

NHA Executive Board's Confirmed Minutes
NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY
CONFIRMED MINUTES

**444th Executive Board Meeting
Islamabad, September 05, 2023**

AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>
1.	Confirmation of Minutes of the 441 st , 442 nd and 443 rd NHA Executive Board Meetings Held on July 21, August 03 & 18, 2023 Respectively
2.	Brief/Updated Status of Contract/Sacked Employees Cases
3.	Quick Decision Making, Single Window Operations and Issuance of NOC to Operators for Lying/ Crossing of Optical Fiber Cables (OFC) in NHA ROW
4.	Implementation ROW Policy Directive Issued by Ministry of Information Technology & Telecommunication (MOIT&T) for Grant of NOC to Use NHA ROW for Laying/Crossing of IT/Optical Fiber Cables (OFC)
5.	Grant of Gratis NOC to Non-Profitable/Charitable Entities/(e.g, Trusts, Foundations, Charitable & Masajids/Madaris etc.) Established/to be Established Within or Outside Building Line & Using NHA ROW as Approaches
6.	Construction of Gawadar - Ratodero Road Project, Khuzdar - Shahdaskot Section-IV (M/s Associated Consultancy Centre (Pvt) Ltd.) - Addendum No.08 for Package-III - Addendum No.07 for Package-IV
7.	Recommendations of the Committee Constituted by NHA Executive Board on the Objections Received on Provisional Seniority List of NHA Special Services Cadre Employees
Add'l-I	Amicable Settlement of All the Disputes Between National Highway Authority and M/s China State Construction Engineering Corporations On Multan - Sukkur Motorway M-5
Add'l-II	Appraisal of NHA Residential Complex Construction Proposal

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Subject: **The 444th Meeting of the NHA Executive Board Held on September 05, 2023 at Islamabad**

Introduction

The 444th meeting of the National Highway Authority Executive Board was held at 0900 hours on September 05, 2023 at the Auditorium of NHA Headquarters, Islamabad. Capt. (Retd.) Muhammad Khurram Agha, Chairman, NHA presided over the meeting.

The meeting commenced with recitation of verses from the Holy Quran with Urdu translation and Darood Sharif.

Opening Remarks

The Chairman extended warm welcome to the participants of the meeting.

The Chairman allowed Secretary, NHA to start formal Board proceedings on the agenda.

Formal Board Proceedings**Agenda Items**

The Secretary, NHA apprised the Board that agenda consists of Seven (07) items. He informed that following two agenda items will be tabled with the permission of Board:

- I. Amicable Settlement of All the Disputes Between National Highway Authority and M/s China State Engineering Construction Corporations On Multan – Sukkur Motorway M-5.
- II. Appraisal of NHA Residential Complex Construction Proposal.

NHA Executive Board's Confirmed Minutes**Agenda Item 1****Confirmation of Minutes of the 441st, 442nd and 443rd NHA Executive Board Meetings Held on July 21, August 03 & 18, 2023 Respectively****Decision**

The NHA Executive Board confirmed minutes of the 441st, 442nd & 443rd Executive Board meetings held on July 21, August 03 & 18, 2023, respectively.

Action By: Secretary, NHA

Agenda Item 2**Brief/Updated Status of Contract/Sacked Employees Cases**

The Member (Admn) briefed the Board about the overall strength of NHA including status of contract/daily wages/sacked employees.

The Board appreciated the briefing and endorsed for submission to the National Highway Council.

Action By: Member (Admn)

Agenda Item 3**Quick Decision Making, Single Window Operations and Issuance of NOC to Operators for Lying/Crossing of Optical Fiber Cables (OFC) in NHA ROW****Decision**

The NHA Executive Board approved mechanism of single window operations and issuance of NOC to operators for lying/crossing of Optical Fiber Cables (OFC) in NHA RoW in expedient manners in the light of directive of the Special Investment Facilitation Council (SFIC), Government of Pakistan. (Revised procedure as per directives of Board is at Annex-C).

