakh, IAS | - District Magistrate |
| 2. Rajput Sumersingh Devisingh    | - Elected Member      |

**Special Invitees not present**

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| 1. Hon'ble Shri Paresh Rawal(M.P.)       | - Special Invitee |
| 2. Hon'ble Dr.Nirmalaben S.Wadhvani(MLA) | - Special Invitee |

At the commencement of the meeting and before attaining his seat, Col.Sumeet Sharma(IC-57854Y) took oath of affirmation as required u/s.17 of Cantt. Act 2006, for having become a nominated member of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board.

**Agenda no.1**

**Circular Agenda no.1 dt.30-06-2016 : Annual Administration Report for F.Y.2016-17**

To note and approve Circular Agenda no.1 dated 30-06-2017 regarding Annual Administration Report for the F.Y. 2016-17 in respect of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board.

All relevant papers placed in file before Board for noting by Board.

**Res.no.1 : Circular Agenda no.1 dt.30-06-2016 : Annual Administration Report for F.Y.2016-17**

Noted and unanimously approved.

**Agenda no.2**

**Circular Agenda no.2 dt.30-06-2016 : Annual Consolidated Accounts for F.Y. 2016-17**

To note and approve Circular Agenda no.2 dated 30-06-2017 regarding Annual Consolidated Accounts for the F.Y. 2016-17 in respect of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board.

All relevant papers placed in file before Board for noting by Board.

Res.no.2 : Circular Agenda no.2 dt.30-06-2016 : Annual Consolidated Accounts for F.Y. 2016-17

Noted and unanimously approved.

Agenda no.3

Installation of new hoardings on various sites on Airport road

Reference CBR no.3 dated 21-03-2017 in this regard.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that the Board vide above referred CBR resolved to invite e-tender for erection of hoarding on various sites on Airport road. In this connection this office invited e-tenders for the subject work through the government e-procurement portal [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in) and also published notice in leading news paper i.e.Divya Bhaskar and Indian Express vide this office tender notice no.1/EB/Hoardings/2017-18/79 dt.02-06-2017. In response to this tender notices for various sites on air port road, all the offers for various sites were lesser than three nos. for one site and due to first instance because of new site the tender for various hoarding sites on Airport road was recalled vide this office re-tender notice no.1/EB/Hoardings/2017-18/184 dated 28-06-2017. In response to this re-tender notice the bids / offers received for various sites and the details are as under :-

Hoarding site : 'AA'

Sr. No.	Name of firm / Agency	Size of hoardings for display	Rates quoted per annum (in Rs.)	Remarks
i	Chitra Publicity Co.(OOH) Gujarat	30' X 15'	Rs.14,21,500/-	H-1
ii	Kaushik Publicity		Rs.9,04,000/-	H-2
iii	Selvel Media Services Pvt. Ltd.		Rs.6,66,000/-	H-3

Hoarding site : 'CC'

Sr. No.	Name of firm / Agency	Size of hoardings for display	Rates quoted per annum (in Rs.)	Remarks
i	Chitra Publicity Co.(OOH) Gujarat	10' X 20'	Rs.7,51,000/-	H-1
ii	Kaushik Publicity		Rs.4,09,000/-	H-2
iii	Selvel Media Services Pvt. Ltd.		Rs.3,03,000/-	H-3

Hoarding site : 'DD'

Sr. No.	Name of firm / Agency	Size of hoardings for display	Rates quoted per annum (in Rs.)	Remarks
i	HET Graphics	10' X 20'	Rs.8,25,000/-	H-1
ii	Chitra Publicity Co.(OOH) Gujarat		Rs.7,21,300/-	H-2
iii	Selvel Media Services Pvt. Ltd.		Rs.5,55,000/-	H-3
iv	Kaushik Publicity		Rs.5,08,000/-	H-4

Hoarding site : 'EE'

Sr. No.	Name of firm / Agency	Size of hoardings for display	Rates quoted per annum (in Rs.)	Remarks
i	Kaushik Publicity	10' X 20'	Rs.9,04,000/-	H-1
ii	HET Graphics		Rs.8,00,000/-	H-2
iii	Selvel Media Services Pvt. Ltd.		Rs.3,33,000/-	H-3

Hoarding site : 'FF'

Sr. No.	Name of firm / Agency	Size of hoardings for display	Rates quoted per annum (in Rs.)	Remarks
i	Kaushik Publicity	10' X 20'	Rs.9,04,000/-	H-1
ii	Chitra Publicity Co.(OOH) Gujarat		Rs.8,50,000/-	H-2
iii	Selvel Media Services Pvt. Ltd.		Rs.8,50,000/-	H-2

It is further informed that for site 'BB' only two bids were received for IInd instance but due to lesser offers received then the minimum requirement of three bids the offers are kept unopened. In this connection all relevant papers are placed before Board for consideration.

