



NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Subject: **The 345th Meeting of the NHA Executive Board Held on December 18, 2020 at Islamabad**

Introduction

The 345th meeting of the National Highway Authority's Executive Board was held at 1000 hours on December 18, 2020 at the Auditorium of NHA Headquarters, Islamabad. Capt. (Retd.) Sikander Qayyum, Chairman, NHA presided over the meeting.

The meeting commenced with recitation of verses from the Holy Quran.

Opening Remarks

The Chairman extended warm welcome to the participants of the meeting.

The Chairman allowed Secretary, NHA to start formal Board proceedings on the agenda.

Formal Board Proceedings

Agenda Items

The Secretary, NHA apprised the Board that the agenda consists of thirteen (13) items.

Agenda Item 1
Confirmation of Minutes: 344th Meeting of Executive Board held on October 07, 2020

Decision

The NHA Executive Board confirmed minutes of the 344th Executive Board meeting held on October 07, 2020 with following amendments:

- a. Agenda Item No. 05 regarding “Amendment in NHA Code 2005 Chapter Two Clause-56 in Light of DAC Directives on Account of Para PP No. 4.4.11 Audit Year 2017-18” Para 8.8 be replaced as follows:

<u>Para No</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Read As</u>
8.8.	The VP-NESPAK observed that bare reading of working paper suggest that methodology for execution of Routine Maintenance Works is already in place which misses the element of technical sanction. Therefore, he suggested to incorporate new Clause 56-A in NHA Code instead of amending Clause 56. He was of the view that Clause 56 of the Code is very comprehensive and deals will all projects and Routine Maintenance Works. The Board endorsed the suggestion of VP-NESPAK.	The VP-NESPAK observed that reading of working paper suggests that new methodology of Need based Routine Maintenance, that is already in place, does not include the element of technical sanction. He was of the view that Clause 56 in NHA Code deals with all projects except for Need based Routine Maintenance works executed under the new methodology. He noted that amending the text of Clause 56, as proposed in agenda, lacks clarity. Therefore, he suggested to incorporate a new Clause 56(a) in NHA Code specifically for Need based Routine Maintenance Works along with small amendment in Clause 56 to highlight the exception for Routine Maintenance Works. The Board endorsed the suggestion of VP-NESPAK.

Suggested by VP-NESPAK

- b. In Agenda Item No. 12 regarding “Approval of Accounts of NHA (Entity) for the Year Ended June 30, 2019” following amendments be made in Paras 15.9, 15.14 and 15.15 (decision):



NHA Executive Board's Confirmed Minutes

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Suggested by Additional Secretary (Budget)

Action By : Secretary, NHA

Agenda Item 2

Approval for Award of Periodic Maintenance Work from (KM 59+000 to KM 66+000) & (KM 95+000 to KM 97+200) on N-80 Pertaining to Punjab North Region (AMP 2016-17)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the award of Periodic Maintenance Work between KM: 59+000 to KM: 66+000 & KM: 95+000 to KM: 97+200 on N-80 under Annual Maintenance Plan 2016-17 to the lowest evaluated bidder M/s Hilton (JV) M/s HRK at evaluated Bid Price of Pak Rs.157,117,882.34 which is 33.00% below the Engineer's Estimate of Rs.234,504,302.00 with 10% additional Performance Security in addition to Performance Security (10%) already stipulated in "Appendix-A" to Bid.

The Board directed Member (Engg. Coord) to submit a case study of last 20 to 30 maintenance schemes, which were awarded at 30% below the Engineer's Estimate to analyze the outcome of quality of work, EOTs and VOs.

Action By : Member (Planning)/Member (Engg. Coord)

Agenda Item 3

Approval for Award of Seven (07 Nos) Periodic Maintenance Works (Structural Overlay & Rehabilitation) pertaining to Punjab North Region As Per Approved AMP 2018-19

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the award of seven (07) No. "Periodic Maintenance and Rehabilitation Works Pertaining to Punjab North Region under Annual Maintenance Plan 2018-19" to the following lowest evaluated bidders:

<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Engineer's Estimate (Rs.)</u>	<u>Lowest Evaluated Bidders</u>	<u>Final Evaluated Lowest Bid (Rs.)</u>	<u>% Variance w.r.t. Engineer's Estimate</u>
PM-2018-19-PN-01	250,000,000.00	M/s Nouman Construction Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. - M/s Talha Construction Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. (JV).	147,225,000.00	-41.110
PM-2018-19-PN-03	296,421,849.91	M/s Nouman Construction Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. - M/s Talha Construction Co.	187,723,957.00	-36.670

