

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE BOMBAY METROPOLITAN REGION
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY HELD AT 3.00 P.M. ON THE 11TH MAY 1975.

Present: (list attached).

1. The Chairman first welcomed the members to the first meeting of the Authority and then explained the background to the ordinance issued by the State Govt. on 10th May 1975. Copies of the ordinance as well as the Gazette Notification containing the names of the elected members of the Authority were made available to those present. Secondly, the Chairman informed the members that Shri P.N.Haksar, Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission, has agreed to meet the members of the Authority at an early date for a discussion of metropolitan matters.

Item No.1: Receipt of Contributions of the State and Central Governments.

Resolution:1:

The Authority took note of the sanction made by the State Govt. of the first instalment of Rs 1.5 crores towards its Revolving Fund for the year 1974-75 and wished to record its thanks to the State Govt. for this anticipatory gesture.

The Authority discussed the terms of the Central Govt. contribution of Rs 1.5 crores for the year 1974-75 and decided that an effort should be made to secure it as a grant, in similarity to the State Govt. contribution, but, if the other metropolitan cities in the country had been treated alike in this regard, the contribution might be received in the form of a loan only. However, the Authority unanimously resolved that the State Govt. might be moved either to absorb the interest charged by the Central Govt. itself or at least limit the rate of interest charged on the loan to $7\frac{3}{4}$ per cent per annum, i.e. without the addition of a half per cent interest for the benefit of the State Govt.

The Authority wished to record its thanks to the Central

Govt. for the matching contribution made for the year 1974-75.

Item No.2 : Opening of bank accounts and their operation.

Resolution 2:

The Authority considered the note circulated on the subject and decided for the present to open accounts only with State Bank of India, the Bank of India and the Bank of Maharashtra. It decided also that the sums not required immediately should be kept in these banks so as to secure the best possible returns on this basis it approved the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Fund (Operation of Bank Accounts) Regulations, 1975 (as appended hereto in Annexure - I.)

Item No.3: Transaction of Business Regulations - Adoption of -

Resolution 3:

The Authority considered the note circulated on the subject and decided to make the following amendments to the present Regulations:-

- i) In clause 2(i) the words "and date" to be inserted in the 3rd Line, between words "such hour" and "as may be";
- ii) In clause 2(ii) "and within fifteen days of the receipt of" shall be inserted in the second line, between the words "upon" and "the requisition";
- iii) In clause 5, "three" shall be substituted by "seven";
- iv) In the proviso to clause 5, the words "and notes" shall be deleted from the second line and the word "or" appearing in the third line shall be substituted by the words "thereof and the notes"; furthermore, the words "either simultaneously or" shall be inserted between the words "circulated" and "at the time".

v) In clause 12 the words "stand adjourned to the next
.....The adjourned meeting" appearing between the fourth and eighth
lines shall be deleted.

The Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority
(Conduct of Business Regulations) 1975 as approved above are
appended hereto at Annexure - II.

Item No.4: Allowances to Members Regulation - Adoption of -
Resolution 4:

The Authority considered the proposal and deferred a
decision to the next meeting; but the regulations so finalised
should have retrospective effect from the first meeting of the
Authority.

Item No.5: Approval to expenditure already incurred.

Resolution 5: The

The Authority took note of the contents of the agenda note
and granted sanction ex post facto to the expenditure of
Rs 40,000/- set out therein.

Item No.6: Opening of office and initial staffing thereof -
including connected expenditure.

Resolution 6:

The Authority decided to open its Head Office in the
premises allotted by the State Govt. on the two wings of the 18th
floor of the New Administrative Offices Building, opp. Sachivalaya
and recorded its thanks to the State Govt. for this anticipatory
gesture. It was considered it desirable to request the Govt. not
to charge any rent for these premises considering the special role
assigned to the Authority.

The Authority approved the layout of the above office
space prepared by Shri Mhatre as set out in the agenda note, but
desired that the expenditure to be incurred in implementing it

should be limited to Rs 50,000, exclusive of telephones and office furniture. It decided that the details of the expenditure so incurred might be first got approved by the Chairman and then placed before the Authority for sanction ex post facto.

The Authority considered the proposal in the agenda note for making certain appointments of officers and staff, and decided that legal opinion might be sought on the question whether the provisions of Section 11(2) of the Act require the framing of regulations, defining the powers and duties of the persons proposed, before their appointments could be made. Subject to this, it approved the proposal made for the office establishment in the agenda note. As regards the officers, it decided that before the appointments are made their powers and duties might be set out in the form of draft Regulations (framed under Section 11(2) of the Act) and got approved by circulation, if this prior step is necessary in the light of the legal opinion. Accordingly and, subject to their availability, the Authority accorded its approval to the appointments of the following persons:-

- 1) Shri H.D.Kopardekar,
- 2) Shri R.B.Ajgaonkar,
- 3) Shri P.N.Palnitkar.

