JUTE PRODUCTS DEVELOPMENT & EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL (JPDEPC)

Minutes of the 10th Meeting of Committee of Administration (CoA) of Jute Products Development & Export Promotion Council (JPDEPC) to be held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, the 30th June, 2026 in the premises of JPDEPC (HO) Kolkata.

Following members were present during the meeting:

Industry – Members	
1. Shri Gopal Saraf	Chairman
2. Shri Vivek Agarwal	CoA Member
3. Shri Rajesh Kr. Khemka	CoA Member
4. Shri Sandip Bhojgaria	CoA Member
Member Absent	
5. Shri Manish Kajaria	Vice-Chairman
6. Shri Neel Kamal Kankani	CoA Member
7. Shri Sandip Bhojgaria	CoA Member
8. Shri Pankaj Saraf	CoA Member (Co-opt)
9. Shri Ajay Buchasia	CoA Member
10. Shri Siddharth Lahariwal	CoA Member
GOI – Nominees	
1. Jute Commissioner, Ministry of Textiles, Kolkata	CoA Member – Vacant
2. Director (Fibre-III/Jute) Ministry of Textiles, New Delhi	CoA Member – Vacant
Secretariat	
1. Executive Director	Vacant
2. Shri A K Roy Choudhury	Dy. Director (P), JPDEPC

The Chairman-JPDEPC welcomed the members present at the meeting. Chairman, thereafter, took the following agenda items for discussion of the committee:

Agenda No.01	**Ratification and approval the Minutes of the 9th meeting of the Committee of Administration (CoA) held on 6th March, 2026 in Kolkata:** Since no observation on the draft minutes of the 9th CoA meeting held on 6th March, 2026 was received, the members unanimously approved the minutes.

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Agenda No. 2	**Export target of jute goods upto 2030** Members discussed on the Ministry's request to re-examine/re-visit the export target of jute goods upto 2030 as fixed/forwarded by the Council to the Ministry and were of the opinion that in view of prevailing export scenario, revision of target upto 2030 would be difficult and accordingly, it was decided to inform the same to the Ministry also.
Agenda No.03	**Council's draft Annual Accounts (FY 2025-26):** Members discussed in details on the draft Annual Accounts of the Council for the FY 2025-26 and authorised one CoA member to check the Accounts for FY 2025-26 and forward any suggestion for modification, if needed
Agenda No.04	**Holding of election of CoA member and engagement of election authority.** The members unanimously decided to conduct the election for the vacant post(s) of the Committee of Administration (CoA) in accordance with the newly adopted/ approved Bye-laws of the Council. It was further decided to appoint Abhishek Pandey & Associates as the **'Returning Officer'** to conduct the election process in compliance with the provisions of the approved Bye-laws.
Agenda No. 05	**NJB related issues:** The Members approved the refund of an amount of Rs. 11,44,901.00, which was made through Cheque No. 002770 dated 09.03.2026 for Rs. 5,00,000.00 and Cheque No. 002772 dated 12.03.2026 for Rs. 6,44,901.00, aggregating to Rs. 11,44,901.00, under cover of the Council's Letter No. JPDEPC/NJB/BSM-USA-2016/2025-26 dated 17/19.03.2026.
Agenda No. 06	**Status Report on Bharat Tex-2026:** Members discussed in details on mobilization of Indian participants and foreign buyers and noted the developments. Members also discussed in details on the quotation of Annunaki Eevents LLP, Gurugram, who was approved as authorised Council's Event Management firm at Bharat Tex – 2026 and approved of the rates quoted by them. Members also rectified/approved of the advance payment of Rs. 15,00,000/- made to them till now. Members also approved of the deputation of 2 Council's officials to look after the overall activities of the event on behalf of the Council.
Agenda No. 07	**Outreach programme on Export Promotion Mission (EPM), District Export Hub and Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) etc.** Members decided to organise Outreach programme on Export Promotion Mission (EPM) Scheme, District Export Hub and Free Trade Agreements at various places to educate members as instructed by the Ministries through physical or virtual mode and advised Secretariat to prepare proposals for the approval.

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Agenda No.08	**Outstanding MAI grants and Proposals under MAS Scheme for FY 2026-27** Members noted about total outstanding MAI grant of Rs. 1,23,87,593.00 till now and advised Secretariat to follow-up continuously. Regarding proposals under MAS scheme, members were of the opinion that decision would be taken shortly.
Agenda No.09	**Enrolment** of **Membership:** Members unanimously approved enrolment of 36 new members between March. 2026 to June, 2026.
Agenda No.10	**Administrative Issues:** Members empowered Chairman to decide certain administrative issues viz. (a) engagement of part time accountant, leave of absence of Accountant and closing of few unused bank accounts due to discontinuance of Govt Schemes.

THE MEETING ENDED WITH A VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIR.

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