

**MINTUES OF THE NERC's STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WORKSHOP-cum-
7th SAC MEETING.**

A. Workshop on Public Awareness Creation Efforts (PACE) of the NERC *for the State Advisory Committee (SAC) Members.*

The NERC's State Advisory Committee (SAC) held its Workshop-cum-7th SAC Meeting on the 30th April, 2013 at Nagaland Electricity Regulatory Commission's Courtroom, Kohima. The Workshop programme was chaired by Shri. P. Sani, Secretary, NERC.

As desired by the esteemed members of the SAC, the video CD on 'PACE' containing recordings of progress of the Public Awareness Creation Efforts ('PACE') of the NERC so far, starting right from 26th Dec., 2012 i.e. the preparatory activity with hired hands and volunteers in organising Awareness Creation materials and despatch of 'PACE' booklet to all stakeholders in the Power Sector starting from the Chairman of all Village Councils in the State upto all concerned in the Government and Civil societies was displayed. The video also contained video clippings from the recordings of the 1st Field Campaign Meeting held at Dimapur on 01/02/2013, 2nd Field Campaign Meeting held at Longleng on 13/03/2013 and the 3rd Field Campaign Meeting held at Mokokchung on 04/04/2013. The participants expressed their appreciation of the Commission's input into these 'PACE' activities.

The Former Chairman-cum-Member (NERC), Er. S.I. Longkumer, Special Invitee to this programme gave a presentation on the ongoing Public Awareness Creation Efforts ('PACE') of the NERC vis-a vis need for Power Sector Reform in the State. The presentation was very much appreciated by all present in the Workshop.

B. 7th SAC Meeting

The 7th SAC Meeting was chaired by Capt. Hekiye Sema as Sessional Chairperson, who is a senior member of the SAC of the Commission. After indepth deliberations, the following Resolutions were adopted in the Meeting.

1. Resolved and advised the Commission to carry on the Public Awareness Creation Efforts ('PACE') Field Campaign Meetings covering all Districts within the State.
2. Resolved and advised the Commission to conduct Seminars & Workshops on citizens' responsibilities/accountabilities towards Power Sector Reform.
3. Resolved and advised the Commission to pursue with the appropriate authorities for establishment of State Transmission Utility (STU) in the State without any further delay.
4. Resolved and advised the Commission to pursue with the Deputy Commissioners for effective functionalisation of the District Coordination Committee (DCC) on Power which the State Government have already constituted for all districts through Notification dated 01/07/2011.
5. Resolved and advised the Commission to take steps to fulfil the need for translation of Model Rules for Village Electricity Management Board (VEMB), 2002 booklet of the Power Department, Nagaland into all local dialects.
6. Resolved and advised the Commission to take appropriate steps to meet the need for immediate establishment of the Consumer Grievance Redressal Forum and Ombudsman (CGRF & Omb) and implementation of NERC (Standards of Performance), Regulation, 2012.
7. The post of Chairman-cum-Member of the NERC is vacant since 1st Jan., 2013 upon demitting of office by the former Chairman-cum-Member on attaining the age of superannuation. The Committee Members resolved and advised the NERC to pursue before the State Govt. for immediate appointment of the new Chairman-cum-Member of the Commission.
8. Resolved and advised the Commission to take the stand that the status of the Chairman-cum-Member (NERC) to be as per the existing grade, if not higher.

The vote of thanks was pronounced by Mr. Bishnu Bhattacharjee, SAC Member and meeting was declared closed by the Sessional Chairperson.

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P. SANI

Secretary

Nagaland Electricity Regulatory
Commission (NERC), Kohima.