Following were present:-

1. Dr. Amiya Chandra, ITS, Development Commissioner, KASEZ - Chairman
2. Shri Dipak Zala, IRS, DDC,KASEZ - Member
3. Shri H.J. Vashi, Director, M/s.MESO Pvt. Ltd. - Member

Others:

1. Shri Devaraj. C, Secretary, KASEZ Authority
2. Shri Rajiv Sundriyal, Accounts Officer,
3. Shri Sunder Kumar Meena, Appraiser
4. Shri V.S. Rawat, DPM, NBCC

40. Confirmation of the minutes of 40th meeting of Kandla SEZ Authority held on 01/08/2019:

Minutes of the 40th meeting of Kandla SEZ Authority held on 01/08/2019 were confirmed.

41.1 Review/action taken as per decisions of last meeting:

39.2.25 Smart Street lighting arrangement in existing street light poles in Sector-1,2 & 3 industrial area at KASEZ.

In the last meeting NBCC was asked to put up a factual report on their estimate as to how many new poles will be there, how many existing light poles are not working/not available, and other costs included in the estimate, etc. There needs to be a detailed report on the theft of the lights/poles and the new poles/lights that is proposed to be installed in the proposed estimate.

The Authority took a serious view that out of 1500 solar street light poles installed, theft has been committed in as many poles as 1450 solar street light poles. The Authority expressed its strong dismay over the fact that no FIR had been filed about the theft in the past.

The Authority, therefore, decided have an audit of the solar street light poles and the value of the theft, etc., if need be through an agency. Following Committee has been constituted for the purpose:-

1. Shri Dipak Zala, DDC - Chairperson
2. Shri Rajiv Sundriyal, Accounts Officer
3. Shri Surendra Kumar Meena, Appraiser
4. Shri Devaraj.C, Secretary
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The Committee will submit their report within one month's time. Further, NBCC was asked to find out whether some temporary arrangements can be made for the street lighting to avoid dark patches at an expenditure not exceeding Rs.5.00 lakhs.

40.2.3 Request of M/s.Dyna Glycols Pvt. Ltd. for adjacent space-building of 65,000 sq.ft along-with plot area of 16560 sq.mtrs.

The Authority noted that as per the decision taken in the last meeting, adjacent space admeasuring an area of 16560 sq.mts. (Plot No.271) with building got surrendered from M/s.Strands Textile Mill Pvt. Ltd. and has been allotted to M/s.Dyna Glycols Pvt. Ltd. at new rent and payment of transfer fee.

41.2 New Proposals:

41.2.1 Request of Shri S.C. Chauhan, Assistant for grant of caretaking allowance:

The Authority discussed the issue of granting caretaking allowance to Shri S.C. Chauhan. However, the matter was deferred with a direction to define the work of Caretaker.

41.2.2 Audited Accounts of KASEZ Authority for the year 2018-19.

The Authority approved the audited accounts of Kandla SEZ Authority for the year 2018-19 and also ratified the action taken by the Chairman to sign the audited accounts.

41.2.3 Hiring of Private Security Service providers for supply of Gunmen, Security Guard, Firemen & Lady Security Guards:

The Kandla SEZ Authority in its 40th meeting held on 1/8/2018, discussed the issue of requirement of more security guards and DDC was asked to review the requirement in view of opening of new gate. The Authority noted that a committee has been constituted to review the requirement and accordingly a revised tender has been issued for engagement of the following:
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(a) Security Guards - 82 Nos.
(b) Gunmen - 08 Nos.
(c) Firemen - 07 Nos.
(d) Lady Security Guard - 06 Nos.

Last date for submission of tender is 17/10/2019 and the technical bid will be opened on 17/10/2019, in which the bidders will make a power point presentation and display all documents/credentials before the Committee to be successful bidder in the technical bid. Subsequently financial bid will also be opened same day.

The Authority ratified the action and delegated the Chairman to take suitable decision for selection of the agency as per the tender criteria with the help of committee constituted for the purpose.

41.2.4 Payment of outstanding lease rent and user charges in respect of M/s. Kandla Free Trade Warehousing Pvt. Ltd. – Co-Developer of FTWZ in KASEZ:

The Authority noted that many units have been approved to set up units in the FTWZ in KASEZ developed by the Co-Developer. Further Authority noted that an amount of Rs.4.69 crores is outstanding as lease rent and user charges and the Co-Developer only paid Rs.20.00 lakhs towards the arrears.

