

Minutes of IAY Empowered Committee on 10th May , 2013

List of participants is annexed.

Joint Secretary welcomed the gathering. S(RD) expressed his happiness that operationalisation of the new guideline has begun with meeting of the EC. S(RD) initiated discussions with States. The district wise allocation of each State was taken up to understand the principle/ rationale behind it and the calculation/arithmetic involved.

Uttar Pradesh

Representative from the State explained that the target numbers for Minorities and others were kept the same as indicated by MoRD but the bifurcation between SC and ST was slightly changed however the total targets for SC and ST remained the same. The targets were distributed in proportion to the demand for housing as reflected by the category specific permanent IAY waitlist. Since there was no separate waitlist for Minorities the targets were distributed in proportion to the demand for housing by the community in the general waitlist. The principle was found reasonable as the waitlist reflected accurately the unmet demand though not the actual need. The allocation was accepted for current year. The State was asked to submit the district wise permanent waitlist numbers and the breakup of SC, ST targets before the district wise targets could be finalised.

Chhattisgarh

Representative from the State explained that the district wise allocation was done based on the 2002 BPL data. The allocation presented a problem in 10 central districts since their OBC population was about 50 % and the total allocation in Others category to the State as a whole was less and the ST's also benefitted from Special Projects for beneficiaries under FRA. The state formula meant that targets from SC, ST and Minority categories were shifted to the Others category. The rationale was not found acceptable since the Scheme was designed to give preferential weight to these categories and that fundamental principle cannot be disrupted. State was asked to rework the district wise targets within the category wise targets indicated by MoRD.

Mizoram

Representative from the State explained that there were no SC and Minorities in the State and so the entire target was allocated to ST based on their district wise proportion. The allocation was accepted for the current year.

Andhra Pradesh

Representative from the State explained that the principle was that similar to that of UP. The housing demand is as reflected in the full waitlist. All beneficiaries are registered on the State MIS and there are separate waitlist for each category including Minorities is available. In following the above principle the coastal districts of East Godavari, West Godavari, Krishna, Guntur, Prakasam get lower targets than that derived based on population proportions, whereas Mehboobnagar, Warangal, Nalgonda, Khammam, Srikakulam and Vizianagaram districts receive higher targets. However, the coastal districts were covered under cyclone rehabilitation schemes. The category wise targets set for the State have been retained. The targets were accepted for the current year.

Haryana

Representative from the State explained that the State had no ST population and so the targets for SC and ST were allocated to SC's alone. The numbers for Minorities and Others have been retained. The district wise targets were distributed in proportion to the population of the respective categories as recommended by MoRD. The allocation was accepted.

Himachal Pradesh

Representative from the State explained that the category wise targets given by MoRD have been retained and the district wise allocation has been done on the basis of population. Hamirpur and Una have not been allotted ST targets and Lahul-Spiti has not been allotted others targets. The district wise allocation was accepted for the current year.

Meghalaya

Representative from the State explained that the category wise targets given by MoRD have been retained and the district wise allocation of ST target has been done in proportion to the numbers in the Permanent IAY Waitlist. The SC, Minority and Others targets have been wholly allotted to West Garo Hills which is the only district with beneficiaries in these categories. The principle followed and the target allocated was accepted for the current year.

Rajasthan

Representative from the State explained that the demand for housing taken from the permanent waitlist has been used as the basis for district wise allocation. The SC target has been reduced by 5470 and transferred to STs. The Minorities target has been reduced by 5117 and others target increased by that number. The State has certified that Minorities in several districts have been already covered and hence require a reduction in target. The principle and district wise targets were accepted.

Tripura

Representative from the State explained that the total target number has been retained. The category wise allocation has been done based on proportion of population. The category wise targets do not match with the targets given by MoRD. The State was requested to reallocate among the categories to achieve the targets given by MoRD.

Orissa

Representative from the State explained that the State was not satisfied with the target allotted for others category and would like a upward revision. Since the district wise allocation was not communicated, the State was requested to work out a district wise allocation based on targets given by MoRD based on any reasonable principle and communicate the same to the Ministry.

Other States:

States like Kerala, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Nagaland, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, West Bengal and Andaman & Nicobar Islands had sent the district wise allocation but were not represented in the meeting The State wise details are as below:-

Andaman & Nicobar Islands

- There is a drastic reduction in target (from 2081 to 575) set by the administration in comparison to that communicated by MoRD. State may be requested to submit revised allocation.

Bihar

- Overall target given by State is same.
- The target for SC is enhanced from 167686 to 334330 and for ST from 16959 to 29000.
- Diversion of target from Others category proportionately
- We may concur

Jharkhand

- The overall target is same. There is increase in targets in SC from 13267 to 14536, minorities from 2886 to 10073 and others from 6344 to 16788, and reduced targets in ST category from 44656 to 25756 reference to the targets proposed by Ministry of Rural Development.
- No justification has been given. State may be requested to submit revised allocation.

Kerala

- There is no change in over all allocation
- There is an intra change in SC/ST allocations district wise.
- We may concur

Madhya Pradesh

- The information is incomplete.
- The proposal for dealing 26 districts as difficult areas has to be examined by EC so State may be requested to submit revised allocation.

Manipur

- District wise break-up is required
- The target submitted by State Government is not as per the criteria adopted by the Ministry of Rural Development. State may be requested to submit revised allocation.

Nagaland

- Category wise targets has not been mentioned. State may be requested to submit revised allocation.

Sikkim

- Over all target has been enhanced vis-a-vis the target (the target proposed by Ministry is 1436 while State informed 1737). State proposes to reduce target in ST from 884 to 868 while in SC increased target from 155 to 174. Overall increase in SC/ST is only 3. Minority target has been reduced from 393 to 260, 52 houses has been earmarked for Disabled and others increased from 4 to 383. However since the increase is not very high, we may agree.

Uttarakhand

- The target allocated is as per the criteria adopted by the Ministry. We may concur.

West Bengal

- The target proposed by the State is as per the criteria adopted by the Ministry (district wise target has been fixed on the basis of 2011 rural population). We may concur.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.