**Minutes of the Meeting of 2025 of the DTC Board held on 12th November, 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Office of Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 4th Level, Delhi Sectt., I.P. Estate, New Delhi.**

PRESENT:

1. Smt. Niharika Rai, IAS
   Secy.-cum-Commissioner (Transport),
   Chairman, DTC
   Govt. of NCT of Delhi

2. Shri Bipul Pathak, IAS
   Addl. Chief Secretary (Finance),
   Govt. of NCT of Delhi

3. Shri Neeraj Semwal, IAS
   Secretary (Land & Building)
   Govt. of NCT of Delhi

4. Shri Jitender Yadav, IAS
   Managing Director, DTC

5. Shri Kime Kaming, IPS
   Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Delhi

Commissioner (Planning), DDA could not attend the meeting.

ALSO PRESENT:

1. Shri Vishwendra, IAS, CGM(DTC)
2. Shri Rahul Kumar Tripathi, Secretary, DTC Board

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**Confirmation of the Minute of DTC Board Meeting dated 28.07.2025**

The Minutes of the DTC Board Meeting held on 28.07.2025 were circulated on 04.08.2025. Since, no corrections/modifications were received from the Directors who attended the said meeting, the aforesaid Minutes were confirmed.

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Secretary DTC Board

**Resolution No. 41/2025 : Item No. 34/2025 Statement showing Action Taken Reports on the Resolutions adopted by the DTC Board in the meeting held on 28.07.2025.**

The Board noted the Item.

**Resolution No. 42/2025 : Item No. 35/2025 Ex-post facto approval for the compliance of Hon'ble High Court order dated 13.05.2025 in the O.M.P. (comm) 181/2025 filed by DTC for challenge the Arbitral Award dated 07.01.2025 and OMP. (Enf.) (Conn.) 200/2025 filed by TML before Hon'ble High Court of Delhi for the execution of the Arbitration Award dated 07.01.2025.**

The agenda item was discussed in detail. It was apprised that Delhi Transport Corporation had filed objections under Section 34 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi challenging the Arbitral Award dated 07.01.2025.

The said Award, passed by the majority of the Arbitral Tribunal comprising Hon'ble Justice (Retd.) A.K. Sikri and Hon'ble Justice (Retd.) L. Nageshwar Rao, had directed DTC to deposit a sum of ₹86,09,72,713/- along with interest @10% per annum from the dates when the respective amounts were deducted/withheld from AMC invoices till the date of payment, and ₹2,71,25,000/- as cost to M/s Tata Motors Ltd.

DTC has challenged the Arbitral Award under Section 34 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 before the the Hon'ble High Court. The High Court vide its order dated 13.05.2025 directed DTC to deposit the entire awarded amount with up-to-date interest with the Registrar General, Delhi High Court, within eight weeks. Subsequently, DTC deposited ₹111.48 crore on 14.10.2025, in compliance with the said order, thereby securing a stay on the operation of the Award.

After deliberations, the Board approved the proposal for Ex-Post Facto compliance of the Hon'ble High Court order dated 13.05.2025 in O.M.P. (COMM) 181/2025, thereby ratifying DTC's deposit of ₹86,09,72,713/- along with interest @10% per annum, calculated from the dates on which the respective amounts were deducted or withheld from the AMC invoices, and ₹2,71,25,000/- towards cost, with the Registrar General, Delhi High Court.

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**Resolution No. 43/2025 : Item No. 36/2025 Approval for Fair Collection Management System (FCMS) managed by DTC for Cluster Buses**

The Board was apprised of the background and expansion of the FCMS operations being managed by DTC since August 2019, including the increase in the number of FCMS depots from 07 to 17 and the substantial growth of the managed fleet from 1000 to 2081 Cluster buses.

It was also brought to the Board's notice that DTC has been managing fare collection manually in FCMS depots while Automated Fare Collection System(AFCS) has already been implemented in DTC depots, and that transition to AFCS under FCMS is necessary to align with DTC's digitization roadmap.

The Board was further apprised about the financial implications, especially the non-release of reimbursement by the Transport Department from July 2022 onwards, resulting in DTC bearing an expenditure of approximately ₹543 Crore till September 2025, which has significantly affected DTC's financial sustainability.

The Board after detailed discussions approved the following:

i. Continuation of FCMS operations across the existing 17 Cluster depots, with provision for extension to additional cluster depots as required.

ii. Approval for enhanced manpower deployment, including the existing 5777 conductors, 47 ATIs, and 21 Ministerial/Officer staff, with flexibility for further augmentation based on operational requirements.

iii. Implementation of Automated Fare Collection System (AFCS) across all FCMS depots in a phased manner, in accordance with DTC's digitization roadmap.

