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इंडिया गेट, नई दिल्ली - 110002
दिनांक: **8th December 2025**

सेवामें,

The Project Director,

State Mission for Clean Ganga - West Bengal (SMCGWB),
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Subject: Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction for the project "Interception and Diversion (I&D) of Drains with Construction of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) for Pollution Abatement of River Mahananda in Siliguri Municipal town, West Bengal" under Namami Gange Mission - II, at an estimated cost of Rs. 361.86 crores (Rupees Three Hundred Sixty One Crores and Eighty Six Lakh only) including GST and 15 years Operation & Maintenance under Hybrid Annuity Based PPP mode - reg.

महोदय,

The undersigned is directed to convey the grant of Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction (AA&ES) for the project on "**Interception and Diversion (I&D) of Drains with Construction of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) for Pollution Abatement of River Mahananda in** in Siliguri Municipal town, West Bengal" under the National Ganga Plan (NGP) - Non-EAP budget head of Namami Gange Mission - II, with 100% central sector support at an estimated cost of **Rs. 361.86 crores (Rupees Three Hundred Sixty One Crores and Eighty Six Lakh only) including GST**, of which Rs. 169.12 crores for Capex and Rs. 192.74 crores for 15 years O&M, **to be implemented on Hybrid Annuity Based PPP mode**, with the following major components:

- a) Total I&D structures - 25
- b) Lifting stations - 4 nos.
- c) Construction of STPs:
 - i. 27 MLD STP (right bank of river)
 - ii. 22 MLD STP (left bank of river)
- d) Rising main- 5805 m

- e) I&D Network- 5770 m
- f) 15 years of Operation and Maintenance;
- g) ESAMP, Public Outreach and GAAP.

2. The summary of cost is given at **Annexure - I**.
3. Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction for the project is granted, subject to General & Technical conditions as per **Annexure - II**, Specific conditions and directions of EC as per **Annexure - III** and Financial conditions as per **Annexure - IV**. The schedule of the project implementation is given in **Annexure - V**.
4. The period of completion of the project is 24 (Twenty-Four) months, which includes 21 months for construction and 3 months for trial run. The bidding shall be completed within 4 (Four) months from the date of issue of AA&ES. The procurement of goods and services shall be made strictly as per the General Financial Rules 2017, as amended from time to time, and the relevant Procurement Manuals of the Department of Expenditure.
5. The sanctioned cost of the project will be borne from the 'National Ganga Plan - Non-EAP Creation of Capital Assets budget head of Namami Gange Mission - II and expenditure incurred will be booked under the component "Nirmal Ganga - Infrastructure Development and Asset Creation - Pollution Abatement Management - Sewerage Infrastructure - Sewage Treatment Plants (STP) - (Hybrid Annuity Model)". The NMCG/ Government of India reserves the right to withdraw the sanction at any stage if it is convinced that the fund has not been properly utilized or appropriate progress is not being made.
6. Any cost escalation over and above the sanctioned cost attributable to the State Government, including due to delay in land acquisition, change in scope post-approval, etc., will be borne by the State Government. The guidelines applicable to NGM-II Projects will be applicable to this Project.
7. The Operations and Maintenance (O&M) provisions will be reviewed after 7 years based on compliance with various General and Specific conditions stipulated in Annexures II & III, by State Government/ SMCG, including insurance of assets created, reuse of treated water, levy of user charges, sewage cess etc.
8. In case of violation of any of the conditions of the AA&ES/ grant or in case of closure or dissolution of the grantee organization, the Government shall take possession of all the assets of the organization acquired out of the

Government grants and use them in any manner deemed appropriate or to recover from the organization the value of such assets at its discretion.

9. The AA&ES will lapse, in case the land identified for the project is not acquired within a period of 4 months from the issuance date.

10. This AA&ES is issued based on the appraisal and sanction of the Executive Committee vide its 67th EC meeting held on 14th November 2025, as well as the approval of Director General - National Mission for Clean Ganga vide eoffice Note #80 dated 05.12.2025 and concurrence of ED (Finance), NMCG vide eoffice Note #76 dated 05.12.2025.

