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THIMPHU THROMDE

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14th Thromde Tshogde

Venue: - Bhutan Gamega Hotel, Phuntsholing.

Date: - 04/01/2019

Time: - 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Members Present

SI/No	Name	Designation
1	Dasho Kinlay Dorjee	Thrompon
2	Mr. Karma Namgyel	Executive Secretary
3	Mrs. Dorji Dema	Motithang Thuemi
4	Mrs. Phub Dem	Changbangdu-Olakha Thuemi
5	Mr. Ugyen Penjor	Jungzhina –Pamtsho Thuemi
6	Mr. Rinzin Dorji	Changangkha Thuemi
7	Mr. Ugyen	Taba-Dechencholing Thuemi
8	Mr. Kinga Yonten	Norzin Thuemi

Members Absent

SI/No	Name	Designation
1	Mr. Namgay Tshering	Babesa Thuemi

Invitees

SI/No	Name	Designation	Division/Section
1	Mr. Kinley Penjore	Project Manager	ADB PIU
2	Mr. Karma Jamtsho	Chief Engineer	ID
3	Mr. Sonam Dorjee	Chief ADM	AFD
4	Mr. Tek Nath Kararia	Engineer	DRD
5	Mr. Yeshe Wangdi	Head	Environment Division
6	Mr. Udeshe Chetri	DCAO	Accounts Section, AFD
7	Mr. Ugyen Tshechu Dorji	Sr. Legal Officer	Legal Section
8	Mr. Sonam Penjor	Revenue Officer	Revenue Section
9	Mr. Tashi Tobgay	Urban Planner	UPD
10	Mr. Sonam Namgay	Engineer	ID
11	Mr. Chojay Norbu	Dzongkha Coordinator	Policy & Planning Section
12	Mr. Karma Dorji	Planning Officer	Policy & Planning Section

Opening Remarks by Chair

The Chair began the 14th Thromde Tshogde session with the warm welcome of all the participants and also wished all the members a year 2019 filled with successes and happiness.

The Chair also informed on the successful tour of the Thromde Thuemis led by Dasho Thrompon to Jeju, South Korea. He explained it was a great trip and the organizers there have rendered great support to the Thromde delegation. In this regard he said, Thromde may even send a letter of appreciation for the successful trip to Jeju. He also informed about the WHO conference in Indonesia regarding the Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs). He said Thromde plays a vital role in curbing such diseases. Pedestrianization of Thromde areas, initiatives to minimize air pollution, increasing more numbers of jogging and bicycling tracks, putting right policies in controlling alcohol consumption and abusing substance abuses, etc. are some of the measures Thromde can take upon which can highly contribute to minimizing the NCDs.

The Chair also informed the floor regarding the trip of Thromde delegation to Nepal. The visit was regarding the disaster management. He informed that one of the main causes of the disaster is climate change. When we talk about disaster, it is of paramount importance to take a holistic approach. Thromde also plays a vital role in contributing towards minimizing the effect of climate change. The Chair also reiterated on the fulfillment of the vision of His Majesty the King and highlighted on the need to work towards envisaging Gross National Happiness.

Agenda 14.1 - 2018-2019 Budget Review, Revenue and Reserve Fund status

Before the main budget discussion, the Chair informed that the land compensation of Nu 207M for Semtokha bus terminal will have to be written to MoF since it has affected the total outlay of 12th FYP. The Account Section to follow up on this.

Going with agenda, the Accounts Section presented to the Tshogde the Budget review of the FY 2018-2019. The total capital budget for 2018-2019 has gone up by 357.58M from 180.38M and current budget by 224.47M from 93.6M. The Accounts Section presented in detail the additional incorporation of both current and capital works. The Accounts Section also presented the status of the unused budget to the Tshogde. The Chair reiterated on the need to enhance revenue to meet all the expenses as the discussion on budget utilization was going on.

In line with the discussion on the budget utilization, some of the members also stated that Thromde will have to inspect the work output of the Thromde surveyors in a day. This can help minimize surveying on weekends. During the discussion on the Thromde utility bills, the members stated that those living in the Thromde Staff quarters and low-income housing should

pay their own utility bills. Tshogde directed that a detailed survey on this will have to be carried out.