Shri Kartik Nair representative of the unit appeared before the Authority meeting. But he could not make any commitments towards payment of the arrears. It was, therefore, decided to write to MMTC for a payment plan of lease rent, failing which they will be evicted and the units set up therein will be taken under the control of the KASEZ Authority.

41.2.5 Providing Ambulance facility by the Authority for the benefit of Units and employees:

The Authority noted that in the Open House meeting held on 27/10/2019, KASEZ Industries Association mentioned that Zone is situated at a distant place from the Gandhidham. In case of any emergency, no ambulance facility is available within the zone and they have to call the services of ambulance from outside and requested that the Authority may provide an Ambulance for the benefit of the Units and employees.
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The Authority discussed this issue and felt that this should be a part of housekeeping. DPM, NBCC who was present in the meeting was asked to include this in their maintenance contract and negotiate with the contractor and include this item also in their contract. The ambulance should also have a kit for snake bite.

41.2.6 Setting up of a Common Sewage Treatment Plant:

In the Open House meeting held on 27/10/2019, KASEZ Industries Association informed that for issue of consent by GPCB, they ask for setting up of STP if there are over 200 employees in the unit. Therefore, the KASEZ Industries Association has requested that the KASEZ Authority may explore possibility of setting up of a common Sewage Treatment Plant.

The Chairman, Kandla SEZ Authority stated that at present there is no common STP and practically entire sewage water is thrown away. We are working out to get common STP installed on BOOT basis. On Boot basis, whatever treated water taken by unit, it has to pay for that quantity only. Treated water of STP shall be used for afforestation and many other uses and shall be supplied back to units on chargeable basis which must be less than regular water supply, even though it will be almost at the same purity level. Similarly option of setting up of small ETP plant for chemical & pharmaceutical units and a Desalination Plant to remove dependence on supply of Municipal water was also discussed.

After deliberations, the Authority agreed to the proposal of setting up of a Common Sewage Treatment Plant and an ETP Plant (wherever necessary).

41.2.7 Pre-arrangement for opening of New Gate for non-commercial traffic:

KASEZ Industries Association vide their e-mail dated 1/10/2019 following points need consideration before opening of New Gate for non-commercial vehicles:-

(a) Encroachment on both the sides of the proposed approach roads needs to be removed.
(b) The proposed approach road till the new gate need to be made of cement concrete and the width of the approach road should be enough to manage the traffic in odd hours.
(c) There are some HT lines passing through the proposed approach road and this needs to be shifted.

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The Authority directed to take up the matter with PGVCL for shifting of HT lines and write to KPT for removal of the encroachments. NBCC was also directed to do some tree plantation outside the new gate.

41.2.8 Installation of new CCTV cameras:

The Authority noted that as per the requirement of Security Officer for installation of new cameras in connection with the security point of view, NBCC has been asked to install the cameras vide letter dated 24/09/2019. NBCC to report progress in the matter.

NBCC vide their letter No.NBCC/KASEZ/GM/2019-20/287 dated 16/10/2019 submitted an estimate for Rs.10,52,247/- (Rupees ten lakhs fifty two thousand two hundred forty seven only) for installation of these cameras and sought approval and the same approved by the Authority.

41.2.9 Improvement of Storm Water Drain:

The Authority noted that NBCC was asked to undertake a survey of storm water drainage due water logging at different places. In the survey report submitted by NBCC vide their letter No.NBCC/KASEZ/GM/2019-20/285 dated 16/10/2019 following two recommendations were made:-

(a) Annual maintenance contract is suggested to clean all channels before the rainy season to clean dirt, waste materials, etc.

(b) MS Wire-mesh of size 25 mm x 25 mm or so, also suggested to block / stop big substances such as stones, plastic waste, etc. to enter into channel to avoid choking.

(c) Also suggested to construct water reservoir to collect the rain water which can be reused.

It is concluded in the report that – (i) the existing channel to be widened o depth shall be increased by raising the height, (ii) new storm water drains with more depth width as proposed in the drawing. Report needs to be discussed.
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The Authority felt that timely cleaning up of the channels before rainy season to clear dirt, waste materials, etc. is a part of the housekeeping by NBCC under the maintenance contract.

