

MINUTES OF THE 9TH MEETING OF RECONSTITUTED WEST BENGAL STATE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WBSCZMA) HELD ON 27TH SEPTEMBER, 2014 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNEMENT OF WEST BENGAL

The following members/officials attended the meeting :

1. Shri Chandan Sinha, IAS, Principal Secretary & Chairman, WBSCZMA and
2. Principal Secretary, Department of Forests – Member
3. Shri Jose T. Mathew, IFS, Chief Environment & Member Secretary, WBSCZMA
4. Dr. Pranab Kumar Pradhan- Member
5. Jt. Secretary, Sundarban Affairs Department – representing Principal Secretary, Sundarban Affairs Department – Member

The following officials attended the meeting as invitees:

1. Shri Subrat Mukherjee, IFS, Member Secretary, WBPCB.
2. Shri Siddhartha Roy, IFS Senior Environment Officer, Environment Department.
3. D. Bhowmik, -Representative IES&WM.

The following persons attended the meeting on behalf of project proponent :

1. Md. Ikhlauque Islam, WBCS (Exe), Jt. Secretary, Disaster Management Department.
2. Shri Joydeep Roy, DMO, Disaster Management Department.
3. Shri S.D. Debnath, Consultant, Disaster Management Department.
4. Shri Diptiman Pathak, DMO, Disaster Management Department.

PROCEEDINGS

The Chairman welcomed everybody and initiated the discussion. The Agenda was :

1. Consideration for recommendation of CRZ Clearance for changing 86 sites of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters (MPCS) out of 150 under NCRMP-II from CRZ angle through amendment of earlier approval of this Department bearing no. EN/267/T-II-4/001/2011 dt. 31.01.2011.

The entire project was described by Jt. Secretary, Disaster Management Department through the Power Point Presentation and in course of discussion he stated that 150 cyclone shelters were cleared in 2011 which was thereafter approved by the World Bank. Meanwhile more cyclone shelters had to be constructed on urgent basis from Pradhan Mantri National Relief Fund (PMNRF) and other funds in order to save the life and property of the inhabitants. So the 86 sites had to be changed by the District Authorities to accommodate those MPCSs. Now the rest 64 MPCS out of the 150 approved MPCS were approved by the World Bank would be constructed on the approved site but for the rest 86 the previous approval needs amendment.

He further emphasized that the spots presently selected were about 1 to 1.5 Km. From HTL and within the same Block and Mouza for which CRZ clearance was given in 2011.

But due to want of time the maps has not been prepared as yet. So, the Authority emphasized about the Maps.

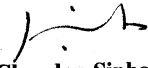
The previous Director, IES&WM presently Member Secretary, WBPCB, opined that as the physiographic condition of the Mouza;s are the same, permission may be accorded in the exigency of time and the maps could be prepared and submitted soon.

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IES&WM representative assured that the maps shall be ready within 30th November, 2014.

Based on above, the members unanimously recommended the amendment of the earlier approval on setting up of Cyclone Shelters.

The meeting then ended with a vote of thanks.


(Chandan Sinha)
Principal Secretary
Department of Environment
&
Chairman, WBSCZMA

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1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Forests
2. The Principal Secretary, Department of Fisheries
3. The Principal Secretary, Department of Urban Development
4. The Secretary, Department of Sundarban Affairs
5. Prof. AnindyaSarkar, Department of Geology and Geophysics, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
6. Shri Pranab Kumar Pradhan, 34/1, BanamaliNaskar Road, Behala, Kolkata – 700 060
7. Director, IESWM, DD-24 , Sector-1, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 064
8. Dr. S. Mukherjee, Member Secretary, West Bengal Pollution Control Board.
9. P.S. to Principal Secretary, Department of Environment

Member Secretary
WBSCZMA