(सन्त राम)

उप निदेशक (एनएमसीजी)

जानकारी एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रतिलिपि:

1. The Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal, Nabanna, 13th Floor, 325, Sarat Chatterjee Road, Mandirtala, Shibpur, Howrah - 711102
2. The Chief Executive Officer, Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority (KMDA), Unnayan Bhavan, DJ-11, Sector-II, 3rd Floor Block A, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700091
3. The Commissioner, Siliguri Municipal Corporation, PC5J+J25, Baghajatin Rd, Ward 17, Subhas Pally, Siliguri, West Bengal - 734001

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1. PS to Hon'ble Minister - Jal Shakti, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi - 110001
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3. PPS to Director General, NMCG
4. PS to DDG/ ED (Projects) / ED (Finance) / ED (Technical) / ED (Admin.), NMCG, New Delhi
5. Prof. Asis Mazumdar, Professor, School of Water Resources Engineering, Jadavpur University, Kolkata - 700032
6. Sanction Folder/Guard File
7. MIS Cell NMCG for uploading the AA & ES on official website of NMCG

Annexure-I**Summary of cost for the project proposal of "I&D and STP scheme for Siliguri Municipal town, West Bengal"****(Amount in Rs. Lakh)**

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
A	Capital Cost			
A.1	Civil Works			
A.1.1	I&D (Weir, Approach Channel, Grit Chamber & strengthening of drain)			
A.1.1.1	I&D of drains and Diversion sewer line	21 Nos. at left bank & an additional 4 Nos at right bank	31.37	
A.1.1.2	Sewers by open trench method	5120 m	688.76	
A.1.1.3	Manholes	246 Nos.	527.02	
A.1.1.4	HDD Cutting	650 m	289.12	
A.1.1.5	Bituminous Road restoration	11082 m ²	141.19	
A.1.1.6	Concrete Road restoration	1041 m ²	14.12	
A.1.1.7	Earthen Road restoration	3816 m ²	1.33	
Sub Total A.1.1 - I&D Civil Cost			1692.91	
A.1.2	Sewage Pumping Station (SPS)			
A.1.2.1	Construction of an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-1)	8.20 MLD	122.93	
A.1.2.2	Construction of an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-2)	18.36 MLD	97.35	
A.1.2.3	Construction of an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-3)	4.72 MLD	68.7	
A.1.2.4	Construction of an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-4)	0.43 MLD	57.01	
Sub Total A.1.2 - SPS Civil Cost			345.99	

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
A.1.3	Laying of Rising Main			
A.1.3.1	Cost of Laying of Rising Main	5565 m	700.27	
A.1.3.2	Cost of pipe carrying Steel Bridge over Panchanoi river	35 m span	45.94	
A.1.3.3	Cost of Laying of Effluent Main	240 m	36.12	
Sub Total A.1.3 - Rising Main Civil Cost		5805 m	782.33	
A.1.4	Sewage Treatment Plant (STP)			
A.1.4.1	Construction of STP (27.0 MLD) with Co-treatment arrangement of fecal septage at right bank, including MPS, Site Development and all Allied Works, Online Monitoring and SCADA works (MCS)	27.0 MLD	2447.05	
A.1.4.2	Construction of STP (22.0 MLD) with Co-treatment arrangement of fecal septage at left bank, including MPS, Site Development and all Allied Works Online Monitoring and SCADA works (MCS)	22.0 MLD	1735.33	
Sub Total A.1.4 - STP Civil Cost			4182.38	
Sub Total of A.1 (Civil Cost)			7003.61	
A.2	E&M Works			
A.2.1	Sewage Pumping Station (SPS)			
A.2.1.1	E&M items in an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-1)	8.20 MLD	138.93	
A.2.1.2	E&M items in an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-2)	18.36 MLD	428.19	
A.2.1.3	E&M items in an IPS including Screen Chamber & allied works (LS-3)	4.72 MLD	265.9	
A.2.1.4	E&M items in an IPS including Screen Chamber	0.43 MLD	73.03	