The revenue section also presented the status of internal revenue and Thromde reserve fund. Total revenue generated till December 2018 is 120.7M. The revenue section also presented that Thromde will have to refund the excess payment of taxes of about Nu 153607 to three individuals- Mr. Phub Dorji of Zilukha, Mr. Nidup Tshering of Hejo and Mr. Sonam P Wangdi.

Decisions

1. Tshogde directed the Management to inspect the work output of the Thromde surveyors to minimize the surveying works on weekends.
2. Tshogde also directed the Management to find out whether the utility bills of those residing in Thromde quarters are paid by themselves and if not, they will have to be made to pay.
3. Tshogde also approved the refund of Nu 153,607.00 to three aforementioned individuals and henceforth such mishaps shall not be entertained.

Action – UPD for inspection of surveyor work output, AFD to find out the payment of utility bills for those residing in Thromde quarters and Accounts/Revenue section for refunding the excess tax payment.

Agenda 14.2 - Approval of construction of new access road in Gyabchhakha -Yangphel's case

The drain outlets of Thromde above have affected the access road below for Yangphel in Gyabchhakha, plot number BA1-722, Thram No 1344 especially in monsoon. Therefore, he has proposed to relocate the access road. In this regard, Thromde team led by Dasho Thrompon, area Planner and inspector made a site visit and approved the relocation based on the situation at site. However, Thromde urban planning division has not approved the construction of new access road since its in-Government Land.

The Taba Thuemi informed that if it doesn't have any other options, it can be approved. This was supported by Motithang Thuemi that if it doesn't have to have any change in the Thram, it can be approved. The member secretary informed the floor that the works have been halted due to not submitting proper drawings also.

Decision

Based on the site visit made by the Thromde team led by Dasho Thrompon, the Tshogde approved the construction of the wall to construct the new access road and provide formal approval for the same by the concerned Division. Tshogde also directed all division and section heads to follow up on the decisions of the site visits made in presence of all relevant officials.

Action – UPD

Agenda 14.3 - Cost sharing between Thromde and BPC on behalf of Private land owner for the expenses incurred during construction of protection wall.

In Gyabchakha near IT Park, the private individual has constructed wall in his plot and the cost of wall has been shared between Thromde, BPC and the private individual. The total cost was Nu 1,493,201.92 and it has been shared 50% by the private individual and 50% by Thromde and BPC. The wall has benefited Thromde roads above and also benefited the BPC underlying transmission line alongside the road. Later the private plot owner has been relocated and the wall has got no benefit for him/her. Therefore, the 50% (Nu 746600.96) which was supposed to be paid by the private individual have to again be shared by Thromde and BPC. Therefore, the Thromde and BPC have to pay Nu 373300.46 each. This was put to Tshogde for approval.

The Thuemis informed that during plot relocation, it will have to follow due processes and not be taken up by few individuals and the area Thuemi will have to be kept in the loop. The Legal Officer also supported that due processes will have to be followed. In case of Land related issues (relocation), the concerned Division/Section will have to first deliberate in Thromde Land Committee (TLC). Only then it will have to be put to Tshogde if it is required to.

Decision

The Tshogde approved the payment of Nu 373,300.46 to BPC from Thromde reserve fund since the wall has benefited the road above.

Action – Accounts Section

Agenda 14.4 - Construction of Primary School in Dangrayna, Dechenchholing.

Taba Thuemi informed the floor that the proposal was already approved but since the new Government has come to the power, it is important to once again raise the issue.

The Chair informed that a meeting held recently between MoE and Thromde has decided on many terms regarding the school infrastructures and the construction of Dechencholing School was also discussed.

Decision

Construction of Dechencholing Primary School has been approved and it will be constructed in the 12th FYP. Based on the availability of budget, also one new School will be constructed in Hejo-Samtenling area after studying the need.

Action – Taba Thuemi

Agenda 14.5 - Revision of rent for BNCA and RBP Traffic Division.