Res.no.3 : Installation of new hoardings on various sites on Airport road

CEO briefed the item to the Board and asked Engg.-in-charge to brief further whereby Shri Jayesh Patel, Engg.-in-charge briefed the Board regarding the locations of various sites for which details of rates had been mentioned at the agenda side. The Engg.-in-charge also informed that the offer of site 'BB' was not opened but during the discussion on the agenda PCB sir advised the Board about the Govt. guidelines and opined that the bid could be opened. Thereafter the bid was opened with the permission of the Board. However, The Engg.-in-charge informed to the Board that the rates for site 'BB' were on the lower side.

PCB opined that the rates of licence fees should not be flat rate as the licence period for the sites mentioned at the agenda side are for a period of two years each and therefore there should be a price negotiation before agreement with the successful bidders for each sites regarding enhancement of licence fees @ 10% to 15% for the next year i.e. licence period and PCB further instructed that the same should also be incorporated in the licence agreement / contract agreement with the successful bidders.

After a brief discussion the Board authorised the CEO for negotiation with H-1 bidders for each site except site 'BB' and after negotiation CEO shall be authorized for execution of the agreement with the H-1 bidder. Board further resolved to re-invite e-tenders for site 'BB'.

Agenda no.4

Repairing of roadside walls

Ref : CBR no.7 dt.21-03-2017

It is brought to the notice of the Board that vide reference CBR the Board approved the single offer received for the subject work at the first instance in response to publishing of tender notice. Meanwhile, the Dte. DE SC, Pune vide their letter no.2038/BP/ABD/2016/DE/15 dt.04-05-2017 asked whether acceptance of single tender complies with the guidelines prescribed by CVC. Matter was discussed by the CEO with the President, Cantt. Board, Ahmedabad whereby the PCB explained that it can be considered in accordance to point no.(xx) of Chapter 6 of General Financial Rules 2017 issued by Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India. However, it was decided to re-invite the tenders for the subject work.

In this connection this office invited e-tenders for the subject work through the government e-procurement portal [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in) and also published notice in leading news paper i.e.Gujarat Samachar and Times of India vide this office tender notice no.1/EB/Road side walls/2017-18/77 dt.02-06-2017. In response to this tender notice only two bids were received and therefore this office re-invited e-tender through govt. e-procurement portal [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in) and also published notice in leading news paper i.e.Gujarat Samachar and Times of India vide this office tender notice no.1/EB/Road side walls/2017-18/ dt.16-06-2017

In response of this tender notice again only two bids were received. Therefore, this office again re-invited tender through government e-procurement portal [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in) and also published notice in leading news paper i.e.Gujarat Samachar and Times of India vide this office tender notice no.1/EB/Road side walls/2017-18/183 dt.28-06-2017. In response to this tender only one bid were received but this was fourth attempt. Therefore this office opened the financial bid of the tender and the details of the same are furnished below :-

Sr. No.	Name of agency	Quoted tender amount	Quoted tender amount during the first attempt	Estimated Amount
i	Sneh Traders	Rs.22,30,543/-	Rs.21,46,370/-	Rs.25,85,000/-

In this connection all necessary documents are placed on the table for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no 4 : Repairing of roadside walls

CEO briefed the Board regarding the item and also informed that negotiation took place with the lowest tenderer and the lowest tenderer vide their letter no.nil dated 06-07-2017 offered 4% less amount than quoted amount. Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan, Vice-President, Cantt. Board was of the opinion that due to the single tender the offer should be rejected as earlier practice. However, PCB expressed his opinion before the Board that the previous offers were rejected by the Board due to single tender however the Board may consider the same as it is the fourth attempt and in light of the prevailing rules for considering single offer for any tender, as mentioned at the agenda side. PCB further took opinion of the GE, MES stating that it was the fourth time and so the GE,MES was also of the opinion that the Board may consider the same due to fourth attempt and rule position in this regard and thus saving Boards funds after publishing of advertisement and other formalities by going in for re-tendering process.

The Board after a brief discussion resolved to approve the tender after negotiation amount of M/s.Sneh Traders amounting to Rs.22,30,543/- less 4% which comes to Rs.21,41,321/- and further resolved that work order be issued and authorised CEO to incur necessary expenditure in this regard.

