

**MINUTES OF THE 28th GOVERNING BODY MEETING OF THE
C.W.D.B. HELD ON 30TH AUGUST, 2010 AT JODHPUR.**

The 28th meeting of the Governing Body of the Central Wool Development Board held on 30th August, 2010 at Jodhpur and was presided over by Shri Sagar Rayka, Chairman, CWDB. A list of the participants is enclosed as Annexure- I.

Shri K.K. Goyal, Executive Director, Central Wool Development Board welcomed all the members and get introduced among the members.

Shri Sagar Rayka, Chairman, CWDB welcomed all members and addressed the Board. The Chairman, in his address, briefed about important activities of the Board, problems of wool sector and present inadequate staff strength of Board. He mentioned that the Board require experienced and qualified technical staff from Textile and Animal Husbandry side for better implementation and monitoring of Board's projects in fields. The National Fiber policy has also given emphasis on strengthening of CWDB. He informed that the Board is hiring the services of experts on contract basis initially to meet out its primary requirement till permanent posts are created. He also pointed out important agenda items of Governing Body meeting and invited comments and suggestion from other Board members so that programmes and schemes of the Board can be implemented effectively.

After address of Chairman, Shri K.K. Goyal, Member Secretary and Executive Director, CWDB took up the agenda items and invited point-wise discussion, as under :

1. **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 27TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CWDB HELD ON 10TH MAY, 2010 AT SRINAGAR.**

Since no comments were received from any member, the minutes of the 27th meeting of the Governing Body were confirmed.

ED, CWDB also informed that the Board displays agenda and minutes of all Governing Body and Executive Committee meetings on its website woolboard.nic.in promptly and members can download and sent their comment.

2. **ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 27TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY.**

ED, CWDB placed a statement showing Action Taken Report on the decision of last Governing Body meeting and following decisions were taken:

(I) Performance of Oriental Insurance Co. Ltd. under Sheep Insurance Scheme : Looking at pending and delayed death claim practices, long formalities for submission of death claim form and lack of networking system to provide all relevant data of Sheep Insurance by Oriental Insurance Co. Ltd., it was decided to hold a separate meeting of Sr. Officers of OIC, MOT & CWDB for quick settlement of pending death claims and effective implementation of Sheep Insurance Scheme in all States.

(II) To open Board's sub office in Delhi : The Governing Body agreed with the views of the Special Committee constituted by the Executive Committee to examine necessity to open Board's sub office at New Delhi.

(III) Status of R&D projects sanctioned during 11th Plan : ED, CWDB informed that progress of all R&D Projects are being placed before Executive Committee time to time.

(IV) To verify that good quality Rams physically distributed under SWIS projects : ED, CWDB stated that Inspection of Ram is a permanent item under beneficiary schedule for inspection. The GM, H.P. State Wool Fed., Shimla stated that the financial provision made for purchase of lambs under Ram Raising Unit (new component of SWIS) is Rs. 1200 only and it is not possible to procure lamb in this amount. He also stated that under Breed Improvement, cost of Stud Ram is Rs. 3000 which is also on very lower side. ED, CWDB replied that under the approved scheme cost of Lamb is Rs. 1200 and for stud Ram it is Rs. 3000 – 4000 so Board can permit to purchase Stud Ram from 3000 to 4000 Rs. Range.

The GM, H.P. State Wool Fed., Shimla also appreciated the decision of last Executive Committee to keep Photo Identity Proof of all beneficiaries and video graphy/photos of all major activities under Board's scheme as evidence.

3. DISCUSSION ON PROGRESS MADE BY THE BOARD DURING CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR 2010-11

ED, CWDB explained that out of total Plan allocation of Rs. 15 Crore for Annual Plan 2010-11, the Board has utilized Rs. 7.67 Crore upto 25th August,2010. He also informed that Board has made many marketing efforts to get project proposal under Quality Processing of Wool scheme for post-loom processing activity but no project proposal have been received. Similarly, further fund need not be released to OIC & LIC under Social Security Scheme as already released fund have not been utilized and if funds are not re-appropriated then these

funds will remain un-utilized and so these savings should be re-appropriated to SWIS where there are demand. He also stated that in this regards, a Re-appropriation proposal have already been sent to MOT.

4. TO NOTE THE DECISIONS OF THE 33RD AND 34TH MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE CWDB HELD ON 25-06-2010 AND 30-07-2010 AT NEW DELHI, RESPECTIVELY.

ED, CWDB explained new project proposals approved by the 33rd and 34th Executive Committee meetings and following suggestions were made by the Governing Body :

- (I) ED, CWDB stated that fund have been sanctioned to all wool producing States for procurement of raw wool. Rajasthan is one of the most wool producing State in India but presently there is no Govt. Agency for marketing of Raw wool. Matter have been taken up with the Rajasthan Khadi Board also but till date no project proposal has been received.

ED, CWDB also stated that Bikaner is biggest Wool Mandi in India and CWDB has its own office at Bikaner and CWDB have experienced marketing officers (Wool Marketing Development Officers & Deputy Marketing Officer.) and possibility of Marketing may be explored by transferring one officer (WMDO) along with post from Board's Jodhpur office to Bikaner office in association with any suitable Govt. Agency/Organization/Corporation to provide remunerative returns of wool to farmers and to protect them from exploitation from middlemen.

It was also suggested that all Implementing Agencies under SWIS should also implement Grading and Marketing components, effectively in project areas. ED, CWDB has made a point for provision of some funds for marketing of Angora wool under Revolving Fund in favour of ongoing implementing agencies of Angora projects.

(II) Shri S.S. Gupta, Jt. Secretary MOT and VC, CWDB suggested to give more emphasis on Angora Wool Development programme as it is more sustainable and economically viable and can generate income for the poor persons. He also gave emphasis to develop new and diversified products made from Angora wool to increase its demand and to stabilize Angora wool price by setting up processing facility for Angora wool.

After detailed discussion, the Governing Body approved the decisions of the 33rd and 34th meetings of the Executive Committee of the CWDB.

5. **STRENGTHENING OF CWDB BY ENGAGING TEXTILE ENGINEERS/VETERINARY DOCTORS/AND OTHERS ON CONTRACT BASIS UNDER DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES OF BOARD.**

ED, CWDB explained that during many previous meetings of Executive Committee and Governing Body, it was decided to hire the services of subject experts/consultants on contract basis to meet out additional requirement of technical manpower in Board. The Board had made provision for such appointment under IWIDP scheme for better implementation and monitoring of different schemes of Board.

(I) Appointment of Consultants and B. Tech. personnel :

ED, CWDB informed that as per the decision of 33rd EC meeting, the Board has hired the services of following two retired officers as Consultants and appointed another two B. Tech personnel on contract basis in Board as per their profile and interview basis, as under :

SN	Name of retired officers/B. Tech	Purpose	Monthly Remuneration
1	Dr. Kailash Prasad Joshi	Veterinary Consultant	Rs. 16,000/- (Fixed) per month at Jodhpur office.
2	Shri Daulat Ram Satpal	Accounts & Audit Consultant	
3	Miss Soni Pankaj	Master Trainer for WDTC, Kullu	Rs. 18000/-(fixed) per month.
4	Miss Parul Gupta	'Quality Processing of Wool' scheme	

The Governing Body approved above appointments in Board on contract basis.

(II) Appointment of Veterinary Doctors :

ED, CWDB informed that most of the schemes are related to sheep husbandry but presently there is no veterinary doctor available with the Board to monitor/evaluate different projects properly at field level. It was suggested to appoint newly passed out and experienced Veterinary Doctors as Research Assistant who can stay in the field for longer duration and monitor the implementation of the scheme. He further informed that the Board has already published an advertisement in this regard and received many applications.

After detail discussion, the Governing Body decided to appoint two fresh or experienced Veterinary Doctors on contract basis for 2/3 years in Board on monthly remuneration of Rs. 18000/-(fixed) per month.

III) Secretarial Assistance for the Chairman, CWDB :

ED, CWDB explained that the Ministry of Textiles appoints Chairman of the CWDB time to time for a period of two years. The Chairman of the CWDB is equivalent to the Secretary to the Govt. of India. Though Appointment letter describes Residential Accommodation, Travel on Duty etc. to the Chairman, CWDB as admissible to the Secretary to the Government of India but it is totally silent about Secretarial Assistance. He mentioned that as per GR & SR, the Secretary, Govt. of India is entitled for a Private Secretary and a Senior Peon as personal staff. As the Board has not sanctioned posts for personal staff of its Chairman and also having acute shortage of staff strength at present, it is difficult to spare any employee from existing staff.

The Governing Body approved the proposal to appoint one Private Secretary and one Senior Peon as per choice of the Chairman (till CWDB is unable to provide these staffs to the Chairman, CWDB) on contract and co-terminus basis in Board with monthly remuneration/payment of Rs. 8,000 for PS and Rs. 5,000 per month for Sr. Peon. It was also agreed that as the Chairman has already appointed a PS, the Board would provide him Rs. 8,000 p.m. from the date of his appointment/attachment.

6. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL FOR CLOSURE OF WOOL TESTING CENTRE, BEAWAR.

ED, CWDB informed that the Board had established a Wool Testing Centre at Beawar (Ajmer- Rajasthan) in the year 1999 for testing facilities like scouring yield, fibre length, fibre fineness, count, blend composition etc. He

explained performance of last four years that average 10 samples per month have been received and average earning is only Rs. 500 per month.

After detail discussion, it was decided to close this Wool Testing Centre by shifting its equipments to existing WTC (Laboratory) at Bikaner.

7. DISCUSSION & DECISION REGARDING PERMISSION TO COVER POST-LOOM MACHINERIES UNDER PRE-LOOM ACTIVITIES OF 'QUALITY PROCESSING OF WOOL SCHEME'.

(I) ED, CWDB informed that 'Quality Processing of Wool and Woollen' scheme has two heads i.e. (i) Pre loom and (ii) post loom processing activity for providing financial assistance. The Board has made several marketing efforts in the past for setting up of CFC for post loom but was unable to get the proposal. The Director, WRA suggested to provide post loom processing machineries of small production capacity on the same pattern as per norms/ terms & conditions for existing pre loom activity. The CFC for the post loom process would also serve the same objects as the pre loom CFC.

After detailed discussion, it was agreed to merge both the Pre loom & Post loom activities. Necessary approval from Govt. may be obtained.

(II) ED, CWDB also informed that the Board has received some project proposals from existing CFC agencies for setting up of machinery for different activity under pre loom activity of 'Quality Processing of Wool' scheme. The Executive Committee also in its 33rd & 34th EC meeting decided to consider such project proposals if these are for separate processing activities.

After detailed discussion, it was decided to consider such project proposal received from those Agencies, who have already established and running Board's CFC for a separate processing activity.

OTHER DISCUSSION :

(I) Ms. S. Rawla, Jt. Secretary, MOA asked for Mid Term Evaluation Report of Board's schemes. She also suggested that instead of going to SFC/EFC for every small changes in the approved scheme, a provision would be made for Empowered Committee for minor amendment required as per field conditions. She also suggested to take necessary help from Central Sheep Breeding Farm, Hissar for distribution of good quality Rams under SWIS and may invite them in Board's meeting as a special invitee as and when required. She emphasized to pass on the benefits to wool growers through similar scheme of Ministry of Agriculture's for Small Ruminant.

Annexure – I.

**List of participants for the 28th Governing Body meeting of the CWDB
held on 30-08-2010 at Jodhpur.**

1. Shri Sagar Raika, Chairman, Central Wool Development Board, Jodhpur.
2. Shri S.S. Gupta, Joint Secretary (Wool), MOT and Vice Chairman, CWDB, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Ms. S. Rawla, Joint Secretary, Animal Husbandry Deptt., Ministry of Agriculture, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Shri Kuldip Sharma, Chairman & Managing Director, Gujarat Sheep & Wool Development Corporation Ltd., (GUSHEEL) Ahmedabad.
5. Shri M.K. Bardhan, Director, Wool Research Association, Thane, Mumbai.
6. Dr. K.K. Goswami, Director, Indian Institute of Carpet Technology, Bhadoi.
7. Shri Vijay Thakur, Chief Executive Officer, H.P. State Wool Procurement & Mkt. Federation Ltd., Shimla.
8. Dr. D.M. Das, Managing Director, Karnataka Sheep & Wool Development Corp. Ltd., Bangalore.
9. Shri Mahesh N. Sanil, Secretary General, Indian Woollen Mills Federation, Mumbai.
10. Shri V.P. Verma, non-official member from H.P. State.
11. Shri Shangrambhai B. Bharwad, Non-official member from Gujarat State.
12. Shri P.V. Rajendiran, Non-official member from Tamilnadu State.
13. Shri Hanumana Ram Raika, Non-official member from Rajasthan.
14. Dr. D. B. Shakyawar, Principal Scientist, Representative of Director, Central Sheep & Wool Research Institute, Avikanagar, Jaipur.
15. Dr. Neeraj Mohan, Veterinary Officer, Department of Animal Husbandry, Govt. of H.P., Shimla.
16. Dr. S. A. Quazi, Dy. Director (Jodhpur), representative of the Director, Animal Husbandry Deptt., Govt. of Rajasthan, Jaipur.
17. Shri K.K. Goyal, Member Secretary and Executive Director, Central Wool Development Board, Jodhpur.