The old Thromde building located near Lungtenzampa Bus terminal has been rented out to BNCA in 2012 and RBP Traffic Division in 2013. Since then the rent has not been revised until now. As per the Tenancy Act of Bhutan, 10% revision every two years can be made on the agreed rent during initial agreement drawn. It has not been carried out till now. With BNCA, the MoU was drawn in 2012 at Nu 55,672.00 and with traffic division in 2013 at 14,600.00.

The Norzin Thuemi informed that such issues need not be tabled in Tshogde since it can be based on Tenancy Act and the Management can decide upon it. However, he informed that given the time span of about more 6-7 years without revision, it is high time that the rent is revised now.

The Chair informed that Thromde has not taken initiative to increase rent until now and today it is more than seven years. This is also because Thromde did not have an asset manager earlier. Now that the Thromde has an asset manager recruited, he/she will have to take care of all such issues.

Decision

Tshogde approved the revision of rent for both BNCA and RBP traffic division as proposed by the Management, i.e. 10% on old rent amount with the effect from January 2019.

Action – ADM Officer/Asset Manager

Agenda 14.6 - Security deposit to NPPF for Thromde Office Nu.740,000/-

The Management deliberated on the payment of Security Deposit of the Current Thromde Office to NPPF. The two months security deposit comes to around 740,000.00 It will have to be paid by 1st January 2019. The Management has approved the payment of the two months security deposit. It is put to Tshogde for endorsement.

Decision

The Tshogde without further deliberations, approved the payment of the two months security deposit of Nu 740,000.00 to NPPF as proposed by the Management.

Action – ADM Officer

Agenda 14.7 - Location clearance for Nano brewery-Aum Lily's case

The Development Regulatory Division (DRD) presented to Tshogde in detail the location clearance proposed by Aum Lilly to set up a Nano Brewery in the basement of the building located at Chhubachu milk booth area. All the set equipment has been procured and are ready to fix. Thromde earlier halted the approval based on the issues such as noise and air pollutions and waste issues. The DRD also informed that since this is the first case in Thimphu Thromde, it is submitted to Tshogde for deliberations and further directives.

The Tshogde members stated that since Thromde Tshogde has already made a decision to not to allow even operating a bar in Thromde, it will be difficult for Tshogde to again allow setting up of alcohol brewery in the Thromde area. Since it is a brewery center, it is more than a bar operation and it should not be approved. Some members also informed that it doesn't look nice to have restaurants and living rooms above and brewery center underneath. If it is located in some other places allowed by Thimphu Structure Plan, it can be approved.

The member secretary explained that it is a brewery center but not all youths and audiences will be allowed, only those high ranked officials will be allowed with minimum membership. This is the owner's stand.

Decision

Since Tshogde already decided that no additional bars will be allowed to operate in Thromde area, even setting up of brewery center will not be allowed. Tshogde did not approve the proposal.

Action - DRD

Agenda 14.8 - Land and property tax for WWTP

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) Project Manager informed the floor on the need to pay land and property tax for the ongoing Babesa Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) development funded through ADB. There are 2 structures including Office building and 10 units resident building constructed and also few temporary sheds. The Land Use Certificate (LUC) has been processed with the prior approval from National Land Commission. However, without paying the land tax and the property tax, the LUC has not been released yet and without LUC, no Occupancy Certificate could be issued. Hence, utility connections like water and electricity could not be carried out. The amount comes to around Nu 66,358.75 per year including land and property charges.

Decision

The Tshogde approved the payment of Nu 66,358.75 from internal revenue with one year 24% penalty as land and property tax for new Babesa STP funded through ADB. Tshogde also directed the AFD to budget the amount from next FY.

Action – Accounts Section/ADB

Agenda 14.9 - Advance payment for ADB project

The amount has been already paid from the Accounts, however, it is put to Tshogde for endorsement. The amount which comes to around Nu 9.7M is being pre-financed. The same amount will be recouped once the budget for 2018-2019 has been approved.

Decision

The Tshogde without further deliberations approved the pre-financing of Nu 9.7M as an advance payment for ADB project and the same amount to be recouped once the new budget has been approved.