However, the Vice President, Ahmedabad Cantt. Board dissented with the decision of the Board and reiterated that he is in favour of rejecting the single tender and going in for re-tendering process for subject work which is hereby noted and recorded.

Agenda no.5

Entry fee on commercial vehicles passing through Ahmedabad Cantt. area

Reference CBR no.2 dated 30-05-2017

It is brought to the notice of the Board that vide reference CBR the Board resolved to implement the imposition of entry fees on commercial vehicles passing through Ahmedabad Cantonment area as prescribed in above referred CBR. In this connection this office invited e-tenders for grant of transfer of collection rights of entry fee on commercial vehicles in Ahmedabad Cantonment area for a period of one year through the government e-procurement portal [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in) and also published notice in leading news papers i.e.Gujarat Samachar, Divya Bhaskar and Times of India vide this office tender notice no.1/EB/Vehicle entry fees/2017-18/157 dt.20-06-2017. In response to this tender notice no bids / offers were received by this office within the scheduled date and time. It is further informed that the Principal Director, Defence Estates, Southern Command, Pune during the telephonic conversation with the CEO, Cantt. Board Ahmedabad instructed that this idea of imposition of Vehicle Entree fee at this juncture is not recommended when its govt. is moving towards "one nation, one tax" and the implementation of GST and the removal of tolls and entry taxes in all parts of the country. The PD DE SC, Pune advised against moving ahead with the proposal at this critical juncture and put it on hold for time being. They further advised that State Finance Commission may be approached and submitted with its survey details for grants. In this connection necessary documents are placed before the Board for consideration and decision for taking further course of action in this regard.

Res.no.5 : Entry fee on commercial vehicles passing through Ahmedabad Cantt. area

CEO briefed the Board regarding the item and further conveyed that Dte. DE SC, Pune authorities had telephonically conveyed their displeasure of this initiative by Ahmedabad Cantonment Board as GST has been implemented and shall cause inconvenience to the public. Vice-President desired further clarification on the issue whereby the PCB explained the views of the higher authority in this regard and further stated that the matter for revenue augmentation was the objective of the Board however the Board may wait till settlement of GST issue. PCB further clarified that may be after implementation of GST, the toll policy may be revised or closed meanwhile Cantt. Board should correspond with the State Govt. authorities for obtaining grant of Rs.six crores per annum towards non-implementation / non-imposition of Vehicle Entry fees within Ahmedabad Cantonment area and thereafter State Govt. authorities should be asked to allocate funds @ Rs.6 crores with an enhancement of 10% every year / per annum towards grant in lieu of non-imposition of Vehicle Entry fee by Ahmedabad Cantt. Board to compensate the loss of Ahmedabad Cantt. Board due to non-imposition of V.E.F. and thus help Ahmedabad Cantt. Board to generate / augment revenue.

CEO suggested that a legal opinion in this regard should also be obtained from the Asstt. Solicitor General Shri Devang Vyas. PCB agreed that a legal opinion be obtained from the ASG by the CEO. CEO also informed that the Gujarat State Finance Commission shall also be approached after legal opinion from the ASG is obtained in this regard. PCB agreed that firstly legal opinion should be obtained and thereafter CEO should initiate official correspondence the Gujarat State Finance Commission in this regard. Board agreed with the suggestion / opinion of the PCB and CEO and authorised the CEO to take all the follow-up action in this regard.

PCB also suggested to the Board that meanwhile the tender is also re-invited for the subject work. After a brief discussion the Board resolved to re-invite the tender for the subject work and put up before the Board in ensuing Board meeting for decision by Board.

Agenda no.6

Construction of sewage treatment plant in Ahmedabad cantt. area

Reference CBR no.5 dt.21-03-2017 in this regard.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that vide reference CBR the Board recommended for reclassification of land from 'B-4' under jurisdiction of DEO, Gujarat circle to class 'C' under the management of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board for construction of 25 MLD sewage treatment plant. In this connection the proposal has been forwarded for a land admeasuring 10000 sq.mtrs. classified as 'B-4' situated on GLR sy.no.142(Pt.) vide this office letter no.1/EB/Re-classification/2017-18/187 dt.02-07-2017 for initiating a proposal for obtaining necessary sanction for reclassification of the land.