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
	& allied works (LS-4)			
Sub Total A.2.1 - SPS E&M Cost			906.05	
A.2.2	Sewage Treatment Plant (STP)			
A.2.2.1	STP at right bank including MPS & All Allied Works including SCADA etc.	27.0 MLD	2522.24	
A.2.2.2	Solar Photovoltaic Power Plant for 27 MLD STP	100 kWp	53.73	
A.2.2.3	STP at left bank including MPS & All Allied Works including SCADA etc	22.0 MLD	2122.52	
A.2.2.4	Solar Photovoltaic Power Plant for 22 MLD STP	100 kWp	53.73	
Sub-Total A.2.2 - STP E&M Cost			4752.22	
Sub-Total of A2 E&M Cost			5658.27	
Sub-Total (A): Basic Capital cost			12661.88	
B	Centage (applicable on Basic Capital Cost)			
B.1	Cost of Project preparation @ 4% as per NGRBA guidelines on Capital Cost		506.48	A maximum 4% each of AA&ES basic capital cost/ awarded capital cost (whichever is lower) is admissible towards (a) DPR preparation and (b) supervision fees. However, payments for DPR preparation and supervision fees to Executing Agencies (EAs)/ Consultants are to be made as per actuals based on the scrutiny of supporting documents
B.2	Cost of Supervision @ 4% as per NGRBA guidelines on Capital Cost		506.48	

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
				furnished by them for such claims (Reference: NMCG circular
Sub-total (B): Centage			1012.96	
C	O&M cost for 1st 15 years, excluding power charges		7138	Admissible components include costs towards Manpower, Maintenance, Chemicals etc.
D	Power charges for 1st 15 years		10850.72	To be reimbursed on actual basis by NMCG.
E	Other Work Components (Without GST)			
E.1	Utility Shifting Cost		79.82	To be reimbursed as per actual based on details to be provided.
E.2	Way Leave Charges		12.71	To be reimbursed as per actual based on details to be provided.
Sub Total (E): Other Work Components			92.53	
F	Other Components (GST applicable)			
F.1	Communication and Public Outreach		29.4	Provision is indicative. Payment will be as per actuals within the ceiling indicated.
F.2	GAAP		10	Provision is indicative. Payment will be

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
				as per actual within the ceiling indicated.
F.3	ESAMP Cost		10	To be reimbursed on actual basis by NMCN. The cost provisions related to interventions on noise control, dust bins and good environment condition etc. and are the responsibility of the contractor.
F.4	Project Design & Vetting		42.37	Approved amount of Rs. 50 Lakh includes GST i.e., Rs. 42.37 Lakh + Rs. 7.63 Lakh. The GST on this component is included in GST in S No. H. Payment will be as per actuals based on Design and Drawings.
Sub Total (F): Other Components			91.77	
G	Statutory Duties			
G.1	Labor Cess	1% of Basic Capital Cost	126.62	
Sub Total (G): Statutory Duties			126.62	
H	GST			
H.1	GST on A +B+ F		2477.99	
H.2	GST on O&M cost, excluding power (C)		1284.84	Power costs are excluded as these are to be reimbursed as per actuals.

