

MINUTES OF 215TH MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND CONTRACT COMMITTEE HELD ON 23.02.2012 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, CHANDIGARH.

PRESENT :-

1.	Smt. Raj Bala Malik	Mayor
2.	Smt. Prerna Puri	Commissioner
3.	Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta	Councillor
4.	Sh. Pardeep Chhabra	Councillor
5.	Sh. Subhash Chawla	Councillor
6.	Smt. Harjinder Kaur	Councillor
7.	Sh. Lalit Siwach, HCS	Secretary

OFFICERS PRESENT :-

1.	Sh. Sunil Bhatia, PCS	Additional Commissioner-I
2.	Sh. S.S. Bida	Chief Engineer
3.	Sh. Mukesh Anand	S.E.(B&R)
4.	Sh. R.C. Diwan	S.E.(P.H.)
5.	Dr. B.K. Salwan	M.O.H.
6.	Sh. Sanjay Arora	XEN (Roads-III)
7.	Sh. Harinder Singh	XEN (P.H. Div. No.1)
8.	Sh. R.S. Ahluwalia	XEN (P.H. Div. No.2)
9.	Sh. Anil Bansal	XEN (P.H. Div. No.3)
10.	Sh. Gurpreet Singh	XEN (P.H. Div. No.4)
11.	Sh. Surinder Pal Singh	XEN (Electrical)

At the outset the Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Commissioner all the members and Officers in 215th meeting of the Finance and Contract Committee.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that there is no detail of funds in the present budget estimate.

Sh. Rajesh Gupta said that nobody was consulted before preparing the budget and there is no detail of the expenditure. He further stated that the tender processing is very lengthy and it takes at least one year for execution of work. The projects approved by the Finance & Contract Committee

or House one year ago have not been started so far. Even the Multilevel Parking, which was passed in the year 2008 has not so far been started.

The Chief Engineer clarified that Code of Conduct was in force for 3-4 months and due to long rainy season work could not be commenced in time. Moreover there is acute shortage of staff in Engineering Wing which is the main cause for delay in the projects. He further clarified that in case of multilevel parking the Chandigarh Administration has taken one year for changing the underground cables.

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that earlier Councillors were asked to submit their priorities for the development works in their wards and budget was prepared accordingly. He further stated that funds in some areas of M.O.H. wing have been decreased in the budget without any justification. He further stated that malba is a major problem, but no funds have been earmarked to check this problem. Moreover 8 schools are to be constructed, but no fund has been mentioned for their construction. He was of the view that the projects like SSKs and Garbage Processing Plant failed as the planning and implementation was wrong.

M.O.H.

Taking up the budget estimate of M.O.H. wing Sh. Rajesh Gupta stated that heaps of garbage can be seen in the small parks inside the sectors on the sides of V-6 roads.

The Commissioner was of the view that the public should be sensitized about this problem through messages in the newspapers.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra stated that there is shortage of Safai Karamcharies in sectors as many Safai Karamcharies have retired from service and some have died, therefore more Safai Karamcharies are required to be deployed in sectors. He further stated that 5 years ago small dustbins

were purchased and Councillors were invited to see the samples of dustbins before placing the orders, but now Councillors are not consulted in this matter.

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that sanitation of the city is the main concern as it is not upto the mark. The Garbage Processing Plant is also not functioning properly. Similarly the SSKs were set up after spending crores of rupees but have failed due to mismanagement and the Hon'ble High Court has to intervene in the matters of the Corporation. There is a clause in the terms and condition that garbage has to be lifted upto 12.00 noon but the garbage keep lying for 2-3 days which gives ugly look and proves failure of implementation. In the complaint of Montessary School it has been mentioned that garbage is not being lifted daily.

The Commissioner apprised that this matter has already been discussed in the meeting of higher officers and a proposal of 40 dumper placers has already been approved by the House and is under process. She further stated that lifting of garbage daily is possible only if sufficient vehicles are available and we have proposed to purchase more vehicles for which concurrence of Finance Department is required. In addition more bins are also proposed to be purchased which will improve the situation of sanitation.