The Authority authorised the Metropolitan Commissioner to incur all expenditure of purely administrative nature and maintain discipline and control over the establishment.

Item No.7: Standing Committee (a) Elections to and
(b) Delegation of powers to

Resolution 7:

The Authority considered the agenda note and deferred a decision to the next meeting.

Item No.8: Adoption of the Common Seal and of an emblem of the Authority.

Resolution 8:

The Authority approved the motif for the common seal and the symbol of the Authority as prepared by the Dean, J.J.School of Applied Art, a copy of which is hereto affixed.

Item No.9: Setting up of Functional Boards.

Resolution 9:

The Authority deferred consideration of the subject.

Members present at the meeting of BMRDA held on 11.5.75:

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1. Dr. Rafiq Zakaria Chairman
 2. Shri Prabhakar Kunte Vice Chairman
 3. Shri Nanalal D. Mehta Vice Chairman
 4. Shri N.M.Tidke
 5. Smt. Tarabai Vartak
 6. Shri H.M.Wangare
 7. Shri Vamanrao Mahadik
 8. Shri Hansraj Bhugra
 9. Shri Pushpakant Mhatre
 10. Shri Hashu Advani
 11. Shri Sudhir Joshi
 12. Shri S.J.Kohli
 13. Shri S.W.Patwari
 14. Dr. M.G.Parulekar
 15. Shri D.K.Khanvilkar
 16. Shri V.K.Patil
 17. Shri D.N.Patil
 18. Shri V.K.Tambe

18. Shri V.K.Tembe
19. Sht. Kamala Raman
20. Shri S.S.Dighe
21. Shri G.N.Banatwala
22. Shri N.K.Patil
23. Shri D.B.Patil
24. Shri S.D.Baswant
25. Shri G.B.Kanitkar
26. Shri D.D.Sathe
27. Shri R.G.Gulgule
28. Shri B.D.Mehra
29. Shri M.S.Muthanna
30. Shri K.V.Seshadri, Member-Secretary,
Metropolitan Commissioner

The Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Fund
(Operation of Bank Accounts) Regulations, 1975.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of Section 18 read with Section 50 of the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority Act, 1974, the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority hereby makes the following Regulations, namely :-

1. These Regulations may be called the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Fund (Operation of Bank Accounts) Regulations 1975.
2. The banking accounts of the Metropolitan Authority, including current or savings accounts and term deposits shall be opened with the following banks in the name of "Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Fund" :-
 - (1) The State Bank of India,
 - (2) The Bank of India,
 - (3) The Bank of Maharashtra.
3. ^A ~~The~~ savings account with an initial sum of Rs.1.25 lakhs each shall be opened with the State Bank of India and the Bank of India. They shall be called the "Saving Account (SBI)" and "Saving Account (BI)" respectively.
4. The remaining sums in the Fund of the Authority shall be deposited as under :-
 - (a) A sum of Rs.1.75 lakhs each shall be kept in term deposit for 9 months in each case with the banks at (1) and (2) at clause 2 above.
 - (b) The balance in the Fund shall be divided into more or less equal parts and kept in term deposit with ~~the~~ the three approved banks as under :-
 - (i) one half of such part in deposit for 13 months;
 - (ii) the other half of such part in deposit for 19 months.

- (c) (i) The monthly interest accruing on and from the expiry of the first month ~~of~~^{on} each of the deposits referred to at sub-clause (b)(i) above shall be credited to a respective savings account during the first six months and the balance then in the savings account shall be kept in term deposit for a period of 61 months.
- (ii) The monthly interest accruing on each of the deposits referred to at (b)(i) above during the second period of six months shall be credited to a savings account and the balance then in the savings account shall be kept in term deposit for a period of 37 months.
- (d) The monthly interest accruing on and from the expiry of the first month ~~from~~^{on} each of the deposits referred to at sub-clauses (a) and (b)(ii) above shall be credited to a re-investment plan/recurring deposit account maturing respectively at the end of the period of the connected term deposits.

5. The said accounts shall be opened and operated by the Metropolitan Commissioner for and on behalf of the Metropolitan Authority. The banks referred to in clause 2 above are hereby authorised to honour cheques, Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes drawn, accepted or made on behalf of the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority by the Metropolitan Commissioner and to act upon any instructions so given relating to the accounts whether the same be over-drawn or not or relating to the transactions of the Metropolitan Authority.

6. The Metropolitan Commissioner shall arrange (i) to receive first into the Fund the sums contributed by the State and the Central Governments to the Authority through

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the "Savings Account (SBI)" referred to at clause 3 above
and thereafter (ii) to distribute the monies so received
in the manner set down in clauses 3 and 4 above.

