

REVISED PROCEEDINGS OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SEC) HELD ON 09.04.2018 AT 3:00 PM UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SHRI VINEET CHAUDHRY, CHIEF SECRETARY, HIMACHAL PRADESH.

List of Participants is at Annexure –A

At the outset, the Special Secretary (Rev-DM) welcomed the Chief Secretary, Additional Chief Secretary (Rev-DM), Director General of Police and other participants and thereafter agenda items were taken up for discussion.


AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the 7th Meeting of State Executive Committee held on 01.04.2017 were noted and **confirmed**.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.2: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING OF THE SEC:

The action taken on decisions of the previous meeting held on 01.04.2017 were reviewed as under: -

Item No 1.5: Development of District Disaster Management Plan:

- 
- a. The SEC was informed that the State Disaster Management Plan and District Disaster Management Plan of 12 districts stand updated/revised and approved by the HP State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) in its meeting held on 1.9.2017. SDMP/DDMPs have already been uploaded on the website of the HPSDMA. NDMA has also issued appreciation letter for commendable work.
 - b. The SEC was also apprised that the Departmental Disaster Management Plans of 38 departments have been finalized. Action in the matter is complete.
 - c. SEC took note of the action taken.

Decision:

In view of progress made, the Agenda item is dropped.

Item No 1.6: Assessment of Vulnerable Buildings:

The SEC was informed that the Deputy Commissioners of Solan, Kinnaur, Lahaul and Spiti, Hamirpur, Kullu, Chamba were requested to utilize services of trained engineers for the Rapid Visual Screening of 10 life line and critical buildings of their districts, but so far DC Solan has completed this work.

A fresh Agenda item on the matter is being taken separately. SEC may kindly consider dropping this matter here.

Decision:

The Agenda item is dropped.

Item No 3.3: Setting up and strengthening of Emergency Operation Centers.

The SEC was informed that the Emergency Operation Centers at State as well as district level have been made functional by providing necessary equipment and manpower (first phase). All centers are working round the clock (24x7) and the work on 2nd phase would be taken up during this year.

To initiate work of Phase II for the strengthening State/District Emergency Operation Centers, a meeting with the Consultant and Technical Expert Committee was held on 19.3.2018 under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary (Rev-DM).

Decision:

A detailed discussion was held regarding strengthening of the EOCs at districts and State level. Special Secretary (Rev-DM) briefed about the recommendations by the Consultant for the Phase II. It was decided that the consultant shall be requested to make a detailed presentation to ACS (Rev-DM) and after that the matter shall be brought to SEC for approval.

Item No. 3.4: Constitution of State Disaster Response Force (SDRF)

The SEC was informed that the matter of constitution of SDRF is under consideration of Home department. The Police department has already sent a proposal to the Home department. SDMA has also sent a copy of proposal to the Home department.

The SEC directed that a meeting with Home department and DGP may be organized as soon as possible to discuss the issue. Home Department has been requested to convene meeting.

Decision-

The SEC was briefed about the constitution of SDRF in different States with its composition, funds arrangement and structure. Also the concept note on HP SDRF was also briefly explained. The Chief Secretary advised to strengthen the Himachal Home Guards department and create a reserve of Home Guards in each district as SDRF. He also emphasized on the strengthening of the volunteers at local level to be taken up by the HPSDMA.

It was decided that ACS (Rev-DM) shall hold a meeting with the Principal Secretary (Home), DG (Police) & DG (Home Guards) to discuss about the prospects of developing the HPSDRF and bring this matter for consideration in SEC/SDMA.

Item No 4.3 Mock Exercise

- a. The SEC directed that at least two mock exercises per year should be organized at the State as well as district level on natural and human induced disasters to review preparedness and efficacy of the disaster management plans.
- b. The SEC was apprised that all Deputy Commissioners are conducting Mock exercises in their district from time to time. Besides, there are standing instructions to conduct mock exercises on mandatory dates i.e. 4th April and 13th October which are being conducted by all D.Cs. Moreover, with the financial support of NDMA worth Rs. 13.00 lakh, a State wide involving all 12 districts Mock exercise on earthquake was conducted on 08.02.2018. NDMA has applauded the effort of HPSDMA and District Administrations.

