Minutes of 2ndMeeting of 2025 of the DTC Boardheld on 30th April, 2025 at 04:00 PM in the Conference Room of the Hon'ble Minister of Transport, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 7th Level, Delhi Sectt., I.P. Estate, New Delhi.

PRESENT:

- Shri. Prashant Goyal, IAS
 Addl. Chief Secretary- cum-Commissioner (Transport),
 Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- Shri. Sachin Shinde, IAS
 Chairman-cum-Managing Director, DTC
- Shri. Kime Kaming, IPS
 Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Delhi

Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance), GNCTD, Secretary (Land & Building), GNCTD, and Commissioner (Planning-II), DDA could not attend the meeting.

Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), GNCTD, vide letter no. PS/PPS/2025/163 dated 30.04.2025, had expressed concern over the receipt of agenda papers on 29.04.2025, leaving insufficient time for review. The letter further noted that as DTC is a grantee corporation, timely examination of its financials by the Finance Department is essential. Due to the short notice, ACS (Finance) was unable to attend the meeting and requested that his observations be placed before the Board.

In view of the above, the Board has directed Secretary DTC Board to circulate the Agenda Items of next DTC Board Meeting to all the Directors by 02.05.2025.

The quorum was not present in the meeting scheduled at 4.00 PM. However, considering the urgency and importance of the other Agenda Items, the members present, proceeded to transact the business with the permission of the Chair at 4.30 P.M. in accordance with the provisions of DTC (Meeting) Regulations, 1991. Accordingly, the Board Item No. 2/2025 & 4/2025 was deferred by the Board.

Robert Tripathi Secretary 2002 Board

PRESENT:

- Shri. Prashant Goyal, IAS
 Addl. Chief Secretary- cum-Commissioner (Transport),
 Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- Shri. SachinShinde, IAS Chairman-cum-Managing Director, DTC
- Shri. KimeKaming, IPS
 Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Delhi

ALSO PRESENT:

- Shri. Vishwandra, IAS, CGM(DTC) & Spl. Commissioner(Transport)
- 2. Smt. Sunita Chauhan, Dy. CGM (SBU)
- Shri. Ashok Kumar, Dy. CGM (Civil)
- 4. Shri. Rahul Kumar Tripathi, Secretary, DTC Board

Confirmation of Minutes of 1st Meeting of 2024 of the DTC Board held on 08.03.2024.

The Minutes of the DTC Board Meeting held on 08.03.2024 were circulated on 15.03.2024. Since no corrections/modifications were received from the Directors who attended the said meeting, the aforesaid Minutes were confirmed.

Resolution No.1/2025: Item 1/2025:Statement showing Action Taken Reports on the Resolutions adopted by the DTC Board in the meeting held 08.03.2024

The Board noted the Item.

Reind From Tripathi

Resolution No. 3/2025: Item 3/2025: Compliance of Hon'ble High Court order 12.12.2024 in the OMP (ENF.)(COMM)137/2018 dated 23.05.2018 filed by TML before Hon'ble High Court of Delhi for the Execution of the Arbitration Award dated 16.08.2017.

Dy.CGM(SBU) apprised the Board in detail about the matter regarding the execution of the Arbitration Award dated 16.08.2017 in favour of M/s Tata Motors Ltd., as directed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The Board was informed that, the Hon'ble High Court vide its order dated 12.12.2024 directed DTC to deposit ₹193,46,22,194.32 along with interest at 18% per annum (from 18.09.2024 till realization), within eight weeks.

