

Members Present

Brig. Manish Sharma, President Cantonment Board

Dr. Mamta Kansay, CEO, Member Secretary

1. REJUVENATION OF WATER BODY

Reference this office letter No. C/V/29/A/1/69, dt. 24.11.2021 address to Shri Arjun Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Barrackpore Lok Sabha Constituency.

Reference District Magistrate, North 24 Parganas Memo No. D-13012/1/2019-DPLO/183682(4), dt. 19.01.2022 and sanction letter of ADM (Dev) North 24 Parganas Memo No. D-13012/2/2019-DPLO/184840, dt. 24.02.2022 and agenda by circulation dt. 29.03.2022.

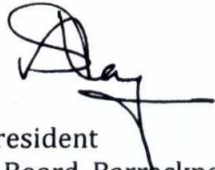
Office note: The Board vide CBR No. 4, dt. 18.04.2022 has been approved the subject work at a cost of Rs. 21,10,941.88 which was quoted by M/s Durga Securities & Services and accordingly work order for the said work was issued to the said firm vide this office letter No. BKP/WORKS/PBWHG/25, dt. 18.04.2022. ADM (Dev), North 24 Parganas had already been allotted a sum of ₹ 15.75 lakhs for the said work vide scheme code mplad17/15/103. But at the time of execution of boundary wall at said Hospital Ground at Sy. No. 10, the local people had obstructed the said work by saying that, this is only playground in this area which cannot be fenced. On ground visit Shri Arjun Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Barrackpore Lok Sabha Constituency advised the Board not to execute the work keeping in view of public interest.

Finally for this mass obstruction the said work could not be finalised.

Now, this office has prepared estimate for rejuvenation of water body bearing Sy. No. 257 situated inside Cantonment and the estimated cost is ₹ 29,76,674 with a view that the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Barrackpore Lok Sabha Constituency be requested to sanction under MPLAD fund of ₹ 29,76,674 for the said rejuvenation of water body adjusting of allotted sanctioned amount of ₹ 15.75 lakhs only.

Resolution: Considered and Approved. CEO is authorized to take further necessary action in this regards and Shri Arjun Singh, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Barrackpore Lok Sabha Constituency be requested to allot of ₹ 29,76,674 out of MPLAD Fund by adjusting of ₹ 15.75 lakhs which has already been allotted.


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2. **TO CONSIDER THE ESTIMATE OF WATER BODY**

Office Note: Reference DGDE letter No. 76/67/Independence Day/C/DE/17 Vol – IV, dt. 20.05.2022, where DGDE has directed to rejuvenate the water bodies inside Cantonment. Accordingly the estimate for rejuvenation of water body bearing Sy. No. 20 has been prepared by this office and the estimated cost is ₹ 18,73,810/- only, based on MES SSR 2020. In this regards estimate is put up before the Board for approval.

Resolution: Considered and approved. CEO is authorized to take further necessary action in this regard.

3. **TENDER FOR “MISCELLANEOUS WORKS OF CANTONMENT BOARD ASSETS”**

E-tender vide NIT No. CBB/PWD/2022-23/01, dt. 10.05.2022, for the subject work was invited through paper publication and published in Bartaman (Bengali daily), Times of India (English daily) and Sanmarg (Hindi daily, in Hindi font), alongwith official website i.e. – www.cbbarrackpore.org and Central Public Procure Portal i.e.- www.eprocure.gov.in/cppp. The estimated cost is with estimated amount is RS 20,00,000/-.

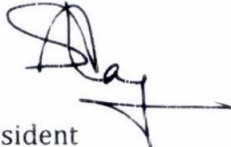
Technical bid of e-tender for the said work was opened and four (4) tenderers were participated in which only three (3) are technically qualified and their financial bid were opened accordingly. Details of Percentage quoted by them is given below:-

<u>Name of tenderers</u>	<u>Quoted Percentage irt MES SSR</u>
1. Singh Brothers	Rs. Ten (10) percent (below)--- L-1
2. M/s Bina Enterprise	Rs. Five (5) percent (below)
3. M/s Paul Construction	Rs. Five (5) percent (below)

In this regard, all documents are put up before the Board for approval of the rate of L-1.

Resolution - Considered and approved. CEO is authorized to execute the said work.


