

Implementation Completion Review Mission

19.08.14 to 28.08.14

PROCUREMENT

Salient Features

- ❖ Vast project with decentralized procurement arrangement
- ❖ 856 Consortia Partners and
- ❖ 203 sub-projects spread all over India

Balancing Two Wheels...

Procurement Cell PIU

- ❖ Nodal Point for all procurement related issues
- ❖ Advising and guiding the consortia on procurement matters
- ❖ Capacity building of project partners
- ❖ Consolidation of Procurement Plan
- ❖ Monitoring of procurement carried out by the consortia and maintaining a data base
- ❖ Conducting Annual Post Procurement Review

Consortium partners

- ❖ Prepare Procurement Plan for their sub-projects
- ❖ Carry out procurement as per World Bank guidelines
- ❖ Supply quarterly contract information to PIU
- ❖ Annual Post Procurement Review of the contracts

Milestone activity carried out

- ❖ Procurement Manual prepared
- ❖ Massive capacity building plan implemented.
- ❖ Point Persons Procurement identified in each consortia and trainings imparted to them on “Procurement Procedures of World Bank”.
- ❖ Total 1492 persons trained across the country

Procurement Status

Year wise Procurement as on 30.06.2014

Year	Proc. Completed (in ₹ millions)
2007-08	146
2008-09	485
2009-10	1393
2010-11	591
2011-12	344
2012-13	917
2013-14	1546
2014-15	251
Total	5673

Post Procurement Review

- ❖ Six Post Procurement Reviews conducted so far for the years 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 & 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13
- ❖ Replies and comments on the PPR Report completed
- ❖ Contract information compiled for 2013-14

What has worked...

- ❖ Proactive support and guidance from the World Bank in high value procurements
- ❖ FAQ posted on website
- ❖ Simplification of procedures through International Shopping upto \$ 50,000
- ❖ Petty purchases limit raised to \$ 400
- ❖ Preparation of ICB documents for consortia wherever applicable
- ❖ Proactive guidance & follow up action with consortia speeded up the procurement
- ❖ Helping consortia in preparation of contract documents
- ❖ Motivating consortia for seeking assistance of PIU-Procurement
- ❖ Posting of procurement material on NAIP website for 24 hours online availability
- ❖ Circulation of applicable guidelines/instructions repeatedly
- ❖ Targets fixed for timely completion of procurement activity

Proactive support from WB

- ❖ Procurement Cell of PIU-NAIP maintained close liaison with World Bank.
- ❖ Discussions and meetings were held as and when they were necessary and to expedite the procurement issues.
- ❖ Proactive support was available from the World Bank representative during the procurement process, especially for high value procurement items.
- ❖ Their constant guidance facilitated the speed of the process and also reduced the chances of any irregularities.
- ❖ It also helped in capacity building process of the procurement team of the project.

**Grievance
&
Complaint Redressal**

Grievance Redressal

- ❖ Proper Grievance Redressal Mechanism in place in the project
- ❖ Guidance issued to all consortia
- ❖ NC identified as a Nodal officer
- ❖ Complaint addressed on priority
- ❖ Complaint Register is maintained at PIU

Complaint Status

No. of complaints received so far	-	19
Complaint disposed	-	19
Complaints related to procurement	-	08

Right to Information Act

RTI applications are attended on priority :

No. of Applications Received - 55

Attended within time frame - 55

Matter related to procurement - None

Lessons Learnt

- ❖ Nature of the NAIP project involved decentralized system with consortia partners carrying out procurement activities. There is bound to be some communication gap between the implementing units and the PIU/ other stakeholders. It is therefore essential to design an IT enable project management system for proper and timely monitoring of procurement activities.
- ❖ Procurement plan and contract information should essentially be prepared and uploaded through online system for error free compilation.
- ❖ This would ensure proper monitoring and timely implementation of various activities and correct updated information at all times.

Overall Project contribution

- ❖ Almost all the consortia can handle procurement through shopping and NCB.
- ❖ While many consortia like NDRI, IARI, NBPGR, CIRCOT, IVRI and other major institutes at Hyderabad, Bangalore etc. are well trained to handle procurement through ICB.
- ❖ Some of the other consortia under institutes like IASRI are also well trained to take up procurement of IT system independently.

THANKS...