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ABSTRACT

Implementation of Olikkal SHEP (5MW) – Existing road from Punnakkal to Olikkal – complaint of local people for repairing the damaged road – Execution of the work through the present contractor as an extra item – Sanctioned – Orders issued.

Corporate Office (SBU - G/C)

Office Order (CMD)No.1442/2023(No.DGC/AEEIII/O&P/2014)

Thiruvananthapuram,Dated: 05.10.2023

- Read: 1. Agreement No. CECCN/03/2022-23 dated 01.09.2022.
2. Mass Petition dated 07.08.2023 submitted by the Convener, 'Olikkal Vikasana Samithi'.
3. Letter dated 22.08.2023 of M/s PGCCPL, the Contractor of Olikkal SHEP
4. Letter dated 24.08.2023 of the Assistant Engineer, PWD (Roads) Sub Division, Thiruvambady
5. Letter dated 24.08.2023 of Sri. Linto Joseph, MLA, Thiruvambady addressed to the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity.
6. Note No. CECCN/DB/01/O&P-works/2022-23/937 dated 29.09.2023 of the Chief Engineer (Civil - Construction) North.
7. Note No. DGC/AEEIII/O&P/2014 (16) dated 03.10.2023 of the Director (Generation-Civil).

ORDER

Agreement for the execution of Olikkal SHEP (5MW, 10.26Mu) was executed with M/s. PGCCPL-ARYACON Consortium, Ernakulam, as per agreement read as 1st above and the work commenced on 19.09.2022. The work is progressing as per the targeted schedule and 22.19% of Civil work has been completed so far. As per agreement, the work is to be completed on 01.07.2025.

The Chief Engineer (Civil - Construction) North as per the note read as 6th above has informed that the access to Olikkal power channel, forebay and weir site is from Punnakkal through the PWD road of 5.23 km, which was previously owned by Thiruvambady Grama Panchayat and eight years back it was transferred to PWD (Roads). Out of 5.23 km of road, a stretch of 4.30 km is black topped and 0.93 km is earthen road. It is reported that due to flash running of rain water and continuous plying of vehicles to the project site, 3.30 km road portion has got severely damaged at several locations and travelling through this road became very difficult.

The people residing in the locality raised protest against the worst condition of the above road and submitted a petition before the Hon,ble MLA, Thiruvambady. Based on this, a meeting was arranged by the Hon,ble MLA on 03.08.2023, with the representatives of KSEBL and PWD and decided to restrict the plying of heavy loaded vehicles through this road to reduce further damage.

Later, a joint meeting was convened on 05.08.2023 by the President, Grama Panchayat,

Thiruvambady with the Contractor of Olikkal SHEP, representatives from KSEBL, PWD and complainants and after a joint inspection, the Panchayat authorities asked the Contractor to fill the large potholes with metal and concrete. M/s PGCCPL agreed to arrange the rectification works using muck and quarry waste. But the local people rejected this proposal and requested for special repairs. Meanwhile, the Convener, 'Olikkal Vikasana Samithi' has also submitted a mass petition to the Project Manager, Olikkal & Poovaramthodu SHEPs on 07.08.2023, against the worst condition of Punnakkal-Olikkal road and sought immediate action from KSEBL to rectify the same.

The Assistant Engineer, PWD (Roads) Sub Division as per letter read as 4th above has reported that the re-tarring of 1 km stretch of road has been completed under the Running Contract. It is also informed that an estimate amounting to Rs. 136.44 Lakhs has also been submitted for approval, for the renewal of next stretch of 2.33 km of the damaged road. Due to delay in the execution of work, the Assistant Engineer, PWD informed that KSEBL may rectify the damaged portions of road temporarily to make it trafficable.

The Hon'ble MLA, Thiruvambady had also taken up the issue to with the Hon'ble Minister for Electricity as per letter read as 5th above, for taking an immediate action to the rectification works of damaged portion of Olikkal-Punnakkal road to make the road trafficable.

Later, the public blocked the vehicles to the Olikkal Project site on 22.09.2023, demanding immediate action to repair the damaged road. The public warned the Contractor that they would not allow any works at Olikkal site unless the issue is resolved. The MLA, Thiruvambady convened an urgent meeting at MLA Office, Mukkam, with public, officials of KSEBL and the Contractor of Olikkal SHEP on 23.09.2023. On assurance from KSEBL, the MLA informed the public that the repair work will start before 03.10.2023 and requested the people not to block the road up to 03.10.2023. The traffic was restored immediately without affecting the work at Project site. The MLA insisted the KSEBL that the rectification works should be commenced within one week as assured to the Public.

The Project Manager informed that the regular maintenance of the road is being done by the Contractor, as and when required, but the major special repairs which require more financial commitment may not be borne by them.

The agreement clause 5.8.3 (Interference with public, public properties, other departments and safety of public) specifies that "all access to work sites and other areas other than those specifically agreed to be constructed by the Board herein in these specifications, if any, shall be provided by the contractor at his own expenses. The Board assumes no responsibility for the condition of roads and structures thereon that may be used by the contractor in performing the work under these specifications or in travelling to and from the site of the work. No payment will be made to the contractor by the Board for any work done in constructing, improving, repairing or maintaining any road or structure thereon for use in the performance of the work under these specifications".

The present issue is to be resolved immediately so as to ensure the progress of work as targeted. It is necessary to repair the above said road urgently, treating it as a special work. The above work is for the bonafide purpose of people residing in the project locality as well as KSEBL.

As there is no provision in the agreement schedule for the maintenance of existing road to Project site, the Project Manager has submitted a detailed estimate amounting to Rs 17 lakhs,(including GST) for the rectification of 3.30 km road from Punnakkal to Olikkal Project, as per DSR 2018 with cost index @ 36.44% as that taken in the original estimate. The estimate includes the provision such as scarifying the existing bituminous road surface to a

depth of 50mm, construction of granular sub base and applying primer coat with bitumen emulsion on prepared surface of granular sub base. The work is to be treated as an extra item to the Original Agreement Schedule as per the same terms & conditions of contract. The work is proposed to be completed within one month.

Considering the urgency, the Chief Engineer (Civil - Construction) North has requested sanction to execute the work as an extra item to the Original Agreement of Olikkal SHEP, with the same terms & conditions of the contract, as the execution of this work is inevitable for the progress of project.

Having considered the above, in principle sanction is hereby accorded to execute the work of rectification of 3.30 km road from Punnakkal to Olikkal Project site amounting to maximum of Rs. 17 lakh (including 18% GST) as an extra item to the Original Agreement of Olikkal SHEP, with the same terms & conditions of the contract, as the execution of this work is inevitable for the progress of project.

The Chairman & Managing Director has directed to circulate the same later among Full Time Directors for ratification.

Orders are issued accordingly.

**By Order of the
Chairman & Managing Director**

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**SABITHA S
Secretary**

To:

The Chief Engineer (Civil Construction) North, Kozhikode.

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The PA to the Director (Finance & HRM).
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The Sr.CA to the Secretary (Administration).
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Assistant Executive Engineer