

Minutes of the 292nd Meeting of Board of Directors of West Bengal State Warehousing Corporation held on 30/03/2026 at 12.00 noon at the meeting hall of Khadyashree Bhawan (7th Floor), Kolkata-700087


Members Present:

1.	Parvez Ahmad Siddiqui, I.A.S.	CHAIRMAN
2.	Sri Debabrata Chakraborty, I.A.S., Managing Director, West Bengal State Warehousing Corporation	MANAGING DIRECTOR
3.	Suman Kumar Ghosh, Director of DDP&S, Food & Supplies Department, Govt. of West Bengal	DIRECTOR
4.	Smt. Sima Halder, WBCS (Exe), Additional Secretary, Food & Supplies Department, Govt. of West Bengal.	DIRECTOR
5.	Sri Anindya Bardhan, WBA&AS, Financial Adviser, Food & Supplies Department Govt. of West Bengal	DIRECTOR
6.	Sri Sumit Gobinda Choudhury, Director of Finance, Food & Supplies Department, Govt. of West Bengal	DIRECTOR
7.	Sri Abhishek Anand, Regional Manager, Central Warehousing Corporation	DIRECTOR
8.	Sri Alok Jain, Deputy General Manager (ABU & GSS), State Bank of India	DIRECTOR
9.	Shri Suresh Kumar Nayak, Dy. Secretary (SA, SDF, SPF and Sugar Policy), Govt. of India, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Department of Food & Public Distribution, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi	DIRECTOR

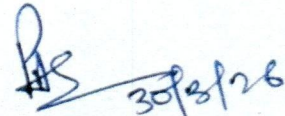
Leave of Absence granted

10.	Sri Bibhas Chandra Adhikari, Non-Official Director	Non-Official Director
11.	Shri Roopendra Kumar Sharma, Sr. General Manager (Engg), Central Warehousing Corporation	DIRECTOR

Parvez Ahmed Siddiqui, I.A.S., Hon'ble Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Corporation took the Chair and welcomed all the members of the Board and granted Leave of Absence to the members absent and also requested the Managing Director, WBSWC to start the agenda wise discussion.


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SRI DEBABRATA CHAKRABORTY, I.A.S.,
MANAGING DIRECTOR, WBSWC


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PARVEZ AHMAD SIDDIQUI, I.A.S.
CHAIRMAN, WBSWC

At the outset the Managing Director welcomed the Chairman, Parwez Ahmad Siddiqui, I.A.S. and all the members participated in the meeting.

Agenda Item No.-1: To confirm the proceedings of the 291st meeting of the BOD held on 05.03.2025

Resolution:-

Noted and granted. At the very outset the Hon'ble Chairman expressed his deep satisfaction over the functioning and achievement of the Corporation in spite of its various constraints in respect of manpower & required infrastructure. The turnaround of WBSWC after coming under the department of Food and Supplies is praise worthy & earning of a mentionable amount of profit & tendering dividends to its shareholders regularly deserve admiration.

He further added that the officials and other stakeholders of the corporation have to improve the working approach with a more professional attitude towards to take the corporation towards greater heights.

Agenda Item No. -2 :- Submission and approval of the Audited Financial statements for FY 2020-2021

The entire statutory draft audit report with important observations along with Action Taken Report (ATR) of the Audit Committee observations there-of, were presented elaborately. It was also mentioned that the ATRs and observations (given by statutory auditors) were screened by the audit committee initially and the observations of the audit committee have already been taken care of & acted upon by WBSWC.

In this regard, the Board was apprised the following issues and response of the Directors was taken care of.

- A. The matter of provision for bad & Doubtful debts of Rs. 8,94,95,815.67 prior to F.Y. 2004 was intimated requesting its remedial measures. It was resolved to prepare the detail list of provision for bad & Doubtful debts and to place the same before the audit Committee in the next meeting.

- B. Board was also apprised about the GST paid under the Reverse Charge Mechanism for the hired motor vehicles where cost of fuel is borne by the service recipient.
- C. Accumulated balance of provision for Taxation has been adjusted by Rs.33.48 Cr. in the Balance Sheet of F/Y-2020-21. Apart from that, detail discussion has taken place with regard to the Dividend Distribution Tax (DDT) of Rs.2 Cr. and Income Tax demand of Rs. 88 lakhs for Assessment Year (A.Y.) 2018-19. This was vividly explained to the board. However, it has been advised to discuss the matter with the consultant Chartered Accountant of the Corporation for early disposal of the issues.
- D. The board has expressed due satisfaction about the current status of the Bank Reconciliation Statement (BRS) for F.Y. 2020-21 when the same has been briefed to them.