		(Pvt.) Ltd. (JV).		
PM-2018-19-PN-04	168,332,242.28	M/s Mukas International.	110,257,618.00	-34.500
PM-2018-19-PN-08	297,988,908.00	M/s Nouman Construction Co. (Pvt.) Ltd. - M/s Nazir Associates (JV).	173,816,930.00	-41.670
RH-2018-19-PN-02	198,644,597.13	M/s A.M Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd.	139,051,217.00	-30.000
RH-2018-19-PN-03	225, 582,019.89	M/s A.M Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd.	160,163,234.00	-29.000
RH-2018-19-PN-04	358, 964,329.17	M/s A.M Construction Company (Pvt.) Ltd.	265,633,603.00	-26.000

The Board directed that the lowest evaluated bidders in above contracts shall provide/furnish 10% additional Performance Securities in addition to Performance Securities (10%) stipulated in "Appendix-A to Bid" as per Clause IB-28.4

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 4

Approval for Award of Six (06 Nos) Periodic Maintenance Works (Structural Overlay) Pertaining to Punjab South Region As Per Approved AMP 2018-19

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the award of Six (06) "Periodic Maintenance and Rehabilitation Works Pertaining to Punjab South Region under Annual Maintenance Plan 2018-19" to the following lowest evaluated bidders:

<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Engineer's Estimate (Rs.)</u>	<u>Lowest Evaluated Bidders</u>	<u>Final Evaluated Lowest Bid (Rs.)</u>	<u>% Variance w.r.t. Engineer's Estimate</u>
PM-2018-19-PS-05	311,137,798.00	M/s Muhammad Sajjad	186,340,427.00	-40.110
PM-2018-19-PS-06	489,302,853.00	M/s Wintoss Builders	304,405,090.00	-37.788
PM-2018-19-PS-07	466,002,717.00	M/s Wintoss Builders	289,914,270.00	-37.787
PM-2018-19-PS-09	196,199,441.30	M/s Nauman Construction Co	120,329,117.00	-38.670
RH-2018-19-PS-01	335,171,403.00	M/s Muhammad Sajjad	191,181,768.00	-42.960
RH-2018-19-PS-02	376,315,045.00	M/s Muhammad Sajjad	214,574,838.00	-42.980

The Board directed Member (Engg. Coord) to present a report regarding completed, ongoing and un-executed schemes approved

under Annual Maintenance Plans (AMPs) during the last five years in next Board meeting on a format to be vetted by the Chief (NTRC).

The Board also directed that the lowest evaluated bidders in above contracts shall provide/furnish 10% additional Performance Securities in addition to Performance Securities (10%) stipulated in "Appendix-A to Bid" as per Clause IB-28.4

Action By : Member (Planning)/ Member (Engg. Coord)

Agenda Item 5

Approval for Award of Works for Construction of Hoshab-Awaran-Khuzdar Section of M-8 Project, (Hoshab-Awaran Section, 146KM)

Package-IA: KM 00+000 to KM 073+500 (73.5 KM)

Package-IB: KM 73+500 to KM 146+000 (72.5 KM)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the award of Works for - Construction of Hoshab - Awaran - Khuzdar Section of M-8 Project, Hoshab-Awaran Section (146 km):

- a. Package-IA. Km 0+000 to Km 73+500 (73.5 Km) to the lowest evaluated bidder M/s Maqbool-Calsons JV at their evaluated bid price of Rs.7,334,384,802/- (Rupees seven billion, three hundred thirty four million, three hundred eighty four thousand, eight hundred and two only), which is 19.59% below the Engineer's Estimate of Rs.9,120,765,507/- based on CSR-2014.
- b. Package-IB. Km 73+500 to Km 146+000 (72.5 Km) be awarded to the lowest evaluated bidder M/s KAC-NIC-RMS-RA JV at their evaluated bid price of Rs.7,249,483,765/- (Rupees seven billion, two hundred forty nine million, four hundred eighty three thousand, seven hundred and sixty five only), which is 23.89% below the Engineer's Estimate of Rs.9,525,183,101/- based on CSR-2014.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 6

