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Member Secretary & CEO Cantonment Board, Dalhousie (Mabel Christian)

President Cantonment Board, Dalhousie (Brig. Jitendra Singh)

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Agenda No.37:

37. MONTHLY ACCOUNTS OF CANTT FUND FOR OCTOBER, 2021:

To read, consider and approve the statement of Income and Expenditure of Dalhousie Cantt Fund for the month of October, 2021. Summary of Accounts is given below:

OCTOBER, 2021

 Opening balance as on 01-10-2021
 Rs. 65,70,670.23

 Receipt during the month
 Rs. 12,17,222.00

 Total
 Rs. 77,87,892.23

 Expenditure during the month
 Rs. 30,38,148.20

 Balance at the close of the month
 Rs. 47,49,744.20

In this connection account detail of Income and Expenditure along with cash book is placed on the table.

RESOLUTION No.37:

Read, noted and approved.

Member Secretary & CEO Cantonment Board, Dalhousie (Mabel Christian) President
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Agenda No.38:

38. Minimum Wages to Contractual/Outsourced Employees

Board may approve the rates of minimum wages for contractual/outsourced employees in Cantonment Board at the rates applicable in the Central Government offices w.e.f. 1st October, 2021.

Detail of minimum wages rates of workers already functioning in this office is given as under:-

Unskilled Workers

Sr. No.	Categories of employees	Minimum Rates of Basic Wages per day (per day) (Rs.)	Rates of VDA (per day) (Rs.)	Total (per day (Rs.)
1	Sweeper	350.00	87.00	437.00
2	Mazdoor	300.00	77.00	377.00
3	Helper	7		

Semi-skilled Workers

1	Mali			
2	Ayah	307.00	77.00	384.00
3	Bhisti			

Skilled/Clerical Workers

1	Pump Driver			
2	Pipe Fitter			
3	Data Entry Operator	334.00	84.00	418.00
4	Clerk			
5	Mid Wife(Nurse/Dai)			

Highly Skilled Workers

1	Teacher			
2	Computer Programmer	364.00	91.00	455.00
3	Radiographer			

In this connection, copy of the area wise rates of minimum wages vide Government of India, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Office of the Chief Labour Commissioner, New Delhi No.1/26/(1)/2021-LS-II dated 28.10.2021 is placed on the table.

RESOLUTION No.38:

Considered and approved the revised rates of minimum wages for contractual outsourced employees as projected in the agenda.

Member Secretary & CEO Cantonment Board, Dalhousie (Mabel Christian) Cantonment Board, Dalhousie (Brig. Jitendra Singh)

Agenda No.39:

39. LAYING OF UNDERGROUND CABLE FROM GENERATOR SITE UPTO PUMP HOUSE.

To consider and approve the rates quoted by the under mentioned firm/contractor.

Tenders were called in two bid system (Technical & Financial) by publishing on e-procurement system, Govt of India (http://eprocure.gov.in). Board is intimated that tenders for laying of underground cable from Generator site upto Pump House were called initially on 05.02.2021 vide this office Tender Notice No.CBD-31/1/Tender.

In response to this bid, only two tenders were received. Therefore, the same were re-tendered as there were less than three participants in first attempt.

The bid for re-tender for 2nd time was published on 25.02.2021 and two tenders were received for the same and after approval of Technical bid on 09.03.2021, financial bid was opened and lowest rate was Rs.10,45,780/offered by Rajinder Electrical, Dalhousie which as felt to be on the higher side. Hence, the same was re-tendered for 3rd time on 17.05.2021.

After re-tendering for the 3rd time, bids were received from following tenderers in each case:

Sr.No.	Name of work	Name of Bidder		
1	Laying of underground cable from generator site upto pump			
	house.	Rishav Sood, Balun Bazar, Dalhousie Cantt		

After Technical evaluation, the financial bids of successful bidders were opened and the rates quoted by the bidders in each case, are given below:-

Sr. No.	Work Name	Name of bidder for whom financial bid is	Rate Quoted
1	Laying of underground cable from generator site		Rs.7,75,755/-
	upto pump house.	Rishav Sood, Balun Bazar, Dalhousie Cantt	Rs.7,96,450/-

It is pertinent to mention that advertisement was given in local news papers (Hindi & English), Cantonment Board's Website and e-procurement portal during each tender attempt. Hence, the tenders were given wide publicity.

As per rule 173 of General Financial Rules, 2017, ".....even when only one bid is submitted, process may be considered valid provided following conditions are satisfied:-

- (a) The procurement was satisfactorily advertised and sufficient time was given for submission of bids
- (b) The qualification criteria were not unduly restrictive; and
- (c) Prices are reasonable in comparison to market values.

Hence, the matter is placed before the Board for a decision.

RESOLUTION No.39:

Read noted and approved the rates of Rajinder Electrical Works, Dalhousie being lowest and directed to expend the amount from 15th Finance Commission as the work is a developmental work.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, there was a general discussion on measures/steps to be initiated for revenue generation to enhance the revenue of the Board. The President Cantonment Board suggested that the forest resources available with Dalhousie Cantonment should be tapped and contract should be given for collection rights of precious herbs, apricots, resin, gucchi mushrooms and other natural forest products.

The President, Cantonment Board also suggested that the Kathiaroo Orchard owned by the Dalhousie Cantonment Board should be leased out to interested parties for adventure activities such as trekking, camping etc. by entering into proper agreement and construction of permanen structures should not be permitted.

The CEO assured that action will be initiated on the above and a report will be submitted to the Board in its next Meeting. The CEO also emphasized that the Civil Member should liaise with the State Authorities for release of education grant, free books and uniforms.

The CEO stated that there was a need to protect defence land from encroachers by fencing defence lands and also putting up Boards on defence lands. The Cantt Engg was directed to inspect the area and prepare estimates for fencing/affixing Boards on open defence land.

Member Secretary & CEO Cantt. Board, Dalhousie

(Mabel Christian)

President

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