ACMC-I stated that there is no sufficient lifting capacity, therefore 200 garbage bins are required. Moreover the residents throw malba in the bins or park and to check this problem area Jamadar be authorized to note the address of the house where construction is going on and to issue the challan. The people throw malba in the dust bins and the dead animals are also thrown there which goes to Garbage Processing Plant and it is also a problem being faced by the plant. After purchase of dumper placer, spare bins would be installed in the villages and colonies. There is also a proposal to purchase 200 dustbins. It is also proposed to start door to door collection and after starting this concept the dead animal, malba and vegetable waste will not go to the Garbage Processing Plant.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that the main problem is shortage of sanitation staff as a result the Community centres are also not been cleaned up after the function.

The Commissioner said that the officers should visit in the field and check the attendance of the safai karamcharies and in case they are not found present on duty, it should be reported to the higher authority for further action.

Sh. Subhash Chawla assured that the Committee will always support the officers for the welfare of the city. He stated that the office should make arrangements of bins and sufficient vehicles for proper functioning of sanitation system. He proposed that if 100 safai karamcharies are deputed in each ward even then the sanitation condition can improve satisfactorily subject to the condition the officers should assure physical presence of all the safai karamcharies. He further stated that recently the office bearers of the Sweepers Union have informed him that about 300 Sweepers have been deployed at the residences of bureaucrats, retired Judges and even the Inspectors of CBI which is the main reason of shortage of Safai Karamcharies in sectors. He stated that the Corporation is paying Rs.18.00 lac per month as salary of those 300 Safai Karamcharies which is a heavy burden on the Corporation. He further stated that in the meeting of the House he had pointed out that 19 persons have been shown as deployed in the cremation ground Sector 25, Chandigarh, whereas physically only 5 Safai Karamcharies are available there. He asked the M.O.H. whether he had checked this matter and also asked him to inform about the matter. He suggested that officers should do surprise checking to ensure the presence of safai karamcharies. He further stated that a consultant be appointed to liaise with the Chandigarh Administration for getting the plans approved.

The MOH apprised that it is difficult to hire a JCB Machine for dumping ground, therefore, proposed that a JCB machine be purchased.

The Committee approved the proposal to purchase a JCB machine for MOH wing.

The members were of the view that death and births be registered online, however, some members were of the view that since the record prior to 1966 is not available with the Corporation, therefore, a decision regarding cut off date for online registration of births and deaths has to be taken. The Committee desired that the matter be examined and a detailed agenda be prepared and placed before the Committee for consideration.

The members were of the view that attendance of safai karamcharies as well the employees in the office should be marked through bio-metric system.

The members were concerned about unhygienic conditions of the Community Centers after marriage functions. **After detailed discussion the members resolved that the cleanliness of Community Centers should be got done through outsourcing and an agenda in this regard should be prepared and placed before the Committee for approval.**

Smt. Harjinder Kaur desired that visible inventory regarding assets/deployment of man power should be prepared in time bound manner. She further stated that dog bye-laws have been passed but not implemented yet. She said that number of cases of dog bites are being reported in dispensaries but the Corporation is not doing anything in this regard.

The MOH told that the Corporation has sterilized about 3000 dogs during last year.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that land was allotted to a NGO (PFA) in Raipur Khurd for dog pound, but update status is not known. He said that it was serious matter and should be looked into.

The matter of non performance of garbage processing plant was also discussed.

The Commissioner apprised that the Corporation has already taken action against the plant by forfeiting their security which is the only legal action against them. She further stated that the

land scaping can be done in the dumping ground to accommodate more garbage there before capping it, but approval of architect department has to be sought for the height up to which it can be raised.

