



NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

Chairman Secretariat

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Subject: **The 328th Meeting of the NHA Executive Board
Held on November 19, 2019 at Islamabad**

Introduction

The 328th meeting of the National Highway Authority's Executive Board was held at 1100 hours on November 19, 2019 at the Auditorium of NHA Headquarters, Islamabad. Capt. (Retd.) Sikander Qayyum, Chairman, NHA presided over the meeting.

1.2. The meeting commenced with recitation of verses from the Holy Quran.

Opening Remarks

The Chairman extended warm welcome to all participants of Board meeting particularly Mr. Muhammad Naveed Iqbal Wahlah, who was recently posted as Member (Planning), NHA and attending his first meeting as Member of Executive Board. He paid tribute to Mr. Asim Amin, the outgoing Member (Planning), NHA, whose technical input will be remembered.

The Chairman also apprised the Board about recent major event viz the inauguration of Havelian-Mansehra Section of Havelian - Thakot Expressway (E-35) by the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

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 nine working papers were circulated.

Agenda Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes: 327th Meeting of Executive Board held on November 12, 2019

Decision

The NHA Executive Board confirmed minutes of the 327th Executive Board meeting held on November 12, 2019.

The Board further directed as follows:

The Member (Planning) to ensure compliance of Board's directions regarding award of consultancy contract prior to award of construction works and confirm that land is readily available before award of works.

Not to entertain the BS Civil Engineering Technology in the upcoming internship program of NHA being not registered in Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC).

Action By : Member (Planning)/Member (Admn)/Secretary, NHA

Agenda Item 2

PC-I for Rehabilitation and Up-gradation of Jhal Jaho - Bela (79.89 KM)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board deferred the agenda item regarding PC-I for rehabilitation & upgradation of Jhal Jaho - Bela (79.89 Km) with the following directions to review the PC-I technically and financially within 10 working days:

- a. The proposed asphaltic wearing course, asphaltic base course and aggregate base course be rechecked as Balochistan is the hottest area in Pakistan.
- b. The proposed gradient in the PC-I be rechecked keeping in view hilly terrain and plying of multiple axle trucks.

- c. NHA will execute the project as deposit work.
- d. The PC-I be reviewed to curtail the cost.
- e. Explore the option of Triple Surface Treatment (TST) instead of asphaltic wearing course.
- f. Include the mechanism of calculation of Internal Rate of Return (IRR).
- g. Rationalize the land acquisition cost of the project.
- h. Project be divided into packages for its execution.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 3

PC-I for Construction of Quetta Western Bypass N-25 (22.7 KM)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board recommended PC-I for Dualization of Quetta Western Bypass N-25 (22.7 Km) Project at a cost of Rs.7.103 Billion having an Economic Internal Rate of Return (EIRR) of 16.79% for approval of CDWP.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 4

PC-I for Dualization and Rehabilitation of Dera Ghazi Khan - Dera Ismail Khan Section of N-55 (208.2 Km)

Decision

After deliberations as above, the NHA Executive Board recommended the PC-I for Dualization & Rehabilitation of DG Khan - DI Khan Section of N-55 Project at a cost of Rs.53.35 Billion having an Economic Internal Rate of Return (EIRR) of 18.52% for approval of ECNEC.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 5

PC-I for Construction of Rajanpur - Dera Ghazi Khan Section as 4-Lane Highway of N-55

Decision

After deliberations as above, the NHA Executive Board recommended the PC-I for construction of Rajanpur-DG Khan Section as 4-lane highway of N-55 project at a cost of Rs.33.94 Billion having an Economic Internal Rate of Return (EIRR) of 18.52% for approval of ECNEC.

The Board constituted a committee comprising of the following officers to look into the matter of NHA roads passing through urban areas where bypasses have also been constructed:

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| a. Member (Planning) | Chairman |
| b. DIG Operations NH&MP | Member |
| c. GM (RAMD) | Member |
| d. GM (EALS) | Member |
| e. DD (Auto/Rev-Tech) | Member/Secretary |

TORs of the committee are as follows:

- Committee will study and identify NHA roads for de-federalization falling in urban areas and where bypasses have also been provided.
- The expenditure being sustained by NHA on repair/maintenance of the said urbanized roads.
- The revenue being generated by NHA from ROW of these urbanized roads by utilizing GIS mapping.
- Modus operandi for the proposed de-federalization of NHA roads.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 6

PC-I for Construction of Additional Carriageway Shikarpur – Rajanpur Section of N-55 (222 KM)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board recommended “PC-I for Construction of Additional Carriageway Project Shikarpur - Rajanpur Section of N-55 Length (222 KM)” at a cost of Rs.47.59 Billion having an Internal Rate of Return (IRR) of 20.36% for approval of ECNEC.

The Board directed to hire an international consultant for 3rd party review of PC-Is to save the public money.

The Board further directed the Member (Planning) to inquire the matter regarding major decrease in PC-I cost of Zhob-Kuchlac and share findings with the Board.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 7

SOPs for Financial Evaluation of Contractors/ Consultants/ Operators/Suppliers of NHA

Decision

After detailed deliberations as above, the NHA Executive Board decided to implement the draft SOP (**Annex-C**) devised by M/s Suriya Nauman Rehan & Co, Chartered Accountants as test case on few projects and outcome/feedback be shared with the Board after three months for reconsideration of the proposed SOPs.

The Board approved the invoice submitted by the Consultant (M/s Suriya Nauman Rehan & Co) amounting to Rs.475,000/- (Rupees four hundred and seventy-five thousand only) to be paid out of RMA Account.

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 8

Implementation of E-Fine Collection on Motorways & Highways

Decision

The NHA Executive Board considered the draft E-fine collection model on National Highways & Motorways. Further, the Board constituted a committee comprising of the following to ensure integration of the same with NH&MP E-fine application:

- a. AIG (NH&MP)
- b. Dy. Director (Auto/Rev-Tech), NHA.

The recommendations of the committee will be seen by the IG (NH&MP) before submission to the Executive Board.

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 9

Addendum No. 04 of M/s Asif Ali Associates (A.A.A) (Pvt.) Ltd for Construction Supervision of Approach Road for Bridge Over River Indus Connecting Larkana and Khairpur Districts (Package-I & IV)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the Addendum No. 04 of M/s A.A. Associates for construction supervision of approach road for bridge over river Indus connecting Larkana and Khairpur Districts (Package-I & IV) having amount of Rs.10,196,472/- (54.17% above than the original cost of this addendum and 302.45% above for all addendums).

Action By : Member (South Zone)

Conclusion

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