Minutes of weekly review meeting for IPDS works chaired by Ms Radhika Jha, IAS, ED(IPDS) at Varanasi on 26th April 2016

The weekly meeting to review IPDS works at Varanasi, chaired by ED (IPDS) was held on 26.04.2016. The list of Participants annexed herewith.

Following points were discussed in the meeting:

1. Nodal Officer (IPDS) PuVVNL welcomed ED (IPDS) and briefed the status of IPDS projects. He informed that progress of work is very slow and urged PGCIL/KEI to expedite the same to complete the work within the stipulated time lines.

2. ED (IPDS) expressed displeasure about the inadequate manpower deployment and improper planning by PGCIL/KEI leading to slow progress and slippages in the targets. She advised PGCIL to expedite the work immediately, enhance resources, take up works at multiple locations and carryout micro level planning to ensure completion of works in a years’ time.

PGCIL/ KEI informed that approximately 175 nos. manpower has been deployed on site and committed that at least 500 nos. manpower shall be deployed by 2nd week of May’2016.

3. PGCIL informed that, as on date following works are in progress:
   - Augmentation/additional transformers works at Kashi, Machhodari, Alajpur and Kabir Nagar S/S
   - New Substation works at Chowk
   - Cable laying works at Kabir Nagar (5 locations) and Kashi areas (2 locations)

4. ED (IPDS) raised concern on basis of feedback given by PuVVNL that although works at Kabir Nagar were started on 8th April 2016, back-filling and sanitisation of the site is still not completed. She directed that all works in a location/ work-area should be completed within 10 days and proper backfilling, levelling etc. should be done, to avoid public inconvenience. She further directed that advance information should be sent to VMC/ PWD for taking up road-restoration without any delay.
   ED (IPDS) directed that Shri A. K. Singh, GM (PGCIL) shall be overall coordinator for entire implementation and liaisoning with VMC/PWD for road-restoration and obtaining various statutory clearances. Shri Vijay Agarwal, AGM (PFC) to ensure smooth coordination & implementation of the above activities and assist Shri A K Singh.

5. ED (IPDS) informed that she has already taken up the issue of statutory clearances with Mayor (VMC), Local administration and PWD and they all have assured full co-operation. PGCIL informed that clearances have already been received from VMC for 4 zones.

6. ED (IPDS) further informed that general perception and feedback from stakeholders is not very encouraging about the progress of works. She directed PGCIL/KEI to take-up necessary measures for involvement and awareness of local public for their better support during execution. She also raised concern that, the IPDS display boards at sites showcasing work
progress, plans and advantages of the projects have not be installed till date despite of repeated reminders in various meetings. PGCIL/ KEI committed to install the boards by 30th April-2016.

7. ED (IPDS) advised PGCIL, as well as PuVVNL, to supervise the work minutely with strict quality and safety checks so that work may be accomplished as per quality and safety norms.

8. ED (IPDS) directed PGCIL/KEI to update the daily progress on or before 7 PM and upload the site progress photographs on App, on daily basis mentioning the date. She further advised that following should also be made available on Mobile APP,
   • Information about daily work plan, horizon/locations and manpower mobilisation for public awareness (as daily progress report)
   • Details of working areas and areas wherein statutory permission has been accorded, using different colour codes, on the map.
KEI/PGCIL committed to implement the above features by 2nd May-2016.
Shri Sudhakar, DGM (PGCIL) shall be the overall coordinator for updation of the Kashi-IPDS app.

9. Regarding issue of revised BOQ, PuVVNL informed that submission of comprehensive proposal along with detailed BOQ and single line diagrams is awaited from PGCIL. PGCIL committed to submit the same by 30th April 2016.

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Annexure:-

List Of participants for meeting dated 26-04-16:-

1. Ms Radhika Jha, IAS, ED (IPDS)
2. Sh Prabhat, Chief Engineer (IPDS), PuVVNL
3. Sh Anil Verma, SE, IPDS, PUUVNL
4. Sh Vijay Agarwal, AGM & NO –UP , PFC
5. Sh A K Singh, GM, IPDS, PGCIL
6. Sh S K Palit, AGM, DMS, PGCIL
7. Sh Sudhakar Gupta, DGM, PGCIL
8. Sh A K Asthana , SE, PUVVNL
9. Sh Rajesh Kumar, Ex. Engg, Construction, PuVVNL
10. Sh Y K Khanduja, SM, PFC
11. Sh Manish Mantri, VP, KEI
12. Sh S K Sharma GM, KEI
13. Sh Mahesh Hasorikar , Proj Manager, KEI
14. Sh Pushkar Gupta, Dy. Mgr, KEI