Decision-

In view of the progress reported the agenda item is dropped.

Item No. 4.5: Formation of SEC Sub Committee on Techno- Legal Regime

- a) The SEC was informed that the UD department was asked to get Model Building Bye Laws adopted by all the ULBs as approved by the SEC in 2012.
- b) So far as TCP Department is concerned, amendment in the TCP Act has already been carried out to cater to the DRR concerns.
- c) As regards, Panchyati Raj department, it was informed that as per provision of Section 14 of the HP Panchyati Raj act-1994 there is provision that Gram Panchyat will prepare a model plan to be approved by the Gram Sabha for erecting, re-erecting or adding to a building in the jurisdiction of Gram Panchyats.
- d) However, copies of guidelines as approved by SEC stand sent to all District Panchyat Officers/Block Development Officers for strict compliance. One of the reason for not amending Act, has been intimated by the department is that by doing this, there will be legal bindings on the Gram Panchyat to implement the same and moreover, there is no sufficient manpower in Gram Panchyats to enforce such guidelines, if provisions to this effect in the Act is made. However, this department has taken up matter again with the department to re-consider this matter as majority of the population in the state lives in rural areas. This is equally important that the safe construction practices are adopted at the Panchayat level for effective Disaster Risk Reduction.
- e) Decision of SEC was solicited as to whether issue of guidelines will suffice or P.R Act has to be amended. The UD department is yet to send report about adoption of Model building bye-laws by the concerned ULBs as approved by the SEC in its meeting held on 7.7.2012.

Decision:

The SEC took note of action taken, and directed that this matter to be placed in the agenda of Committee of Secretaries.

Item No. 6.6: Preparation of database of trained personnel's and printing IEC & Do's/Don'ts

The decisions of the SEC have already been conveyed to all Deputy Commissioners for strict compliance. Districts are uploading database from time to time. IEC activities are also being done regularly.

Decision:

The SEC took note of action taken and resolved to drop the items.

Parking of vehicles in the Premises of HP Secretariat:

The SEC was informed that SAD has taken initiative to keep passage clear for plying fire tenders smoothly by regulating traffic in Secretariat premises through Home Guard Jawans. This position will improve further when Armsdale Phase-III building will be constructed which contain proposal for parking.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and agreed to drop the item.

Agenda item No. (7) 16. Regarding earmarking of accommodation for SDMA in newly phase-III building of HP Secretariat:

As per decision of SEC, matter for the allotment of one floor in under construction building at the premises of HP Secretariat has already been taken up with SAD vide letter No. Rev (DMC)(F)11-45/2015 dated 24.10.2016, 22.5.2017. Matter has also been referred to above department on file through Chairman, SEC separately.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and dropped and advised to follow up the matter with SAD.

NEW AGENDA ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.3: ADOPTION OF VISION DOCUMENT OF BJP AS POLICY DOCUMENT OF GOVERNMENT IN RESPECT OF STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY: Vide letter No. GAD-C(F)10-1/2018 dated 19.1.2018, the Government has fixed following targets as per vision document in respect of Disaster Management Cell: -

i) राज्य में भूकंप, भूस्खलन जैसी प्राकृतिक आपदाओं से निपटने के लिए स्वास्थ्य सचिव की अध्यक्षता में समिति स्थापित की जाएगी और जिला-स्तर पर युवा स्वयंसेवक टास्कफोर्स का गठन किया जाएगा। यह टास्कफोर्स तत्सम्बन्धी सी0एम0ओं को रिपोर्ट करेगी और जरूरत के समय इनकी तैनाती को सुनिश्चित किया जाएगा।

Action Taken: A detailed concept note on this matter has been prepared which was placed for the approval of SEC.

ii) बढ़ते पर्यटकों की संख्या एवं प्राकृतिक आपदा की संभावनाओं के मददेनजर राज्य में नए हेलीपैड स्थापित करने के लिए बेहतर स्थानों की पहचान हेतु व्यापक अध्ययन किया जाएगा।

Action Taken: The department of Aryabhatta Geo-informatics & Space Application Centre (AGiSAC) has been requested to conduct comprehensive survey of suitable locations for identification of new helipads. After mapping these helipads, they have been requested to guide us as which are the habitated locations, which needs coverage in terms of availability of helipads in the GIS platform. Submitted for the information of SEC.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and approved the action taken.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 8.4 - THE MEMORANDUM OF LOSSES CAUSED DUE TO HEAVY RAINS DURING MONSOON 2017.

