Inspection Report Date of Visit: 30th May, 2014

On 30th May, 2014 the Assistant Engineer, Technical Assistant (HQ) and the Coordinator (SA &G), MGNREGS Cell, Jalpaiguri visited the Dhanirampur II Gram Panchayat under Falakata Block and conducted field inquiry i.c.w. the complaint regarding irregularity in execution of scheme titled "Construction of concrete road from the house of Bukta Santal to the house of Jagatbandhu Das via the house of Bimal Munda at 13/25 (0708048476/2013-14 submitted by Sri Rabi Das & others of Rangatitari, Falakata.

While examining the Muster Rolls and the documents related to scheme it was noted:

- 1. That the work was formally inaugurated on 7th January, 2014 by one of the Karmadhyakhya, Falakata Panchayat Samity.
- 2. That the Tender Notice was issued vide Memo No. 929(8)/NIT/MGNREGS/2013-14 dated 15-01-2014 of the Pradhan, Dhanirampur II Gram Panchayat.
- 3. That the Tender Notice was published on 19th January, 2014 in Page No. 2 of the Uttarbanga Sambad.
- 4. That the following 05 nos. of interested persons / agencies dropped the tender and quoted rate:
 - a. Sri Madan Lal Bhandani, Falakata (0.09% less)
 - b. Sri Subrata Ghosh, Falakata (0.02% less)
 - c. Sri Gour Dutta, Birpara (0.01 % less)
 - d. Sri Koushik Ghosh, Falakata (at par)
 - e. Associate Construction, Falakata (0.01% less)
- 5. That the comparative statement was signed by the Pradhan, Executive Assistant, Nirman Sahayak & the Leader of Opposition.
- 6. That the work order was issued vide Memo No. 980(3)/MGNREGS/2014 dated 14-02-2014 of the Pradhan, Dhanirampur II Gram Panchayat in favour of Sri Madan Lal Bhandani, Falakata.
- 7. That Muster Roll No. 7241 has been used for documenting work of 10 nos. of labours against 60 mandays.
- 8. That an amount of ₹ 9060.00 has been paid to the un-skilled labours against the Voucher No. 579/13-14 dated 19-03-2014.
- 9. That, as narrated by the Nirman Sahayak, based on the facts that the road is compacted and that there was no option left for extra earth, the item "Box Cutting" was dropped.
- 10. That the local villagers agitated as the item "Box Cutting" was not done as per the plan & estimate by the implementing agency.
- 11. That the scheme is lying suspended since the day of the public agitation.

During field visit it was noted:

- 1. That as the very starting point the Display Board was there.
- 2. That in its pre-work stage, the earthen road to be improved was already improved using RBM quite a time ago.
- 3. That in its pre-work stage, the road had a perfectly strong base (i.e. compacted).
- 4. That in its pre-work stage, there was no source for extra earth as both the sides of the road had cultivated land and the land owners were reluctant to provide earth for the scheme.
- 5. That approximately 20 metres of road, near the house of Bimal Munda & Jagatbandhu Roy, was improved as cement concrete.
- 6. That the scheme executed without Box Cutting is suitable for the particular site / scheme.
- 7. That the observation was shared & discussed with all the villagers present during the field visit including about 15 complainants.

On basis of above it appears that, if Box Cutting is done, it will leave minimum width including shoulder required for the road as the top width of the road is very narrow. And also as the top surface is compacted Box Cutting is unnecessary for the particular scheme / site.

Assistant Engineer	
Technical Assistant (HQ)	
Coordinator (SA & G)	

GLIMPSES OF THE FIELD VISIT





Assistant Engineer assessing the quality of RBM work



Assistant Engineer discussing with the villagers



Complainants sharing their concern to the Asst. Engineer



Condition of the road inside the village



Condition of the road near the PWD road