The Committee resolved that 375 posts of Safai Karamcharis be created for six months and the city should be divided into five zones and 75 Safai Karamcharis be deployed in each zone according to the requirements.

The members also discussed requirement of dumper placers and resolved that instead of 10, 40 dumper placers be purchased for which budget provision was increased upto Rs.400.00 lac. Similarly the provision of funds for dust bins was also increased from Rs. 50 lac to Rs.1.00 crore.

The budget provision for upgradation of office of MOH was reduced to Rs.30.00 lac.

The Addl. CMC-I clarified that at page 63 “Carcasses Utilization Centre” be read as “Carcasses Incineration Centre”.

The members decided that door-to-door collection of garbage can be initiated through outsourcing. However, the money to be charged from the residents need to be decided first for which the office should examine the matter and bring an agenda before the Committee in this regard.

PRIMARY HEALTH

The members also discussed the matter about Primary Health, the newly transferred functions to the Municipal Corporation and observed that Administration has transferred some dispensaries but the staff working in these dispensaries will move back to the Administration after 31-3-2012. There is lack of infrastructure in these dispensaries which should be provided at the earliest.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that we have to have our own administrative set up and machinery before taking up this function.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur was of the view that the Corporation should take a stand on this issue with Chandigarh Administration on the condition that the staff should be transferred to Corporation along with the grant-in-aid for next 5 years. She requested the Mayor to take up this issue in the meeting of Coordination Committee.

Road Wing

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that it was recommended in the report of study tour that a concrete road be constructed in Sector 17, but no action has been taken in this regard. He also suggested that a policy should be framed for laying paver blocks in V-4 and V-5 road. He further suggested that provision of purchasing a vehicle (Zypsy) for checking throwing of malba in the parks should be made out.

The Chief Engineer suggested that one Sub-Inspector (Enf.) along with one Police personnel be attached with the J.E. to check the malba problem and to issue challan.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra and Smt. Harjinder Kaur were of the view that no fountain costing more than Rs.15.00 lac should be installed except in Sector-17, Chandigarh.

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that a pipeline leading from Diggian to Maloya has been broken, as a result water is leaking and it should be got repaired. He further stated that the residents of Dadu Majra and Dhanas have encroached upon municipal land, which needs to be vacated, so that roads could be widened.

The Chief Engineer stated that an estimate pertaining to replacement of the pipeline from Diggian to Maloya is being prepared which will be placed before F& CC in its next meeting.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra suggested that new re-carpetted roads be beautified by providing highlighters on road sides for the safety of vehicles. He further suggested that Circus ground in Sector 17 and Dushera Ground in Manimajra should be beautified, so that these grounds could be utilized properly and Corporation would generate revenue. He also suggested that sub-ways should be constructed on busy roads. He also suggested that a Stadium can be constructed in Pocket No.8 Manimajra as sufficient land is available there. He further suggested that footpaths be constructed on V-3 roads. He also suggested that more Multilevel Parking and community parking be constructed. The Corporation should seek the grant-in-aid from Govt. of India for the newly being constructed Bird Slaughter House. The pipelines in the back lanes in Sector 22 be replaced.

After discussion the Committee decided to make a provision of Rs.6.5 crore for construction of roads in villages. It was also pointed out that the provision for construction of over bridge in Sector 17-A & B be read as Rs.1376.00 lac. The Budget provision for providing basic amenities/ services to EWS Sections in Rehabilitation Colonies was also increased to Rs.950.00 lac.

The Committee resolved that a Coordinator / Planner / Architect should be engaged, who can take up the matters regarding pending projects with the Chandigarh Administration and guide the Engineering Wing on certain issue.

SJSRY

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that a training centre was shown to the Mayor informing her that training is imparted to the poor students. He stated that being Area Councillor, he has no information about the training centre. He asked the Chief Accounts Officer to give detail about the funds received for this purpose and funds utilized so far.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra and Smt. Harjinder Kaur were of the view that an UGR and booster should be constructed/installed in multi-storey buildings and tertiary water be provided for irrigation of open spaces, school and colleges.