Board also authorised CEO for liasioning with the AMC authority for fixing the lease rent and also to work out requirements regarding additional infrastructure facility such as new pipelines, sumps and pumps etc. for Cantt. area. In this connection the CEO conducted meetings at several occasions with the AMC authorities regarding the subject issue. In this connection the Municipal Commissioner, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation forwarded a letter which is placed before the Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.6 : Construction of sewage treatment plant in Ahmedabad cantt. area

CEO briefed the Board whereby the PCB brought to the notice of the Board after negotiation with the AMC authorities on the issue it was agreed that 2.5 acres of land of Army shall be allotted to the AMC authorities for the construction of STP in Ahmedabad Cantt. and the sewerage line of Shahibaug under the AMC authorities shall be connected with the sewerage network of STP and the treated water from STP shall be released in the river Sabarmati. Further PCB stated that the project shall involve construction cost of Rs.49 cr. which shall be borne by AMC authority and in addition to this A.M.C. authority has further agreed to bear Annual Maintenance Cost @ 10% plus payment of Rs.42 lacs. as licence fees. G.E., M.E.S. raised some technical issues and in response P.C.B. and C.E.O. explained that presently M.E.S. sewerage line / network is linked with the AMC sewerage line / network whereas Cantt. Board is only giving 2.5 acres land to construct STP in order to avoid pollution and for treatment of sewerage water which is a step ahead towards maintaining the overall health and hygiene of the entire station.

GE, MES enquired whether the piece of land proposed to be allotted to AMC can be better utilized for further Defence purposes however PCB explained that the land proposed to be allotted is far away from current establishment and not likely to be utilized in the future and prone to encroachment due to a temple existing near the site. CEO also stated that this project in addition to being an important public infrastructure project will also save valuable govt. land from becoming encroached etc. PCB further explained that the AMC is also going to forward a proposal for river front development project and hence the question of land being submerged in river water in flood situation shall automatically subside due to retention wall due to upcoming river front development on bank of river Sabarmati on the stretch passing through Ahmedabad Cantt. area however, it is vital to approve the STP project stage because there are three stages out of which first stage clearance of Cantt. Board is required, in the second stage clearance of Army i.e. Station Comander is required and then finally the clearance of Ministry of Defence shall have to be sought before land allotment and therefore Board should approve this point for allotment of land at the prima-facie stage and sent a proposal for early sanction of working permission for the same.

After a brief discussion the Board approved the accepted the offer made by the AMC authority vide their letter mentioned at agenda side, in principle in connection subject work and after a brief discussion the Board unanimously resolved to authorize the CEO to initiate all the follow up action in this regard.

Agenda no.7

Declaration of open defecation free area in respect of Ahmedabad Cantt. area

Reference : Sanitary Inspector's report dt.10-07-2017.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that Cantonment Board made efforts for eradication of open defecation in Cantt. area and as a result of these efforts Ahmedabad Cantt. area has become open defecation free area.

In this connection necessary documents including govt. guidelines are placed before Board for consideration and noting by the Board.

Res.no.7 : Declaration of open defecation free area in respect of Ahmedabad Cantt. area

After a brief discussion the Board unanimously declared Ward no.I to VII as a Open Defecation free area in respect of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board. Board also authorized CEO for liasioning with Secretary General, Quality Control of India, New Delhi and for further necessary action as per guidelines from higher ups in this regard.

Agenda no.8

Issue of trade licence for various trades within Ahmedabad Cantt.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that as per section 277 of Cantt. Act 2006 licences are required for carrying on of certain occupations and accordingly this office has published notice vide this office letter no.2/SI/TL/2017-18/13 dated 12-04-2017 for inviting trade licence applications and in response 93 nos. of applications have been received by this office and the applications alongwith relevant papers are placed before Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.8 : Issue of trade licence for various trades within Ahmedabad Cantt.