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4. **Management of Ferry Service between Jugal Addhya Ferry Ghat, Serampore (under Serampore Municipality) & Dhobi Ghat Ferry Service under Barrackpore Cantonment**

To consider Serampore Municipality Memo No.839/PW-43 dated 21.06.2022, Memo No.2086/PW-42 dated 02.02.2022, Memo No.2573 (8)/PW-42 dated 07.03.2020, this office letter No.D/VIII/7/499 dated 24.05.2022, No. D/VIII/7/497 dated 03.03.2022, D/VIII/7/494 dated 29.12.2022, & D/VIII/7/493 dated 10.12.2021, Legal Opinion of Shri Indrajeet Dasgupta, dated 15.03.2022, and Govt. of West Bengal Notification No.769-WT/TR/P/3W-18/2018 dated 28.01.2020.

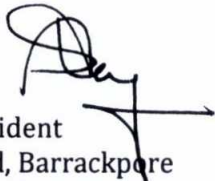
As per tradition and previous agreement, the management of ferry service is being run between Serampore Municipality and Barrackpore Cantonment, on alternate basis in every 03 (three) years between Jugal Addhya Ferry Ghat and Dhobi Ghat.

The term of Cantonment Board Barrackpore ended on 31.03.2020, thereafter, as per Memo No. 2573 (8)/PW-42 dated 07.03.2020, of Serampore Municipality, fresh agreement for a period of 05 years w.e.f. 01.04.2020 to 31.03.2025, have been executed in between Serampore Municipality and existing lessee without going to fresh tender as per Govt. of West Bengal, Transport Department Notification No.769-WT/TR/P/3W-18/2018 dated 28.01.2020, instead of three years i.e. 01.04.2020 to 31.03.2023, as per previous practice.

Further, no consent has been taken from the Office of the Cantonment Board Barrackpore for extension of existing term of 05 years with the same lessee. Moreover, as per unnumbered para 3 (i) of Govt. of West Bengal, Transport Department Notification No.769-WT/TR/P/3W-18/2018 dated 28.01.2020, "a new tender to be floated for selection.....", but the same has been ignored.

The above matter has been forwarded to Shri Indrajeet Dasgupta, Advocate for legal opinion vide this office letter No.D/VIII/7/497 dated 03.03.2022, in response he opined that "Cantonment Board cannot enhance the term of contract for a further period of Contract from 01.04.2025 to 31.03.2030. Instead the Transport Department and Serampore Municipality should be informed about the circumstances and Cantonment Board should demand right to issue a


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new Tender for the period 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2026. If the Serampore Municipality does not agree, tender could be issued immediately for a period of 5 years i.e. 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2028, by treating the agreement for 05 years as executed by the Serampore Municipality as illegal and void.

As per advise of Shri Indrajeet Dasgupta, Advocate, this office vide letter No.D/VIII/7/499 dated 24.05.2022, demanded right to issue a new tender for the period 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2028, for five years to Serampore Municipality. In response Serampore Municipality vide Memo No. 839/PW-43 dated 21.06.2022, stated that Board have fully authorized to run the said Ghat with effect from 01.04.2025 for next five years, as per procedure vide Govt. instructions, laid down in West Bengal, Transport Department Notification No.769-WT/TR/P/3W-18/2018 dated 28.01.2020.

Matter along with relevant case file is placed on the table for consideration.

Resolution: Considered and approved. Necessary tender/auction be called for five years w.e.f. 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2028, as per advise of Shri Indrajeet Dasgupta, Advocate by treating the agreement for 05 years as executed by the Serampore Municipality as illegal and void, to safe guard govt. revenue.

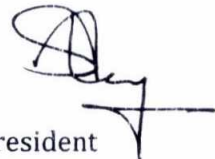
5. **SURRENDER OF GRANT OF PARKING RIGHTS FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF VEHICLES AT CLASS C LAND OF CANTONMENT BOARD BARRACKPORE FOR ONE YEAR**

To consider letter dated 16.09.2022.

The above subject contract has been allotted to M/s Kiran Traders on 10.01.2022 vide agreement dated 10.01.2022. The quoted rate for a sum of Rs.23,07,786/- for one year has been accepted by the Board vide CBR NO.17 dated 03.12.2021.

As per agreement, the contractor has to deposited a sum of Rs.12,23,127/- (50% of tender amount + Security @ of 3%) within 10 days from the date of acceptance of letter issued by this office vide letter No.E/II/15/Parking/181 dated 06.12.2021 and remaining 50% to be paid by the tenderer on completion of 06 months but within first 15 days of the completion of 06 months of the contract period.


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The contractor has deposited the first 50% plus security @ of 3% i.e. Rs.12,23,127/- within time but after completion of 06 months this office vide letter No.E/II/15/Parking/188 dated 18.07.2022, directed the contractor to deposit the balance 50% amount i.e. 11,53,893/- but in response the contractor vide letter dated 29.08.2022, requested this office to allow him to deposit Rs.576950/- i.e. 50% of balance tender amount of Rs.1153893/- and balance 50% i.e. Rs. Rs.576950/- on monthly basis. But instead of deposit of 50% amount as per his letter dated 29.08.2022, the contractor again submitted a letter dated 16.09.2022, stating that he was suffering from financial hardship and wants to surrender the subject contract and requested to release his security money.

