Proceedings of Meeting held on 15/12/2014 at 3.30 PM under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister to review the restoration of roads and essential services disrupted due to snowfall held on 13-14 December, 2014.

The following were present:-

- 1. Sh. P Mitra, Chief Secretary
- 2. Sh. VC Pharka, ACS to Hon'ble CM
- 3. Sh. Tarun Sreedhar, ACS (Revenue)
- 4. Sh. Narinder Chauhan, ACS (PW)
- 5. Sh. SKBS Negi, Principal Secretary (Power)
- 6. Sh. Sanjay Kumar, DGP
- 7. Sh. Dinesh Malhotra, Deputy Commissioner Shimla
- 8. Sh. PC Negi, MD HPSEBL
- 9. Sh. RK Sharma, E-I-C (IPH)
- 10. Sh. Naresh Sharma, E-I-C (PW)
- 11. Sh. D C Rana, Additional Secretary (Revenue-DMC)

ACS (Revenue) welcomed the Hon'ble Chief Minister and other members and apprised the Hon'ble Chief Minister about the status of rescue operations and disruption of roads and other essential services in the state after the snowfall which took place on 13-14 December, 2014. He informed that the tourists and locals stranded at Rohtang Pass have been rescued. Except for 28 persons who have been housed at Rescue Post at Marhi, others have been brought down to Gulaba. 18 persons have been stranded at Mathivan of uppar Palchan area of Manali but reported to be safe. Once the connectivity to Manali is restored, all the tourists will be transported to Manali town. It was further informed that 133 KV electricity station located near Panarsa on Nau road providing electricity to entire Kullu district has been damaged and there is no electricity in the district. Lift potable water schemes have not been working. The road connectivity of the district has been badly affected. Road connectivity in Tissa and Bharmour area has also been disrupted. Similarly, road connectivity in upper regions of Shimla district has been affected and there is no electricity in Rohru area of the district. Due to snowfall vehicular traffic in entire Lahaul and Spiti District has been affected. As per IMD weather forecast, the weather will be mainly dry till 20/12/2014 except for snowfall at higher reaches in the State.

2. The MD, HPEBL informed that the electricity supply to Kinnaur district has been restored and partly restored to Rohru regions i.e. through the power available from Andhra HE station, 5 transformers are running. The department is working hard to restore electricity in Kullu and other parts of Shimla district. E-I-C PWD informed that that 841 roads have been affected out of which 103 roads have been opened so far and work is on to restore other roads. E-I-C (IPH) also shared details of schemes which were affected.

3. Hon'ble Chief Minister reviewed the status of disruption and progress of restoration of roads and other services. He stressed that road network and electricity be restored in the affected regions at the earliest. Citing the example of Rohru area, he suggested that alternative electricity lines needs to be laid in areas where such disruptions are regular. After detailed discussions, the following decisions were taken:-

- I. PWD will make concerted effort to restore all affected road within 2 days. (Action by PWD)
- II. PWD will be provided an amount of Rs. 5.0 crore immediately from the SDRF. Funds be also provided to Deputy Commissioner for restoration work. (Action by Revenue-DMC).
- III. Electricity supply be restored to all the affected regions at the earliest. (Action by Power/HPEBL).
- IV. The Departments will place requirement of funds to Revenue-DMC, if any.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

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Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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Dated:-

16/12/2014.

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1. All the participants.
- 2. PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 3. PS to the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of HP.

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