At the start of the point the CEO read out the two objections i.e. one from Shri Munawarali A.Saiyed and another from Smt.Rekhaben Pareek, EM. PCB read out the entire objection and the query as to why the trade licences had not been issued for the period from 2005 to 2017. Smt.Rekhaben, EM stated that all should have been given the trade licences however CEO opined that all the applicants cannot be given trade licences but only to those who fall within the criteria as per prescribed norms. PCB also added that firstly a trade notification should be made for market area as to what kinds of trades should be allowed to be carried out within the Cantt. area and to whom etc. and market place should come up by construction of commercial complex at Dafnala giving first preference to people of Sadar Bazar. CEO, Adm.comdt and PCB were of the opinion that a committee should be constituted for setting the parameters / frame work as to whether how many moving gallas and hawkers should be allowed to trade and what types of trades should be allowed to cater to the needs of the Cantt. population. PCB suggested that in Sadar bazaar 30 to 40 kiosk should be put up and all the civic amenities should be well planned / targeted while taking this point into consideration and such kiosks shops should be rented out to Sadar Bazar residents which shall enhance the revenue augmentation of Cantt. Board also. Shri Ayubkhan, VP and other EMs stated that Kiosks should be rented out on periodic licence basis in the interest of general public of Sadar Bazar. PCB further stated that such spaces should be rented out for a period of one or two years and then should be re-auctioned by way of tender / auction / bid etc. Pre-fabricated kiosks should be acquired from Cantt. Board funds and rented out by Cantt. Board on bi-annually or annual basis which will help generate income for the Board as well as prevent encroachment of Defence lands. All the Board members agreed with the suggestion of the PCB and Shri Girish, EM requested that till this policy comes into force all the present shop keepers / hawkers / moving gallas be permitted.

PCB appraised the Board about objection raised by Shri Munawarali for ward no.4 & 5 and asked the Board members especially elected members to introspect as to how does the objection on agenda points come up before the Board when agenda yet to be discussed by the Board in its meeting and has been only circulated to the concerned members of the Board and not for information of general public. Thereafter Shri Munawarali Saiyed, the complainant was called by the PCB before the Board whereby PCB asked as to how he put an objection to an agenda point even before the agenda point has come up before the Board for consideration and from which source did he get the information regarding the points taken up in the agenda for the upcoming Board meeting. In reply Shri Munawarali Saiyed, Complainant stated that the elected members are discussing the matter in the civil area with every body and mostly every civilian area comes to know regarding the agenda in that way. CEO also warned Shri Munawarali and conveyed his dis-pleasure that writing complaints regarding others and trying to settle his personal score with his political / personal rivals by writing against the Board to various other forums in the form of complaints against the Board is not appreciated. PCB also expressed his dis-pleasure on the issue of various complaints being addressed to various other forums without approaching him on the first instance for redressal of grievances and thus giving him an opportunity to know the matter being a President of the Board. CEO also questioned Shri Munawarali as to under what capacity is Shri Munawarali trying to represent the complainant on behalf of Sunni Wakaf Board and under what authority and in response the complainant Shri Munawarali stated that his grandfather was a member of Wakaf Board and so he is writing on behalf of Wakaf Board.



The CEO and PCB objected to this and cautioned him not to do so in future and if any complaint is being made on behalf of Wakuf Board then the individual should prove as under whose authority he is making complaint on behalf of Wakaf Board and has the Wakaf Board given him any authority in this regard. Thereafter the PCB asked the elected members to maintain secrecy of official information regarding upcoming agenda points etc. as it is due to their negligence that Board is facing such complaints in form of allegations from outsiders.

After a brief discussion the Board unanimously resolved to constitute a committee consisting of CEO, Adm. Comdt., S.H.O., Shri Jayesh Patel, Engg.-in-charge, Shri Girish Ganesh, EM, for framing of trade licence policy and issues related to issuing trade licence policy as discussed in this point and further resolved that the committee shall put its report in this regard before the Board in the ensuing / next Board meeting for further consideration and decision by the Board.

Agenda no.9

Framing of building bye laws in respect of Ahmedabad Cantt. Board

Reference CBR no.28 dated 10-12-2016.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that this office prepared fresh building bye laws considering the various guidelines issued by various authorities from time to time in respect of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board.

In this connection fresh draft building bye laws alongwith relevant documents are placed before the Board for consideration and approval by the Board.

Res.no.9 : Framing of building bye laws in respect of Ahmedabad Cantt. Board

CEO briefed the Board that the confirmation regarding approving the item has to be conveyed to the higher ups. PCB asked Engg.-in-charge to brief the Board regarding the major amendment if any made in the provisions of revised building bye-laws as compared to provisions in existing building bye-laws whereby the Shri Jayesh Patel, Engg.-in-charge briefed the Board regarding the same. The Board discussed in detail and unanimously resolved to approve the revised building bye-laws 2017 in respect of Ahmedabad Cantonment Board and further Board resolved to forward the same to the higher ups in this regard.

Agenda no.10

Renovation of entrance gate of TCP I & III

It is brought to the notice of the Board that the local army authority has raised the issue the TCP I has not been repaired since long back due to which it gives a shabby look. Therefore there is a requirement for renovation of gate and its surrounding structures of TCP I. Further it is informed that local army authorities are complaining that the gate at TCP III is very heavy and often there is difficulty while opening and closing the gate. Therefore, there is a requirement for renovation of structures of the gate for safety and security of Army area.

