Date: July 21, 2016

To

ALL JUTE MILLS / JDP UNITS / TWINE UNITS

Dear Sir / Madam,

Sub: Minutes of the 7th Technical Committee Meeting of Incentive Scheme for Acquisition of Plants & Machinery (ISAPM).

The 7th Technical Committee Meeting of ISAPM was held on 4th July, 2016 under the Chairmanship of Jute Commissioner in NJB, Kolkata. The approved minutes have been uploaded on NJB website at URL:www.jute.com/web/guest/schemes/isapm scheme/scheme details.

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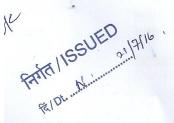
Thanking you,

Yours truly

Member Secretary

Copy to: (i) Jute Commissioner

(ii) All the Members of the Technical Committee of ISAPM



MINUTES OF THE 7TH MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE UNDER THE INCENTIVE SCHEME ON ACQUISITION OF PLANTS & MACHINERY (ISAPM)

Venue: NJB Conference Room, Kolkata Date and Time: 5:00 PM, 4TH July 2016

Attendees : Annexure I

The meeting was held under the Chairmanship of the Jute Commissioner. The Secretary, NJB welcomed the members thereafter the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

Agenda 1: Status of ISAPM Scheme:

The committee noted the status report of ISAPM. Following decisions were taken by the Committee case-wise:

- i) M/s Gloster Limited [BF-15 and BF 22]: The bank sanction letter on term loan, which has been submitted by the mill, is a credit extension letter. The Committee advised Mill to submit the original term loan sanction letter along with the bank appraisal memo to enable NJB to examine the case.
- ii) M/s The Empire Jute Company Ltd. [BF 18]

M/s Baranagar Jute Factory Plc. [BF - 13, Part I & II]:

These two cases were prior to 6th Technical Committee meeting. In the 6th Technical Committee meeting, revised guidelines under bank finance and own source were approved. Loans from NBFC was made ineligible. As such, the Committee asked NJB to process the above cases as per guidelines existing at the time the claims were filed.

iii) M/s Winsome International Limited [OS – 18]: The Committee asked to follow decision taken in second meeting of the Technical Committee.

Agenda 2: Action Taken report and Online web Portal for ISAPM Scheme :

- A. Discussion was made on the specific cases pertaining to the 6th Meeting of the Technical Committee. Following decisions were taken by the Committee case-wise:
- i) <u>Jagatdal Jute & Industries Ltd. [OS 12]</u>: The Committee recommended the case for further processing and disposal.
- ii) Northbrook Jute Co. Pvt. [OS 19]: The Committee has directed to keep the case in abeyance.
- iii) Kankanarah Co. Ltd. [OS 33]: The Committee recommended the case for further processing and disposal.

- iv) Sarada Jute Mills Pvt. Ltd. [BF 11]: In the 6th Technical Committee meeting, the mill was debarred from availing any facility from any of the Schemes of NJB for the next five years because of wrong declaration. The Committee advised that the mill may be asked to make a presentation of their case before the Committee in the next Technical Committee meeting.
- v) <u>Birla Corporation Ltd. [BF 12]</u>: In the 6th Technical Committee meeting, the mill was asked to make a presentation of their case before them. The presentation was made by the mill before the Committee. The Committee recommended the case for further processing.

B. Online Web Portal for ISAPM Scheme:

A demo presentation of online registration and filling-up of letter of intent has been placed before the Committee. The Chairperson advised that any technical problem relating to online filling be sorted out immediately and a letter regarding introduction of online letter of intent / claim submission may be circulated to all the Jute Mills / JDP units.

Agenda 3: Issues related with Bank Finance cases of ISAPM Scheme:

Regarding the new proposal on hand holding of bank finance cases by a few nationalized banks, Secretary, NJB proposed that if a few selected schedule banks can act as a nodal agency for scrutiny, techno-commercial vetting and disbursement of funds centrally by Bank to machine vendors. IJMA was requested to examine the matter in consultation with banks in line with TUFS and feedback may be submitted at the earliest to NJB. Also Smt. Sushma Pai Mondal, Chief Manager & Relationship Manager, State Bank of India suggested that NJB may make a standard format for seeking certification from bank.

Agenda 4: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair [enlistment of foreign vendors]:

The Committee directed IJMA & IJIRA to advise agencies / representatives operating on behalf of renowned foreign vendors to register immediately as machinery supplier under ISAPM for supplying core-jute machinery as per the scheme guidelines. The Committee also advised that the procedure of physical inspection by IJIRA may be exempted as a special case for the overseas vendors.

It is reported by the industry that the Indian machine manufacturer are not in a position to meet the orders in time. As such, the Committee advised IJMA to organize a meeting at NJB with all the machine vendors in association with IJIRA at the earliest.

There being no other business, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

Jute Commissioner & Chairman, Technical Committee of ISAPM

List of attendees:

Following officials attended the meeting:

| 1 | Dr. Subrata Gupta – Jute Commissioner & Chairman | O/o, The Jute Commissioner |
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| 2 | Shri Arvind Kumar M – Convenor & Secretary | National Jute Board |
| 3 | Shri Dipankar Mahto – Deputy Jute Commissioner | O/o, The Jute Commissioner |
| 4 | Shri Manish Poddar – Chairman | Indian Jute Mills Association (IJMA) |
| 5 | Shri Raghavendra Gupta – Deputy Chairman | Indian Jute Mills Association (IJMA) |
| 6 | Shri Sajan B. Nair - Member Secretary | Jute Shippers Council, (ACI & Shippers Union Ltd.), Cherthala Kerala |
| 7 | Smt. Sushma Pai Mondal | SBI, Commercial Branch, Kolkata |
| 8 | Shri N. Sengupta | National Jute Board |
| 9 | Shri R.K. Roy | O/o, The Jute Commissioner |
| 10 | Shri M. Datta | National Jute Board |
| 11 | Shri S. Datta | O/o, The Jute Commissioner |
| 12 | Shri J. Kar | National Jute Board |
| 13 | Shri Nabakumar Halder | National Jute Board |
| 14 | Shri Partha Sanyal | Indian Jute Industries' Research Association |
| 15 | Shri Gopal Mukhopadhyay | Indian Jute Industries' Research Association |
| 16 | Shri Prasad Vankudothu | UTIITSL |
| 17 | Shri Ajai Agarwal | Birla Corporation |
| 18 | Shri Aditya Sharma | Birla Corporation |

Following members were absent in the meeting:

| 1 | Dr. U. S. Sharma - Director | Indian Jute Industries' Research Association (IJIRA) |
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| 2 | Shri Nirmal Pujara - Chairman | Calcutta Jute Fabrics Shippers Association (CJFSA) |
| 3 | Shri T. A. N. Gupta - Executive Director | Sri Sitarama Lakshimi Jute Mills Pvt. Ltd. A.P. |
| 4 | Shri Manish Kajaria - Chairman | Jute Products Development and Export Promotion Council (JPDEPC) |