PROCEEDINGS OF THE 27TH MEETING OF PUNJAB BUILDING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION WORKERS' WELFARE BOARD, HELD ON 22.01.2021 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF HON'BLE CAPT. AMRINDER SINGH, CHIEF MINISTER, PUNJAB.

The Additional Chief Secretary cum Vice Chairman, Punjab BOCW Welfare Board, Sh. Vijay Kumar Janjua, welcomed the Chairman and with the permission of the Chair, the agenda of the meeting was briefed.

- 2.0 List of participants is attached.
- 3.0 Summary discussion of the meeting is as following:-

Agenda Item No 1: Confirmation of the proceedings of 26th Meeting of the Board.

The proceedings of 26th meeting were confirmed.

Agenda Item No 2: Action Taken Report on the proceedings of the 26th Meeting.

Item No. 2,5,7,8.2,9.4,9.5,9.6,27 and Supplementary item no. 4 of 26thmeeting:-

The Board noted the position.

<u>Item No. 14,16, 24,25.1, 25.2, 26 and Supplementary Agenda no. 1</u> and 2 of 26th meeting: -

The Board noted that the office has already taken necessary action in view of the decisions taken on the said agenda items.

<u>Item No. 8.1, 9.1, 9.2,9.3,11.1,12,15,17 and Supplementary agenda</u> item no. 3 of 26th Meeting

The Board noted that separate agenda items have been placed in the 27th Board Meeting for consideration and approval.

Item No. 10, 13,20,28 of 26th meeting

The Board noted the information.

Item No. 6 of 26th meeting

After deliberations, it was agreed to increase the Shagun amount from Rs.31000/- to Rs. 51000/- w.e.f. 01.04.2021.

Further, the Board also approved to extend additional time for renewal of the off-line/online copies of the registered construction workers up to 30.6.2021 which could not be done because of COVID pandemic.

The Board noted and resolved to grant ex-post facto approval for the same.

Agenda Item No. 4:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL REGARDING RELEASE OF $1^{\rm ST}$ AND $2^{\rm ND}$ INTERIM RELIEF DURING COVID-19 TO LIVE REGISTERED CONSTRUCTION WORKERS OF PUNJAB BOCW WELFARE BOARD.

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 5:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL FOR RENEWING AGREEMENT WITH PESCO FOR PROVIDING SECURITY GUARDS THROUGH OUTSOURCING AGENCY FOR WATCH AND WARD DUTIES AT LABOUR BHAWAN, SECTOR 64, MOHALI

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 6:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL TO SHARE ELECTRICITY AND WATER CHARGES BETWEEN PUNJAB BOCW WELFARE BOARD, PUNJAB LABOUR WELFARE BOARD AND LABOUR DEPARTMENT, PB.

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 7:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT AND PAY PREMIUM UNDER AYUSHMAN BHARAT SARBAT SEHAT BIMA YOJNA (AB-SSBY) UNDER POLICY COVER PERIOD 2020-21

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 8:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL FOR EXTENDING CONTRACT PERIOD OF M/S. A TO Z SERVICES FOR TWO MONTHS.

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 9:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF OUTSOURCING AGENCY M/S. S. S. SERVICES PROVIDERS FOR SUPPLY OF MANPOWER IN BOCW THROUGH OUTSOURCE.

Agenda Item No. 11:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL TO ALLOW CASH COMPENSATION OF RS.1500/- FOR CONSTRUCTION WORKER/S WHO TEST COVID POSITIVE OR WHOSE IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS HAD TESTED POSITIVE AND HAD TO BE QUARANTINED

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 12:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MARRIAGE IN CASE OF 2ND MARRIAGE OF A WIDOW /DIVORSED DAUGHTER AND FOR THE MARRIAGE OF HIS /HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval to provide financial assistance of Shagun Scheme to a beneficiary in the case of 2nd marriage of his widowed/divorced daughter and also in the case of his daughter-in-law.

Agenda Item No. 13:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO IMPLEMENT SCHEME FOR PROVIDING PROSTHETIC LIMBS/ BRACES/ CALIPERS TO A DISABLED/ HANDICAPPED BENEFICIARY OR HIS FAMILY MEMBER AND PROVIDING WHEEL-CHAIR TO A DISABLED BENEFICIARY OR A MEMBER OF HIS FAMILY INCLUDING OLD AND INFIRM PARENTS.

The Board considered and granted Ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 14

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL TO ENGAGE M/S. RAILTEL CORPORATION OF INDIA TO UPGRADE THE SERVER CAPACITY AND PURCHASE MSSQL SERVER STANDARD EDITION 2019 (16 CORE SERVER) FOR ENHANCING SERVER PERFORMANCE SPEED.

The Board considered and granted Ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 15:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL FOR ADOPTING MISSION MODE PROJECT SCHEME SPONSERED BY GOVT. OF INDIA ---- DEVELOPMENT OF MOBILE APP FOR BOCW PUNJAB.

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 16:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL REGARDING PAYMENT TO SH. AMAN SHARMA, ADVOCATE AS PER DIRECTIONS OF THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA, CHANDIGARH.

The Board considered and granted Ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 18

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL TO EXTEND DATE UPTO 31.03.2021 FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP.

Considering the facts that the impact of COVID-19 still exists, the Board decided to extend this date up to 30.06.2021 so that all the left-out construction workers may renew their registration.

