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No. Conf. 3(1) 89th EC/2017

Dated: 21.04.2017

To

21 APR 2017

All Members,
Executive Committee, CBT (EPF),
(As per list).

Sub: Forwarding of minutes of 89th meeting of Executive Committee, Central Board of Trustees (EPF), held on 12.04.2017 req.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the minutes of 89th meeting of Executive Committee, Central Board of Trustee (EPF) held on 12.04.2017 at Ministry of Labour & Employment, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi duly approved by the Chairperson, Executive Committee, Central Board (EPF) for kind perusal.

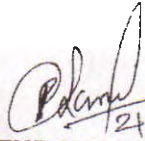
Yours faithfully,

(AMIYA KANT)

Regional PF Commissioner (Conference)

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24/11/2017
(PRITHI CHAND)
Assistant PF Commissioner (Conference)

EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND ORGANISATION
MINUTES OF 89th MEETING OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, CBT (EPF)
(NEW DELHI; 12th April 2017, 11:00 AM)

The 89th meeting of the Executive Committee, CBT (EPF) was chaired by Smt. M. Sathiyavathy, Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment. The following members attended the meeting:-

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| 1. | Shri Arun Goel, AS F& A(L &E) | Ministry of Labour & Employment
Central Government representatives |
| 2. | Dr. G. Sanjeeva Reddy | Employee' Representative |
| 3. | Shri M. Jagadishwara Rao | |
| 4. | Dr. V.P. Joy | CPFC & Member Secretary (ex-officio) |

The following members could not attend the meeting and sought leave of absence:-

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| 1. | Shri Heera Lal Samariya, AS (L&E) | Ministry of Labour & Employment
Central Government representatives |
| 2. | Dr. U.D. Choubey | Employers' representative |
| 3. | Shri Ravi Wig | |
| 4. | Shri K.V. Sekhar Raju | |
| 5. | Shri A.D. Nagpal | Employees' representative |
| 6. | Secretary (Labour) Government of
Madhya Pradesh | State Government representatives |
| 7. | Additional Labour Commissioner, Govt. of
Kerala | |

The list of officers of the EPFO, who attended the meeting, is at **Annexure A**.

CPFC welcomed the Secretary (L&E) to the meeting as Chairperson, EC. CPFC also welcomed all members to the 89th meeting of the Executive Committee.

Meeting was scheduled at 11.00 AM in Ministry of Labour and Employment. None of the employers' representatives could attend meeting as per scheduled time. Thus, it was decided to adjourn the meeting for half an hour (for want of quorum). The adjourned meeting notice was communicated through SMS to the members who were not present in the meeting.

The Committee again met at 11.30 and agenda items were discussed. Besides the listed agenda items, three items were placed on table, before the Executive Committee.

Before taking up the agenda formally, Mr. Jagdishwar Rao, informed that now the Zonal Offices of EPFO have been reorganised and new Office premises are being located/constructed. For this lands are being searched. He suggested that there are some of the EPFO Regional Offices, where surplus space is available. He cited the example of Zonal Office being opened at Hubli, for which land is being searched, though, additional space is available in Regional Office, Mangalore. To this Chairperson informed the Committee that Zonal Offices are created after deliberations and approval in CBT. Besides this, it is pertinent to consider location and proximity of Zonal Office with respect to other subordinate Offices, while deciding its (Zone's) office premises.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of 88th meeting of Executive Committee, CBT (EPF) held on 27.03.2017.

The 89th meeting of E C was convened to deliberate upon remaining agenda items of 88th EC, thus it was decided to place combined minutes of 88th Meeting of EC, CBT and 89th Meeting of EC, CBT together in the next Executive Committee Meeting.

Item No. 2: Minutes of the meeting no.1 of 2017 of Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee, CBT on Building & Construction.

The minutes of the meeting above was noted.

.Item No 3: Special repair work at Sub-Regional Office, EPFO, Amritsar:

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No 4. Special repair works of new building at RO, Bandra

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No 5. Construction of office building including water supply sanitary installations electrical installations for EPFO Sub-Regional Office, Bellary

Shri G Sanjeeva Reddy, member desired to know whether the proposal is fulfilling the laid down criteria in this behalf and is as per CPWD norms. CPFC informed the Executive Committee that the proposal is as per norms.

