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- 1) The Members of the Sub Committee on RSETIs
- 2) The Directors of the 19 RSETIs in West Bengal

Reg: Minutes of the SLBC Sub-Committee meeting on RSETI held on 01.06.2026.

The meeting of SLBC Sub-committee on RSETIs was convened on 01.06.2026 to review the functioning and performance of 19 RSETIs, operating in the state of West Bengal, as on 31.03.2026. The meeting was participated through VC by Shri Pradipta Purkait, Asstt. General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Kolkata, Shri Sudip Kumar Das, Asstt. General Manager, NABARD, Kolkata, Shri G Murli Rao, State Director of RSETIs (SDR) West Bengal, Shri T L Bahaduri, WBSRLM and representatives of member banks.

Shri Balbir Singh, General Manager & Convenor SLBC West Bengal, heartily welcomed all the participants in the meeting and requested Shri G Murli Rao, SDR West Bengal, and Shri Tulsilal Bhaduri, WBSRLM, to discuss the key agenda. The key issues discussed along with the action points emerged in the meeting are enumerated below:

1. Achievement under Annual Action Plan (AAP) 2025-26:

Shri Bahaduri apprised the house that all RSETIs had trained 20094 number of candidates conducting 676 number of training programmes of FY 2025-26 thus achieving 92% & 108% of the AAP target in terms of number of trainees and number of programmes respectively. Cumulative Settlement & Credit linkage for RSETIs in the state of West Bengal stood at 72% & 51% respectively, which is quite satisfactory. Further he informed the house that the original target allotted to the state was 19000 thereafter 2850 candidates were added for RMT (Rural Mason Training) and accordingly the PMAY cell was to sponsor the candidates, but in the state of West Bengal this PMAY cell is not functional for the past 3 years as such no candidates were sponsored by the said department, as such the desired numbers could not be achieved. WBSRLM has written a letter to MoRD & NACER to exclude this 2850 from the annual target as this is not applicable in our state. The matter is pending with MoRD. So, if we take into consideration the target of 19000, we have already achieved 106%.

(Action point 1: All RSETIs, Member Banks & SDR)

2. Status of land allotment and construction of RSETI buildings:

It is found that out of 19 RSETIs, only a few RSETIs are running from their own building. In majority of cases, land allotment is pending at the end of respective districts. In some RSETIs, land have been allotted by State Govt., but construction of building has not been started. All the sponsored banks are requested to take immediate action for construction of the building. Shri Rao informed that RSETI Jalpaiguri has shifted to new

premises on 01.01.2026. Further 2 RSETIs construction is in process ie Darjeeling and Paschim Midnapore. As regards North Dinajpur, MoRD has given administrative approval and WBSRLM has issued instruction to start the construction process immediately. RSETI Purulia has taken possession, however, lease agreement is yet to be executed. Bankers views were sought and all informed that they shall expedite the issue at the earliest.

(Action point 2: WBSRLM & Sponsor banks)

3. Setting up of new RSETIs in newly formed districts:

- Shri Bahaduri highlighted that in-last review meeting with MoRD, opening of new RSETIs should be initiated in rented premises without any further delay.
- Setting up of new RSETIs in Paschim Bardhaman & Kalimpong districts was entrusted to State Bank of India, whereas Central Bank of India and Punjab National Bank were entrusted for setting up of RSETIs at Alipurduar and at Jhargram districts respectively.
- All the four RSETIs to start functioning at rented premises.
- Shri Bahaduri informed that Paschim Bardhaman rented premises was final but due to delay from Bank end the process is delayed. Representative from SBI informed that ADM LR has issued a letter seeking Rs.50000/- as earnest money and rent of Rs.147032.15 for 7693.99 sq ft area. He cited that the rent was too high and they requested to lower the rent to the district authorities.
- Shri Bahaduri also informed that Jhargram RSETI is also being delayed. The representative from PNB informed that the rent quoted by district authorities to the tune of Rs.139997.90 which was on higher side and need to be reduced or to allot alternate land.
- As regards Alipurduar RSETI, rented premises was finalized, however, the Registrar has declined to sub lease the premises as the lease deed does not permit to sub-lease the premises. The representative from Central Bank of India informed that they had taken up the matter with the DM for waiver of this clause. The matter is pending with district authorities.
- Shri Bahaduri informed that in Kalimpong, 2 rented premises were available and the SBI officials are yet to respond for which the SBI officials informed that they will be doing the needful by next week.

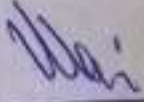
(Action point 3: Sponsor banks)

4. Pending status of claim made by RSETIs:

- Shri Rao informed the house that a huge claim towards training, of different RSETIs, operating in West Bengal, was lying pending at WBSRLM since long. He also informed that Rs. 18.26 crore of claim was pending for disbursement.
- Shri T.L Bahaduri, WBSRLM, informed us that the claim had been raised to MoRD and once the amount is reimbursed, the claims will be released soon.

(Action point 4: WBSRLM)

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the participants by Shri Subhabrata Datta, Chief Manager, SLBC.


(Balbir Singh)
General Manager & Convenor,
SLBC, West Bengal