

Minutes of the Meeting of BMW Committee No. 1 Held on 20.07.2016

The following officials attended the meeting:

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| 1. Sh. Chandraker Bharti, Chairman, DPCC | ---In Chair |
| 2. Sh.S.M Ali, Member Secretary, DPCC | --- Member |
| 3. Dr. T.K Joshi, Director, COEH | --- Member |
| 4. Dr. Ravindra Aggarwal, Addl Director, DHS | --- Special Invitee |
| 5. Dr. Anil Kumar, Director Environment, GNCTD | --- Member |
| 6. Sh. P S Pankaj, EE(Incharge-WMC-1), DPCC | --- Member |
| 7. Sh. Siddharth Gautam, EE, DPCC | --- Member |

1. Chairman, DPCC at the outset showed his displeasure over the issue of pending complaints pertaining to Bio-Medical Cell with the PGMS. Shri, P.S. Pankaj, Incharge, WMC-I informed Chairman and Members of the Committee that about 51 complaints have been received through PGMS. It was informed that these complaints have been lodged in the garb of Environmentalist to serve the business purpose. Many of these complaints are repetitive in subject by the same complainant or his accomplice which are against the violation of BMW Rules by both CBWTF. All members informed that same complaints have also targeted some of the Medical Superintendents of Delhi Hospitals to serve their business interests.

Chairman directed that a complete status of these complaints be placed to him for his perusal, so that PGMS may be requested to delete these complaints from PGMS record as disposed off. **(Action – BMW Cell)**

2. Chairman discussed the issue of installation of new Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF). Shri. P.S. Pankaj, Incharge, WMC-I, informed that as per the CPCB guidelines one CBWTF per 10,000 beds is desirable, thereby at least four CBWTFs are required as Delhi has a bed strength of about 45,000. Further, the matter related to the identification of the suitable site for locating CBWTF is pending before the Hon'ble NGT in the matter Mohd. Irfan vs Union of India. It was informed to the

Committee that as per the direction of Hon'ble NGT, a committee was constituted vide order dated 17.04.2014 to identify suitable site for the location of CBWTF. Dr. T.K Joshi, Director, COEH, informed that the Committee in which he is also a member identified four sites including present two sites. The location of four sites has already been placed before NGT and a conclusive order is still awaited. Shri P.S. Pankaj, Incharge, WMC-I, informed that for installation of CBWTF, Environmental Clearance is a pre-requisite and four proposals for getting Environmental Clearance for setting up of CBWTF is pending with SEIAA, Delhi. Dr. T.K Joshi opined that for effective management and crisis management two CBWTFs are desirable provided they have enough capacity to treat the entire BMW generated in Delhi. It was brought to the notice of the Committee that presently about 14.5 tons per day BMW is generated and both facilities have enough capacity (above 32 tons per day) to cater to the need. Hence, the Committee decided that since the present facilities are under-utilized, installation of new facilities warrants no urgency.

On the issue of starting competition through bidding among both the facilities, it was informed to the committee that these facilities started their business through open competition. This system did not work effectively as unhealthy business practices started associating with this system. Therefore, the system of demarcation of area among these facilities was adopted with fixed charges for the treatment of BMW by DHS. This demarcation system has advantages such as less pollution potential through transportation of BMW and effective monitoring. On the issue of equitable distribution of areas among both the facilities it was decided, that matter be placed before Advisory Committee.

(Action- DHS/DPCC)

3. The Committee unanimously decided that a wide publicity to the newly notified Bio-Medical Rules, 2016 should be given through advertisements in leading newspapers and through seminars and workshops. **(Action- DPCC / DHS)**
4. The Committee decided that the submission of complete applications of Mohalla Clinics of Delhi Government which falls in the category of Zero bedded Health Care Facility be treated as Authorization under BMW Rules. The Terms and conditions of Authorization be sent to DHS for circulation and compliance by individual Mohalla Clinics. Further, provisions be made for auto generation of Authorization for the Mohalla Clinics online.

Chairman decided that a rational fee to be charged be suggested for the newly included Health Care Facilities. (**Action- DHS/DPCC**).

The Meeting ended with the thanks to the Chair.