Matter placed before the Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.10 : Renovation of entrance gate of TCP I & III

At the start of the discussion of this point the Board considered letter of objection from Smt.Rekhaben, EM regarding the renovation of TCP I & III whereby Smt. Rekhaben in her objection letter had mentioned that since the gates of TCP are functional there is no need for renovation work.

At this juncture the PCB clarified that the gates are old and is difficult to close during the night hours from security point of view and so he stated that the renovation work is important. He clarified that said agenda is not renovation of the gate but the repairing and strengthening of the pillar. All the Board members including Smt.Rekhaben, EM agreed with clarification given by the PCB and Board further resolved to turn down the objection in this regard.

Further Mrs.Sirinbanu M.Pathan & Smt.Rekhaben, EM raised the issue of pending renovation of Cantt. Board community hall. In this regard the PCB and CEO asked the AAE(Civil) to prepare the estimates for renovation of Community hall's kitchen and toilet blocks etc. and Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan, Vice President of Cantt. Board Ahmedabad reminded regarding the pending extension work of Community hall of Cantt. Board. PCB instructed the CEO to first carry out site inspection and then study the requirements and get the estimates prepared in this regard and put up the same before the Board in due course. CEO assured that the same will be carried out and estimates in this regard shall be referred to the Board in due course of time.

The Vice President and elected members raised the issue of non-opening of the TCP II gate for general public and vehicular traffic and in response the PCB stated that as per his knowledge there were 32500 devotees every weekend and vehicular movement is restricted for better crowd management. At this juncture the CEO stated that the CMP deployed at the various TCPs should be strictly instructed by the local army authority that checking should be restrictive and not causing the harassment to general public or otherwise.

After a brief discussion, the Board unanimously resolved to approve the repair and strengthening work of TCP I and TCP III gates. Board further resolved to authorize the CEO for preparation of designs of gates by hiring the services of Architect consultants and put up the design before the Cantt. Board meeting.

#### Agenda no.11

##### Grant of food grain advance

Reference : Statement 11-07-2017 from Accounts branch

To consider the grant of food grant advance to the eligible employees, In this regard GR no.NNM-102004/1038/Z dt.22-04-2016 from Gujarat State Govt. Finance Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar and PD DE SC, Pune letter no.8073/Wheat/II/DE dt.22-07-2016 refers. Total expenditure involved for the F.Y.2017-18 shall amount to Rs.3,40,000/-

In this connection all relevant papers are placed opposite for consideration and approval by the Board.

##### Res.no.11 : Grant of food grain advance

Considered and approved grant of subject advance to eligible Cantt. fund servants and authorized the CEO to disburse necessary advance in this regard.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

#### Agenda no.12

##### Implementation of Higher Grade Scale to the eligible Cantt. Fund Servants

To consider implementation of the Higher Grade Scale scheme of Govt. of Gujarat to the eligible Cantt. fund servants to deal with the problem of absence of or restricted chances of promotion in respect of Cantt. fund servants. The Govt. of Gujarat have approved the Higher Grade Scale to their employees, gov. of Gujarat granting next higher grade on completion of 12 years / 24 years and in this connection the Finance Department Resolution No.PAY/102007/615/M dt.02-07-2007 refers.

The list of employees is as under :-

Sr. No	Name	Designation	Date of initial appointment	Date of grant of existing pay-scale	Date applicable for HGS	Present / Current Pay-scale	Proposed pay scale applicable while grant of 1 <sup>st</sup> HGS / 2 <sup>nd</sup> HGS
1	Shri Milind D. Lall	PA to CEO / Eng.Steno Gr.II	01-08-1998	06-01-2005 (upon re-designation / upgradation of post from Eng. Steno Gr.III to Gr.II)	06-01-2017 (after completion of 12 yrs. in same pay scale)	Rs.9300-34800 (GP Rs.4400/-)	Rs.9300-34800 (GP Rs.4600/-) 1 <sup>st</sup> HGS applicable upon completion of 12 yrs of service in same pay-scale
2	Shri Bhanu N. Solanki	Safaikarmachari	01-07-1992	01-07-2001 (after grant of 1st HGS)	01-07-2016 (after completion of 24 yrs. in service)	Rs.4440-7440 (GP Rs.1400/-)	Rs.4440-7440 (GP Rs.1650/-) 2 <sup>nd</sup> HGS applicable upon completion of 24 yrs. in service.

In this connection report of Accounts branch dt.11-07-2017 regarding grant of their higher grade scale due to eligible employees is placed in file alongwith other relevant papers before Board for approval by the Board.

#### Res.no.12 : Implementation of Higher Grade Scale to the eligible Cantt. Fund Servants

Considered and unanimously approved the grant of higher grade to both the eligible Cantt. fund servants as per details mentioned at the agenda side and further unanimously resolved that proposal in this regard be forwarded to the competent authority for obtaining necessary sanction in this regard.

#### Agenda no.13

##### Re-hiring the services of Shri N J Patel, Sr.Auditor(Retd. from LAO, Ahmedabad)

- (i) Report of Accounts branch in this regard.
- (ii) Letter from Shri N J Patel, Auditor(Retd.) from LAO(B), Ahmedabad regarding willingness for re-engagement and also his request for kind consideration reg. revision of his existing remuneration for subject work.
- (iii) Earlier CBR no.01 dt.18-01-2017 in this regard refers.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that the Accounts branch of Ahmedabad Cantt. Board is facing acute shortage of experienced permanent staff and pending works of Accounts branch such as Conservancy bills, service matters, pending ex-gratia cases, upcoming work of implementation higher grade scale and completion of service books etc. for enabling implementation and disbursement of benefits related to 7<sup>th</sup> pay commission implementation work in near future and such nature of works can only be expedited speedily in addition to the routine work in Accounts branch if the services of experienced senior staff is re-hired on contractual basis.

Shri N J Patel, ex-senior auditor, retired from LAO(B), Ahmedabad office is having thorough knowledge in Accounts work and service matters related to govt. employees etc. And the past experience of working of Shri N J Patel was quite satisfactory and therefore if the individual is re-engaged through outsourcing basis he shall be helpful in expediting the pending official works as well as routine matters.

Meanwhile Shri N J Patel, vide his letter has already given his willingness / consent for re-engagement on outsourcing basis for lending his services in the Accounts branch for clerical nature of works. In view of above, it is requested to kindly re-engage the individual on outsourcing basis for another period of six months w.e.f. 03-08-2017 as per standard practice as per past CBR referred above and because the current period of engagement for the individual is about to expire on 02-08-2017.

It is further brought to the notice of the Board that Shri N J Patel in his willingness letter cited at above reference has also requested for enhancement of his present remuneration from Rs.15,000/- to any suitable amount that may be decided by the Board keeping in view the revision of rates of remuneration / wages of contractual / outsourced staff as per prevailing rules and regulations of govt. in this regard.

Matter is placed before the Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.13 : Re-hiring the services of Shri N J Patel, Sr.Auditor(Retd. from LAO, Ahmedabad)

At the start of the discussion the CEO briefed the Board regarding the requirement for hiring the services of Shri N J Patel, Sr.Auditor(Retd.), from LAO(B), Ahmedabad office and so the engagement has to be made for another period of six months. In this regard the Adm. Comdt. expressed his opinion that the engagement period of any contractual staff should be for a period of 89 days only as per prevailing rules in this regard.

CEO further brought to the notice of the Board that the individual has also requested for a hike in remuneration keeping in view his past services rendered by himself in the Accounts branch and individual requested the undersigned / Board for considering the request sympathetically.

After a brief discussion the Board unanimously resolved to authorised the CEO for re-engagement of Shri N J Patel for a period of 89 days after giving a suitable break after expiry of present period of engagement and further unanimously resolved for enhancement of his remuneration from 15000/- to Rs.16500/- per month which will be @ 10% i.e. hike of Rs.1500/- in existing remuneration.

Agenda no.14

Hiring the services of compactor vehicles for conservancy services

It is brought to the notice of the Board that this office is in the process of purchase of one nos. of compactor vehicles as the 30 nos. of hydraulic type dustbins installed at various locations in Army area are cleaned manually due to lack of compactor which is enabled to lift and dump the garbage bins hydraulic manner. There if often problem faced in clearing of garbage from the dustbins during the monsoon season as the garbage clearing from such dustbins has to be done in a manual way thus creating unhygienic conditions and inorder to avoid this situation it is required to temporarily hire a garbage compactor vehicle till the purchase of compactor vehicle by Ahmedabad Cantonment Board.

Matter is placed before the Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.14 : Hiring the services of compactor vehicles for conservancy services

CEO briefed the Board regarding the item. Shri Sunil Sonwane, EM stated that big dustbins are not being cleared and in response the PCB explained that that's the reason why there is a requirement of compactor vehicle. PCB further stated that the AMC was asked to supply us a compactor machine on purchase basis on their approved rates however due to some administrative reasons AMC authorities failed to give a positive response to Cantt. Board in this regard so Cantt. Board has initiated the procedure for procurement through tender and this would take some time and meanwhile it is required to hire the garbage compactor machine inorder to avoid the unhygienic situation within Ahmedabad Cantt.

Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan, VP stated that parallel to procuring of compactor vehicle Board should also consider for procurrment of small paddle rickshaws with garbage bins for collection of daily garbage from the remote areas in Sadar Bazar where it is difficult for entering garbage compactor vehicle. Shri Sunil Sonwane, EM also requested for procurement of paddle rickshaws with garbage bins for clearance of garbage from interior areas in bunglow area.

PCB and ADM.Comdt. brought to the notice of the Board that recently the local army authorities had procured 43 such paddle rickshaws at a fair / reasonable price for addressing / smooth disposal of garbage from interior / remote areas within the Army area and the make / build quality of these paddle rickshaws was very good and so they suggest that rickshaws as per requirement may be procured from the same supplier only.

Board agreed with the suggestion of the PCB and ADM. Comdt. and unanimously authorized the CEO for purchase of one garbage compactor vehicle and also taking needful action towards procurement of paddle rickshaws as per requirement and also for incurring necessary expenditure in this regard.

Agenda no.15

Repairs to overhead tank of water supply pump house

Reference CBR no.13 dt.21-03-2017 in this regard.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that vide reference CBR the Board resolved to hire the services of specialized agency for inspection / necessary various testing of overhead tanks and prepare the designs, estimates and tender documents for the repairing of overhead tanks. In this connection this office approached LD Engg.College,Ahmedabad, CEPT Engineering, Ahmedabad and Nirma University, Ahmedabad in this connection.

The LD Engg. college, Ahmedabad and Nirma University failed to give response however CEPT university, Ahmedabad conducted site inspection and also submitted a report in this regard vide their letter no.nil dt.17-07-2017 and as per their report they have mentioned as follows :-

- (i) The tank was constructed in 1977 and it is already 40 year old out of its design life of 50 years.
- (ii) The tank has considerable distress, mainly due to corrosion in beams, columns and roof slab. The foundation has water seepage, which may also be affected.
- (iii) After reviewing site conditions, provisions of the new design codes, estimating repair and retrofitting efforts required and costs associated with same we are of the opinion that the tank should not be retrofitted, although technically it may be possible to retrofit the same.

They have suggested this office to consider two options in this situation :

- (a) Construct the new overhead tank and during the time of construction maintain the water supply to consumers using UG tank and pump system
- (b) Demolish the tank and install hydro-pneumatic water supply system rather than constructing new overhead water tank.

In this connection all relevant papers alongwith file placed before the Board for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.15 : Repairs to overhead tank of water supply pump house

CEO briefed the Board regarding the item and PCB desired that GE, MES should give his technical opinion in this regard as to whether the Board should go for repairs or demolish the old structure and go in for new structure of over head tank. GE, MES stated that he shall have to inspect the site in order to enable him to tender his technical opinion however, keeping in view the year of construction and existing life span since the tank was being construction he would suggest to go in for demolition of old structure and construction of new structure because it would be economical to avoid spending money after a structure which often requires repairs and renovation as it is on the verge of outliving its construction life. PCB and other Board members agreed with the suggestion of the GE, MES. Then the Board members desired to know regarding the tentative / approximate amount involved in construction of new structure by demolition of old structure whereby the Engg.-in-charge replied that it would amount to Rs.sixty to seventy lakhs approximately / tentatively. Thereafter, PCB asked the GE, MES to take a site visit and carry out the cost analysis for demolition of old structure and constructing of new structure in its place. GE, MES informed that there are only two options before the Board i.e. first option is to go for retro-fitting and second option is to demolish the existing over head tank and construct another over head tank of 100 ft. height having capacity of 1 lakh gallon water capacity alongwith a network of underground sump and requisite pumps etc.

The Board was of the opinion that the GE, MES should make a site visit and then furnish the report in this regard before the next meeting of the Board in order to enable the Board to compare both the technical reports viz.the report of the GE, MES, Ahmedabad Cantt. & that of C.E.P.T., Ahmedabad and thus enable the Board to reach to a decision in this regard.

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