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MINUTES OF THE 7<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF RECONSTITUTED WEST BENGAL STATE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WBSCZMA) HELD ON 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH, 2014 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GOVT. OF WEST BENGAL

The following members/officials attended the meeting:

- 1) Shri Trilochan Singh, Additional Chief Secretary & Chairman, WBSCZMA
- 2) Shri Pranab Kumar Pradhan, Member
- 3) Shri Jose T Mathew, Chief Environment Officer & Member Secretary, WBSCZMA.
- 4) Shri Debal Ray, CCF, Headquarters – representing Additional Chief Secretary, Forest Department
- 5) Smt Indrani Saha, Joint Secretary, Urban Development Department –representing Principal Secretary, Urban Development Department, Member

The following officials attended the meeting as invitees.

- 1) Dr. Subrat Mukherjee, Director, IESWM and Project Director, ICZM Project
- 2) Mr Siddhartha Roy, Senior Environment Officer
- 3) Dr Rajarshi Chakraborty, Environment Officer

The following persons attended the meeting on behalf of Project Proponent.

- 1) Executive Officer, Digha Shankarpur Development Authority (DSDA)– Project Proponent
- 2) Smt Poulami Sarkar, Consultant to DSDA (IWIN ADVISORY)

### PROCEEDINGS

The Chairman welcomed everybody and initiated the discussion. He informed that the project proponent shall be heard but WBSCZMA may not sanction any new project unless MoEF modifies its advisory vide memo no. 19-11/2013-IA.III, dated 31.07.2013.

The Executive Officer, Digha Shankarpur Development Authority made the presentation on the proposed project. He explained that 1083 hawkers who are illegally occupying the coastal area including the proposed site have to be rehabilitated. Shri Debal Ray, CCF (HQ) stated that a clear statement should be made by DSDA that no forest land and sand dunes will be disturbed during the execution of the project. Members after deliberation decided to seek the following documents/clarifications from the project proponent-

- a) A justification of the project detailing the present condition and location of the hawkers (supported by photographs and maps) and the benefits the project would create for the hawkers, local people, tourists and environment.
- b) Revised maps of project showing clear demarcation of the project area and the forest land and sand dune.
- c) A clarification that no forest land and sand dune is included in the project site after due verification.
- d) Water requirement as well as STP details.

e) Details of the type of temporary structures that are proposed to be erected, duly vetted <sup>032</sup> by a recognised structural engineer.

f) A clear plan of action to ensure that areas vacated by hawkers would not be encroached again.

g) A clear statement that it would not affect the livelihood of the local inhabitants and a plan of action to counter any natural disaster in the proposed site.

h) The project proponent i.e. DSDA would submit the details through the Department of Urban Development.

The project proponent agreed to submit the documents sought within 11.04.14.

The members further decided that the project would be reviewed again after the project proponent submits the above mentioned documents.

The meeting then ended with a vote of thanks.

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(Trilochan Singh)  
Additional Chief Secretary,  
Environment Department  
&  
Chairman, WBSCZMA

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1. Shri Subesh Kr. Das, Addl. Chief Secretary, Department of Forest.
2. Shri S.A. Baba, Principal Secretary, Department of Fisheries.
3. Shri Debashis Sen, Principal Secretary, Urban Development Department.
4. Shrimati Nandani Chakraborty, Secretary, Sundarban Affairs Department.
5. Prof Anindya Sarkar, Department of Geology and Geophysics, IIT, Kharagpur.
6. Shri Pranab Kumar Pradhan, 34/1, Banamali Naskar Road, Behala, Kolkata – 700 060.
7. Director, IESWM, DD – 24, Sector – 1, Salta lake, Kolkata – 700 064.
8. P.S. to Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Environment.

Member Secretary,  
WBSCZMA

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1. Executive Officer, Digha Shankarpur Development Authority

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