

NEPAL

FURNITURE ITEM UNDER MISCELLANEOUS GENERAL STORES

1. ISSUE PAPER THEME: Self-Sustainment

2. SUMMARY / BACKGROUND

In COE Manual 2020, Chapter 3, annex B under Miscellaneous general stores para 52 (b) page 59/271 “Bed, mattress, nightstand, table light and locker for each person or other appropriate furniture to provide an adequate living space”. To fulfill those requirements T/PCC (Nepal) being deployed 1 unit of Bed, 1 unit of Mattress, 1 unit of Table light, 1 unit of Bed side locker and 1 unit of cupboard. Cupboard being used to store clothing items of 2 persons on sharing basis

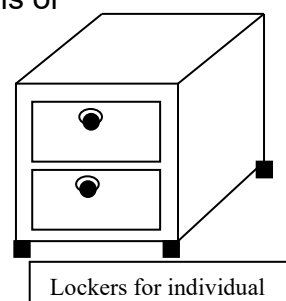
In many peacekeeping missions, COE inspection teams have raised the issue that bed side locker and nightstand should be separate.

3. DETAILED PROPOSAL

As per the statement in Furniture Sub-category under miscellaneous General Stores; bed, bedside locker, nightstand should be provided for individuals, for the same purpose 1 unit of Bed, 1 unit of Mattress, 1 unit of Table light, 1 unit of Bed side locker and 1 unit of cupboard is being deployed, As Eight square meters of accommodations available for individual cupboard is shared by two persons. In order to fulfill COE manual requirement as well as individual requirement, it is recommended to allocate the following as basic requirement for individuals in the above-mentioned subcategory.

- (a) Bed and mattress: For individual sleeping purpose
- (b) Table light: For individual use
- (c) Locker: With Two drawers with locking facilities being provided for storing personal items with facility to place table light on top. (Similar to attached figure) to be provided one each for individual.
- (d) Cupboard: Optional furniture, which is used to store clothes, shoes, bags etc. individuals provided with separate compartments.

The term “or other appropriate furniture” is a vague term which can be defined in any way, so it will be better to either include the proper definitions of items or not to include them altogether.



4. PROPOSED MANUAL TEXT

In COE Manual 2020, Chapter 3, annex B under Miscellaneous general stores para 52 (b) page 59/271 of furniture sub-category proposed manual text should be “One bed, one mattress, one locker with min two cabinets having locking facilities and cupboard with separate partition and locking system for individuals. Additional furniture may be provided with in the allowed accommodation limit.”

Definition to individual items needs to be provided in footnote as the following.

- (a) Bed and mattress: Bed (Size: minimum 3'x6', Wooden or iron bed); Mattress (Size: 3'x6', Thickness: 4" or more)
- (b) Table light: For lighting purpose of individual use.
- (c) Locker: Should have minimum 2 drawers with locking facility and provision to place table lamp on it. Nightstand on optional.
- (d) Cupboard: To store clothes, shoes, bags etc. Individuals should be provided with separate compartments. Optional if locker and nightstand both provided.

Similar changes should be made in other relevant pages.