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To  
The Chairman & Managing Director  
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Sub: Construction of godowns under plan scheme and PEG Scheme.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the discussion held during MPR meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> instant.

The augmentation of capacity in North East zone is of utmost importance. At present storage capacity of 5.24 lakh MT is available against monthly average off-take of 3.1 lakh MT. Further, equally important is to have storage godowns in the locations where they are required.

Addition of capacity is a big challenge due to numerous constraints of protective tribal land laws, tough terrain, law and order problems, etc. It is also to apprise that Plan Scheme and PEG scheme are running parallel in NE Zone and FCI is the nodal agency under PEG Scheme. So, State level meetings were held for the states of Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura to discuss all pending issues and decide road map for the future. The minutes have already been sent to S&C division, HQ and are briefly narrated below:

**1. Assam:** The SLC was held on 04.08.2015. The storage gap was re-assessed based on four months allocations. The following godowns are proposed :

Sl. No.	Revenue District	Capacity proposed (Fig. in MT)	Centres	Remarks
1.	Nagaon	25000	Nagaon revenue district	Rail-fed Under PEG scheme
2.	Karbi Anglong	5000	Bokajan/Khatkati	Under PEG scheme
3.	Baksa	5000	Musulpur under Baksa Revenue district	Under PEG scheme
4.	Udalguri	5000	Udalguri Revenue district	Under PEG scheme
5.	Tezpur	5000	Bindukuri	Under plan scheme

6.	Darrang	10000	Mangaldai	Under PEG scheme
7.	Golaghat	25000	Golaghat revenue district	Rail-fed Under PEG scheme
8.	Sibsagar	25000	Simulguri under Sivsagar Revenue district	Rail-fed Under PEG scheme
9.	Dibrugarh	25000	Dibrugarh revenue district	Rail-fed Under PEG scheme
10.	Tinsukia	5000	Sadia	Under PEG scheme
11.	Tinsukia	5000	Dangori	Under PEG scheme
12.	N.Cachar Hills	2000	Haflong	Under PEG scheme
13.	Karimganj	30000	Karimganj Revenue district	Under PEG scheme
Total		172000		

The PEG godowns of 25, 000MT each are already sanctioned at Barpeta road and Kokrajhar. The PEG godown of Bogaigaon is under litigation and the SLC has recommended 25, 000MT godown at Nagaon instead of 50, 000MT godown decided earlier. The 20,000 MT Railfed capacity at Archipathar under Plan Scheme at Dhemaji District will also be pursued. Since movement of stocks from rail siding to depot is very difficult due to constraints of tough terrain, law and order problem.

SLC has recommended construction of godown of capacities of 25, 000 MT or more only with Railway siding.

**2. Meghalaya:** The SLC was held on 09.07.2015, since State Government had some reservations, so, a meeting chaired by Chief Secretary, Meghalaya was held on 21.07.2015. The following was decided:

- SLC scrapped PEG tender i.e. 25, 000MT at Byrnihat as storage gap of Riboi district is only 6000MT. The Byrnihat is near to Guwahati, where FCI already had surplus capacity. But State government agreed only to reduce the capacity from 25, 000MT to 12, 5000MT. The SLC has decided accordingly.
- SLC also decided to recommend PEG godowns at Shillong (Barapani 10, 000 MT, Lalmati 5000MT and Mendipathar 10, 000MT, Khlierhiet 2500MT). It is pertinent to mention here that the BG rail line shall have good sheds at Byrnihaat and Barapani in future, Mendipathar is already a BG rail head.
- SLC also decided to wait for response of CWC, regarding willingness to construct warehouses at these places within 45 days, else tenders cab be floated under PEG.
- In addition, 2500 MT capacity at Baghmara will be constructed under Plan Scheme.

**3. Mizoram:** The SLC was held on 12.08.2015. The monthly allocation of Mizoram is 5691 MT, the available storage capacity is 25490 MT, there is little storage gap. In future the proposed rail line shall touch Mizoram at Bairabi and Sairang. So, SLC decided to recommend a 15, 000MT rail siding godown at Sairang under Plan Scheme being a strategic located.

**4. Tripura:** The SLC was held on 06.08.2015. FCI has got a response under PEG Scheme for 2 (two) 10, 000MT godowns in outskirts of Agartala. Simultaneously FCI is also hopeful of getting land at Jirania for construction of rail side depot under plan

1-50,000  
2-25,000  
3-20,000  
4-25,000  
6,200

scheme. As per storage gap there will not be any need of PEG godowns in case FCI gets land under plan scheme. Undersigned also met Honourable Chief Minister, Tripura, for Jirania land. The State Government is exploring alternate plot of land due to local problems at Jirania. Another meeting with state govt. was attended by GM (Storage) on 18.08.2015 for alternate plot of land. So, the decision on PEG godowns is kept on hold till then. Moreover SLC also decided to propose as 15, 000MT rail siding godown either Bilonia or at Sabroom (South Tripura). Both these centres are at international border with Bangladesh. So construction of rail siding godown at one of these places, is strategically important and can be useful for export to Bangladesh.

**Summary:**

The HQrs is requested to convene HLC for PEG and meeting for construction of godowns under Plan Scheme to take a view on the recommendations of SLC in the month of October<sup>2015</sup> after getting a response from MD, CWC for all proposed locations.

Yours sincerely

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