Agenda Item No. 19:

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO UPGRADE DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND APPROVAL TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL IT HARDWARE FOR ADDITIONAL OFFICIALS WHO HAVE JOINED IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS AND FOR THOSE ALSO WHO WOULD BE JOINING IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS FOR SWITCHING OVER TO E-OFFICE IN THE PUNJAB BOCW WELFARE BOARD.

After detailed deliberations, the Board granted ex-post facto approval.

Agenda Item No. 20:

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS (BALANCE SHEET) FOR THE YEAR 2018-19.

The Board noted and approved the Annual Accounts (Balance Sheet) for the year 2018-19.

Agenda Item No. 21:

TO CONSIDER AND ALLOW RELAXATIONS/ MODIFICATIONS IN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF VARIOUS WELFARE SCHEMES DURING COVID-19

It was noted that the terms and conditions mentioned in the agenda item placed in the 26th meeting held on 13.12.2019 were proposed and approved prior to COVID-19 situation. Further, due to certain advisories/restrictions announced by the Govt. of India as well as by the Punjab Government, the construction workers could not comply with certain time bound terms and conditions, thus these construction workers could not apply/avail benefits under various welfare schemes.

Keeping in view the difficulties being faced by these workers, the Board considered the proposed relaxations/modifications in terms and conditions of various welfare scheme along with Supplementary agenda item no. 3 and allowed ex-post facto approval to increase condition of 6 months to one year for applying under various welfare schemes, delete the gap between the registration as beneficiary and date of death in ex-gratia schemes and removed 50% annual

Agenda Item No. 23:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE AADHAAR CARD AND VOTER CARD TOGETHER AS DOCUMENTARY PROOF OF AGE WHILE APPLYING UNDER VARIOUS WELFARE SCHEMES.

The Board considered the proposal and allowed any two out of the four documents i.e. Aadhar Card, PAN Card, Voter Card or Ration Card issued by any Government agency having the same date of birth as the valid proof of date of birth besides existing documents of date of birth proof to avail benefits under various welfare schemes of the BOCW Welfare Board.

Agenda Item No.: 24

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF RS. 2.0 LAKHS TO THE DEPENDENTS OR FAMILY MEMBERS OR NOMINEE, ON THE DEATH OF ANY UNREGISTERED BUILDING WORKER WHOSE ACCIDENT OCCURRED DURING AND IN THE COURSE OF HIS EMPLOYMENT AS BUILDING WORKER.

It was noted that the agenda was placed before the 26th board meeting held on 13.12.2019 and opinion of office of Legal Remembrancer, Punjab was sought. The Legal Remembrancer has opined that section 12 of the Act, 1996 does not provide for benefits to un-registered building workers.

The Board again considered the matter and decided to grant financial assistance of Rs. 2.0 lacs to the dependents or family members or nominee, on the death of any unregistered construction worker whose accident occurred during and in the course of his/her employment as building worker, provided that otherwise the worker should fulfil the eligibility criteria for registration as a construction worker in accordance with the law.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 25

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TO CONSIDER REVISION OF PAY OF THE BOCW WB STAFF WORKING AT BOCW WB H.Q., MOHALI AND IN CIRCLE OFFICES.

The Board considered and approved the proposal.

4.0 Further, with the approval of the Hon'ble Chief Minister-cum-Chairman of the Board, the following supplementary agendas were placed for consideration of the Board:

Supplementary Agenda Item No. 2

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EXPOST FACTO APPROVAL FOR EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON RELEASE OF AN ADVERTISEMENT ON PRASAR BHARATI, AIR, JALANDHAR.

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Supplementary Agenda Item No. 3

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO ALLOW RELAXATIONS/MODIFICATIONS IN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF VARIOUS WELFARE SCHEMES.

This item was considered along with agenda item no. 21 and granted expost facto approval.

Supplementary Agenda Item No. 4

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX POST APPROVAL TO SHARE COST OF CARDS BEING ISSUED UNDER AYUSHMAN BHARAT SARBAT SEHAT BIMA (AB-SSB) YOJNA (POLICY 2020-21)

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

Supplementary Agenda Item No. 5

TO CONSIDER AND GRANT EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL TO REVISED BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR 2020-21

The Board considered and granted ex-post facto approval.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Annexure-1

The following members were present in the 27^{th} Board Meeting held through V.C. on 22.01.2021 at 2.30 PM:-

| Sr. No. | Name | Designation |
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| 1. | Capt. Amrinder Singh, Chief Minister, Punjab | Chairman |
| 2. | Sh. Balbir Singh Sidhu, Labour Minister, Punjab | Sr. Vice Chairman |
| 3. | Sh. Vijay Kumar Janjua, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Labour | Vice Chairman |
| 4. | Sh. Saravjit Singh, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development | Member |
| 5. | Sh. Vikas Partap, IAS, Department of PWD (B&R) | Member |
| 6. | Sh. Parveen Kumar Thind, I.A.S. Labour Commissioner cum Secretary, BOCW Welfare Board | Member Secretary |
| 7. | Sh. J.P. Singh | Dy. Secretary BOCW |
| 8. | Sh. Sushil Kumar Sharma | Member |
| 9. | Sh. Baljinder Singh Jandu | Member |
| 10. | Sh. Sukhdev Singh | Member |
| 11. | Sh. Jaber Khan | Member |
| 12. | Sh. Nirmal Singh Dhaliwal | Member |

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