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DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Sub: minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Council held on 29.11.1996 at Raj Niwas, Delhi.

(1) Meetings of the Advisory Council

Members felt that the Advisory Council should meet more often. It was decided that there should be generally 3 meetings of the Council every year.

(2) Procedure for seeking information

It was felt that meetings of the Council were not the appropriate forum for seeking information. It was decided that the members should send their questions to the DDA so that written information could be made available to them. This will enable the Council meetings to discuss general and developmental issues more meaningfully.

(3) Supply of information

(a) Pursuant to the discussions in the Council meeting, the following information may be supplied to the members:

i) Details about the current cost ceilings of HUDCO for financing housing construction, and the limits prescribed by DDA;

ii) The physical and financial targets for construction of houses during the year 96-97;

iii) Amount spent under different welfare schemes.

(b) The Principal Commissioner shall submit a report to the Lt. Governor about lands under encroachment reported by Shri Vijay Goel, MP.

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Recommendations:

- (a) Keeping in view the increasing housing requirements, construction machinery should be geared up to utilise the full budgetary provisions for construction of flats;
- (b) In view of unauthorised conversion of residential units into commercial, it was felt that DDA's enforcement machinery should be more vigilant and effective. The Council also recommended that a practical view should be taken and such conversions should be considered area-wise for regularisation, on payment of charges, as per the policy laid down;
- (c) In view of the fact that Advisory Council is constituted for the purpose of advising the Authority, its recommendations should be listed as a regular Agenda item in the meetings of the Authority.

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Next meeting of the Council

It was decided that the next meeting of the Council should be held some time in Feb. '97 to consider the Budget proposals for the year 97-98, before its presentation to the Authority.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.