Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority (APCRDA) Environmental and Social Management Unit (ESMU)

Minutes of the 4th Environmental and Social Management Unit (ESMU) meeting of Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority (APCRDA) held with the concerned HoDs, Officers & Specialists at APCRDA head office, 1st floor conference room on 10th January 2025 at 04:15 PM.

The 4th Environmental and Social Management Unit (ESMU) meeting of APCRDA was held under the chairmanship of Sri G.Surya Sai Praveenchand, I.A.S., Additional Commissioner, APCRDA. The list of participants is enclosed in **Annexure-A**.

A warm welcome was extended by the chairman to all participants followed by the next steps for the Environmental and Social Management Unit (ESMU) members.

The minutes of the meeting are as follows:

1. Status of the vacant positions in the ESMU:

Gender Specialist vacancy has been filled and attended the meeting.

2. Skill development to individuals, including women and youth:

It was instructed to prepare draft letters addressing to Skill department and other officials in the government about the skill development to be taken up in all districts indicating yearly targets, budget sheet considering equipment, manpower, training centers, food and accommodation and other relevant infrastructure.

3. Preparation of Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) & Resettlement Action Plan (RAP):

It was updated that Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) is submitted to Bank and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) has been prepared and will be submitted to the Bank.

4. Preparation of the SOPs to strengthen EMPs, GRM, communication, and information disclosure:

It was submitted that draft SOPs on Waste management, Traffic management, OHS, Grievance redress mechanism, Post-construction environmental monitoring, Top Soil, Waste Water Management, C&D Waste Management were completed and SOPs on Labor influx and GBV/SEA risks to be completed by SD wing.

It was instructed that respective units under ESMU refer to the best practices/SOPs of international agencies for consideration and revision of SOPs. All SOPs to be circulated in ESMU group for receiving suggestions and comments from other team members.

5. Capacity Building to the ESMU staff:

It was updated that COURSERA was contacted for subscription under the government category and APCRDA was asked the personnel to be trained to know the subscription costs. Different units under ESMU to identify and submit the certificate courses. It was advised that the ESMU unit must gain the necessary skills by taking the certification courses.

6. Statutory Environmental compliance management activities-status:

- CFE Validity Extension: Works initiated for the interlinked building projects and targeted for completion by next weekend.
- Capital city EC Extension: Works initiated for the interlinked capital city projects and targeted for internal approval by next weekend.
- River Productivity Studies: "Proposals for river productivity studies were requested from NEERI-Hyderabad branch, CIBA-Chennai, CSIR-NIO Visakhapatnam, Andhra University. CSIR-NIO has submitted the proposal.
- Septage Management: WASH was contacted for discussion on mobile septage treatment unit and grey water management in existing settlements.
- Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station: Presentations were taken from NEVCO Engineers Pvt.Ltd on different methods of monitoring and detailed discussion on the latest DOAS (Differential Optical Absorption Spectroscopy) technology.
- C&D Waste Management: Presentations were taken from PICSON firm, Manufacturer of C&D equipment on the C&D waste recycling units and C&D crusher units.

7. Grievance Redressal Mechanism:

The team updated that videos of the testimony will be obtained from the complainants whose grievance has been resolved. It was instructed that through IVRS actual status of grievance resolved to be obtained from the complainants. The unit was instructed that a comprehensive document on GRM to be prepared.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Additional Commissioner APCRDA

Annexure - A

List of the APCRDA officials attended for the 4th ESMU meeting

| Sl.No | Name of the Officials with Designations | Department |
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| Po1 | Sri G. Surya Sai Praveenchand, I.A.S., Additional Commissioner | APCRDA |
| 2 | Dr. P Krishna Mohan Group Director | Social Development |
| 3 | Sri. M. Hari Prasad Additional Director | Landscape and Environment |
| 4 | B.Srinivasa Rao, DCDO | Social Development |
| 5 | Sri. P.B.N.Kumar Associate Conservator of Forest | Landscape and Environment |
| 6 | Sri. Govindam Praman Kumar Associate Planner | Landscape and Environment |
| 7 | Sri. Mahesh Babu Gade Environmental Specialist | Landscape and Environment |
| 8 | Sri. K.V. K. Chaitanya Environmental Specialist | Landscape and Environment |
| 9 | Smt. R. Papamma Tahsildar | Lands |
| 10 | Smt.K.Aruna Devi Tahsildar | Lands |
| 11 | Kum. N. Kiranmai Dy. Tahsildar | Lands |
| 12 | Sri. T. Venkata Mohan Rao Education Secretary | Lands |
| 13 | Sri. Kranthi kumar M Coordinator | Social Development |
| 14 | Sri. U. Guru Prasad, Village Surveyor | Lands |
| 15 | Nitisha, Gender Specialist | Social Development |