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Minutes of the 181st Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on 23rd September 2010 at 11.00 a.m. at the Registered Office of the Corporation.

#### PRESENT:

Name and designation	
Shri. A.R. Krishnamurthy	Hon'ble Chairman
Shri. E. Venkataiah, I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Dept., Government of Karnataka.	Director
Shri. N. Manjunath Prasad, I.A.S., Commissioner, Social Welfare Dept., Government of Karnataka.	Director
Shri. K.S. Mruthyunjaya	Managing Director
Shri. A. Muniyellappa Addl. Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Government of Karnataka.	Director
Shri. Somala Nayak Managing Director, Karnataka Thanda Development Corporation Ltd.,	Director

Shri.K.S. Mruthyunjaya, Managing Director of the Corporation extended warm welcome to the Hon'ble Chairman of the Corporation Shri. A.R. Krishnamurthy, the Principal Secretary to Government Shri. E. Venkataiah, IAS, the Commissioner, Social Welfare Department, Shri. N. Manjunath Prasad, IAS, Shri. A. Muniyellappa, Addl. Secretary to Government, Finance Department and Shri. Somala Nayak, MD, KTDC Ltd., all Directors of the Corporation to the meeting.

Shri. A.R. Krishnamurthy, Hon'ble Chairman extending warm greetings to the Principal Secretary, the Commissioner and the other Directors, ascertained that requisite quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

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Leave of absence was granted to Shri. M.A. Hussain, Dy Secretary, DPE, Government of Karnataka and the Government of India Nominees.

### Item No.1 - Noting of Minutes of the 180th Meeting held on 30th July 2010:

The Managing Director informed that the minutes of the 180<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010 were circulated among all the Directors and no comments have been received. The Board noted the same to be taken on record.

Item No.2 – Review of action taken on the decisions of 179<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting held on 15.05.2010 and 180<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010:

The Managing Director explained the action taken on the decisions/directions of the Board in the 179th and 180th meetings of the Board held respectively on 15.05.2010 and 30.07.2010.

a. OTS and Loan Waiver: During the course of review, referring to extension granted to OTS scheme upto 30th September 2010 vide subject no. 6 of 179th meeting, Shri. N. Manjunath Prasad, IAS, Commissioner enquired about the response from the beneficiaries and details of loan amount sanctioned to the beneficiaries. The Managing Director informed that there has been a collection of about Rs. 86,77,155/- from 1st April 2010 to 30th August 2010 under the scheme and conveyed the requests made by District Offices to extend the scheme upto the end of December 2010. The Chairman and the Commissioner also informed about the proposal sent to the Government for its consideration to waive off all the outstanding loans given to agriculture based activities.

Shri. E. Venkataiah, IAS, Principal Secretary informed that the proposal of waiver is being examined by the Government and would be forwarded to Finance Department for its consideration.

With the permission of the Chair, the Managing Director requested the Board to consider extending the OTS upto 31st December 2010. The Board after brief discussion accorded approval to extend the OTS from 30th September 2010 to 31st December 2010.

b. <u>Lokayuktha Cases:</u> While reviewing the action taken report of 180<sup>th</sup> Meeting [sub. No. 24], the Chairman desired to have the details of all 'Lokayuktha trap cases' and proposed that all such cases be referred to the Legal Advisor of the Corporation for his opinion and further course of action to be taken on it. The Managing Director explained the details of each case and their status. The Managing Director also informed that in all such cases the Lokayuktha has been referred to conduct the enquiry under the CCA Rules 1957. The Board advised to pursue the matter time and again.

The Board reviewed the cases and advised to take opinion of the Legal Advisor in all such cases and take further legal course of action accordingly within 15 days.

c. <u>Transfer Policy [Addl. Sub. No.1 of 180<sup>th</sup> meeting]</u>: With regard to Transfer Policy for the Corporation, the Managing Director informed that the modalities are being worked out and the same would be placed before the next meeting.

### Item No. 3 - Approval of Directors Report:

The Board considered the draft Directors Report for the financial year 2009-10 and after brief deliberation accorded approval by passing the following resolution:

RESOLVED THAT the draft report of the Directors for the year 2009-10 along with the addendum attached thereto be and is hereby approved and that the same be singled by the Chairman, Managing Director and/ any one Director of the Corporation as per sub-section (4) of Section 217 of the Companies Act, 1956.

# Item No. 4 – Report on the progress achieved under various schemes during the year 2010-2011.

The Managing Director presented the details of progress achieved under the various schemes of the Corporation against the targets set in the action plan and as against the performance achieved during the previous two years.

While noting that 3296 bore-wells have been drilled upto this date against the total target for the year 2010-11, the Principal Secretary advised the management to speed up the phase of drilling as it has stopped raining in most part of the state. The Board also noted that under Land Purchase Scheme the Corporation has arranged purchase of 754.21 acres wet land and 62.19 acres of dry land for the SC beneficiaries with a subsidy amount of Rs. 255.01 lakhs and term loan of 255.01 lakhs from April 2010 to August 2010.

The Chairman informed that he has been receiving complaints that there has been discrimination among different sub-castes in selection of beneficiaries and only very few dominant sub-caste is benefited under Ganga Kalyana Scheme. The Commissioner suggested that based on the latest census data available, quota for each sub-castes could be determined for availing the benefit under Ganga Kalyana and other schemes. The Principal Secretary advised to send a proposal in this regard and assured to get the selection process streamlined and proper guidelines are issued by the Government.

The Chairman also referred to the cases of pending bore-wells to be drilled for the beneficiaries selected during the previous year and advised the management to consider such cases on priority before taking up fresh list of beneficiaries. The Commissioner advised to prune down the target for the current year accordingly so that the backlog work could be accommodated.