Action – Accounts Section

Agenda 14.10 - Requirement of budget for blacktopping of Jorden Lam, Kawangjangsa

The Jorden Lam in Kawangjangsa is not yet blacktopped and hence especially in monsoon, the debris from this road destroys the blacktopped road below. Therefore, the Management has decided to blacktop this stretch of road with urgency before monsoon starts. The total estimated cost for the same comes around Nu 2.8M. The Management decided that the amount will have to be pre-financed from 2018-2019 budget. It is put to Tshogde for approval.

The Chief Engineer informed that currently the Infrastructure Division and the Accounts Section are in the process of collecting all the expenses and savings from various Demkhong works. If there are fund balances, it can be used for this activity. He informed that the Tshogde members will have to be informed that the blacktopping of this road is of great importance before the monsoon comes. The Accounts Section informed that if there are fund balances from Demkhong works, it will have to be used for other Demkhong activities since there are some Demkhongs where the budget is insufficient.

The Chair informed that if it can be pre-financed, it can be done looking at the urgent nature of the work. But the issue now he informed is e-procurement, it cannot be processed since there is no budget associated with this activity.

The Accounts Section informed that they will work on the fund balances of the current FY 2018-2019 and if there are enough fund balances, it can be re-appropriated. The Chief Engineer informed that it would be better if it can be carried out in the 2018-2019 FY only.

Decision

The Tshogde decided to re-appropriate if there are any savings from current capital works of Infrastructure Division. The pre-financing as second option has been approved, however the Infrastructure Division will have 2.8M (or the same amount pre-financed) short in the 2018-2019 budget which will be released in January or February 2019.

Action – Accounts Section/ID

Agenda 14.11 - Noting of mortgages charges at Nu.1000/- per verification to the Banks

The same was deliberated and decided by the Management that whenever Thromde has been proposed by Banks (Financial Institutions) regarding the mortgaging of land registered within Thromde area, Thromde will be charging the banks with some charges. This is because Thromde undertake some kind of risk associated with the land and even in the past, there has been an issue where Thromde had to pay because of such mortgage issues. All the members supported the levying of charges to the Banks. The Legal Officer cautioned that Ministry of Finance will have to be kept in loop in levying such fees.

Decision

The Tshogde approved as Lien Noting Fees at Nu 1000 per case to be charged to the banks as proposed by the Management. The Ministry of Finance to be informed regarding the levying of lien noting fees.

Action – SLMS/UPD

Agenda 14.12 - Budget approval for electrification works at BNCA Office

The Electrical Section, has proposed for the electrification works for the old Thromde Office which is currently housed by BNCA Office. The cost estimate comes around Nu 682,101.34.

Decision

Tshogde approved the amount Nu 682,101.34 for electrification works at old Thromde Office. It will be used from current budget saving of the FY 2018-2019.

Action – Accounts Section/Electrical Section

Agenda 14.13 - Water shortage in Samarzingkha, Jana Lhakhang. (five households), Changjiji and Chagdalo (8 HHs)

The Olakha-Changbangdu Thuemi presented to the Tshogde the issues brought up by the people residing in her constituency. The first issue was with regard to shortage of drinking water supply in Samarzingkha, Changjiji and Chagdalo areas.

The Chair informed that the main line from YHS tank, which is a supply from Dodeyna Water supply scheme has been laid already and therefore it can't be used to supply to these areas. However, separate line from YHS tank can be made to supply these unserved areas after carrying out a detail survey. The some of the members stated that since the Lhakhangs in Samarzingkha areas are located bit at higher ground, it would be difficult to supply from the YHS tank.

Decision

The Tshogde decided that a separate line from YHS tank will be established to serve these areas. Regarding the temple areas, a survey will be carried out before constructing the water supply line. The works will be taken up in the FY 2019-2020.

Action – ID

Agenda 14.14 - Proposal for new road construction in Changedaphu

The Olakha-Thuemi also requested the Tshogde for construction of access road in Changedaphu, which would not be more than 50-60 meters in length. The Chief Engineer informed that such issues need not be brought to Tshogde as it is a case of access road construction. Based on the feasibility, such proposals are taken up by the Engineering Division.

