

Notes of Discussion

Third Meeting of the Executive Committee, B.M.R.D.A.
Date: 21st February, 1976.

Place : Chamber of the Chairman, Executive Committee.

Present: Shri K.V. Seshadri, Metropolitan Commissioner—in the Chair.
Shri L.C. Gupta, Secretary, Urban Development.
Shri C.M. Correa.
Shri N.G.K. Murthi.
Shri R.D. Ajgaonkar, Secretary.

By special invitation Shri S.S. Tinaikar, Secretary, Housing.

The inability of Sarvashri D.D. Sathe, B.G. Deshmukh, P.G. Salvi and M.R. Yardi to be present was noted.

The Agenda Notes circulated by the Secretary, Executive Committee, were discussed and the following decisions taken :-

Item No.1 : Action taken on the various items discussed in the meeting of the 13th January, 1976 :

1. Noted. The Municipal Commissioner and the Managing Director, C.I.D.C.C. are requested to expedite the action on the items pending with them, respectively.

Item No.2: Rules and procedure for the meetings of the Executive Committee Meetings :

2. As many members were absent, it was decided to postpone consideration of this item.

Item No.3: Purchase of Staff Car :

3. It was resolved to purchase the Ambassador Car No. MRZ-8682 from the C.I.D.C.C. at the depreciated cost of Rs.12,424/-. (In future, the kilometerage run by the vehicle should also be indicated in -- the Agenda Note.)

Item No.4: Provision of land for grain handling facilities -- import at Nhava Sheva Port :

4. The suggestions made in the Agenda Note were approved; including the recommendation of both the sites to the Government of India.

Item No.5: Policy matters : the report of the Secretaries' Committee set up to assess Urban Development Needs of Bombay Metropolitan Region :

(a) Industrial Location Policy :

5. Consideration of this item was postponed.

(b) Dispersal of commercial activity :

6. The need to undertake a detailed study for evolving a suitable policy was realised. Such a study will have to identify the implications of the possible policy alternatives. It was decided that a Study Group for this purpose could be set up under the B.M.R.D.A. Necessary Plan assistance should be sought from the State Government.

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(c) Amendment to the Maharashtra Regional and Town Planning Act (MRTP Act):

7. The points made by the Secretary, Urban Development, were appreciated. Further action would be initiated by him.

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(d) Housing :

8. The points brought out by Secretary, Urban Department, were appreciated. It was agreed that the impact of decontrolling the rent both for residential and commercial accommodation would have to be examined in all its aspects. The main objectives of such a decontrol would be to promote increase in the housing -- stock for residential purpose and reduction in the growth of commercial areas in the congested localities especially in South Bombay. Secretary, Housing, was requested to look into all the related aspects and formulate a suitable policy consistent with the above objectives.

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(e) Urban Transport :

9. The need for taking a comprehensive look at the transport infra-structure in the Bombay Metropolitan Region was realised. It was felt that the Transport and Communications Board of the Authority should first take an overall view of the existing policies and action programmes of the various authorities operating in this sector in the Metropolitan Region.

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(f) Programme and Finances :

10. Action proposed by the Secretary, Urban Development, was noted. He was requested to keep the Executive Committee informed about the development in this regard.

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Item No.6 : Appointment of Typists :

11. The proposal to appoint three typists temporarily on the conditions mentioned in the draft appointment letter was accepted. Further action in issuing -- appointment order, etc. should be taken as the earliest.

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Item No.7 : Purchase of Furniture Items :

12. The proposals submitted to the Executive Committee relating to the purchase of some items of steel furniture to cover the immediate requirements was considered. The Executive Committee accepted the quantities of different furniture items as indicated in the Agenda Note and also the recommendations made regarding the purchase from Messrs. Godrej Ltd. at the rates quoted. As these furniture items are immediately required for the Officers and staff joining the Authority, purchase action should be taken after obtaining the approval of the Chairman in anticipation of the Authority's sanction.

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Item No.8 : Purchase of Electric Typewriter :

13. Approval was accorded to the purchase of one electric typewriter from the Hindustan Teleprinters Ltd., a Government of India undertaking, at a total cost of Rs.6,727.50. Approval of the Chairman of the Authority should be obtained before the purchase order is placed on the Firm.

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Item No.9 : Appointment of Clerk :

14. The proposal put before the Executive Committee for appointment of Shri A. D. Katare as a clerk on purely temporary basis was accepted. The appointment letter should be similar to the one approved in connection with the appointment of typists (Item No.6 above).

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Item No.10

Item No.10 : Loan assistance to Housing Board for upgradation of Slum Housing :

15. It was noted from a further communication of Secretary (Housing) that a similar scheme was being worked out by the Public Works and Housing Department for financing by the Bombay District Central Co-operative Bank Ltd. As the scheme had to be basically accepted for implementation by the Maharashtra Housing Board, the Public Works and Housing Department of the Government of Maharashtra were asking the Housing Board to study the same and communicate their decision. In view of this, it was decided to postpone this item till a firm indication was available from the Secretary, Housing, regarding this.

Item No.11 : Other Items :

(a) Area Development Schemes :

16. The Chairman, Housing Renewal and Ecology Board (HURE Board), stressed the need for preparing specific schemes in the Metropolitan Region to be financed and/or executed by the Authority. He indicated that definite land development schemes near Bandra, Dharavi and the Backbay area were under examination/formulation under the HURE Board. He expected to finalise the schemes shortly during the next month or so and submit project reports for the consideration of the Executive Committee. This line of action was supported by the Executive Committee.

(b) Housing Board - New Setup :

17. The Chairman, HURE Board, indicated that there was need to have a clear definition of the relationship between the HURE Board of the B.M.R.D.A. and the proposed reconstituted Housing Board for the Metropolitan Region. He felt that HURE Board of the B.M.R.D.A. can take up -- meaningful programmes in the area only after the interlocking -- structure and interdependent relationship between these two Boards was properly defined. The Committee endorsed this view fully.

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(Third Meeting) Dated : 24th February, 1976.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on the 21st February, 1976. The notes of discussion of this meeting are sent herewith for your information and necessary action.

2. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held in the chamber of the Chairman on 6th March, 1976, at 4.00 P.M.

R.B. Ajgaonkar
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Secretary, Executive Committee.

To

- Shri D.D.Sathe, Chief Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, General Administration Department - Chairman.
- Shri K.V.Seshadri, Metropolitan Commissioner.
- Shri S.L.Gupta, Secretary, Urban Development and Public Health Department, - Member.
- Shri B.G.Deshmukh, Municipal Commissioner, Greater Bombay Municipal Corporation, - Member.
- Shri P.G.Salvi, Managing Director, C.I.D.C.C., - Member.
- Shri C.M.Correa, Chairman, Housing, Urban Renewal and Ecology Board, - Member.
- Shri M.R.Yardi, Chairman, Transport and Communications Board - Member.
- Shri N.G.K.Murthi, Chairman, Water Resources Management Board - Member.
- Shri S.S.Tinakar, Secretary, Housing Department.
- Shri R.B.Ajgaonkar, Secretary, Executive Committee.