

PROGRESS REPORT ON YOUTH CAMP PROJECT.

1st Aug., 1971.

১) OFFICE ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT:

At the moment the Board of Control, YC is utilising the Dining room between the hours 9-30 to 1 P.M. for meetings. The Director, Headquarters, YC has a table temporarily placed in the room of Secretary. Finance. These arrangements being of purely tentative nature, immediate arrangements must be made for accommodation of the Board's meetings and the Director, Headquarters' office.

Further, at least 2(two) transports are urgently needed

- a) One for the Chairman and the Board Members and
- b) One for the Director, Headquarters, YC in order to enable them to go out to the YC for visit and assessment of actual position on-the-spot as well as for day to day routine work.

২) RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION:

The Director, Headquarters needs to be provided with a residence in the same place as his office, for facility of work and for security reasons. The requirement at (1) above, therefore, stands as a need for Office-cum-residence accommodation.

৩) FUNDS : The YC project as approved by the Government is to be financed by our friendly government. It was found, at a later stage, however, that expenses for the administration, (viz; Pay of Directors and other Officers, Type-writers etc. as per details submitted to Finance Deptt) were not included in the original scheme. A sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lac) only was, therefore, requested from the Finance Department who have kindly allotted Rs.35,000/- (Rupees thirtyfive thousand) only on an adhoc basis.

From a discussion with Mr. Bhagat yesterday, it appears, however, that there is a scope for asking for the administrative expenses from friendly government. This request will be made with concurrence of the Hon'ble Minister.

৪) CO-ORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION:

Although the YC scheme was approved about 8 weeks ago and necessary funds released by the Cabinet of the friendly government, there was a delay in the implementation of the scheme.

Out of a total of 24 proposed YC, ~~two~~ ^{one} camps are in the process of being set-up; the progress is extremely slow.

To expedite the scheme our Director, Headquarters, YC is personally contacting the Indian counterparts - Col. Luthra, Brigadier Masters and his sub-ordinates. Mr. Alam, Secretary, Board of Control, YC is also meeting the Indian Executives at Secretary level. The Chairman is in direct touch with the persons like Mr. Bhagat and Mr. Banerjee. The Hon'ble Home Minister has also kindly contacted persons at Ministerial level.

Along these contacts at different levels, it is felt that strong liaison should work at New Delhi for further expedition of the entire project.

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5) APPOINTMENTS:

In addition to the appointment of Wing Commander Mr. S.R. Mirza as Director, Headquarters, 2 other Directors were appointed on 28/7/71 for the Western Sector, Zone-1 & Zone-2. They are Mr. Karimuddin Ahmed, Vice-Principal, Jhenaidah Cadet College and Mr. Bakittullah, Principal, Rajshahi Cadet College.

6) RECEPTION CAMPS:


Already there are 67 reception camps in the Eastern, Northern and Western Sectors, but this number will go on increasing as the influx of young men increases with the Military coming inside Bangladesh.

The Ration of the transit camps are being received from the Relief Deptt., but incidental expenses are met by Bangladesh government. Financing of the Reception camps has been a problem all along and the problem is going to be acute with the increase of reception camps in near future.

7) FUNDS FOR RECEPTION CAMPS:

It is estimated that there will be about 70 R.C by the end of August/71. There will be about 500 boys in each. Total $500 \times 70 = 35,000$ boys. Incidental expenses @ 150 paise/boy/day = $35,000 \times 30 \times 150$ Paise = Rs. 15,75,000/- per month for 70 R.C.

So long expenses for RC were met out of the general CRRC Fund. It is now requested that a specific allotment of Rs. 5,00,000/- be made for R.C. for the proper control and management of the said camps.


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