

MINUTES OF THE EC MEETING HELD AT 3GP ON 04.03.2015

The EC meeting was convened at DTPA Hall, 3, Government Place on 04.03.2015 at 4:00P.M. The meeting started with Sri Mrinal Kanti Chanda on the chair. As that meeting was the first EC meeting at 3GP in the tenure of the new Body, the President welcomed all members attending the meeting. He mentioned the issues and latest developments like Managing Committee Meeting held at Indore, Meeting of JCA, WB held with Pr. CCIT, assessment of Paper/Shell companies, AGT, 2015, problems faced by the assessing officers etc. Then he asked Sri Sanmay Dasghosh to report the discussions held and decision takes in MC Meeting at Indore on 23-24 February, 2015.

Sri Dasghosh apprised the meeting regarding the issues which were taken up in the recently held all India MC Meeting at Indore, MP. The brief details of the decisions taken during the meeting are given below:

ITO to ACIT Promotion & NRP Implementation: i) To proceed on both the issues independently ii) To negotiate with the Board to determine the vacancy position for promotion (as many as possible) iii) To complete the deficient APARs iv) To pursue the Board to send the DPC proposal at the earliest v) To complete NRP implementation uniformly within 4 months

IRS Recruitment Rule: i) 5 out of 7 objections raised by CHQ have been addressed while DOPT vetting the RR including issues of vacancy based promotion & bunching; two issues not accepted by DOPT are discarding Probation for Promotees and combined AC+DC tenure of 9 years in place of only DC tenure of 5 years in case of JCIT Promotion criteria. IRS RR sent to the UPSC for concurrence.

CRC: i) Pentafurcation & Revocation of original proposal of AC/DC post creation: CHQ trying to meet the highest political leadership ii) AO-PS Commensurate Post: Note prepared by the CHQ is presently examined by DG(HRD). Board will prepare its own note and send it to PMO for its nod. iii) If promotion won't take place soon and all the units agree, call for not accepting or relinquishment of additional charge may be given by CHQ after 1st April, assessing the situation.

DCIT Promotion : i) A detailed note will be prepared by the CBDT and send to the DOPT to give one time relaxation ii) If not responded positively, case may be filed by ITGOA for 2006 & 2007 batches; lawyer has already been consulted iii) For 2008 & 2009 Batches, all will get the seniority retrospectively (from 1st January) due to one below rule.

Vigilance matter: CHQ will pursue the Board to withdraw the letter of the Member (P), which has been misinterpreted in all charges to transfer officers out of turn.

Running CASS Cycle: Board will be asked to run CASS cycle, latest by 31.08.2015

CASS selection Parameters: CHQ asked all the units to collect suggestion from the members.

Lokpal Bill: Only property in the name of the spouse/children which are acquired from the fund of the Govt. Servant should be covered under Lokpal Act.

Additional Password: DG(System) has been entrusted to examine the issue.

Infrastructure: All the Units have been asked to send all Infrastructure Projects/ Proposals pending at CBDT to enable the CHQ to pursue the matter.

AGT, 2015: Board fixed a target for all India AGT within March, 2015. Board promised to clear cases of all officers completed cooling off period (AGT to AGT).

Laptop: Proposal for replacement/ allotment of new laptops for ITO onwards is presently pending in IFU. Proposal for AO/PS has been turned down for 3rd time by DOE. Board is preparing the proposal afresh.

AO/ PS Grade Pay Court Case: Listed for several occasions, but the case is not being taken up.

Enhancement in subscription: The decision had been taken in Chennai BGM to enhance monthly subscription from 60/- to 100/-. The CHQ asked all the units to comply.

SMS Services: SMS Service of CHQ to be introduced soon amongst members of willing units.

NFSG & JCIT regularization: DPC is getting delayed for APAR deficiency.

AEBAS: As Gazetted Officers of Income Tax Department don't mark their day to day attendance, it was resolved that ITGOA, CHQ would raise objection before CBDT for introduction of biometric attendance for its members.

TARC: A committee will examine the report.

CGHS: CHQ was requested to take up the issues relating to CGHS

On line TMS: DG (System) has been entrusted to issue the On Line TMS approval Order.

The President asked Sri Bishnupada Mondal to report about the meeting of the JCA, WB held with Pr. CCIT, WB & Sikkim. Sri Mondal then briefed about the said meeting of the Pr. CCIT with JCA, WB and IRS Association. The gist of the discussion held and decisions taken on the Agenda items submitted by the JCA, WB is as under:

Implementation of N.R. Parmar judgment: It was reported that the task of implementation would be completed by March end.

Installation of 6ACs per Range: It was reported that the Administration was ready for purchase, but had to wait in absence of any AC Brand in DGS&D's Rate Contract List. The brands were expected to be enlisted by 15.03.2015, which would immediately be followed for making necessary purchase. Regarding selection of Range and installation, the JCA pointed out instances of taking unilateral decisions by some Building-in-charges keeping the stake holders at dark. It was then assured by the Pr. CCIT that the Building-in-charges would be suitably instructed.