In regards to the proposal relating to conversion of Grant-in-Aid (GIA) to Budgetary Grant Fund (BGF) and release of outstanding dues of ₹543 Crore by the Transport Department, the Board directed that, the matter be re-examined by DTC from an accounting and financial sustainability point of view, and a revised proposal be placed before the DTC Board for further consideration and decision.

The DTC Board further directed that, no new recruitment of operational staff (conductors) for FCMS depots shall be undertaken by DTC without obtaining prior approval of the Board.

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Secretary DTC Board

**Resolution No. 44/2025 : Item No. 37/2025 Non-Traffic Revenue from Advertisement through Bus Body Wraps on DTC Electric Buses**

(Shri A.D. Chikara, Dy.CGM (Publicity) was called in.)

The agenda item regarding the award of contract for advertisement through bus body wraps on 842 electric buses was discussed in detail. The Board was apprised that, in accordance with earlier Board directions, a re-tender was floated on 09.08.2025 for selection of an advertising agency. However, upon opening of bids, only a single bid was received from M/s HLL Infra Tech Services Limited (HITES), similar to the previous tender, despite extending due date.

The Board, after detailed discussions, observed that only a single bid had been received in response to the tender. Accordingly, the Board decided that it would be appropriate to cancel the present tender and initiate a re-tendering process after revisiting the terms and conditions to ensure wider participation and competitive bidding.

**Resolution No. 45/2025 : Item No. 38/2025 Grant of notional increment on 1st July/ 1st January to the employees who retired from the government. service on 30th June/ 31st December, respectively, for the purpose of calculating their pensionary benefits.**

The agenda item was taken up and discussed in detail. The Board was apprised that the DoPT, Government of India, vide OM dated 14.10.2024, has approved the grant of a notional increment to Government employees retiring on 30th June or 31st December, for the purpose of calculating pensionary benefits. The Services Department, GNCTD, subsequently endorsed this OM on 22.11.2024.

After detailed deliberations, the DTC Board accorded the approval of the following:

1. Adoption of the DoPT OM dated 14.10.2024 and its endorsement by the Services Department dated 22.11.2024; and
2. Authorising the Managing Director, DTC, to decide on adoption of future guidelines issued by DoPT and GNCTD relating to this matter.

**Resolution No. 46/2025 : Item No. 39/2025 Regarding consolidated remuneration payable to the persons engaged on contractual basis in Delhi Transport Corporation.**

The agenda item was taken up and discussed in detail. After deliberations, the Board decided that the matter be forwarded to the Finance Department, GNCTD for examination through the Transport Department, GNCTD.

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**Resolution No. 47/2025 : Item No. 40/2025 Relieving of Sh. Prince Dhawan, IAS (AGMUT:2012) MD, DTC and joining of Sh. Jitender Yadav, IAS (AGMUT:2010) MD, DTC.**

The Board noted the Item.

**Resolution No. 51/2025 : Item No. 44/2025: Adoption of Annual Accounts & Audit Report of DTC Employees Provident Fund Trust for the year 2022-23.**

The Board considered the agenda item and approved the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of DTC Employees Provident Fund Trust for the year 2018-2019 together with the comments of DTC on the Audit Report and directed to send the same to the Govt. of NCT of Delhi for placing before Delhi Legislative Assembly under Section 20(1) of the CAG (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Services) Act, 1971.

**Resolution No. 52/2025 : Item No. 45/2025: Regarding re-examine by the Finance Department, GNCTD for concurrence in regard to availability of funds with them for enhancement of fixed Medical Allowance from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 1000/- per month to DTC's Pensioners.**

The Agenda Item was deferred.

**Resolution No. 53/2025 : Item No. 46/2025 Proposed Enhancement of Financial Power of MD.**

The Board considered the Agenda Item and after detailed discussion accorded the approval for Enhancement of Financial Power of Managing Director, DTC as under:

| | Schedule | Existing | Proposed |
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| 38 | Acquisition or purchase of spare parts, moveable/immoveable property including additions, modifications and to enter into and to perform any contract of all department necessary for the purpose of the Corporation. | Not exceeding Rs. Five Crore per order subject to following the procedure laid down from time to time in consultation with the Chief Accounts Officers/CGM(F) and further subject to the requirement that a quarterly statement of the purchase made within these powers shall be circulated to the Directors DTC Board. | Not exceeding Rs. 10 Crore per order subject to following the procedure laid down from time to time in consultation with the Chief Accounts Officers/CGM(F) and further subject to the requirement that a quarterly statement of the purchase made within these powers shall be circulated to the Directors DTC Board. |

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**Resolution No. 60/2025 : Item No. 53/2025 Proposal for Co-branding Collaboration between DTC and IOCL-Reg:**

The agenda item regarding the proposal for co-branding collaboration between DTC and IOCL was discussed in detail.

