MINUTES OF THE 8TH GOVERNING BODY MEETING OF STATE HEALTH SOCIETY HELD ON 10th DECEMBER, 2013 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CHIEF SECRETARY, ASSAM, DISPUR

Members present in the meeting is at Annexure-I

The 8th Governing Body (GB) Meeting of State Health Society, Assam was held on 10th December, 2013 at 2-30 P.M in the Conference Room of the Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur. The meeting was chaired by Shri Jitesh Khosla, IAS, Chief Secretary, Assam. The following were discussed in the meeting and decisions taken:-

Agenda Item No. 1: Action taken report on decision made in the 7th GB Meeting:

The GB discussed the Action Taken Report of the 7th GB Meeting that was held on 28.09.2012. The Chairperson expressed concern that GB Meeting is not being held regularly and directed to hold it regularly henceforth.

Agenda Item No. 2: Progress made under NRHM, Assam.

- It was emphasized that in view of poor performance of the state as regards IMR and MMR, strict Performance Appraisal of field functionaries should be carried out and if needed, the poor performers be terminated.
- Director Health Services (DHS) was asked to issue instructions to the Joint Directors of Health Services of the districts for better coordination with NRHM functionaries at the field level. Also, district performance in NRHM should be an important criteria while recording the ACRs of the Joint Directors.
- The issue related to night deliveries in health institutions was raised. The Chairman directed to collect statistics from all districts regarding numbers of Anesthetist available in the district and number of night deliveries taking place in those districts.
- Concern was raised on field verification of civil works of NRHM. The Chairman suggested forming a Sub-Committee from among the GB Members for monitoring the works in the field and submitting monthly reports.
- The issue related to maintenance of assets created under NRHM was raised. The Chairman suggested creating an Inventory of Assets by involving qualified Engineers from Institution of Engineers. Thereafter, estimates for requirement of fund for maintenance should be made and proposed in the Programme Implementation Plan.
- > Regarding shortage of manpower in BTC districts, which is a major constraint in

delivering adequate services in the area, the GB advised to prioritize posting of manpower in BTC districts after analysis of HR gap.

The GB discussed about availability of drugs and consumables in all the health facilities. It was advised that distribution of drugs to health institutions be made need based. The GB suggested putting in place a monitoring mechanism to ensure smooth supply of drugs and consumables to all the health facilities.

Agenda Item No. 3: Progress of State Govt. Schemes implemented by NRHM

The progress of State Govt. Schemes implemented by NRHM was noted.

Agenda Item No. 4: Financial Progress of NRHM, Assam.

On the issue of diversion of funds, it was decided that this should be resorted to only in case of extreme emergency. Further, Monthly Statement of such diversion should be maintained by Director, Finance & Accounts, NRHM and place before MD, NRHM at the end of the month. Such compiled Statement should be placed before the GB for appraisal.

Agenda Item No. 5: Approval of Statutory Audit Report of Financial Year, 2011-12.

The GB approved the Statutory Audit Report for Financial Year, 2011-12.

Agenda Item No. 6: PIP/ROP 2013-14 and Key Conditionalities and Incentives

The issue related to Budget of NRHM not being placed in the GB was raised. It was decided that the approved budget of NRHM shall be circulated through e-mail to all the members of GB.

Agenda Item No. 7: Strengthening of National Health Mission (NHM)

The GB approved the nomenclature of "National Health Mission (NHM)" instead of "National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)" and re-designation of MD, NRHM as MD, National Health Mission.

Agenda Item No. 8: Launch of National Urban Health Mission (NUHM)

The GB approved expansion of members of State Health Mission, Governing Body, Executive Committee, District Health Mission and District Health Society as per Govt. of India's Guideline. The Chairperson suggested covering all head quarter towns under NUHM programme and move Government of India accordingly.

Agenda Item No. 9: Propose New Member in SHM, GB & EC of State Health Society , Assam.

The Governing Body approved the inclusion of Director, AYUSH as Member of the Governing Body and Executive Committee and Regional Director, Govt. of India, MoHFW, Guwahati as Member of the State Health Mission.

Agenda Item No. 10: Compulsory Posting of PG Doctors for One Year Service.

The Governing Body deferred approval for Compulsory Posting of 167 PG Doctors for One Year Service under NRHM and suggested to send proposal accordingly to the Government of India for approval first.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

(Jitesh Khosla, IAS)

Chairperson

Governing Body, State Health Society & Chief Secretary, Assam