Minutes of the 8th meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee for Shelter for Urban Homeless Scheme held on 11.00am, 03.10.2019

Venue  : Chamber of the Chairman, State Level Shelter Monitoring Committee, Govt. Secretariat, Govt. of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

Chair   : Shri V. S. Senthil, I.A.S (Rtd), Chairman, State Level Shelter Monitoring Committee

Seventh meeting of the State Level Monitoring Committee for the Shelter for Urban Homeless Scheme was convened on 3rd October, 2019. All committee members except Shri.P.B.Sajan, Civil Society Representative were present in the meeting.

The chairman reviewed the previous minutes and expressed satisfaction over the action taken with regard to the previous minutes. As decided, the committee members who had been deputed to visit shelter homes run by Social Justice Department in Kozhikode and Wayanad districts submitted the visit report. The Chair asked the committee members to submit the salient features of the report in the next meeting, as it is necessary to understand the capacity building as well as infrastructure requirements of different shelter homes.

The Chair informed the committee that some States are doing exceptionally good work under the component, ‘Shelter for Urban Homeless (SUH)’. The State Level Committee has to understand the better efforts taken by other States in developing new strategies in planning and implementation. The Chair wanted to get the details of the minutes of other States in a tabular format highlighting the action points.

The committee reviewed the progress made under SUH component of NULM and directed Kudumbashree to prepare a profile of shelter residents. The profile should include demographic details, provisions and opportunities for
livelihood, functioning of the shelter homes, available health care systems etc. Shelter inmates who possess good health and willing to earn their livelihoods through different means may be permitted to go out to earn their livelihoods. Shelter homes, basically, are not designed as a permanent home for the homeless. Hence, there should be an exit at different stages for different inmates depending upon their circumstances. Earnest efforts may be taken to rehabilitate homeless people by linking them with different housing schemes through convergence. The residents may also be encouraged to earn livelihoods.

The Committee observed that it will be more effective if the Director, Social Justice Department (SJD) be invited to the meetings of State Level Monitoring Committee for understanding the level of service delivery and systems adopted to improve the shelter standards including the infrastructure and capacity building requirements.

It is also decided to provide Traveling Allowance to the external members of the State Level Monitoring Committee as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

**Decisions**

1) Kudumbashree, the Nodel Agency of NULM, shall examine the visit Report submitted by the Committee members and furnish the salient features of the report including the area on which intervention of Government is required. (Action: Executive Director, Kudumbashree)

2) Kudumbashree shall submit the details of the minutes of the State Level Monitoring Committees of other States in a tabular form highlighting the action points. (Action: Executive Director, Kudumbashree)
3) The Director, Social Justice Department shall be invited for the subsequent meeting of State Level Monitoring Committee
   (Action : LSGD)

4) Traveling Allowance will be allowed to the external members of the State Level Monitoring Committee from the admissible component of NULM
   (Action : Executive Director, Kudumbashree)

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled to be held at 11.00 am, 4th December, 2019 in the chamber of the Chair.

The meeting concluded at 12.30 pm.

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Chairman

State Level Shelter Monitoring Committee
List of Participants

1) Dr. Mithra T. IAS, Additional Secretary LGSD
2) Smt. Asha Varghese, Director Kudumbashree
3) Shri. Salih P.M., Member SLC
4) Shri. Jaison T.J., State Mission Manager NULM - Kudumbashree