

The 1st RPC Meeting

COMMENTS OF THE IRANIAN SIDE ON THE TURKISH PROPOSAL FOR FUTURE ECO ACTIVITIES REGARDING INDUSTRIAL & TECHNICAL COOPERATION

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Annex-XIV

Reference letter No. 432/260-1/4138 dated 1369/12/18 regarding the trilateral cooperation of Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan and Turkey within the framework of Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) it is kindly requested to issue instructions that the following cases may be put forward (raised) as the proposals of the Technical and Industrial Committee in the forthcoming meeting of Regional Planning Council. It is necessary to remind that evaluations have been made with a view to bring out the feasible plans among the three countries to a possible extent for cooperation.

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIES

Evaluations have revealed that the purchase of technology and production of basic materials of anti-biotic is not profitable in the three countries in comparison with the amount of investment.

In view of the vast consumption in the three countries, a joint ventures is recommended for the production of basic materials to meet the demands of the members, taking into consideration overall evaluation and feasibility studies.

In this connection meetings of experts with regard to planning, machine manufacturing, technology and processing have been covered among the member countries and they have carried out the necessary scrutinizes and evaluations. It is proposed that with the selection of suitable technology at regional level, their recommendations may be implemented. In addition to the above for the trilateral cooperation, the implementation of the projects or production of caprolactum, acrylo nitril, chorom compounds Dyoxide titanium, and the bore ingredients for the trilateral cooperation is proposed. It is expected from the Committee of infrastructure and public works to give guidelines for coordination in joint long-term programmes of the three countries and identifying the priorities of the projects in view of investment.

MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES

At present the Ministry of Heavy Industries is merely interested in Tumason plan for follow-up to which they have given their views as under:

Due to the sufficient production of tractors in each country (Iran, Pakistan and Turkey). There does not exist a suitable market in any of the member-countries. Regarding the diesel engines, according to the report of IACP, Pakistan is a suitable market for absorbing all kinds of Diesel engines and Turkey (especially Tumason) has surplus production which can be allocated for Pakistan market. In connection with the sale of Turkish Diesel engines to Pakistan, it is proposed that these parts of engines

being manufactured outside the Tumason Company may be left to the care of Iranian side so that the proposed plan of Tumason as the trilateral joint ventures within the framework of ECO can be evaluated and implemented. It is obvious that the exact and complete details of partnership of Iranian side in manufacturing the Diesel engines (Tumason) will be identified and declared by the relevant experts of both sides.

MINISTRY OF MINES AND METALS

Ministry of Mines and Metals has different training centres in the fields of metallurgy as well as geology mining. There is a potential to plan different training programmes based on requirements including the following:

(1) Training the Geological Survey Institution

- (A) Training in mining exploration covers two parts.
- Theoretical and practical training; and
 - Students is B.S. level in geology or mining can get benefit from this course.
- (B) Training in geology may include theoretical training, practical training and practical expert training and the above is offered for students in B.S. level in geology.

To start the training programmes, it is proposed that five students within a period of three months will get familiar with science of mineralogy mine exploration, mineral processing methods and different stages of studies and minerals.

(2) Kerman Mining Training Centre

The programme is for holders of technical diplomas in mining or electricity including mining electricity mining safety, development and extraction of lifting machinist, blasting. Meanwhile this centre is in a position to train instructors, time and details of programme will be coordinated and specified.

TOHID TRAINING CENTRE

Different fields in metallurgy for those holding technical diploma. The training period is for four months which includes blast furnace, rolling mill, continuous casting, welding and cranes.

Ahwaz Steel Complex Metallurgy Training Centre, Nakh1k Mining Training Centre and Savehemeh Copper Training Centre are the other training centres in this connection.

For technical and industrial cooperation the views of the said Ministry are as under:

A- Regarding the investment in the mining project, at present iron (ore) refractory is proposed.

B- In the beginning surplus mining substance and their production can be utilized, according to the information received from the other two countries and experts meeting can be completed.

C- The project regarding the acceptance of the experts, we will welcome those specialists who are familiar with the plans and projects of Pakistan Turkey, in the field of mines and metals and planning and implementation in the real fields of cooperation to ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN are invited. To begin with the work, in this field, the training possibilities may be considered specifically. Meanwhile, full description and views of the Ministry of Mines and Metals will be forwarded for information.

MINISTRY OF RECONSTRUCTION CRUSADE

Due to non-receipt of reply regarding the proposed projects from Pakistan and Turkey, it has been requested to delete the projects of tyre production, fibre glass boat from the ECO programmes and the following proposals may be taken into consideration.

- (A) The trilateral programmes under the title of study tours for exchanging experiences in the field of management and rural technological industries may be arranged.
- (B) For marketing and sale of rural industrial productions a fair can be held in one of the member countries on rotation basis every year to offer the productions.

NATIONAL PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRIES COMPANY

The said Company has intimated that there is potential for cooperation in the above field within the framework of ECO and action in this connection can be taken after necessary evaluation by the relevant experts including the collection of information for production and consumption of chemical and petrochemical substances in the member countries and also to study the geographical position, raw materials and the required man-power etc. for establishing a number of petrochemical units with joint investment in each country for economic progress and recurring the benefits of the member countries.

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