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**Subject: Minutes of Twenty Eight meeting of the Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 – regarding**

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the minutes of the 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of Empowered Monitoring Committee of MIDH held under the Chairmanship of Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Special Secretary, DA&FW on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 for kind information and necessary action.

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**Minutes of the 28<sup>th</sup> meeting of Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) held on 20.03.2024.**

Meeting of Empowered Monitoring Committee (EMC) of Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Special Secretary (DA&FW) on 20.03.2024 to consider project proposals received from various State Governments.

List of participants is annexed at the end.

At the outset, Shri Priya Ranjan, Joint Secretary, Horticulture welcomed the Chairman, members of EMC and Officers of State Horticulture Missions. Thereafter, he informed that based on the recommendations of SLEC, detailed examination of the Division, submission of requisite documents and clarifications as sought by MIDH Division and inputs of members of the Committee, PAC recommended 3 projects to EMC for its recommendations.

Shri Rakesh Ranjan, Special Secretary (DA&FW) and Chairman of EMC stressed that the State should appraise the components of project proposals as per the extant rules and regulations of MIDH guidelines and recommend the component-wise financial costing under the project proposals with justification. He also stressed that States should ensure that the balance cost over and above for the CoE proposals has to be borne by the State/Implementing Agency out of its own budget. States should also make provisions in the State Budget for meeting State share for timely completion of the project.

Joint Secretary (Horticulture) has suggested that States should ensure to appoint trained manpower who are well versed with the subject for at least five years so that these CoEs are completed within time i.e 18 months from its sanction and used as hub of knowledge & infrastructure and implement it more effective and meaningful.

Based on the discussions and views expressed by members of EMC, recommendations of EMC in respect of each proposal are as under:

**Agenda Item No. I: To consider the following proposals of project based activities for consideration and approval of credit linked back ended subsidy as recommended by SLEC of State and PAC of MIDH.**

**1/EMC/MIDH/PJB**

**Name of State** : **Punjab**  
**Name of the Project** : Centre of Excellence for Onion under Indo-Dutch Action Plan  
**Location** : Kheri village, Sangrur district, Punjab  
**Latitude and longitude** : 30.186736 and 75.875977  
**Total area for the Project** : 16.4 acres

i. Protected Area : 1049 Sq. mt. (already existing)  
ii. Open Area : 10.00 acre  
iii. PHM infrastructure : 6000 Sq. Feet

**Crop Covered** : Onion  
**Total Project Cost** : Rs. 998.00 lakhs  
**Implementing Agency** : Director Horticulture-cum-Mission Director SHM Punjab

**Component wise project cost :**

**(Rs. in lakh)**

Sr. No.	Components	Area	Amount	As per MIDH	Comments
<b>1.</b>	<b>Infrastructure Civil structure for CoE</b>				
1.1	Administrative Block (Annexure I)		249.70	249.70	
1.2	Shed for implement and service station	5000 sq.ft	27.00	27.00	
1.3	Car/ Bike parking shed	2000 sq.ft	10.80	0.00	May be met out from state budget
1.4	Sale Outlet (Nursery, seed Etc.) with Guard Room and Toilet	1200 sq. ft.	24.00	15.00	Rs. 15.00 lakh/unit for Retail markets/outlets
	<b>Sub-Total (1)</b>		<b>311.50</b>	<b>291.70</b>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Irrigation / Fertigation system</b>				
2.1	Advance Fertigation, fertilizer mixer, automation system, Auto Sand filter & accessories, etc. with Room Micro Irrigation- Drip and sprinkler Irrigation, with fitting & accessories, weather Station (Annexure-II)		54.12	34.64	As per PUM advise and Per Drop More Crop scheme norms.