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(Conduct of Business at Meetings) Regulations, 1975

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 5 read with Section 50 of the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority Act, 1974, the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority hereby makes the following Regulations, namely :-

1. These Regulations may be called the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority (Conduct of Business at Meetings) Regulations, 1975.
2. (i) Every meeting shall be held at the head office of the Metropolitan Authority or at any other place as may be decided by the Chairman and at such hour ^{and date} as may be appointed by the Chairman.
(ii) The Chairman may, whenever he thinks fit, and shall, ^{and within fifteen days of the receipt of} upon the requisition of not less than eight members of the Metropolitan Authority call a special meeting.
3. Every member of the Authority elected under the Sub-clauses (xv) to (xxxii) of Section 4(i) of the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority Act, 1974, shall as soon as possible after his election communicate to the Member-Secretary the address to which all the papers and correspondence meant for him should be despatched. He shall likewise notify in advance any change in such address from time to time. In the case of any other member of the Authority, the papers and correspondence shall be despatched to his official address. A Certificate of Posting to the said address secured by the Member-Secretary will be sufficient evidence of their transmission in every case.
4. The Member-Secretary shall arrange to send intimation of the date, time and place of a meeting to all the members of the Authority at least seven days before the date of the meeting :
Provided that the Chairman may call a meeting at such shorter notice as he may direct for the transaction of any urgent business.

- 5. A copy of the agenda with the notes shall be circulated by the Member-Secretary to all members at least ~~three~~ ^{Seven} clear days before the date of the meeting:

Provided that in the case of a meeting called for the transaction of urgent business the agenda ~~and notes~~ shall be sent along with the notice ~~and~~ ^{thereof and the notes} ~~circulated~~ ^{either simultaneously or} at the time of the meeting.

- 6. Notwithstanding that any member has not received the agenda, the meeting may proceed to transact the business on the agenda.
- 7. Notwithstanding anything contained in Regulation 4, any matter on which the decision of the Metropolitan Authority is urgently required and which has not been included in the agenda of the meeting may, with the approval of the Chairman be placed before the meeting for its consideration and decision.

- 8. (i) A member who desires to move a substantive proposition shall send a notice of such proposition, together with a brief note setting out the reasons in support of the proposition, to the Member-Secretary. Such proposition shall, subject to the Chairman's orders, be included in the agenda of the next meeting to be held on a date not earlier than 10 days after receipt of the notice:

Provided that the Chairman may allow such proposition to be included in the agenda of an earlier meeting.

- (ii) Any member who desires at any meeting to bring forward any business supplementary to the agenda circulated in the notice of such meeting shall give written notice of the same to the Member-Secretary at least three clear days before the date fixed for the meeting and the Member-Secretary shall seek the orders of the Chairman for distributing copies thereof to the other members at the time of the meeting.

9. Any proposal on which the decision of the Metropolitan Authority is urgently required may be circulated to the members and, if approved by not less than two-thirds of the total number of the members of the Metropolitan Authority, may be deemed to have been passed by resolution at a meeting of the Metropolitan Authority duly convened. Such decision shall be placed before the next meeting of the Authority for ratification.
10. The order in which any business may be transacted at any meeting shall be determined by the person presiding at the meeting.
11. The quorum needed for proceeding with the business of a meeting shall be fourteen out of which not less than a half shall be from among the members elected under sub-clauses (xv) to (xxxii) of Section 4(1) of the Bombay Metropolitan Region Development Authority Act, 1974.
12. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting, if called on the requisition of the members, shall be dissolved; in any other case it ~~shall stand adjourned to the next day at the same time. If that day happens to be a holiday, the meeting shall be held at the same time on the succeeding day. No fresh notice of such adjourned meeting may be given. The adjourned meeting]~~ shall proceed to transact business even if there be no quorum.
13. (i) The person presiding shall preserve order at any meeting. All points of order shall be decided by him with or without discussion as he may deem fit and his decision shall be final.
(ii) All questions at a meeting shall be decided by a majority of the members present and voting; and in the case of equality of votes, the person presiding shall have a second or casting vote.

14. Brief notes indicating the decisions taken by the Metropolitan Authority at any meeting shall be recorded in a book which shall be signed by the person presiding before the close of the meeting.
15. The minutes of the proceeding of each meeting shall be drawn up by the Member-Secretary and signed by him and the Chairman, and shall be circulated to the members of the Metropolitan Authority. After such circulation the members shall be deemed to have read them at the next succeeding meeting. The minutes shall be taken as correct and shall be signed by the person presiding at such succeeding meeting, unless any member present objects to the minutes as having been incorrectly or incompletely recorded; in which case, the person presiding after taking the sense of the members present at that meeting may make such amendments in the minutes as may be necessary and the amended minutes shall then be confirmed and signed by the person presiding.