After threadbare discussion the Annual Accounts for the F.Y-2020-2021 of the Corporation along with Draft Audit report was accepted by the Board.

Agenda Item No. -3 :- To consider & approve the revised Budget estimate of WBSWC for the F.Y-2025-2026 and the Budget estimate for the F.Y-2026-2027

Basic features of the Revised Budget Estimate for the F.Y-2025-2026 and Budget Estimate for the F.Y-2026-2027 were placed before the members mentioning Go-down wise capacity and utilization along with projected storage income under different go-down categories like OWN/RIDF/RKVY/GFD/PEG/PHGs etc including other income (from weighbridge, bank interest, H&T supervision) and as well as the different components of expenditure also. During discussion several issues were raised & discussed.

The Board was further apprised the following issues and response of the Directors was noted for future guidance.

A.Go-down Category wise detail actual income for 2024-25, revised estimate 2025-26 and budget estimate for 2026-27 was placed to the board with the detail calculation for each component.

B.Details expenditure under different heads actual for 2024-25, revised estimate 2025-26 and budget estimate for 2026-27 with supporting calculations spread in different annexures was placed to the board for approval.

C.Board has advised to give full hearted efforts to increase the utilization of vacant spaces lying in different SWC own go-down. For that purpose if required necessary steps for repairs and maintenance may be undertaken on emergent basis particularly where fertilizers were being stored previously.

D.Board further suggested WBSWC may approach local DCFS for the own non-food go-downs which are lying vacant for long time for utilization for storage of food grains. If required communication may also be done with the O/o DDPS requesting the same. RM, CWC also suggested to consider some measures for planning regarding vacant go-down spaces for prolonged period like launching of any special scheme to attract new depositors, new diversification proposal etc.

After detailed discussion the R.E. for 2025-26 & the BE for 2026-27 was accepted by the BOD.

Agenda item No. 04 :- *Extension of the existing storage tariff schedule for further 01(one) year w.e.f. 01.04.2026.*

The matter of frequency of publishing storage tariff schedule & its implementation in WBSWC was elucidated at the first. It was mentioned that unlike previous trend, for the first time in 2025 the validity of the storage tariff schedule was approved for one year only.

Earlier Board had suggested to conduct elaborate market study for augmentation of potential business capacity as per the existing market rate, demand of commodity of different areas by engaging a consultant firm.

The measures so far adopted by WBSWC were briefed. After a detailed discussion the Chairman of the Board advised to conduct the matter of market survey using in house expertise & utilizing the own business experience (of WBSWC).

A Committee has been proposed in this regard for promotion of business development.

- (i) Sri Sumit Gobinda Chowdhury, D.F, F&S Department (Mentor)
- (ii) Sri Nilanjan Bhattacharya, Secretary, WBSWC
- (iii) Sri Atanu Ghosh, OSD(General Section), WBSWC
- (iv) Sri Ranjit Goswami, GM(Food), WBSWC
- (v) Sri Kaushik Mukherjee, GM(Administration), WBSWC
- (vi) Sri Sandip Sarkar, GM(Commercial), WBSWC (Convener)
- (vii) Sri Kaushik Banerjee, Z.O.(Admin/Proj.), WBSWC

The Committee will submit its first report to MD within 15th June, 2026 and final report within 30th June, 2026.

Finally, the proposal for extension of the existing storage tariff schedule was, in principle, approved by the Board by 01 (one) year w.e.f. 01/04/2026 or up till acceptance of the revised Storage Tariff schedule, whichever is earlier.

Agenda item no. 05:- To appraisal on the construction status of Dafarpur, SWC Alipurduar and Falta

It has been appraised to the board that-

(a) Survey and demarcation work for implementation of the layout for the go-down and boundary wall works are going on so far the project related to **construction of 15000 MT capacity food storage go-down at Dafarpur in the district of Murshidabad** is concerned. The board noted the above development. An early inspection (by Chief Engineer, S.S.E. & Secretary) has been advised to expedite the matter.

(b) Due amount has been paid in full to WBIIDC and process of registration of land in favour of WBSWC is underway w.r.t. **status of construction of new go-down at Falta land in Falta SEZ, South 24 Parganas.**

(c) Communication with L & L R department in the matter of finalization of Long Term Settlement (LTS) agreement has been made w.r.t. **construction of new go-down at SWC Alipurduar premises.** It was appraised that the construction work is going on, but for permission of tree felling from Department of Forests for availability of space towards completion of the construction, documents of LTS would be required. An early inspection (by S.S.E. & Secretary) has been advised to expedite the matter.

With all agenda points thus discussed, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.


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