Decision

The Tshogde directed the application to be submitted directly to Infrastructure Division and the division to look into the matter and resolve it.

Action – Olakha Thuemi/ID

Agenda 14.15 - Proposal for new road construction for an old village in Changjiji.

The area Thuemi also proposed the construction of road for old village in Changjiji. She also requested Thromde to cover the drains which are left open in the area posing high risk to the people living there. The Chair informed that the works can be taken up in the current FY if the budget required is minimal, but if more budget is required, it can be taken up in the next FY. The Chief Engineer informed that Infrastructure Division will follow up on this.

Decision

Tshogde directed the Infrastructure Division to follow up on this case and take up if it can be taken up in the current FY. If not, it will have to be taken up in the next FY.

Action – ID

Agenda 14.16 - Proposal for drain maintenance in front of Ariya Hotel, Changjalu

The Changbangdu-Olakha Thuemi also pointed out on the need to maintain the drain in front of Hotel Ariya in Changjalu. The Chair informed that Thromde has made a site visit and it is found that the issue will have to be taken up soon.

Decision

The Tshogde decided to carry out the drain maintenance work in the 2018-2019 FY since it won't require huge budget.

Action – ID

Agenda 14.17 - Budget for temporary classroom at Changzamtok MSS

The building section informed the floor that the Changzamtok Lower Secondary School will be upgraded to Middle Secondary School from the coming academic year and therefore, it is very urgent that the works on construction of classroom blocks will have to be completed before the academic session begins. He informed that the LGSF materials which are there in Motithang Higher Secondary School will be used for the same since the Motithang HSS has got new classroom blocks. The LGSF materials can be used to construct 3 classroom blocks in Changzamtok LSS which can then accommodate the additional students after its conversion to Middle Secondary Schools. The MoE and SPBD has agreed to provide LGSF materials for 3 blocks of classroom for temporary measures. The SPBD said that it has to be given to some skilled VTI graduates at Nu 750.00 per day. It will take 60 days. The total labor charges come to around Nu 675,000.00. In addition to these, materials procurement comes to around 600,000.00. The total amount to be endorsed by Tshogde is Nu 127,5000.00.

Decision

It can be pre-financed from the budget of 2019-2020. The budget for now will be used from fund balances of the current capital works under Thromde. Since the class room blocks will have to be readied by coming Academic year and moreover the works require skilled workers to deal with

LGSF materials, Tshogde approved to directly contract out to skilled laborers. The other materials required will be procured by Thromde.

Action – Accounts Section/ID

Agenda 14.18 - Additional budget for construction of vegetable shed at Changbangdu and Hejo

The site engineer presented to the Tshogde the requirement of additional budget of Nu 10.00M which include 0.6M for meat shop at Norzin Lam and rest for the vegetable sheds at Changbangdu and Hejo. The additional activities include construction of drains, sewers, retaining walls, parking development, etc. He explained that before, the additional works had to be left out due to budget constraints and now when the vegetable sheds are near completion, these additional activities are required to be constructed. Therefore, it is submitted for Tshogde's endorsement of additional fund.

Decision

The Tshogde based on the necessity of such infrastructures at the sites approved the additional fund of Nu 10.00M and the fund will be used from internal revenue.

Action – Accounts Section/ID

Agenda 14.19 - BoB-ATM rental charges at Hejo vegetable shed.

Thromde has received proposal for BOB ATM set up in Hejo Vegetable shed. The Management decided to construct and give it on lease at the existing rate of Nu 5,500.00 per month. The site engineer presented that the total cost for construction comes around Nu 150,000.00 and it will be constructed adjacent to the current vegetable shed adjusted within the roof coverage. The Management has decided to construct the ATM shelter within the setback area after making a site visit. This is put to Tshogde for approval of Nu 150,000.00 for the construction.

Decision

The Tshogde approved Nu 150,000.00 from internal revenue for the construction of ATM shelter at Hejo and the rent shall be Nu 5,500.00 per month as decided by the Management.

