

**Proceedings of the 32<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the West Bengal Building & Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board held on 18.06.2019 at WBUSWB's Conference room at New Secretariat Buildings, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1, K.S. Roy Road, Kolkata – 1**

**List of the Members and Officials attended the meeting is at Annexure-1.**

The meeting was presided over by Shri Joydeep Mukherjee, Advocate, Supreme Court & Chairman of the West Bengal Building & Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board. He welcomed all members/representatives present and requested Smt. Sharmila Khatua, the Secretary of the Board to initiate discussions agenda-wise.

**Agenda No. 1: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting held on 31.08.2018 and its Action Taken Report as per Resolution of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting**

The proceedings of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting held on 31.08.2018 were placed before the Board were read and unanimously confirmed.

The Action Taken Report on the decision taken in the 31<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting was also placed and it was also ratified by the members.

**Agenda No. 2: Status Report of BOCW up to April, 2019**

The progress report of BOCW up to April, 2019 was placed before the Board. The matter was discussed and noted.

**Agenda No. 3: Post Fact approval by the Board of the expenditure incurred for the period 01.08.2018 to 31.05.2019**

A head-wise account of the expenditure amounting to Rs.84,33,87,796/- only incurred during the period from 01.08.2018 to 31.05.2019 was placed before the board which was discussed. It is observed that out of Rs. Rs.84,33,87,796/-; Rs.81, 89, 72,537/- only was spent for disbursement of various benefits to the beneficiaries and Rs.2,44,15,259/- only was spent as Administrative Expenses.

After discussion the Board Members unanimously approved the aforesaid expenditure.

**Agenda No. 4: Statement of Accounts of the Board for the FY 2017-18 for approval in the Board Meeting**

Statement of Accounts of the Board for the FY 2017-18 was placed before the Board. The matter was discussed and the members unanimously approved the aforesaid Statement of Accounts.

**Agenda No. 5: Adoption of Separate Audit Report for the FY 2016-17**

**Separate Audit Report** of the WBB&OCWW Board for the FY 2016-17 was placed before the Board. The matter was discussed and unanimously approved.

As per the observation of the CAG as recorded under 4(B) of the aforesaid Separate Audit Report, it was proposed that the strengthening of the accounts section of the board is urgently require. It was decided that the labour Department will inform the Finance Department for creation of the following post of Officers of WBA&AS for manning the same urgently.

1. One Deputy Director (Audit) for Internal Audit purpose at State Level.
2. Accounts Officer (F&A) for the WBB&OCW Board.
3. One Financial Assistant on contractual basis at Board Office in the Head Quarter who will act as nodal officer to Co-Ordinate with A.O of the Board.
4. One SSP on contractual basis may be appointed at each of the Regional Labour Offices of Board. The Labour Commissioner, WB may initiate the process.

**Agenda No. 6: Status of Proposals regarding implementation of the decision of the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Monitoring Committee on BOCW held on 13.08.18 in New Delhi.**

It was noted that the Government is yet to issue circulars regarding the following decisions approved in the 31<sup>st</sup>. Board Meeting

- a) Pension enhancement from @Rs.750/- per month to @Rs.1500/- per month
- b) Self-Certification by BOC workers for registration with the Board
- c) Enhancement of Renewal Period of Building and other construction workers to five years, with zero contribution per year

**Agenda No. 7: Miscellaneous**

1. CITU representative alleged that many claims prior to 31.03.17 are pending till date and the Labour Commissioner, requested all trade union representatives to come to his office with area specific list of the said claims so that the matter could be taken up at this level.
2. Shri Biplab Bhatta urged the Board to solve the problem of renewal failure due to non- payment of subscription in time.
3. INTTUC representative Dola Sen
  - i. Requested the Board to record her displeasure regarding the deputation of persons on behalf of the absentee members of the Board in the Board Meetings.
  - ii. Proposed that the frequency of the Board Meetings should be increased and should preferably be convened on quarterly basis.
  - iii. She urged the Board members to revive the G.P / Block/ Municipality level camps for beneficiary registration and awareness generation.
  - iv. She also requested the members to make a survey of workers engaged in Brick Kilns / Stone Crushing and ensure that they register themselves under SSY / BOCWW Scheme.
4. The Board members opined that nominated members shall henceforth refrain from deputing a representative to attend the Board meeting leave of absence would be granted to the absent members.
5. Shri Joydeep Mukherjee, Chairman of the Board welcomed the proposal of holding G.P. / Block/ Municipality level camps for beneficiary registration and awareness program. He also urged the members to conduct the Board Meeting at regular interval.
6. Labour Commissioner, WB requested Shri S. Suresh Kumar, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal to consider death cases of a non-registered construction worker who died out side West Bengal. The ACS requested the LC to send the case to the Labour Department so the matter may be taken up with disaster management department.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

*Joydeep Mukherjee*  
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Chairperson

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- 1) Shri Joydeep Mukherjee, Advocate, Supreme Court & Chairman
- 2) Shri S. Suresh Kumar, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Labour Department & member representing the Government of West Bengal
- 3) Shri Jawaid Akhtar, I.A.S., Labour Commissioner & Executive Vice-Chairman
- 4) Sri Tilak Bandhpadhyay, Joint Director, Representative of Chief Inspector of Factories, Member
- 5) Welfare commissioner, Labour Welfare Organization, Kolkata, Govt. of India, Member
- 6) Avik Roy, Deputy Secretary, Bharat Chambers of Commerce representing Keka Sharma, Secretary General, Bharat Chambers of Commerce
- 7) Shri S. N. Samanta representing Shri Sudip Kumar Dutta, Representative of BAI, Member
- 8) Dola Sen, Hon'ble M.P. Rajya Sabha & Representative of INTTUC, Member
- 9) Shri Shyama Prasad Dey representing Shri Debanjan Chakraborty, Representative of CITU, Member
- 10) Shri Gautam Chakraborty representing Shri Ramen Pandey, Representative of INTUC, Member
- 11) Shri Biplab Bhatta, Representative of AITUC, Member Officials other than members who attended the meeting: -
- 12) Smt. Sharmila Khatua, Addl. Labour Commissioner & Secretary, W.B.B. B& O.C.W.W. Board
- 13) Shri Subrata Sanyal, Incoming CF & CAO, W.B.B. & O.C.W.W. Board
- 14) Shri Partha Sarathi Chakraborty, Dy. Labour Commissioner, W.B.
- 15) Shri Dipak Kumar Sarkar, Dy. Labour Commissioner, W.B.
- 16) Smt. Sanatan Pramanik, Dy. Labour Commissioner, W.B.
- 17) Shri Mihiran Baidya, Asstt. Labour Commissioner, W.B.
- 18) Shri Sumit Ghosh, Asstt. Labour Commissioner, W.B.

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