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No 6. Estimate for Repairing Renovation and upgradation of Type-I, Type-II, Type-III EPFO Staff Quarters and Miscellaneous works in the campus at Coimbatore

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No. 7. Detailed Preliminary Estimate for "Renovation of 16 Nos. General Toilet Block at Regional Office, Kolkata

Additional Secretary and FA, MOL&E advised that water conservation should be ensured while executing the above work. He suggested a checklist must be prepared and CPWD may be directed to follow the same to ensure conservation of water.

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No 8. Supply/Installation/Testing/Commissioning (S/I/T/C) of 13 passenger capacity lift at EPFO Annexe Building, Regional Office, Madurai

Additional Secretary and FA, MOL&E advised that while installing the lifts, It may be ensure that all the lifts are interlinked.

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

Item No 9. Proposal for acquiring land for construction of office for Sub-Regional Office, Tumkur

The proposal as contained in the agenda was approved.

ItemNo.10. Status in the Arbitration proceedings in the dispute between Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) & Siemens Information Systems Limited (SSL) Now Atos India Pvt. Ltd.

CPFC informed Executive Committee that arbitration proceedings are going on since 2008 between EPFO and M/s Siemens Information System Limited (SISL), initiated due to the termination of contract assigned by EPFO to SISL in 2008. Central Board of Trustees, EPF in its 181st meeting held on 24.01.2008 had decided to terminate the contract with SISL for failure to deliver services as defined in the Contract.

SISL has made a claim of Rs. 69, 64, 73,343/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Crores Sixty Four Lacs Seventy Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty Three only). CPFC informed the EC that 153 sittings have already taken place and some other sittings are also to be held. The cost of arbitration include the amount being paid to the Advocates as fee, sitting charges, secretarial charges and reading fee to the members of Arbitration Tribunal. Shri G. Sanjeeva Reddy, member suggested that efforts should be made to minimise the cost being incurred in the process. AS and FA, MOL & E desired to know, whether the amount of Rs. 4.09 crores towards cost of arbitration, is incurred solely by EPFO

or the same also includes the amount paid by SISL. CPFC clarified that the amount includes the cost borne by EPFO only. CPFC also informed that bills amounting to Rs. 63 lakhs are pending towards cost of arbitration. Chairperson opined that efforts can also be made for negotiation with SISL, considering the huge cost involved in Arbitration proceedings. CPFC suggested that number of counsels need to be reduced to bare minimum to reduce cost. He also informed that EPFO's legal adviser is an eminent counsel who has been presiding Officer of Tribunals besides other high level legal Offices. He will also be authorised to appear without any additional fee, for immediate decision in arbitration.

After deliberations, the course of action suggested by CPFC was noted by the EC. It was further decided matter may be brought to CBT for consideration on the issue of negotiations with M/S SISL for settlement of the case.

Item No.11. Payment of outstanding bill of Hiring of Taxies regarding

Agenda contains the matter regarding services of Taxi hired from 'Yours rent a Car N Luxury Coaches', New Delhi. Taxi service was hired after approval of competent authority for the Office of the then Minister of State (Labour) and Chairman, CBT, EPF for the period March, 2012 to May, 2014, and final bills amounting to Rs. 15,00,328/- were submitted by the agency on 12.06.2014. Matter was referred to Ministry of Labour and Employment on insistence of Finance Division for sanction of Rs. 13,42,078 (after reducing 10% of the amount towards delay in submitting bills, as per agreement), justifying the delay under Rule 265 of GFR. However, MOL&E has replied vide letter dated 19.05.2016 that EPFO being autonomous body, the bills might be processed after checking genuineness. Finance division has concurred for releasing an amount of Rs. 12, 78,778/- further reducing the amount of service tax.

Proposal as contained was deliberated upon by the Executive Committee. Shri G Sanjeeva Reddy stated that he supports the proposal. Chairperson advised that such matters may be cleared by the Competent Authority in EPFO.

ItemNo.12. Proposal of hiring premises of Berhampore Municipal for Sub-Regional Office, Jangipur (now Regional Office)

Proposal in the agenda was approved.

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

List of officers of EPFO who attended the 89th EC meeting held on 12.04.2017

Sl.No.	Name	Designation	Ministry/ Office
1.	Shri Manish Gupta	FA & CAO	Employees' P F Organisation
2.	Smt. Aparajita Jaggi	RPFC	Employees' P F Organisation
3.	Shri Rizwan Uddin	RPFC	Employees' P F Organisation
4.	Shri Prithi Chand	Section Officer	Employees' P F Organisation