



NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

Secretariat HQs

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Subject: **The 297th Meeting of the NHA Executive Board Held on March 22, 2018 at Islamabad**

Introduction

The 297th meeting of the National Highway Authority's Executive Board was held at 1400 hours on March 22, 2018 at the Auditorium of NHA Headquarters, Islamabad. Mr. Jawwad Rafique Malik, Chairman, NHA presided. List of participants is at **Annex-A**.

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

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

Formal Board Proceedings

Agenda Items

The Secretary NHA stated that 13 working papers were circulated.

Agenda Item 1

Confirmation of Minutes – 296th Meeting of the NHA Executive Board held on March 01, 2018

Decision

The NHA Executive Board confirmed its minutes of 296th Executive Board meeting held on March 01, 2018 with some amendments.

Action By : Secretary NHA

Agenda Item 2

Revised PC-I for Construction of Islamabad-Muzaffarabad Road Project (E-75) Section Satra Mile to Lower Topa (43.20)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board recommended the revised PC-I for Construction of Islamabad-Muzaffarabad Road Project (E-75) Section Satra Mile to Lower Topa (43.20 km) at a rationalized cost of Rs.12,211 million for approval of CDWP/ECNEC. Breakup of rationalized revised PC-I cost is at **Annex-B**.

Action By : Member (Engg. Coord)/Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 3

Full and Final Settlement with M/s Frontier Works Organization (FWO) in Respect of All Claims/Disputes in Connection with the Three Contract Packages 15, 16 & 17 (NHIP/EDR):

- i. C-15 – Battal – Batgram – Thakot Section (N-35)
- ii. C-16 – Basian – Balakot – Naran Section (N-15)
- iii. C-17 – Kohala – Muzaffarabad – Chakothi Section (S-2/JVR)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board clarified its earlier decision made in 275th meeting held on March 14, 2017 in Agenda Item No. 7 regarding “Full and Final Settlement with M/s Frontier Works Organization (FWO) in respect of all Claims/Disputes in Connection with the Three Contract Packages 15, 16 & 17 (NHIP/EDR)” as under:

“8.8. The Executive Board approved payment of an amount of Rs.190 Million (Rupees one hundred and ninety million only) to M/s FWO as Full and Final Settlement in respect of five disputes / claims (referred for amicable settlement) on Contract Packages C-15, C-16 and C-17 (NHIP/EDR). **No any other claim, at later stage pertaining to these five disputes/claims shall be entertained.**”

Action By : Member (Engg. Coord)

Agenda Item 4

Operational Issues Regarding Signed Leases of ROW

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

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 5

Decision on Issuance of Gratis NOC to M/s Pak Army Museum for Installation of Three (03) Number Informatory/Directional Sign Boards

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved issuance of gratis NOC to M/s Pak Army museum for installation of three number of informatory/guide sign boards measuring 6*4 feet on N-5.

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 6

Approval of Road Safety Audit Manual

Agenda Item 7

Concept Paper: NHA Projects on Provincial Roads

The subject agenda items were not discussed due to paucity of time.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 8

Concept Paper: Policy for Containment Measures for NHA Bypasses

Decision

The NHA Executive Board accorded in principle approval for formulation of comprehensive policy for construction of new bypasses on national highways and motorways. However, the Board directed to incorporate the suggestions of the honorable Board Members and present in the forthcoming Board meeting.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 9

PC-I for Rehabilitation of Roads in District Naushero Feroze

Agenda Item 10

PC-I for Rehabilitation/ Construction of Bela-Awaran Road (130 Km)

Agenda Item 11

PC-I for Rehabilitation/ Upgradation of Kallar – Dhan Gali Road (20.18 Km)

Agenda Item 12

PC-I for Upgradation/ Construction of Shershah Suri Road from Begam Kot to Sheikhupura Muridke Road

The subject agenda items were not discussed due to paucity of time.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 13

Revised PC-I for Construction of Lahore Sialkot Motorway (LSM) Link Highway (4-Lane) Connecting LSM to Narangmandi and Narowal (73 Km Approximately)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board recommended revised PC-I for “Construction of Lahore – Sialkot Motorway (LSM) Link Highway (4-Lane) connecting LSM to Narang Mandi and Narowal (73 Km. Approx.)” at a cost of Rs.19,970/- million for approval by CDWP/ ECNEC.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Additional Agenda Item

**Approval of Policy Guideline for Award of Works through
“Limited Competitive Bidding” in the Security Hazard Areas**

The Executive Board deferred the subject additional point with the direction to submit the working paper separately for the specific project where it is imperative to award Works on the basis of negotiated tendering as per PPRA Rule 42(d)(iii) with complete justification. The Board will consider the proposal(s) on case to case basis.

Action By : Member (Egg. Coord)

Conclusion

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