S No.	Items	Quantities	Approved Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	Remarks
				Services supplied by way of transmission & distribution of electricity is exempt from GST vide Department of Revenue Notification No. 12/2017-Central Tax (Rate) dated 28.06.2017 read with circular no. 34/8/2018 dated 01.03.2018.
Sub Total (H): GST			3762.83	
I	Project Engineer's Cost			
I.1	Cost towards hiring of Project Engineer 3% of (capex cost + GST on capex cost i.e., Rs. 14941.02 Lakhs)		448.23	Indicative amount. Payment will be as per the contract with the selected agency.
Sub Total I: Project Engineer's Cost			448.23	
Total Cost of the project (A+B+C+D+E+F+G+H+I), including Project Engineer's Cost			36185.54	
Total Project Cost (Say in crores)			361.86	

Annexure - II

General & Technical conditions:

1. The State Mission for Clean Ganga West Bengal (WBSMCG), which is a registered society, shall be responsible for the overall planning, management and effective implementation of the project at the state level.
2. 'Siliguri Municipal Corporation' shall be the Urban Local Body (ULB) responsible for ensuring commitment to ownership, commitment to reforms for sustainable O&M, and community involvement.
3. The Kolkata Metropolitan Development Authority (KMDA) shall be the Executing Agency (EA) of the project to be implemented under the guidance of the WBSMCG, in coordination and consultation with the ULB and overall monitoring of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) as per provisions laid down in the NGRBA programme framework.
4. The project will be implemented in Hybrid Annuity Based PPP mode with Operation & Maintenance support for a period of 15 years. The O&M works would include basic cleaning works, service management for the proposed service area of I&D and STP operation. After 15 years, the operation and maintenance of the plant shall be the responsibility of the State Government.
5. Sustainable revenue generation from beneficiaries, re-use of treated effluent and waste to energy, etc. shall be explored by the State Government to reduce the O&M cost and build the necessary capacity of ULB to incur the O&M cost beyond 15 year's O&M period.
6. Necessary capacity building for the concerned ULB shall be initiated and a detailed action plan for such capacity building may be provided by the State Government to NMCG within 6 months from the issuance of AA&ES.
7. EA/ State Government needs to ensure possession of suitable land parcels expeditiously for grounding the works in time.
8. Towards implementation of the project, synergy shall be ensured with other Central/ State sponsored programmes like AMRUT etc. and shall be aligned with the city sanitation plan.
9. The project shall be implemented within 24 months (including 3 months trial run) from the effective date as per the implementation schedule given in **Annexure-V**. All the bidding activities and award of work shall be completed within 4 months from the date of AA&ES.
10. All infrastructure projects need to conduct project-specific IEC activities and a detailed plan for such activities to be submitted to NMCG.
11. "Namami Gange" signage shall be placed at all the project sites approved under the Namami Gange programme.
12. Adequate provision shall be kept in the bid document to invite bids with GST-inclusive cost.
13. In the agreement/ bid document, the latest effluent standard as per the NGT order shall be followed. The treated sewage must meet the standards prescribed by NGT.

14. WBSMCG needs to take steps to prepare bid documents in line with the Model Bid Document (MBD) for projects funded under the National Ganga Plan.
15. The activities proposed under the project shall conform to all Environmental Legislation and the NGRBA programme framework.
16. After the implementation of the project, no untreated municipal/ domestic wastewater should be discharged into the river from Siliguri town.
17. Standard procedure as indicated in the CPHEEO manual on Sewerage & Sewage Treatment, NGRBA Guidelines and codes of practice of BIS will be strictly followed during project implementation.
18. Detailed design & implementation of the I&D system, pumping stations, STP, Effluent Channel and Rising Main should be based on an extensive survey. Proper investigation should be carried out before execution to achieve economy in the proposal as well as to avoid any shortfall in the design. The choice of technology should be left open and decided during the bidding process.
19. Progress of implementation of the project shall be closely monitored by the State Government of West Bengal /SMCG, to ensure that the project is completed within the stipulated period. In addition, the progress (Physical & Financial, including funds utilization certificates) needs to be reported to NMCG on a regular basis and as and when requested.
20. The project should encourage the reuse of treated wastewater. A plan and implementation schedule for water reuse needs to be provided before bidding.
21. The actual project cost shall be the awarded cost. The state government needs to seek "No Objection" from NMCG for the Technical & Financial bid evaluation.
22. The State is advised to consider appropriate user charges monthly for the sewerage system to recover at least O&M cost. Suitable sewage cess/tariff/tax and sewer connection fee may be imposed on the beneficiaries to recover the O&M cost. However, State/ ULBs must target to recover the full project cost for sustainable O&M.
23. It is the responsibility of the WBSMCG and Executing Agency to ensure adequate training to all personnel engaged on construction and O&M activities for the quality of construction and O&M of works.
24. WBSMCG and KMDA shall ensure regular monitoring of the project in accordance with the NGRBA framework.
25. Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Home Affairs and other governing organizations regarding disaster management as applicable be adhered to during project execution.
26. WBSMCG shall ensure the appointment of an agency for third-party inspection (TPI)/ evaluation of the project.
27. All components of the project shall be completed within specified time limits and the resources and outputs and outcomes are to be ensured as envisaged in the approved project Completion Report shall be submitted to NMCG on completion of the project.
28. Any additional component relevant to the project or any component requiring modification or deletion, may be added or modified or deleted,