After discussion the Committee decided that at page No.38 provision for installation of tubewells/boosting station be increased to Rs.125.00 lac. It was also decided to make provision for strengthening of canal water and to increase the provision upto Rs.225.00 lac at Sr. No.2. The provision for strengthening of sewerage network at Sr. No.4 was increased to Rs.125.00 lac.

The Budget provision for infrastructure facilities in villages was also increased to Rs.325.00 lac and budget provision for re-boring of tubewells in villages was also increased to Rs.125.00 lac.

ENFORCEMENT WING

Sh. Subhash Chawla stated that Enforcement Wing is not well equipped as number of encroachments can be seen in every part of the city. He desired that a specific policy is required to be framed to make it effective. He was also of the view that responsibility of the SIE should also be fixed, if encroachment exist.

Sh. Rajesh Gupta stated that encroachment by rehri phari increases after 5. 00 p.m to 10.00 p.m. and it should be checked.

The ACMC-II stated that at least 10 more Enforcement Inspectors are required in Enforcement Wing to make this wing effective as it is ill equipped and short of staff.

The Committee resolved that 10 more posts of sub Inspector (Enforcement) be created and filled on contract basis preferably through Ex-servicemen. It was also decided that a Committee should be constituted to frame a policy for removal of encroachment in the city.

PROPERTY TAX

The members were of the view that Punjab Municipal Corporation Act is applicable in U.T., Chandigarh and there is no House Tax on residential properties in the State of Punjab, therefore, no House Tax should be imposed. As and when the Municipal Corporation decides to impose House Tax this matter would be taken up and therefore the Committee dropped the proposal of House Tax.

FIRE WING

The Committee decided that one more fire sub-station be constructed, so that Fire Department could work more efficiently.

After detailed discussion the Committee approved the following revised estimates for 2011-12 and Budget Estimates for 2012-13:-

BRIEF POSITION OF REVISED ESTIMATES 2011-12 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-13

(` In lacs)

S.No.	Head of Accounts	Approved Budget Estimates 2011-12	Revised Estimates 2011-12	Budget estimates 2012-13	Detail of page no.
A	OPENING BALANCE	57302.12	57972.00	32383.25	2
B	RECEIPTS				
1)	TOTAL GRANT IN AID		*	**	

	i) PLAN	45954.80	3162.00	43999.00	2
	ii) NON PLAN	23340.00	17470.00	21990.00	2
II)	OWN RECEIPTS	14954.00	12387.25	14141.50	2
	TOTAL "B"	84248.80	33019.25	80130.50	

C	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE (A+B)	141550.92	90991.25	112513.75	
EXPENDITURE					
D					
III)	PLAN	48857.80	28854.00	46769.00	
IV)	NON PLAN	31996.00	29754.00	34509.00	
E	TOTAL EXPENDITURE (III TO IV)	80853.80	58608.00	81278.00	

Note: * During financial year 2011-12, only Rs. 2095.00 lacs (including Rs. 400.00 lacs under JNNURM and Rs. 195.00 lacs under SJSRY) has been sanctioned by the Chandigarh Administration . In addition to this, Rs. 600.00 lacs were received from Chd. Admn. for the development schemes and Rs. 467.00 lacs under the for primary education. Actually, this amount belongs to the financial year 2010-11, but received in this Corporation during the current financial year 2011-12.

** Rs.43999.00 lacs are the provisions for grant in aid to be sought from Chandigarh Administration in the Budget Estimates 2012-13.