After deliberations, the Board approved that, in the interest of the Corporation:

1. DTC shall explore the possibility of adopting a revenue-sharing model for providing depot land or space to IOCL for establishing COCO fuel outlets or other allied facilities, else DTC will go ahead with current proposal.
2. Similar proposals shall also be explored with other Oil Marketing PSUs such as HPCL and BPCL, ensuring that their respective CSR commitments remain intact and aligned with the Corporation's interests.
3. The Board authorized the Managing Director, DTC, to examine all such proposals and take a decision on the best and most advantageous proposal for the Corporation.

**Resolution No. 61/2025 : Item No. 54/2025 Profit & Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st March 2024.**

The Board considered the agenda Item and after detailed discussion, resolved that the 'Profit & Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year 2023-2024' are hereby approved and adopted.

2. The MD and Addl. Chief Accounts Officer of the Corporation are hereby authorized to sign the Annual Statement and Balance Sheet on behalf of the Corporation and submit the same to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

3. The Board further resolved that –

(I) MD and Addl. Chief Accounts Officer of the Corporation are authorized to incorporate any arithmetical/typographical mistakes as may be noticed during audit without reference to the Board.

(II) Addl. C.A.O. of the Corporation are further authorized to sign the Income Tax Return for Assessment Year 2024-2025 (Financial year 2023-2024) being mandatory requirement under Income Tax Act.

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**Secretary DTC Board**

**Resolution No. 62/2025 : Item No.55/2025 Profit & Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st March 2025.**

The Board considered the agenda Item and after detailed discussion, resolved that the 'Profit & Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year 2024-2025 are hereby approved and adopted.

2. The MD and Addl. Chief Accounts Officer of the Corporation are hereby authorized to sign the Annual Statement and Balance Sheet on behalf of the Corporation and submit the same to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

3. The Board further resolved that –

(i) MD and Addl. Chief Accounts Officer of the Corporation are authorized to incorporate any arithmetical/typographical mistakes as may be noticed during audit without reference to the Board.

(ii) Addl. C.A.O. of the Corporation are further authorized to sign the Income Tax Return for Assessment Year 2025-2026 (Financial year 2024-2025) being mandatory requirement under Income Tax Act.

**Resolution No. 63/2025 : Item No. 56/2025 Write-off Accumulated losses/ Ways & Means Loan (Non-Plan) and request to convert the Plan Loan liability into Equity.**

The Board was apprised of the Agenda Item regarding Write-off of Accumulated Losses/Ways & Means Loan and conversion of Plan Loan into Equity. After detailed deliberation, the Board directed that a financial structuring expert be engaged to review the matter comprehensively and submit a structured recommendation. The Board decided that the expert's findings and the examined proposal shall be placed before the Board in its next meeting for consideration.

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**Secretary DTC Board**

**Resolution No. 64/2025 : Item No.57/2025 Issuance of Pink Smart Card for Automated Fare Collection System (AFCS) in DTC & Cluster Buses – implementation progress appraisal and other requirements – Regarding**

The Agenda Item regarding implementation of the Pink Smart Card under the NCMC-compliant AFCS system was discussed in detail. The Board was apprised of the background, including the MoU with Canara Bank, the status of AFCS implementation across DTC depots, the need to replace paper-based Pink Passes, the requirement for issuing free Pink Smart Cards to women/transgender commuters, and the tender status.

After thorough deliberation, the Board approved the following:

1. In view of receiving only a single bid and to ensure adequate competition, the Board decided to cancel the tender and call for re-tendering after revisiting the operational and financial modalities and requirements of DTC.
2. The Board approved the proposal for implementation of the *Pink Smart Card* for bona fide women and transgender residents of Delhi for free travel in DTC and Cluster buses in the Delhi/NCR area, replacing the existing paper-based Pink Passes. The subsidy shall continue to be reimbursed through GIA to DTC/TD for (i) the cost of issuance of Zero KYC Pink Smart Cards, and (ii) the cost of free travel based on AFCS-generated actual monthly travel data. The proposal shall be forwarded to the Transport Department, GNCTD for further necessary action.
3. The Board approved the issuance of Pink Smart Cards to women and transgender residents of Delhi through empanelled Banks/Financial Institutions, based on Zero/Full KYC verification including Aadhaar validation, as per prescribed eligibility criteria and issuance procedures for NCMC cards.
4. The Board authorized the Managing Director, DTC, to take up the matter with the Transport Department, GNCTD for implementation of the NCMC-compliant AFCS across all Cluster buses, similar to the system in DTC, to ensure uniform rollout of the NCMC-based Pink Smart Card free travel facility for women and transgender commuters across all buses operating under the Transport Department.
5. The Board further authorized the Managing Director, DTC, to take further decisions in the matter and proceed with necessary actions as required.

Chairman
DTC Board

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**Secretary DTC Board**