as the case may be, only with the prior approval of the Competent Authority.

29. Staff that may be employed for the preparation, execution, or operation of the project by the EA are not to be treated as employees of the WBSMCG/ NMCG. The deployment of such staff at the time of completion or termination of the project will not be the concern or liability of the WBSMCG/ NMCG.
30. Optimal utilization of the assets relating to the project and created under the Ganga Action Plan or any other Central /State Plan shall also be ensured by the WBSMCG /EA/ ULB.
31. All data, records, documents and material related to the project shall be stored properly and cataloged by the WBSMCG/ EA for reference and retrieval including regular uploading /disclosure/updating of such data on the website.
32. The State /WBSMCG/EA shall ensure that all provisions of the RTI Act 2005 are adhered to as far as information pertaining to the project is concerned.
33. The State /SPMG/ULB shall ensure that the public is informed in Siliguri town regarding the implementation of the project and soliciting their cooperation and views as applicable.
34. For the provisions made under IEC activities, the WBSMCG shall make suitable arrangements with Siliguri Municipal Corporation for executing the 'Communication and Public Outreach' programme under its supervision towards sensitization of people for abatement of pollution.
35. NMCG shall not be responsible for any damage due to natural calamities or any other reasons. State Government is advised to insure the assets at their own cost after suitable risk assessment.
36. All the specific conditions and generic conditions mentioned in the AA&ES shall be complied by the WBSMCG through their Executing Agency. The WBSMCG will ensure fulfillment of such conditions before finalizing the bid(s) by the EA.
37. The Monthly Physical Progress Reports (MPPRs) shall be submitted by the 10th day of every month regularly by the EA to the WBSMCG and by the 20th day of every month regularly by the WBSMCG to the NMCG. The Quarterly Physical Progress Report (QPPRs) shall be submitted to the WBSMCG and NMCG within 30 days from the end of each quarter.
38. The signing officers shall indicate her/his name and designation in full in capital letters and commencement of processing the case, ink-signed MPPR must follow by Post.
39. The WBSMCG and District Ganga Committee shall monitor the project from time to time and shall also monitor the implementation performance of the EA - KMDA.
40. The WBSMCG shall ensure the appointment of agency (ies) for third-party inspection (TPI). The EA through the WBSMCG shall submit copies of the TPI Reports along with their responses/comments to the NMCG. Release of funds will be subject to compliance with TPI reports.
41. Conditions/ commitments indicated in the Executive Committee (EC) memo/ minutes and other related documents shall be strictly adhered to in the project implementation and management. Copy of EC memo,

minutes and other documents are already circulated. The WBSMCG will ensure the fulfillment of such conditions before finalizing the bid(s) by the EA.