*** Total funds available Rs.112513.75 lacs subject to the grant in aid of Rs. 43999.00 lacs provided by the Chandigarh Administration

BUDGET AT GLANCE

(`. In lacs)

REVISED ESTIMATES 2011-12 & BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-13

1	Particulars	Budget Estimates 2011-12	Actual from 1.4.11 to 31.12.11	Anticipated from 1.1.12 to 31.3.12	Revised Estimates proposed 2011-12 (4+5)	Budget Estimates proposed 2012-13	Remarks
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
RECEIPTS							
	Opening Balance	57302.12	57972.00	0.00	57972.00	32383.25	Tentative balance on 31.3.2012
<u>GRANT IN AID DEMANDED FROM CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION</u>							
	Plan	44562.00	1817.00	750.00	2567.00	42899.00	See Page 4
	JNNURM	1197.00	0.00	400.00	400.00	1000.00	See Page 4
	SJSRY	195.80	97.50	97.50	195.00	100.00	See Page 4
	Sub total Plan	45954.80	1914.50	1247.50	3162.00	43999.00	
	Non-Plan (Actual sanctioned by Chd. Admn. of Rs. 174.70 lacs)	22490.00	8735.00	8735.00	17470.00	21990.00	See Page 4
	Provision of incentive Amount of 50% on account of imposition of property tax	850.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	See Page 4
	Sub total Non Plan	23340.00	8735.00	8735.00	17470.00	21990.00	
	Total 2	69294.80	10649.50	9982.50	20632.00	65989.00	
<u>CORPORATION'S OWN RECEIPTS</u>							
	Estate Receipts	2900.00	395.66	104.34	500.00	2900.00	
	Water Tariff	5520.00	3864.25	1467.75	5332.00	5535.00	
	Sewerage Cess	500.00	286.32	63.68	350.00	500.00	
	Property tax	1900.00	1402.00	498.00	1900.00	1900.00	
	Other Receipts	4134.00	3293.43	1011.82	4305.25	3306.50	
	Total 3	14954.00	9241.66	3145.59	12387.25	14141.50	See Page 3
	Total Receipts (1+2+3)	141550.92	77863.16	13128.09	90991.25	112513.75	

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>							
I)	PLAN	46062.00	12222.38	14174.98	25831.00	44399.00	See Page 08
II)	JNNURM	1330.00	687.76	870.24	1558.00	1000.00	See Page 08
III)	SJSRY	195.80	42.74	152.26	195.00	100.00	See Page 08
III)	Ward Development Fund	1270.00	825.42	444.58	1270.00	1270.00	See Page 08
	Total Plan (I to III)	48857.80	13778.30	15642.06	28854.00	46769.00	
IV)	ii) Non-Plan	31996.00	19804.32	9949.68	29754.00	34509.00	See Page 17
	Total Expenditure "5" (Plan & Non Plan)	80853.80	33582.62	25591.74	58608.00	81278.00	
	Tentative Balance (4-5)	60697.12			32383.25	31235.75	

AUCTION OF PAID PARKING

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra took up the matter of recently auctioned paid parkings and said that after conducting auction for 5 parking areas twice, the bid given by the bidders for four parking areas is far lesser than the last year's bid. It would affect the reserve prices for the next auction and revenue of Municipal Corporation as well. In this regard he suggested that re-auction should be conducted and till the time temporary arrangements should be made by MCC for these parking areas. The terms and conditions regarding the auction of these parking areas should be placed before the F&CC meeting for discussion for necessary amendments so that new bidders can participate in the re-auction.

“The Committee considered and unanimously decided that recently conducted auction of four paid parkings be cancelled and new terms and conditions be framed. Till the new terms and conditions are finalized the parking sites be operated as a stop-gap arrangement as per the past practice.”

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Special Repair of Government Primary School No.1, Main Bazar, Manimajra.

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.1 before the Committee for approval.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.26.23 lac for special repair of Govt. Primary School No.1, Main Bazar, Manimajra.”

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Special Repair of Government Primary School No.2, Thakurdwara, Manimajra.

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.2 before the Committee for approval.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.7.98 lac for special repair of Govt. Primary School No.2, Thakurdwara, Manimajra.”

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Secretary,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.**