Despite multiple legal steps and appeals (including an SLP No. 24567/2024 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court, which was dismissed on 21.10.2024) DTC remains liable for the above award. The Board was further informed of the proceedings in EX.APPL.(OS) 640/2025, wherein the Hon'ble High Court noted that, as per its judgment dated 09.08.2024, the decretal amount was to be deposited by DTC in accordance with the Arbitral Award. On 28.02.2025, DTC was granted six weeks' time as a last and final opportunity to deposit the amount. DTC subsequently filed an application seeking a further extension of six weeks citing the requirement of Board approval and unforeseen delays. However, the Hon'ble Court observed that once a final opportunity had been granted, DTC was expected to organize itself accordingly. Consequently, the Court granted a final extension of 10 days for compliance, failing which attachment of DTC's bank accounts and inventory would be ordered. Even after extensions granted by the Court, the final opportunity for compliance ends shortly and attachment of DTC's accounts and assets has been moved by M/s TML i.e. Decree Holder.

The Board expressed dissatisfaction with the performance of the legal counsel in defending the Corporation's interests, as the financial liability is substantial and adverse orders were not avoided despite prolonged litigation. The interest rate of 18% per annum was felt to be excessive, and it was apprised that the interest component of the Award has already been challenged before the Hon'ble High Court.

In view of the above, the Board resolved that 50% of the award amount of ₹193,46,22,194.32 be deposited immediately, and that the interest component over and above the said amount may be contested through appropriate legal channels with M/s TML.

Rahal Se a Tripaili

Resolution No. 5/2025: Item 5/2025: Construction of Delhi Transport Corporation Head-Quarter Building at I.P. Estate, New Delhi.

The Board considered the agenda regarding the proposal for redevelopment of the DTC Headquarter Building at I.P. Estate, New Delhi. It was informed that the Cabinet Decision No. 1648 dated 26.04.2010 had approved redevelopment of the HQ building through Delhi State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (DSIIDC), with funding by DSIIDC and sharing of space between DTC and DSIIDC.

The Board was apprised that DSIIDC had taken significant steps including land amalgamation, environmental clearance, property tax rationalization, and submission of a draft MoU. Despite this, the project was delayed over the years due to the requirement of plan modifications and lack of follow-up. An alternative engagement with NBCC was explored in 2024; however, NBCC also failed to make progress or confirm funding.

Subsequently, DSIIDC informed in January 2025 that they are now ready with consultants, plans, and NOCs, and can float tenders upon signing of the MoU.

The Board in-principle agreed to proceed with the redevelopment of the DTC Headquarter Building at I.P. Estate through DSIIDC. However, it was decided to obtain a legal opinion on whether the Cabinet Decision No. 1648 dated 26.04.2010, issued nearly 15 years ago, remains legally binding for current execution. The Board further directed that all revised building plans must comply with the latest FAR norms under MPD-2021.

Robert Remor Teipathi Secretary DIC Board Resolution No. 6/2025: Item 6/2025 & Supplementary note on Item 6/2024:for Optimum Utilization Excess Drivers in view of scrappage of CNG Low Floor Buses.

The Board was apprised that, as per the operational plan, nearly 90% of DTC's CNG fleet is scheduled to be phased out by October 2025, with operations gradually shifting to electric buses to be run on a wet lease model, where the responsibility of drivers rests with the concessionaires. Consequently, nearly 8,600 drivers (regular and contractual) are projected to become surplus by the end of 2025.

It was also apprised to the Board that, DTC has already initiated various measures to ensure optimum utilization and redeployment of its driver workforce, both on diverted capacity and through in-house functional adjustments, including deputation to other departments like NDMC and DJB on the condition of reimbursement of their salaries with similar requisitions sent to MCD and the Health Department.

The Board Considered the Agenda Item and in view of the position explained therein and after detailed discussion resolved to accorded approval on the following:

- One-time relaxation in Recruitment Rules for filling up all vacant sanctioned posts of Assistant Traffic Inspector (ATI) through promotion from eligible regular drivers, in lieu of the regular direct recruitment/promotion quota.
- ii. The Board directed DTC to pursue the matter with the Transport Department, GNCTD, for framing a structured policy to ensure the meaningful engagement of contractual drivers by concessionaries engaged by DTC & DIMTS under Wet Model.

Chairman DTC Board

Rahul Kumar Tripatki Secretory DTC Board