42. City-level Citizen's Monitoring Committees (CMC) shall be constituted in Siliguri town to serve as a transparency mechanism on the flow of project/ programme related information to citizens and key stakeholders and to garner their feedback on project/programme processes, as described in the NGRBA programmed framework, social audit will be conducted by the CMC as per the provisions of the NGRBA programme framework.
43. The interception and diversion of drains is an interim measure intended to reduce the immediate pollution load entering the rivers. While this approach helps prevent untreated wastewater from directly reaching the water bodies, it does not replace the need for a systematic and sustainable wastewater management solution. Therefore, these temporary arrangements should be viewed only as short-term interventions to safeguard river water quality until a comprehensive and permanent system is developed.
44. To achieve lasting results, the State Government and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) should develop a comprehensive sewerage network using their own resources or other suitable funding sources. The STPs and pumping stations created under the Namami Gange Programme are intended to support and integrate with such networks. Once a full sewer system is established, these assets will function optimally. This will ensure proper conveyance and treatment of wastewater. Ultimately, the entire town will benefit from a complete and efficient sewerage system.
45. The NMCG may depute any person to visit the WBSMCG/ EA to monitor its work and accounts of the SMCG. Full cooperation shall be provided by the executing agency to the persons deputed for inspection.
46. The Director General, NMCG shall monitor the overall progress of the project periodically from time to time.

Annexure - III**Specific conditions on Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction for the project on 'I&D and STP scheme for Siliguri municipal town, West Bengal'**

1. State to confirm in writing that (a) after implementing this project, no untreated drains will fall in the river from the town and (b) no drone survey could be carried out due to the denial of permission from authorities due to high alert category location of Siliguri.
2. The bidding shall be completed within 4 (four) months from the date of issue of AA&ES and the total time for completion of the project from the 'Effective Date' will be 24 months (21 months for the construction period and 3 months for trial run).
3. The bids shall be invited on a technology-neutral basis.
4. Land NoC shall be provided by the State prior to bidding.
5. Any cost escalation due to change of land, change in location, additional scope post EC approval and any other factors attributable to the State Government shall be the responsibility of the State Government.
6. The observations of NMCG and TPA would be complied with by the State Government/ Executing Agency prior to finalization of the bid document/ at the time of execution and also during the O&M period.
7. O&M beyond project scope, i.e. after 15 years, shall be the responsibility of State Government/ ULB at its own cost.
8. State government will pari-pasu implement the project for the utilization of treated wastewater from the project for irrigation, industrial purposes as per the State policy.
9. Installation of trash arresting rack and its regular O&M at the mouth of all drains shall be made. Provision (60 KLD) for handling co-treatment of septage/ Faecal sludge shall be made in the STP facility and shall also be made part of bid document/ project proposal for implementation.
10. Provision for sludge digester and power generation from biogas shall be included in the bid document (scope of work).
11. The State Government shall endeavor to install solar power to reduce the load on O&M costs related to power charges by making suitable incorporations in the bid document.
12. The State Government shall ensure the compliance of treated water quality as well as other environmental norms (such as compliance with prescribed noise level etc.) in the STP area shall be assessed upfront and suitably addressed during the design stage.
13. The project has been considered to be funded under the National Ganga Plan - Non-EAP component.

Annexure - IV

Financial Conditions:

1. Flow of Funds:

- I. This being a project on Hybrid Annuity Mode, fund flow to the concessionaire from the Escrow Bank Account will be as per the Concession Agreement.
- II. In accordance with the concession agreement, under Hybrid Annuity based PPP mode, 40% of the project capital cost after adjustment for change in price indices, will be paid on achievement of agreed milestones as per Concession Agreement. Balance 60% of the capital cost, adjusted by the applicable price indices, along with interests as per the Concession Agreement, will be paid over the concession period of 15 years. Further, power charges and Operation & Maintenance (O&M) charges will also be paid as per the Concession Agreement. The concessionaire is entitled to receive quarterly payments of Annuity, power charges and O&M during the concession period. While power charges are reimbursable on actual basis, the O&M charges shall be adjusted for variation in price indices as per the Concession Agreement.
- III. Funds for the project implementation will be allocated by the NMCG in accordance with the provisions of Concession Agreement through an Escrow Account opened by NMCG for this purpose. NMCG, Project Executing Agency, the Concessionaire and the Escrow Bank shall enter into an Escrow Agreement as per the provisions of Concession Agreement. Payment to the concessionaire from the Escrow account shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Escrow Agreement and Concession Agreement only.
- IV. NMCG will deposit and maintain in the Escrow Bank Account, a minimum balance as per the provisions of the Concession Agreement.
- V. During the construction period, the Project Executing Agency shall issue certificate of payment to the Escrow Bank on achievement of construction milestones by the Concessionaire in accordance with the provisions of Concession Agreement.
- VI. During O&M period the Payment Certificate shall be issued by the Project Executing Agency to the Escrow Bank on achievement of Key Performance Indicators as per the provisions of the Concession Agreement.
- VII. Escrow Bank will release payments to the Concessionaire upon the receipt of the Payment Certificate issued by the Project Executing Agency.
- VIII. Any interest earned in the Escrow Bank Account to be remitted back and will be deposited in the Consolidated Fund of India within 3 months of the financial year close. It will be the responsibility of the executing agency to issue requisite mandate letter to the Escrow Bank.**

2. Audit:

- I. The Comptroller & Auditor General of India at his discretion shall have the right of access to the project related books of accounts of the Executing agency/Concessionaire/Project Engineer for the purpose of Audit.
- II. The books of accounts of the Executing agency/Concessionaire/Project Engineer, relating to this project, shall be open to audit by the Internal Auditor and External Auditor of National Mission for Clean Ganga.
- III. WBSMCG to ensure that all financial documents related to the project are maintained by the EA and Concessionaire for submission to NMCG/ Audit on demand.

3. Submission of Payment Certificate:

WBSMCG to ensure that Payment Certificates are furnished by the Project Executing Agency to the NMCG in the prescribed format as per the Concession Agreement, and supporting documents are retained by the EA.

4. Other Aspects:

- I. It is the responsibility of the WBSMCG/EA/Concessionaire/ ULB to ensure that the assets are exclusively used for the purpose for which grant is sanctioned and to maintain the assets and their records properly.
- II. Any of the assets acquired/created out of the project shall not be disposed of, encumbered, or utilized for any purpose other than that for which sanctioned without prior approval of the Government.
- III. The Implementing/Executing Agency will furnish a list of assets created/procured out of grants received from NMCG annually and at the end of the construction phase.**
- IV. The WBSMCG concerned through EA, shall ensure close monitoring and evaluation of progress of the project. SMCG also to monitor implementation performance of the EA.
- V. NMCG may depute any person to visit the EA/Concessionaire for the purpose of monitoring its work and accounts. Full cooperation shall be provided by EA/Concessionaire to the persons deputed for inspection.

5. General Financial Rules, 2017:

All relevant provisions of General Financial Rules, 2017, as amended from time to time, will be applicable to WBSMCG/EA/Concessionaire.

Annexure - V**Indicative Project Implementation schedule - I&D and STP scheme for Siliguri Municipal town, WB**

Activity	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4	Month 5	Month 6	Month 7	Month 8	Month 9	Month 10	Month 11	Month 12	Month 13	Month 14	Month 15	Month 16	Month 17	Month 18	Month 19	Month 20	Month 21	Month 22	Month 23	Month 24	
Tendering and Contractor Finalizing	■	■																							
Construction of Diversion structure			■	■	■	■	■																		
Excavation and Leveling			■	■	■	■																			
Sand filling, BFS & PCC Works				■	■	■	■	■	■	■															
Laying of Sewer lines					■	■	■	■	■	■															
Construction of Manholes, (RCC and Shoring work)					■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■											
Plastering and Finishing					■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■											
PCC Cover Slab and Outfall Structure								■	■	■	■	■	■	■											
Road Restoration Works								■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■									
Construction of Pumping Station (Civil and Electro-Mechanical Works)					■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Construction of STP works					■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Testing and Commissioning																									■