Action By: Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 4

Implementation ROW Policy Directive Issued by Ministry of Information Technology & Telecommunication (MOIT&T) for Grant of NOC to Use NHA ROW for Laying/Crossing of IT/Optical Fiber Cables (OFC)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board directed to resubmit the case after finalization of the ROW use policy of Pakistan Railways.

Action By Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 5

Grant of Gratis NOC to Non-Profitable/Charitable Entities/(e.g, Trusts, Foundations, Charitable & Masajids/Madaris etc.) Established/to be Established Within or Outside Building Line & Using NHA ROW as Approaches

Decision

The NHA Executive Board granted permission for issuance of Gratis NOC to Non-profit/charitable organizations (e.g, Trusts, Foundations, & Masajids/Madaris etc.) subject to provision of following documents (issued by the relevant Govt. Agencies) substantiating as Non-Profit/Charitable Entity:

- a. Registration Certificate issued by Federal/ Provincial Authority.
- b. FBR exemption certificate regarding declaration as Non-Profit/ Charitable Organization.
- c. Any other relevant certificate/document issued by the Federal/Provincial Government Agency/ Authority.

The Board also directed to complete all technical requirements before issuance of Gratis NOC.

Action By Member (Finance)

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Agenda Item 6

Construction of Gawadar - Ratodero Road Project, Khuzdar - Shahdadt Section-IV (M/s Associated Consultancy Centre (Pvt) Ltd.)

- **Addendum No.08 for Package-III**
- **Addendum No.07 for Package-IV**

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved following 02 Addendums in favor of Consultancy Contract of M/s Associated Consultancy Centre (Pvt.) Ltd., (ACC) for Khuzdar - Shahdadt Section-IV of M-8 Project:

- a. Addendum # 07 and 08 with increase of cost Rs.54,605,262/- for Package-III and IV:

<u>Addendum No.</u>	<u>Package No.</u>	<u>Revised Approved Cost</u>	<u>Increase</u>		<u>Revised Cost</u>	<u>Revised Completion Date</u>
			<u>Amount</u>	<u>%</u>		
8	P-III	112,528,778	47,471,222	42.2	160,000,000	Dec 31, 2024
7	P-IV	130,318,988	7,134,040	5.5	137,453,028	
Total			54,605,262			

- b. Extension of Time to the Consultants up to December 31, 2024.
- c. Honorary services of The Engineer shall remain intact till finalization of all issues of project and sharing of information as and when required shall remain in obligation of M/S ACC.

Action By Member (West Zone)

Agenda Item 7

Recommendations of the Committee Constituted by NHA Executive Board on the Objections Received on Provisional Seniority List of NHA Special Services Cadre Employees

The subject agenda item was withdrawn on the request of Member concerned.

Action By Member (Admn)

Additional Agenda Item-I

Amicable Settlement of All the Disputes Between National Highway Authority and M/s China State Construction Engineering Corporations On Multan – Sukkur Motorway M-5

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the following proceedings /terms of settlement of all the disputes/claims between the National Highway Authority & M/s CSCEC on Multan – Sukkur Motorway M-5 Project along with draft settlement agreement as recommended by the Stage-II Committee:

- a. The Contractor's proposal to withdraw his claims amounting to Rs.20,871.46 million shall be accepted.
- b. All Employers' claims/disputes amounting to PKR 18,142.79 million shall be withdrawn.
- c. The Contractor shall be paid as per agreed EPC Contract Price.
- d. Both CSCEC and NHA shall arrange to make payment for their respective share of DAB Cost and subject to approval of the Settlement agreement, DAB shall be disbanded.
- e. The Performance Guarantee shall be released to the Contractor after signing of the settlement agreement.

Action By Member (Finance)

Additional Agenda Item-II

Appraisal of NHA Residential Complex Construction Proposal

The Member (Engg. Coord) briefed the Board about the progress regarding construction of Residential Complex for NHA employees and other available options.

The Board appreciated the briefing and endorsed for submission to the National Highway Council.

Action By Member (Engg. Coord)

Conclusion

The Chairman wrapped up the meeting by thanking the Board Members for their active participation and useful input.