Award of Works for Construction for Dualization of Kuchlac-Zhob Section of N-50

Package-IV (KM 180-KM 245) Nasai-Khanozai

Package-V (KM 245-KM 298) Khanozai-Kuchlac

The subject agenda item was withdrawn on the request of Member concerned.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 7

Consultancy Services for Design Review and Construction Supervision of Hoshab-Awaran-Khuzdar Section of M-8 Project, Package-I, Hoshab-Awaran (146 KM)

Decision

NHA Executive approved the award of Agreement for Consultancy Services for “Design Review and Construction Supervision of Hoshab-Awaran-Khuzdar Section of M-8 Project Package-I: Hoshab - Awaran (146 KM)” to M/s Zeeruk International (Pvt.) Ltd. in JV with M/s Loya Associates and M/s APEX Consulting Engineering, the highest ranked Consultants in the Combined (Technical + Financial) evaluation at evaluated cost of Rs.175,550,080/- (Pakistani Rupees one seventy-five million five hundred and fifty thousand and eighty only).

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 8

Consultancy Services for Design Review and Construction Supervision for Dualization of Kuchlac-Zhob Section of N-50

Decision

NHA Executive Board approved the award of Agreement for Consultancy Services for “Design Review and Construction Supervision of Dualization of Khuchlac-Zhob Section of N-50 (Length – 305 Km)” to M/s Indus Associated Consultants (Pvt.) Ltd. in JV with M/s Cameos Engineering Consultants and M/s New Vision Engineering Consultants, the highest ranked Consultants in the Combined (Technical + Financial) evaluation at evaluated cost of Rs.358,423,332/- (Rupees three hundred fifty eight million, four hundred twenty three thousand, three hundred and thirty two only).

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 9

Extension in Services of On Board Staff of Highways Research & Training Centre (HRTC)

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the extension in services of already on board staff of HRTC (24 Nos.) for one (01) year period (w.e.f. October 01, 2020 to September 30, 2021) on same terms & condition. This will be the final extension in the service of the contractual staff of HRTC. Salaries and all other disbursements will be made as per ongoing arrangement i.e. through RMA account of NHA.

The Board directed the Member (Planning) to complete and submit the draft functions/mandate of HRTC, Administrative, Operational & Financial Manuals/SoP's, Service Rules, etc, for approval by the competent authority within shortest possible time.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Agenda Item 10

Extension/and or Tenure of Extension or Otherwise of the Commercial Auditors (M/s Baker Tilly Mehmood Idrees Qamar & Co, Chartered Accountants) for the Financial Year 2019-20 on Same Terms and Conditions

Decision

NHA Executive Board approved the following:

- a. Extension of the contract of commercial auditors (M/s Baker Tilly Mehmood Idrees Qamar & Co, Chartered Accountants) for the financial year 2019-20 on same terms and conditions, as per clause 2, sub-clause 2.3 of the Contract Agreement between NHA and the Auditors.
- b. For future, the initial terms of appointment of the Auditors will be for three (03) years, and the requirement of State Bank of Pakistan, i.e. enlistment of the firm in Category "A" and the requirement of Audit Oversight Board (AOB), i.e. active status and enlistment on AOB also be considered along with compliance of PPRA & NHA Code/ Rules and Regulations.

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 11

Request for Transfer of Lease Rights in Respect of NHA ROW Leased Land Located at N-5

The subject agenda item was withdrawn on the request of concerned Wing.

Action By : Member (Finance)

Agenda Item 12

Termination/Curtailment of Probation Period

The subject agenda items was withdrawn on the request of concerned Wing.

Action By : Member (Admn)

Agenda Item 13

Award of Works for Construction for Dualization of Kuchlac-Zhob Section of N-50: Package-III

Decision

The NHA Executive Board approved the award of Works for Dualization of Kuchlac – Zhob Section of N-50, Package-III: KM 130+00 to KM 180+00 (Qila Saifullah to Nasai) 50 KM to M/s SMADB-Shahrukh-MBC (JV) the lowest bidder at their bid price of Rs.6,654,890,495/- (Rupees six billion, six hundred fifty-four million, eight hundred ninety thousand, four hundred ninety-five only), which is 37.02% below the Engineer's Estimate of Rs.10,566,362,023/- based on CSR-2014.

Action By : Member (Planning)

Conclusion

The Chairman wrapped up the meeting by thanking the Board Members for their active participation and useful input.