The SEC was informed that against the Memorandum of losses for the Monsoon season 2016, was sent to GOI worth Rs. 863.97 crore against which central assistance worth Rs. 63.23 crore has been received. For the monsoon season 2017, a Memorandum has been prepared and sent to GOI for releasing central assistance worth Rs. 914.05 crore which is still pending with GOI. Inter-Ministerial Central Team (IMCT) has already visited affected district to assess on the spot losses.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken. The SEC accorded item wise ex-post-facto approval for submission of the Memorandum to the Government of India.

AGENDA ITEM NO 8.5: UTILIZATION OF GIA UNDER 14TH FINANCE COMMISSION:

The SEC was apprised of the allocation and expenditure incurred against Capacity Building head under 14th Finance Commission grants.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and approved the expenditure.

AGENDA ITEM NO 8.6: APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE INCURRED UNDER NDRF/SDRF:

The SEC was informed about the status of release/expenditure of NDRF/SDRF funds during 2017-18.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action and approved allocation/expenditure incurred under NDRF/SDRF.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.7: UTILIZATION OF 10% FUNDS OF STATE DISASTER RESPONSE FUND (SDRF) FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ESSENTIAL SEARCH, RESCUE EQUIPMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2017-18:

As per guidelines of SDRF, there is provision of 10% funds for the procurement of essential search, rescue and evacuation equipments including communication equipments, etc. for response to disasters. Against SDRF allocation for the year 2017-18 to the tune of Rs. 260.00 crore, 10% of total allocation comes to Rs. 26.00 crore. The funds of Rs. 11.22 Crores have been released to the Fire, PWD & Police departments for the purchase of search, rescue as well as communication equipments. Rs. 623.60 Lac have been approved to be released to the Home Guard and Fire Department.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action and approved allocation/expenditure under the Head.

AGENDA ITEM NO 8.8: ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2017

The SEC was informed that DMC has prepared Activity Report for the year 2017 which were presented for approval.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and approved the Activity report of SDMA for the year 2017.

AGENDA ITEM NO 8.9: TRAINING CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 2018:

The SEC was informed that a Training Calendar to conduct training on various components with the assistance of UNDP India under Enhancing Institutional and Community Resilience as well as under Capacity Building programme of HPSDMA has been prepared for the year 2018. In all about 100 training programmes are to be conducted at District/Sub Division level.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and approved the training calendar under the HPSDMA-UNDP Project and AWP -2018 in Himachal Pradesh.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.10: PROPOSAL ON HOSPITAL SAFETY PROGRAMME

The SEC was apprised that since the hospitals are critical infrastructure and have a very important role in any post disaster scenario and have to remain fully functional after a catastrophic event. To prepare Health department and Hospitals for emergencies and to ensure

that the hospitals are more resilient to face disasters, a project proposal on Hospital Safety has been prepared.

Copy of concept has also been shared with department of Health and Family Welfare. The UNDP may be requested to act as knowledge partner in this programme and assist the State in selecting/identifying/engaging an agency/organization which provides technical assistance to the Health Department in taking this program forward.