41.2.10 Allotment of balance area behind old fire station as Plot No.425-P.:

The Authority noted that an area of 2895.55 sq.mtrs. can be considered for allotment from the old fire brigade area. NBCC has been asked to confirm whether this area can be allotted or not. NBCC vide their letter No.NBCC/KASEZ/GM/2019-20/260 dated 4/10/2019 clarified that for allotment of this area of 2895.55 sq.mtrs., there is a need to construct road for movement of the fire tender and water tanker, i.e. 250 mm thick RCC Road (approx. 1900 sq.m) and 4 Nos. of Fire Hydrant Post along-with boundary wall of approx. 40 sq.m with all necessary accessories for proper movement of vehicle, filling of water to the fire tender and water tankers.

After deliberations the Authority approved allotment of this area through tender, subject to the condition that the unit who takes this plot through bid should construct a road in the old fire brigade area for movement of the fire tender and water tankers, as per the specifications and sketch given by NBCC. They should complete this work within 75 days from the date of allotment. They should also submit a third party inspection report of a reputed agency like SVNIT, Surat. Authority also decided that their rent will be charged only after this 75 days of completion of the road, failing which the allotment will be taken back. It was further directed that this condition should be sent to MISTC for suitably incorporating in their tender document for allotment of premises in KASEZ.

41.2.11 Generation & distribution of electricity:

The Chairman, Kandla SEZ Authority informed that the casual attitude of PGVCL has hampered the units in KASEZ. On 14th October, 2019, we had called some agencies dealing with solar energy project. Adani’s presentation was found to be good and we are exploring power distribution by them at cheaper rate. They shall take 3 to 4 weeks time to do survey and come out with best options. However, we are working out to get some more parties for distribution so that a healthy competition is done to achieve good result.
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The Chairman also informed that alongside the above power distribution, any unit can install solar power system at their own cost. If the units are MSME then as per new policy they can install 100% equivalent of connected load. KASEZ shall facilitate in getting such good parties. This is a step towards promotion of unconventional power.

41.2.12 Development of Garden and tree plantation in the Zone:

This include (a) Massive afforestation, (b) Landscape planning of the Zone & (c) Improvement of existing gardens.

The Chairman, Kandla SEZ Authority stated that we are committed to convert any unused vacant land into forest. Mr. Charanjit Singh of “EcoSikh” has taken a lead to make it happen. On 24th November, 2019 first phase of plantation shall start and we intend to plant 1 lakhs plants in next six months. This shall be community drive where all our family members shall be part of this movement. Water will be supplied by KASEZ. Afforestation work will be done in terms of contribution of plants only. Action is to plant 10,00,000 trees within two years.

Further the Chairman informed that Mr. Charanjit Singh of “EcoSikh” who have agreed to provide 1,00,000 plants. Like-wise M/s. Vishnu Exports have agreed to supply, 5000 plants and MESO. The Authority appreciates their action.

41.2.13 Management of incineration unit and Disposal of Industrial & household solid waste:

The Chairman, Kandla SEZ Authority informed that KASEZ has this facility. This is required to be given to professionals to operate and then all the waste of unit shall be handed by them on chargeable basis. Whosoever generates the waste has to pay for own waste. An effective cost mechanism is being discussed. This shall not be part of user charges.

The Authority deliberated on this issue and felt that giving the created facility to any professionals to operate and maintain is a good suggestion and agreed with the proposal.
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41.2.14 Improvement in the quality & scope of facility management by NBCC:

The Chairman, Kandla SEZ Authority stated that we intend to put a good facility management company in place through healthy competition. They shall be maintaining entire SEZ. The scope shall include housekeeping, gardening, minor repairs of roads, cleaning of drains, etc. maintaining ambulance and fire brigade along with staff.

Chairman also discussed about water management in the Zone. At present water is being supplied by GWSSB and distributed by NBCC. We are working out to put better systems where leakages are minimised and proper metering is done so that whatever is being used by individual units has to pay for it. A capital cost burden of approximately Rs.10 crores may come to put new lines but all units shall be benefitted. We are working on BOOT model also. This study shall take three months time.

The meeting ended with thanks to all present.

Dr. Amiya Chandra)  
Chairman,  
Kandla SEZ Authority.