

Proceedings of the 21st Board Meeting of the West Bengal Unorganised Sector Workers' Welfare Board held at the Conference Room of the WBUSWWB, N.S. Buildings (8th Floor), B Block on 19.06.2019.

List of the members who attended the meeting is at Annexure-I

The meeting was presided over by Shri Pradip Banerjee, Chairman of the West Bengal Unorganised Sector Workers' Welfare Board. He welcomed all members / representatives present and Shri S. Suresh Kumar, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Labour Department and requested Smt. Sharmila Khatua, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board to initiate discussion agenda-wise.

Agenda No.1 : Confirmation of the Proceedings of 20th Board Meeting held on 28.03.2018.

The Proceedings of the 20th Board Meeting held on 28.03.2018 were placed before the Board members which were unanimously confirmed by them.

Agenda No.2 : Confirmation of Action taken Report as per resolution of 20th Board Meeting.

The Action Taken Report on the decision taken in the 20th Board meeting was also placed and it was also ratified by the members

Agenda No.3 : Approval of Annual Accounts of the Board for the Financial Year 2017-18.

The Annual Accounts of the Board for the Financial Year 2017-2018 was placed and after discussion, the same was approved and accepted.

Agenda No.4 : Approval on account of change of language of Annual Accounts of the Board.

The already passed Annual Accounts of the board for the Financial Year 2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 was placed for accepting the change of language as per opinion of the CAG in the manner "THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD ARE APPROVED"

The change of language, in lieu of "Audit Report" of earlier mentioned F.Y.s was accepted and passed unanimously as THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS OF THE BOARD ARE APPROVED".

Agenda No.5 : Engagement of Auditor for the Financial Year 2018-2019 & Retention of Income Tax Consultant.

The performance of the Auditor, M/s Sav & Associates engaged for the last Financial Year was discussed and as they had been the Auditor since F.Y. 2016-17 and beyond three year a new auditor would be appointed.

The performance of the Income Tax Lawyer, Smt. Krishna Halder, as engaged in the last year was discussed and proposed to continue her engagement.

Accordingly, the Board accepted the proposal and approved.

Observed and discussed on the professional Accounting system. The proposal to recruit / engage following officers / Staff may be taken into consideration.

1. One Deputy Commissioner (Audit) for Internal Audit purpose at State Level.
2. One Accounts Officer (F & A) for the Board.
3. One Financial Assistant on contractual basis at Board's office on the Head Quarter will act as Nodal Officer to co-ordinate with A.O. of the Board.
4. One SSP contractual basis may be appointed at each of the Regional Labour Offices of Board and Labour Commissioner, WB.

Agenda No.6 : Post facto approval by the Board of the expenditure incurred for the period from 01.3.2018 to 31.3.2018 and 01.4.2018 to 31.3.2019.

The expenditure incurred from the 01.03.2018 to 31.03.2018 and 01.04.2018 to 31.03.2019 were placed before the board members and was discussed accordingly. After discussion, the same was approved.

Agenda No.7 : Approval of the Status Report under SSY-2017 for the period from 01.02.2018 to 31.3.2018.

The status report under SSY-2017 for the period from 01.02.2018 to 31.03.2018 and 01.04.2018 to 31.03.2019 was placed. The same report was accepted & approved by the board.

Agenda No.8 : Approval on the matter of Utilisation of interest accrued in the Board's Saving Account.

The report was placed on the matter that total interest accumulated upto 31.03.2019 in the Board's Savings Account was Rs: 370,108,260/- and opined to utilise the same for payment of benefits to the beneficiaries registered as " Other Unorganised Workers" under SSY-2017.

The Hon'ble Members of the board discussed over the issue and accepted the proposal.

Agenda No.9 : Miscellaneous

- I) The Board members was intimated about the purchase of 78 Nos. of "MS Office home and business" for 76 nos. of Desktops and 2 nos. of Laptops. In this regard an expenditure of Rs:16,70,526/- (net amount: Rs:15,28,956/- after deducting TDS Rs: 1,41,570/-) was incurred by the board towards payment to WTL. The details of purchase of MS office was placed before the board for ratification. The same was approved accordingly.
- II) The Board members was apprised on the Income Tax exemption like : a) Grant-in-Aid received from Government; b) Registration fee and monthly/yearly subscription collected from the registered workers, and interest earned on the matter of point (a) and point (b) under section 10(46) of Income Tax Act, 196. The said I.T. exemption has been obtained for the Assessment Year 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

- III) The Board members was informed about of Board's Administrative Expenditure being 25.98% of the Committed Expenditure while as per Rule it should have been 12% and the Chairman of the Board invited discussion on the issue.

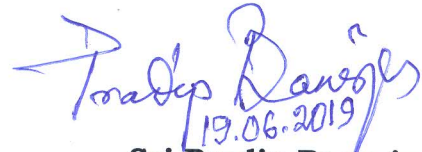
The issue was emerged to take special measures for enhancing awareness generation and registration of beneficiaries in SSY at the G.P. / Block / Municipality level camps in comparison to the enhancement of expenditure year by year.

After a discussion, the excess administrative expenditure was approved by the board.

Shri S.Suresh Kumar., Additional Chief Secretary Labour Department opined that, in future, if required, any excess expenditure may be forwarded to the Department for reimbursement.

- IV) The issue about the necessity of actual to & fro fare of the members for attending board meeting was emerged. After elaborate discussion, it was decided to make sure that the issues would have been resolved till the next meeting and further decided that, if required, vehicular support may be given to the board members in this regard.
- V) It was discussed and decided unanimously that the Board meeting would be arranged as per the Schedule mentioned in the Administrative Calendar.

As there were no other issues remaining left, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.



Sri Pradip Banerjee
Chairman
W.B.U.S.W.W.Board

Annexure – I

Following Members and Officials were present in the 21st meeting of the West Bengal Unorganised Sector Workers' Welfare Board held on 19.6.2019 at WBUSWWB's Conference Room at the New Secretariat Buildings, 8th Floor, 1, K.S. Roy Road, Kolkata – 1.

- 1) Shri Padip Banerjee, Chairman, WBUSWW Board,
- 2) Shri S. Suresh Kumar, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Labour Department,
- 3) Shri Jawaid Akhtar, I.A.S., Labour Commissioner & Executive Vice Chairman,
- 4) Shri M.Q. Qamar, Member, INTUC,
- 5) Shri Prabir Kumar Banerjee, Member, TUCC,
- 6) Shri Dilip Bhattacharjee, Member, AIUTUC,
- 7) Shri Debasish Roy, Member, CITU,
- 8) Smt. Sharmila Khatua, Addl. Labour Commissioner & Chief Execucutive Officer, WBUSWW Board,
- 9) Shri Subrata Sanyal, CCF, WBUSWW Board,
- 10) Shri Partha Sarathi Chakraborty, Deputy Labour commissioner & Joint Chief Executive Officer, WBUSWW Board,
- 11) Shri Dipak Kumar Sarkar, Deputy Labour Commissioner,
- 12) Shri Sanatan Pramanik, Deputy Labour Commissioner,
- 13) Shri Baladeb Mondal, Assistant Labour Commissioner & Deputy Chief Executive Officer, WBUSWW Board,
- 14) Shri Dharendra Kumar Acharya, Assistant Labour Commissioner & Deputy Chief Executive Officer, WBUSWW Board.