

Proceedings of the 270<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting of West Bengal State Warehousing Corporation held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

Agenda Item No.01

To confirm the proceedings of the 269<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Directors held on 29/03/2018.

The proceedings of the 269<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Directors, which had been circulated to the Members, was taken as read and confirmed in the Meeting as no points or objections were raised by any of the members.

Agenda Item No.02

Taking note of follow up action on the resolutions of the Board in its 269<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 29/03/2018.

A. *Agenda No.2(ii) of 266<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held on 08/12/2016 :: Outstanding Storage charges from Customs Authority.*

The Managing Director apprised the members about up to date situation and developments in this regard during the period including the process of uploading the matter of disposal of non-moving Custom Bonded Stocks (goods) and recovery of outstanding dues thereof an "e-Samikshya", which is presently lying with the Government. Hon'ble Chairman assured to look into the matter by issuing D.O. letter to the Revenue Secretary (GOI) from Chief Secretary, Govt. of W.B.

B. *Agenda No.04 of 267<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held on 25.01.2017 :: Setting up of a Managerial set up in WBSWC.*

The Managing Director informed the Board about the present status in this connection. He also pointed out some basic questionable area of the proposed managerial set up like all direct recruitment, no promotional avenue etc. The File is presently lying with the Department with the matters of regulation etc. for different posts under WBSWC. The Managing Director, WBSWC requested the Chairman to call back the file for recasting the same. The Hon'ble Chairman approved the same with a direction to prepare a separate organogram with a proposal of mixed nature of engagement provisions for different parts mainly higher parts with specific skills etc.



(regular/temporary/deputation etc.). A new Q.C. Section at H.O. level may also be proposed.

*C. Agenda No.05 of 267<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held on 25/01/2017 :: Regulation for Recruitment to different parts of WBSWC.*

The Managing Director suggested that in light of the major changes happening in the WBSWC, the issue of Regulations would need a re-examination along with the renaming of some posts, creation of some additional posts etc.

The Hon'ble Chairman was of the opinion that Cabinet may sanction all posts if there is no financial implication on the part of Government. All of the liabilities for all parts will be borne by WBSWC from its surplus income generated from storage income after maintaining all other regular obligations.

*D. Agenda No.03 of 268<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held on 28/11/2017 :: To review the Matter of Ad-valorem Surcharge on Chemical Fertilizer Stocks.*

The Managing Director, WBSWC explained the matter of Ad-valorem Surcharge in brief with its different ins & outs and prayed a little more time to study the same in more detail.

*E. Agenda No.05 of 268<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held in 28/11/2017 :: To consider the matter of lease renewal of Hide Road Warehouse site.*

The matter has already discussed and the Chairman assured to forward a D.O. letter to the Revenue Secretary, GOI through the Chief Secretary, Govt. of W.B. It was also informed that Appeal against Eviction Order of KoPT has already been filed.

*F. Agenda No.06 of BOD Meeting held on 28/11/2017 :: To consider the proposal of Salary enhancement of the Contractual Superintendent.*

The Managing Director, WBSWC, informed the members that Dy. Secy. from the Department is keeping liaison with the Finance Department (Govt. of WB) in this context and it is expected to reach shortly from Finance. It is also decided that if the Finance Department does not approve the whole increase of Rs. 5,000, the proposal will be resubmitted for consideration.



NOTE: It has since been learnt that the Finance Department has only approved Rs. 3,000 increase.

G. Agenda No.03 of 269<sup>th</sup> BOD held on 29/03/2018) :: To consider the matter of construction of Office Building at Salt Lake Land and its utilization thereof.

The Managing Director informed the Board Members in detail in this regard. The Agency selected for market study (about probable customers, other players in the field, tentative income possible per month etc.) is expected to submit their report by 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October, 2018. Hence, this matter would be taken up at a later Board meeting.

H. Agenda No.04 of 269<sup>th</sup> BOD Meeting held on 29/03./2018 :: Revision of Storage rates in connection with Budget Estimates of WBSWC for the Financial Year 2018-19.

The Managing Director explained the process of revision of such rates etc. in detail and also mentioned that routine revision is also due to be effected from May, 2019 and as per last BOD meeting in this regard held on 26.04.2016 there is a provision of 20% escalation/enhancement. Hence, this matter would be examined and a proposal shall be put up before the Board at a later date.

I. Agenda No.06 (Misc.05) of 269<sup>th</sup> Meeting of BOD held on 29/03/2018 :: proposal for providing Smartphone to Godown In-charges and other officers under WBSWC.

The Managing Director, WBSWC explained the steps already adopted in this regard but the phones could not be procured due to various reasons. The Chairman advised to avail facility from GEM to avoid such obligations and to contact Smt. Mukta Arya, Joint Secretary in the Dept. of Food and Supplies in this regard.

### Agenda Item No.03

#### Business Performance Report of the Corporation for the Period from July 2017 to July 2018.

The members went through the report and expressed satisfaction over the matter. The Managing Director, WBSWC informed the members that WBSWC is successfully generating the MPRs online through Google Sheets, and the same is up to date. The




Chairman also expressed satisfaction and gave thanks to the Managing Director, WBSWC and his team.

Agenda Item No.04

**To consider and adopt provisional Annual Accounts of the Corporation for the year 2015-16.**

All the members went through the matter thoroughly and participated in discussion. After discussion, the Accounts for the year 2015-16 was unanimously accepted.

Further, it was decided that:

- i) A separate meeting of BOD regarding pending Annual Accounts of WBSWC from the FY 2015-16 onwards may be arranged as early as possible.
- ii) Possibility of closing the Current Accounts of the Corporation and side by side opening of Savings Account are to be explored to avoid the loss of interest.
- iii) Year-wise actual profit is to be ascertained with cash flow/fund flow statement, if required.
- iv) Director Storage also raised the point that the State Govt. has already invested a lot of money in the infrastructure for the WBSWC. Consequently, the authorized share capital of the WBSWC should be increased. The Board directed the MD to examine the proposal and process for increasing the share capital.

Agenda Item No.05

**Appointment of M/s. Bhattacharya Sengupta & Co., Chartered Accountants as Statutory Auditor of the Corporation for the Financial Year 2015-16.**

Discussed and approved.



Agenda Item No.06

Appointment of M/s.T.P.Kar & Co., Chartered Accountants as Tax Auditor of the Corporation for the Financial Year 2017-18.

Discussed and approved.

Agenda Item No.07

To apprise the Board regarding the ongoing Projects of –

- a. Repair-Maintenance/Renovation works ;
- b. New construction works ;
- c. Engagement of manpower ;

Noted. The Chief Engineer, WBSWC requested for providing one more Law Expert exclusively for the Engineering wing WBSWC having ample experience of conducting Arbitration etc. The Hon'ble Chairman, WBSWC advised for searching one such expert as in-house Arbitrator.

Agenda Item No.08

To apprise the Board regarding Eviction Notice of KoPT from Hide Road Warehouse premises.

The matter was previously discussed in Action Taken part.



Agenda Item No.09 - Miscellaneous.

Item No.1 of 4 Project by WBSWC for SKWP on Grid Solar Power Plant at RIDF godown, Singur, Hooghly District.

The members present expressed satisfaction over the Pilot Project undertaken by WBSWC. On successful completion, the same may be extended to other godowns under management of WBSWC.

Item No.2 of 4 Proposal for CSR programme adopted by WBSWC.

Initially the proposal was for the flood victims of Kerala which was withdrawn and the members unanimously agreed for the proposal already adopted in the previous meeting for granting Rs.10 lakhs for supplying Sanitary pads to the village girls (Kanyashrees). In addition a provision for another Rs.15 lakhs was made in the meeting which may be extended for any type of Social works like Higher education for poor students, treatment for critical and expensive diseases for helpless people etc. Though WBSWC is not registered under Company Act, the Board Members approved the proposal without any opposition viewing the Corporation is a profit making concern and must fulfill its social objectives.

Item No.3 of 4 Proposal for engagement of a Legal Retainer Under WBSWC.

Discussed and approved.

Item No.4 of 4 Ratification of the Resolution adopted on the Agenda Notes placed before the Members of the BOD by Resolution on Circulation.

Noted.



Additional miscellaneous item


The Managing Director raised the issue towards payment of TA/DA etc. to all the Contractual Employees under the Corporation. The Members accorded in principle approval of the same following manner:

The different Categories of Contractual Employees under WBSWC are fitted with the Categories (I to V) of State Government employees as mentioned in the GO 4730-F dated 25/5/1999 and they are entitled to get the same facilities of Travelling Allowances which are entitled by the regular employees of the same categories (ie; I to V) of this Corporation as per existing TA Rules.



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( Priyatu Mandal, IAS )  
Managing Director, WBSWC



29/11/20

( Manoj Kr. Agarwal, IAS )  
Chairman, WBSWC



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Dated .01/11/2018

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13. The Secretary, Central Warehousing Corporation.
14. The Additional Secretary, Department of Food & Supplies , Govt. of W.B.
15. The Accounts Officer, WBSWC.
- 16 to 24. The Officers posted at H.O. for taking action relevant for their section wing / CE/A.S./S.O./A.D.- Comm./Dy.Director,SWC/ A.D. -Project./ Ad.O./ Z.O.(E)/Z.O.(A/c). S.S.P., for uploading to website.
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Secretary