Letter dated 29.08.2022 and 16.09.2022, are contradictory to each other, further the approach of the contractor towards the office are lackadaisical and misleading in nature.

Further the contractor is still collecting parking charges from all parking zones after submission of the letter dated 16.09.2022.

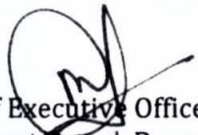
Matter along with relevant case file is placed on the table for consideration.

Resolution: Considered and approved. Necessary tender/auction be called for five years by splitting the parking zones to avoid such kind of situation. Further, the contractor will be directed to clear dues till date as per agreement amount and its security money will be forfeited forthwith. Moreover, the contractor will not be allowed to participate in any tender of the Cantonment Board Barrackpore in next five years or till further orders. Till finalization of tender, Cantonment Board will collect the parking charges from all parking zones by engaging contractual staffs to avoid loss of govt. revenue.

6. **REVISION OF RATE OF TAXES**

Reference CBR No. 11, dated 29.04.2017.

The rate of taxes is increased as per rule No. 66 (1) (a) and (2) of the Cantonments Act, 2006 and the revised proposed rate is given below:


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Annual Rental Value (ARV)	House Tax	Conservancy Tax	Water Tax	Lighting Tax	Total Tax
0 to ₹ 3,000/-	10 %	8 %	6 %	6 %	30 %
₹ 3,001/- to ₹ 6,000/-	11 %	9 %	7 %	7 %	34 %
₹ 6,001/- to ₹ 10,000/-	14 %	10 %	7 %	7 %	38 %
₹ 10,001/- to ₹ 15,000/-	15 %	11 %	8 %	8 %	42 %
₹ 15,001/- and above	20 %	12 %	9 %	9 %	50 %

In this connection, all documents alongwith concerned file is put up before the Board to decide further course of action.

Resolution: Considered and approved. After prolonged discussion, the new rates be introduced after completion of assessment for the Block Year 2022 - 2025.

7. **USAGE CHARGES IN DIARY BUILDING**

Reference CBR No. 9, dated 06.03.2006.

Cantonment Board, Barrackpore is maintaining two sheds viz. tiled shed and tin sheds known as Diary Building. The sheds are used to keep total 107 nos. of cattles from 12 nos. of persons at a cost of ₹ 2/- per cattle per day.

It was decided vide ibid Board resolution that the office may allow the cattle to be kept as there is no viable alternative and also to ensure recovery of non-tax revenue.

The last rate was revised more than 16 years ago, so the office proposes to increase the rate to ₹ 5/- per cattle per day.

In this connection, all documents alongwith concerned file is put up before the Board to decide further course of action.

Resolution: Considered. Matter discussed. The Board opined that it is required to increase appropriate fee per cattle for using existing sheds of the Diary Farm. The Board further disused to increase the fees to ₹ 4/- per cattle per day with effect from 01.11.2022.


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8. **TENDER FOR GRANT OF RIGHT FOR COLLECTION FROM KUNJRA MAHAL PARK BESIDE PUMP HOUSE FOR COMMUNITY PURPOSE UNDER PPP MODEL**

Reference CBR No. 02, dated 27.01.2022.

To consider and approve grant of right for collection from Kunjra Mahal Park for community purpose under PPP model

There will be no MRP as this is the first time tender and also to attract more bidders.

Matter along with relevant case file is placed on the table for consideration.

Resolution: Considered and approved. Necessary e- tender / auction be called for five Years under PPP model CEO has been authorized to take necessary action if any amendment is required in tender paper in future.

9. **APPROVAL FOR AMENDMENT OF ASSESSMENT UNDER SECTION 79 OF THE CANTONMENTS ACT. 2006.**

Reference DGDE letter No.9/5/SC/Drone Survey/C/DE/2022-23 dated 16.09.2022 and PDDE, EC letter No.362581/LC-3/CANTT/EC/TAX/VI/30 dated 16.09.2022.

To consider and note that notice u/s 79 (2) of Cantt. Act, 2006, has been issued to all State Government properties for amendment of assessment as per instruction of DG DE letter No. 362581/LC-3/CANTT/EC/TAX/VI/30, dated 16.09.2022.

Matter along with relevant case file is placed on the table for noting.

Resolution: Considered and noted.


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10. IMPLEMENTATION OF BETTERMENT FEES [U/s 67(f) OF CANTONMENTS ACT, 2006] IN RESPECT OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES OPERATING INSIDE CANTT LIMIT

To consider and approve implementation of Betterment Fees [U/s. 67(f) of the Cantonments Act, 2006] in respect of all secondary and higher secondary schools (irrespective of board/medium included) operating inside Cantt limit for Rs. 200/- per student per month.

It may also be noted that already this office has incurred the following expenditure for the last three financial years for road repairing, footpaths, garden beside footpath etc as several school buses are plying throughout Cantonment roads, and so the roads get damaged very often:

2018-2019: ₹ 2 crore (approx)
2019-2020: ₹ 50 lakhs (approx)
2020-2021: ₹ 1 crore (approx)

Exemption may be given to all Government / Government aided school, which includes both State Government, Central Government or any Government aided schools.

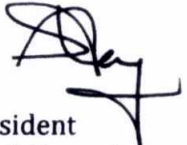
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Resolution: Considered and approved. The matter has been discussed in length and resolved that Rs. 150/- will be charged from each student per month. CEO is authorized to take immediate action in this regard as per rule.

11. IMPLEMENTATION OF BETTERMENT FEES [U/s 67(f) OF CANTONMENTS ACT, 2006] IN RESPECT OF ALL MARRIAGE CUM BANQUET HALLS OPERATING INSIDE CANTT LIMIT

To consider and approve implementation of Betterment Fees [U/s. 67(f) of the Cantonments Act, 2006] in respect of all marriage cum banquet halls operating inside Cantt limit as per the below mentioned schedule:


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Description	Rate per annum
HRS BHAWAN, 92 (H) O.B. Road	₹ 10,00,000/-
TAPABAN, 92 (T) O.B. Road	₹ 6,00,000/-
PRAMOD BHAWAN, 72, S.B. Road (includes both gates)	₹ 8,00,000/-
UBIQUE HOTEL CUM RESTAURANT, 89 Surendra Nath Banerjee Road	₹ 12,00,000/-
Amar Bari, 49 Middle Road	₹ 1,50,000/-
Mangalik Bhawan, 95, Baker Mahal	₹ 1,00,000/-

It is also recommended that the amount shown above may be deposited to the Board in two installments i.e. 50% in the month of April of each Year and the remaining 50% within 06 months i.e. October of each year. But in case, the full payment is made lumpsum at the month of April of each year, then 10% rebate will be given by the Board.

It may also be noted that already this office has incurred the following expenditure for the last three financial years for road repairing footpaths, garden beside footpath etc as several vehicles are plying throughout Cantonment roads during marriage or other ceremonies, and so the roads get damaged very often:

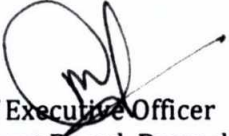
2018-2019: ₹ 2 crore (approx)

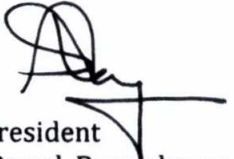
2019-2020: ₹ 50 lakhs (approx)

2020-2021: ₹ 1 crore (approx)

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Resolution: Considered and approved. CEO is authorized to take immediate action in this regard as per rule.


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12. GRANT OF RIGHTS OF ENTRY FEES, GUARDING/SECURITY AND MAINTENANCE OF MP PARK AT CANTONMENT BOARD BARRACKPORE FOR FIVE YEARS.

Reference CBR NO. 1 dated 30.08.2022.

The Board vide CBR NO.1 dated 30.08.2022, considered and approved the rate quoted by M/s Tapas Bhakat for the above subject work.

Accordingly, this office vide letter No.F/I/34-N/151 dated 31.08.2022, directed M/s Tapas Bhakat to deposit a sum of Rs.5974992/- (1st Year tender amount i.e. 37,10,000/- + 10% of security deposit of total 5 years tender amount of Rs.22649921). In response M/s Tapas Bhakat vide letter dated 02.09.2022, stated that the Park will be under renovation for installation of Play tools etc, which required minimum 06 months and as such if he will take charge of above work now then he will not provide suitable place for visitors in the park. Further, he requested to allow him to deposit security money of Rs. 22,64,992/- within 15 working days from the receipt of his letter of demand and rest i.e. 37,10,000/- within 06 months or before taking over the charge, whichever is earlier.

Resolution: Considered and pended. The matter will be referred to Cantonment Board Legal Advisor and thereafter it will be placed before the next Board Meeting. In the meantime the park will be closed from 01.10.2022, till decision in the next Board meeting for maintenance work except Restaurants area. Proper security will be provided by the Board to ensure that nobody will enter inside the park.


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