Action - ID

Agenda 14.20- Lease of toilet and caretaker house at Hejo, Changbangdu and Norzin lam vegetable and meat shop

Dr. Toilet proposed Thromde that they are ready to manage the public toilets in Norzin Meat shop, Changabngdu and Hejo vegetable sheds. The site engineer proposed that even the Dr. Toilet will have to manage the whole meat shop campus and also the various kind of wastes generated in the area. Thromde is also required to provide Nu 5000 per month for the caretaker. Dr. toilet has been managing all other toilets within Thromde employing youths and was found successful so far. The Management has approved the proposal; however, it is put to Tshogde for endorsement.

Some of the Tshogde members stated that there could be other organizations who are interested to carry out such works and therefore Thromde will have to provide equal opportunities for all. For this the Chief Engineer said that it would be better for Thromde if EoI can be floated in the future.

Decision

The Tshogde in support to the Management's decision decided to handover the Management of Public toilets in Norzin Meat shop and Changbangdu and Hejo vegetable sheds to Dr. Toilet. They can also use the user fees collected from public toilets for their operation. Dr. Toilet will have to look after whole campus of the Norzin meat shop and two other vegetable sheds. Thromde in addition to the caretaker house will also provide Dr. Toilet with Nu 5000 per month as a salary to the caretaker. The contract will have to be renewed annually and in future, such things will have to be opened up for the interest of others who might be interested in managing in a similar way.

Action - ID

Agenda 14.21 - Budget for fuel cost for water tanker.

The Accounts Section has presented to the Tshogde that Thromde has started providing drinking water in water tanker especially in areas where residents suffer acute drinking water shortages.

However, the cost for water tanker is not budgeted and is difficult to book under any headings. Therefore, it is put to Tshogde for further directives.

Decision

The Tshogde decided that the cost for the fuel for water tanker can be used from the unused budget of the FY 2018-2019 since it is necessary to provide drinking water.

Action – Accounts Section

Agenda 14.22 - Budget for procurement of basic tool kit & safety equipment for engineers and other relevant officials

The Accounts Section also request Tshogde for the approval and endorsement of budget for the procurement of basic toolkit and safety equipment for engineers and other relevant officials.

The Chief Engineer informed the floor that this can be met from budget of Thromde Office Supply.

Decision

The Tshogde approved the procurement of basic toolkit and safety equipment for engineers and other relevant officials and the budget for this will be met from budget for the Thromde Office Supply.

Action – Accounts Section

Agenda 14.23 - Procurement of 9000 liters water tanker for Thimphu Thromde

The Chief Engineer informed that it would be better for Thromde if Thromde has one tanker so that it can be used for supplying drinking water supply or use during disaster situations.

The Chief ADM informed that currently Thromde doesn't have enough revenue, therefore it would be better for Thromde if the old truck which was not auctioned earlier can be used to convert into tanker.

Decision

Tshogde approved to maintain the old truck which is off road and convert it to tanker. Only the tank will have to be procured. But in 2019-2020 FY, new tanker will have to be procured.

Action – ID

Agenda 14.24 – Demolition fees to be increased to Nu 2000 per demolition

It was also discussed in the Management Meeting that the fees for those approved members of the demolition team. The demolition fee earlier was Nu 1000 per demolition and now the Management has decided to increase it to Nu 2000 per successful demolition. This is put to Tshogde for endorsement.

The organizing Division/Section will have to lead in paying the demolition fees to the members after every successful demolition. There is a complete list of members who are the demolition team and it has to be maintained and followed. The demolition process should include reviewing of all related cases by the Management and then only proceed for actual demolition at site.

Decision

The Tshogde approved Nu 2000 as demolition fees for members for every successful demolition. Tshogde also directed the Management to have the clear list of demolition team. There also have to have proper procedures to follow before and during the demolition, due processes will have to be followed.

Tshogde also directed the Management and the concerned Division/Section that for utilities disconnection, BPC officials, RBP officials and Thromde Building Inspectors can form a separate committee.