Decision:

The SEC considered and approved the proposal of Hospital Safety. SEC also directed that HPSDMA and Department of Health & Family Welfare shall complete the RVS upto CHC level in the first year of implementation itself. It was also suggested that a table top exercise with the hospital authorities and Health department shall be conducted to assess the vulnerability of hospitals. SEC also directed that PWD shall take necessary steps to ensure that new hospital buildings are constructed multi-hazard resilient and as per codes and guidelines for Zone V & Zone IV.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.11: STRATEGY FOR TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING OF MASONS, CARPENTERS, WIRE BINDERS, ETC. AT PANCHAYAT LEVEL ON SAFE CONSTRUCTION PRACTICES

The SEC was apprised that with a view to implement safe construction practices, strategy for training of Masons and other Artisans on safe construction practices for enhancing their knowledge and skill is proposed to be conducted. The recommendations from the detailed study "Evolving Strategy for Capacity Building of Masons, Carpenters and Wire Binders at Panchayat level for safe construction" conducted by HPSDMA in 2012 and the stakeholders meeting held on 26th September, 2012 may be implemented by all the Departments. The proposal was placed for the consideration and approval of the SEC.

Decision:

The SEC considered and approved the strategy and proposal.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.12: TEN-POINT AGENDA OF HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER

This was shared with the SEC that during the 7th Asian Ministerial Conference (first after Sendai Framework 2015) held in November, 2016, the Prime Minister of India outlined a 10 Point Agenda on Disaster Risk Management in the country. In this regard an action plan has been sent to GOI. The matter is placed for the perusal of the SEC.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and approved the action.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.13: CONSTITUTION OF STATE DISASTER MITIGATION FUND

The agenda item was not discussed in this meeting.

Decision:

This item may be submitted in the next meeting's agenda for consideration.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.14: RECOMMENDATION FOR 15TH FINANCE COMMISSION GRANTS

The SEC was informed that for the 15th Finance Commission, a proposal for grant of Rs. 3000 crores has been sent for the grant of central assistance/relief under SDRF and Capacity Building in HP. Copy of proposal has been sent to the Finance Department.

Decision:

The SEC took note of the action taken and accorded ex-post facto approval to the proposal.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.15: STRENGTHENING OF FIRE SERVICES IN HP

This was shared with the SEC that under 14th Finance Commission grants, there is provision to utilize 10% funds of SDRF for the procurement of essential search, rescue and evacuation equipment including communication equipments, etc. for responding to disaster. Thus it is proposed to strengthen only those organizations which have response capacities and trained manpower to handle equipment, are adequate storage facilities for the equipment. In the first instance, it has been proposed to consider to cater the requirement of Fire Services with a view to designate Fire Services as fire and emergency services on the global pattern.

Decision:

The SEC approved the proposal. The SEC also directed to work out strategies for the prevention and mitigation of the Forest Fires in the State. Possibilities of aerial firefighting/firefighting aircrafts service providers shall be explored which can be operated during these fires in association with neighbouring states.

It was also suggested that the community empowerment is very essential and basic firefighting equipments may be provided to the Community organisations/VDMCs. Formation and Training & capacity building of community fire wardens shall also be taken up to mitigate the risk at grass root level.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.16: STRUCTURAL/SAFETY AUDIT OF LIFELINE BUILDINGS

The SEC was apprised that vide agenda item No. 1.6 of SEC, directions have been given to all the Deputy Commissioners to conduct safety audit of life line buildings in their respective districts by utilizing services of the trained manpower. But till date most of the districts have

not been able to complete this work. It was proposed to conduct structural audit of the life line structures both at the State and all District headquarters and secure them wherever it is economical to do so. The SDMA may involve IIT Mandi and NIT Hamirpur as knowledge partner to conduct this exercise who will train the engineers of the PWD, I&PH and other departments and also provide necessary assistance for RVS, Structural Audit and retrofitting activities, if any. A detailed concept note for this scheme was shared with the SEC for approval.

Decision:

The SEC considered and approved the item.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Approved by

Chief Secretary to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Endst. No. Rev (DMC)(F)4-2/2000/SEC

Dated the May, 2018

Copy forwarded in continuation to this office Endst. Even No. dated 20/04/2018 for information and necessary action to: -

1. All Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. All the Members of State Executive Committee.
3. All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
4. The Sr. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, HP
5. All DAs in DMC.

Ja 10/5/18

Special Secretary(Rev-DM) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh.