

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED IN CONNECTION WITH MATTERS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION OF FOODGRAINS AND PDS ITEMS HELD ON 12 AUGUST AT 11:30 AM IN THE OFFICE CHAMBER OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER/BISHNUPUR WITH SHRI JASON A. SHIMRAY, IAS, DC/BISHNUPUR IN THE CHAIR.

The following officers were present:

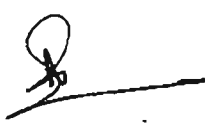
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| i) Shri. Laishram Radhakanta Singh,                    | MCS, SDO/Nambol    |
| ii) Shri. Ramananda Nongmeikapam,                      | MCS, SDO/Bishnupur |
| iii) Shri. Bantee Singh Konthoujam,                    | MCS, SDO/Moirang   |
| iv) Shri. Kh. Lalmani Singh,                           | AC/Bishnupur       |
| v) Shri. N. Lokendro Singh, DSO (CAF & PD), Bishnupur. |                    |

At the outset, Deputy Commissioner / Bishnupur welcomed all the Members present and explained the members the purpose of the meeting, relating to transportation of foodgrains & PDS items and its distribution thereof for implementation of the notified Ordinance viz National Food Security Ordinance, 2013 etc.

2. The Committee was informed that in pursuance of the above Ordinance the State Govt. CAF & PD Department has issued ~~one~~ order dated 29-07-2013 stating that the transportation of foodgrains and PDS items in the respect of the 4(four) Valley Districts (including Bishnupur District) shall no longer be entrusted to the Transport Contractors as per the decision by the State Cabinet in its meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2013. The CAF & PD Order dated 29-07-2013 also stated that, the NIT dated 20-04-2013 floated by the Director (CAF & PD), Government of Manipur for appointment of Transport Contractors in the respect of the Valley Districts has also been withdrawn. Further, all DCs of valley districts (including DC/Bishnupur) have been entrusted to transport food grains & PDS items from FCI/State Godowns by hiring private trucks till the Fair Price Shops at the approved rates of the State Governments with immediate effect and until further orders. In other words, the transportation of the food grains & PDS items and proper distribution thereof has been fully entrusted to the District Administration, for which the roles and the functions of the SDOs are considered very important and vital. As the office of DSO(CAF & PD) /Bishnupur has no Government Vehicles / Trucks for transportation of food grains and PDS items, the DSO informed that the first priority task of the Committee is to appoint /engage a well recognized, renowned and reliable Firm/Agency which can supply the required the numbers of good conditioned Vehicles/Trucks on hiring basis on payment of hiring charges at the approved rate of the State Government at the earliest to ensure that the food grains & PDS items earmarked for Bishnupur District is lifted from the FCI Godown/State Godowns in time and no quota are lapsed for want of required Vehicles / Trucks. It was also stated that no good conditioned Trucks could be hired at short notice especially in Bishnupur District. As such any Firm /Agency which can supply the required number trucks is required to be engaged /identified immediately.

3. The DSO(CAF & PD) further informed the Committee that the following 4 (four) applications have been received from the following Firms / Agencies by DC Officer, Bishnupur, wherein these Firms/ Agencies have requested to appoint / engage their Firm /Agencies as the Vehicles Suppliers for transportation of the food grains & PDS items at the approved Government rates.

- i) M/S Ningthoucha Agency, khurai Chingangbam Leikai, Imphal East District under RR No. 1/dt. 01-08-2013.
- ii) M/S L.R. Enterprises Moirang Kampu Khewa Bazar, Imphal East under RR No. 2/dt. 31-07-2013.
- iii) M/S Simon Leivon Transport Agency, Thayong, Imphal East District under RR No. 3/dt. 06-08-2013.
- iv) M/S B.L.L. Agency, Samaram, Thoubal District under RR No. 4/dt. 05-08-2013.



4. A comparative Statement of these 4 (four) Firms/Agencies has been prepared by the office of the DSO (CAF&PD) / Bishnupur and the same was placed before the Committee for the consideration and decision for the engaging a renowned, trustworthy and reliable Firm/Agency for supply of Vehicles / Trucks on hiring basis at the Government approved rate.

5. After a minutes discussion on various issued the committee are decided to make following suggestion

i) The SDOs of Bishnupur District (Nambol, Bishnupur & Moirang) have been entrusted to monitor and check whether the food grains and PDS items allocated for their respective Sub - Division are properly distributed to the beneficiaries card holders /eligible households by the FPS Agents or not and reports in this regard should be submitted to DC Bishnupur on a regular basis at least once in a month latest by the 4<sup>th</sup> of every month. The SDOs should also ensure that the lifted PDS items are transported upto the Fair Price Shops by deputing their responsible staff and in consultation / co -ordination with the DSO (CAF & PD) / Bishnupur under the direct supervision of the DC Bishnupur .

ii) It was also decided that the SDOs should examine and study the National Food Security Ordinance, 2013 minutely and they were directed to suggest their considered views/comments for early implementation of the Ordinance.

iii) After taking into consideration of all relevant factors such as the status of registration of the Firms with the concerned authorities, supporting documents like Memorandum of Association & Articles of Associations, payment of Income Tax or any relevant taxes, number of availability of Trucks etc., the Committee, after examination of all relevant records and taking into consideration all relevant factors, particularly the non-availability of good conditioned Trucks at short notice especially in Bishnupur District, recommends that M/S Ningthoucha Agency, with its Administrative Office at Kurai Chingangbam Leikai, Imphal - East District, Imphal be appointed /engaged as the Vehicles / Trucks suppliers for transportation of good grains, others PDS items etc. from the FCI/State Godowns at the approved rate fixed by the State Government initially for a period of 4(four) years with immediate effect which may be extendable for further period as deem fit depending upon the satisfactory performance of the Firm / Agency subject to fulfillment of the following terms and the conditions at stated below :-

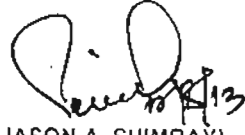
- a) Necessary Agreement / Undertaking will be signed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bishnupur on behalf of the CAF & PD Department, Govt. of Manipur and M/S Ningthoucha Agency.
- b) The Firm i.e M/S Ningthoucha Agency, should deposit a sum of Rs.10,00,000/- ( Rupees ten lakhs) only as Security Deposit in the form of D-at - Call in favour of Deputy Commissioner, Bishnupur at SBI/ Bishnupur, which may be forfeited by the State Government in case of any default, non-compliance of the instructions /guidelines issued by the State Government in this regard.
- c) The appointment /engagement of M/S Ningthoucha Agency as Truck/Vehicles Suppliers is subject to cancellation without any prior notice if the performance of the Firm /Agency is found unsatisfactory and in the event as stated above; the security deposit amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakhs only) is liable to be forfeited and the same will be deposited into the appropriate Head of Account of the State Government .
- d)

iv) The Committee recommends that surprise visits and inspections be conducted by the SDOs and DC at the FPS centers at random from time to time to ensure that the PDS items are delivered to the beneficiary's card holders and eligible households as per existing guidelines /instructions in a free, fair and transparent manner.

v) The Committee also recommends that immediate necessary follow up actions are taken up on priority to enable the District Administration to comply with the provision / sections of the National Security Ordinance, 2013.



6. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

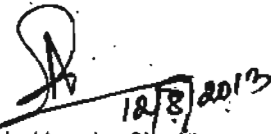
  
(JASON A. SHIMRAY)  
Deputy Commissioner  
Bishnupur

Memo No. 7/3/DSOCAF&PD/BPR/13

Bishnupur, the 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2013.

Copy to:-

- 1) Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Manipur.
- 2) PPS to Hon'ble Minister (CAF & PD), Manipur.
- 3) PS to all hon'ble MLAs, Bishnupur District.
- 4) PPS to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur.
- 5) Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Manipur.
- 6) Commissioner (Revenue), Govt. of Manipur.
- 7) Commissioner (CAF&PD), Govt. of Manipur.
- 8) Director (CAF&PD), Manipur. This has a reference to the Govt. Order dated 29-07-2013 referred to above.
- 9) All the SDOs Bishnupur District (Bishnupur/Nambol/Moirang) for information and necessary action.
- 10) ADM, Bishnupur
- 11) DSO (CAF&PD), Bishnupur
- 12) D/O, NIC, Bishnupur. He is requested to upload the above Minutes of the Committee Meeting in the official website of DC, Bishnupur for information of all the concerned.
- 13) Notice Board of DC Office, Bishnupur, SDO Offices of Bishnupur, Nambol and Moirang for information & necessary action.
- 14) President, Manipur State Consumer Redressal Forum, Manipur.
- 15) Guard File/ Relevant File.

  
(N. Lakhendro Singh)  
District Supply Officer (CAF & PD)  
Bishnupur District