Action - Demolition Team/DRD

Agenda 14.25 – Community composting for sustainable waste management

The Head of the Environment Division informed the floor on the home composting initiatives. This is a new initiative of Thromde in managing Household wet wastes. Household composting is running very successful so far, Thromde has established 13 centers of Home composting. The manures produced by this initiative is bought by Thromde to be used in various plantations. The manures are bought at the rate of Nu 50 per Kilogram. This is mainly to encourage more and more households to take up the home composting initiative. This is put to Tshogde to decide upon the rate of the manures and the cost of setting up of the home composting unit.

The Tshogde members shared that this is in fact a good initiative to reduce the amount of wastes generated in Thromde and they are in support of the initiative.

Decision

The Tshogde commended the initiative and also approved the rate for manure at Nu 50 per KG since it is at initial stage and public will have to be encouraged to take up the initiative. As decided by the previous Tshogde, the fines and fees collected from the waste can be used for setting up the home composting units

Action – Environment Division

Agenda 14.26 - Support youths for safe city

The main youth issues in Thromde areas are all because of alcohols, abusing substances abuses and also presence of many entertainment centers. The unemployment and family problems are also some of the reasons for youth issues in Thromde areas.

Therefore, Thromde will have to look for some other measures to curb such issues with youths. Thromde in the past has also initiated few initiatives like including youth in maintaining Changlingmethang park. But due to lack of financial constraints, it is very difficult to support these group of youths. The current group of youths who are responsible for managing and running coronation park are also helping other youths in providing shelter, food and supporting.

One of the ways by which the fund can be raised is charging some nominal fees to those entertainment centers in Thimphu Thromde. Another way could be to make entry fee for Coronation Park, an entry of Nu 10 especially to tourist who visits the place.

Decision

The Tshogde decided to constitute one committee, open an account and make a joint signatory for any expenditure made. Tshogde also directed the Management to coordinate a meeting with entertainment centers whether they are willing to contribute some nominal amount for the good cause. Also, the management has been directed to work out on levying some entry fees for coronation park and send to Ministry of Finance (MoF) as a report for further directives.

Action – Environment Division

Agenda 14.27 - Reimbursement to M/S Sangay Choden for construction of drain at Changzamtok

The private individual, Mrs. Sangay Choden in Changzamtog has constructed a 42-meter RCC drain at her own cost and proposed Thromde for reimbursement. Based on the BSR rate, the total cost of drain construction comes around Nu 206,600.5 only which is lower than what has been submitted by her. However, there is a current contractor who is also responsible in constructing road and drain in the area and this stretch of drain is also included in his contract package. Therefore, the refund amount will have to be compared with the current contractor's quoted rate and pay whichever is less. The Management has decided to refund the cost of construction as per BSR or the current contractor's quoted rate, whichever is less to Mrs. Sangay Choden and the fund to be charged to CPLC collected from Changzamtog. The site engineer presented that as per the quoted rate of the current contractor, the total cost for construction of this stretch of drain comes to Nu. 159293.90. Therefore, as per the decision of the Management, Thromde will have to refund Nu 159293.9 based on the current contractor's quoted rate. It is put to Tshogde for endorsement.

Decision

The Tshogde approved the payment of Nu 159293.9 to Mrs. Sangay Choden from CPLC as proposed by the Management.

Action – Accounts Section/ID

Agenda 14.27 – AOB

1. **Office picnic expenditure – Nu 163,993.00 endorsement** - The total expenditure for the annual Office picnic 2018 of Nu 163993.00 has been approved to be used from the Thromde internal revenue. **Action** – Accounts Section.
2. **Purchase of 200mm DI pipes and fittings –Nu 427563** - The Chief Engineer informed that this is mainly to procure the left-over pipes and fittings from the contractors at the negotiated rate once the actual works have been complete. This will be used during maintenance and operation when small quantity of materials is required to be procured. The note sheet for the same has also been approved already. Tshogde decided to procure it from Operation and Maintenance budget. Also, for the ongoing WB project at Dodeyna

Water supply, the remaining pipes and fittings can be charged to project itself and be kept for maintenances in future. **Action** – ID/Accounts Section

The Tshogde adjourned at 5:00PM.

Rapporteur - Karma Dorji, Planning Officer