While reviewing the progress under the schemes sponsored by NSCFDC, the Managing Director informed that NSCFDC have released term loans upto Rs.8.00 Crores and further release would depend on the assurance on providing of Government Gurantee. The Principal Secretary assured to look into the matter.

#### Item No. 5 - Participation in Dussera Exhibition -2010 at Mysore:

The Board considered the proposal and accorded approval to seek appropriate space from the Dussera Exhibition Authority for putting up a pavilion for the Corporation and also incur expenditure for making necessary arrangements, display of photographs and information of various activities of the Corporation and also decoration of the stall in the Exhibition.

# Item No. 6 – Continuation of services of Shri. Suresh Bharadwaj, Company Secretary on retainership basis:

The Board accorded approval to continue the services of Shri. Suresh Bharadwaj, Company Secretary on retainership basis on a monthly retainer fee of Rs.9000/- until further orders.

# Item No. 7 - Reimbursement of medical expenses incurred by Shri. Puttalingaiah, TDO, Ramnagara:

The Board approved reimbursement of medical expenses for his treatment availed at Vijayanagar Global Hospital, Bangalore, to the extent of Rs. 15,765/- as against Rs.38,078/- as recommended by the Director of Health & Family Welfare Department and as per as per the Government Employees (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1963.

# Item No.8 – Reimbursement of medical expenses incurred by Shri. V. Mahalingaiah, SDA on deputation to Karnataka Thanda Development Corporation Ltd.

The Board approved reimbursement of medical expenses to the extent of Rs. 9221/- to Shri. V. Mahalingaiah, SDA on deputation to Karnataka Thanda Development Corporation Ltd., Bangalore towards his treatment at Jayadeva Institute of Cardiology, Bangalore as recommended by the General Manager (Finance) and as per as per the Government Employees (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1963.

### Additional Subjects with the permission of the Chair:

# Addl. Item No. 1 – Regularisation of services of the employees on daily wage /consolidated salary:

The Managing Director sought time to thoroughly examine the cases of each of the employees with reference to eligibility as per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Umadevi's case, qualification, vacancy and other relevant parameters and place the same before board in next meeting. He also informed that as per the directions of the Board the matter has been referred to DPE and their opinion is also awaited.

The Principal Secretary advised to collect information from other boards and corporations where such employees have been regularized and place it before the board. Hence the subject deferred to the next meeting.

Addl. Sub. No.2: COD enquiry report on irregularities committed in distribution of auto rickshaw loans in Bangalore Urban District under Safai Karamacharis Rehabilitation Programme/Self employment/ ISB/Direct loan:

The Board deliberated the subject in detail and perused the report of the COD enquiry, which reveals that 13 beneficiaries have produced bogus caste certificate claiming as Scheduled Caste and 9 beneficiaries have availed double benefit of autorickshaw loans with subsidies. For this 6 officers of the Corporation are involved. However it has been noticed from the records that even before the COD report, the Managing Director has already registered criminal cases against 2 officers viz., Sri M. Gopalachari, District Manager and Sri Shivalingaiah, Taluk Development Officer, pertaining to one bogus caste certificate (Venkatesh S/o Kannan) and one case relating to aviling of double autorickshaw loan (Venugopal S/o Shivalingaiah). The Board directed the Managing Director to register criminal cases against the left out cases in bogus caste certificate and availing double autorickshaw loan cases. Further the Board has directed to take immediate action (booking criminal cases) against the remaining officials viz., Mr. Karagaiah, District Manager, Mr. Shivanna, District Manager (on deputation), Mr. M. Nagaraj, Taluk Development Officer and Mrs. A. Saroja Devi, Taluk Development Officer.

The Board has taken serious view of the observation made by the COD that some of the files were missing and has directed the Managing Director to take action against the officials, who were responsible for the same at that relevant point of time within 30 days and initiate legal action if the files are not traced immediately.

With regard to the beneficiaries who had produced false caste certificates and availed double subsidies, the Board directed the Managing Director to file criminal cases against them and to recover the subsidies amount paid to them. The Board also suggested exploring the possibility of booking cases against them under the provisions of Atrocity Act and Rules.

The Chairman directed the Managing Director to refer these matters to the Legal Advisor and take his opinion on the course of action to be taken within a week.

Addl. sub. no.3 – Vacating the tenant from Shed no.102, Peenya Industrial Area belonging to the Corporation:

The Board discussed the subject in detail and decided to take action to evict the tenant - M/s. Shalini Enterprises from the premises at Shed No. 102, Peenya Industrial Area by invoking provisions of Karnataka Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1974 and Rules 1980. The Board authorized the Managing Director and General Manager (P&A) as Authorised Officers to take action under this Act for and on behalf of the Government in this regard within one month.

The Board also considered to authorize all the District Managers to be empowered to take action under Karnataka Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1974 and advised the Managing Director to send a proposal to notify the District Managers also.

#### Addl. Sub. No.4 - Delegation of Power:

The Managing Director informed the Board that the amendments to the delegation of power is being finalized and the same would be placed before the next meeting. However the Board desired that powers to be delegated to the district officers with regard to the individual bore wells and ganga kalyana schemes.

#### Addl. Sub. No.5 - Service and other Rules for the Corporation:

The Board noting that Corporation has been following KCSR, CCA Rules, financial code and other recruitment rules with respect to service and other matters concerning employees and advised the management to prepare exclusive rules suitable to a PSU. The Board also directed the Managing Director to look in to Service Rules of Mysore Paper Mills Limited and to put up the files before the board along with the comments.

#### Vote of thanks:

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Hon'ble Chairman