Multipurpose Hall at Aayakar Bhawan: It was reported in the meeting that the Hall would be ready by March end.

Sitting arrangement at ITAT: The Administration accepted the problems faced by the newly posted ITOs/PSs at ITAT. If the situation remained, JCA demanded for withdrawal of the newly posted officers from ITAT.

Infrastructure to be provided to the DDOs: It was admitted in the meeting that many DDOs were even not provided with basic amenities to perform their day to day functions. Hence, JCA demanded that basic infrastructural needs should be provided immediately to the DDOs. They should be provided with adequate staff, computers and Broadband connection. JCA, WB assured the Administration to extend its full support in this regard.

Shifting of the office of CIT-5, Kolkata out of Poddar Court: After much deliberation, it was primarily decided to shift the Office of the CIT-5, Kolkata to Aayakar Bhawan Poorva.

Stalled /Yet to be sanctioned Infrastructural Projects: The present status of various infrastructural (both sanctioned and proposed) was discussed. It was decided that a delegation from the office of the Pr. CCIT would soon visit Delhi to clear the hurdles in this regard.

Introduction of AEBAS and Canteen Facility: It was reported that the Biometric Attendance Machines for Aayakar Bhawan had already been procured. As only 30% of the workforce had ADHAR Card, the process of allotting ADHAR Card to non-allottees should be initiated first. The date of introduction of AEBAS was not yet finalized. Regarding Canteen Facility, it was reported that to strengthen Canteen Facility, the private operators would be invited to run Canteens in Departmental Buildings excepting Aayakar Bhawan and Bamboo Villa.

Centralized Pension Cell: It was decided that till retirement, preparation of pension papers and other pension related jobs would continue to be performed by the respective CIT office. Post retirement, Service Book would be sent to Centralized Pension Cell, which would take care of all post retirement pension issues.

Regularization of Wages payment to DPLs: It was reported that due to paucity of fund under Wages Head, the payment to DPLs had been stopped since last few months. The matter was being pursued with the DIT(EB) and the authority was hopeful of getting fund under Wages head soon.

Issuance of Identity Card to DPLs: The Authority informed that no Identity Card could be issued to DPLs for technical reason. Instead of the Card, Identity Certificate would be issued to them.

Providing adequate staff for IAP units: It was assured by the Authority that the same would be taken care of during the next AGT.

Additional Pay under FR 49: The JCA, WB requested the authority to take up the issue of additional pay under FR 49 with the CBDT, as all such payment orders had been objected by the ZAO, Kolkata.

Sri Sayantan Banerjee then referred to the decision taken at the last BGM to enhance the membership subscription to Rs. 100/- from Rs. 60/- w.e.f April, 2014. He requested the house to decide about the modality of collecting the arrear subscription of Rs. 40/- /month for 12 months. It was decided in the meeting that arrear Rs. 480/- would be collected in four instalments of Rs. 120/- each from the month of April, 2015 to July, 2015 in addition to monthly subscription of Rs. 100/-.

Sri Mrinal Kanti Chanda reported that it had been expressed by the Authority that the AGT, 2015 orders would be passed by the month of April, 2015. He informed the house that Shri Bhaskar Deb has been nominated as the convener of the T&P Sub-Committee in the last EC Meeting and suggested that the house should decide about inducting more members in the T&P sub-committee so that the committee could start functioning immediately. After detailed discussion, it was decided that Sri Biswapriya Majumder and Sri Swapan Rout would be the other members. The Sub-Committee was asked to prepare the new T&P Guidelines for all cadres for submission to the Authority.

Sri Sabyasachi Chakraborty reported that migration of PANs was posing to be a big threat for timely completion of processing of time barring returns at Bamboo Villa. He requested that the Authority should be continuously apprised of the position in the field to overcome the problem.

Another ITD related issue was pointed out that in some cases selected for scrutiny proceeding, the refund was being issued after processing in absence of any alert system in ITD, intimating the selection in scrutiny. It was decided to take up the matter with the authority for introduction of an alert system in ITD intimating the fact of selection in scrutiny while processing of the return.

Another proposal was placed before the house for bringing the o/o the AO (Building) under the same DDO that of the o/o the CIT (Building) and allocation of specific fund for Building. It was reported that in reality a meagre fund was left for Building related expenses, whereas the major part was being expended by clearing other bills. It was decided that the matter would be taken up with the Authority.

It was reported that RADT was conducting audit in some assessment units at that fag end of the year, when the Assessing Officers were extremely busy with limitation matter. It was decided that matter would be taken up with the RADT requesting them to spare the assessment units during the last couple of weeks at the end of financial year.

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