

West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Society  
Office of the Chief Project Director  
West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project  
Block-LB-2, Sector-III, Salt Lake City, Kokata – 700 098

No. 870 / WBFBCP/7-3

Date: 18.03.2016

NOTICE

The 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the High Power Committee of West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project (ID-P223) , will be held on **21<sup>st</sup> March, 2016 at 12 PM** to discuss the following agenda :

The following will be the agenda of discussion:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 01.12.2014.
2. Action Taken Report on the Resolutions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
3. Presentation of Status Report of WBFBC Project.
4. Convergence of funding of schemes proposed under JFMC based microplan.
5. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

The above meeting will be held in the Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal's Conference Hall, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Nabanna, at 12 P.M, on 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2016.

  
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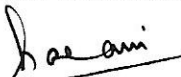
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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to the following honourable members. They are requested to make it convenient to attend the meeting on the above notified date and time. The Agenda Note is enclosed.

1. Addl. ~~Principal~~ <sup>Chief</sup> Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, Planning Dept. -- Member
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), West Bengal --Member
3. Principal Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal, Forest Dept. -- Member
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & CWLW – Member
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (General), W. Bengal --Member
6. Principal Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, Finance Dept. --Member
7. Principal Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, Panchayat & Rural Dev. Dept. --Member
8. Principal Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, Dept. Backward Class Welfare Dept. --Member

  
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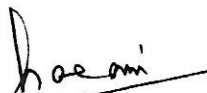
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Copy also forwarded for information to:

1. The PA to the Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, with a request to bring this to the notice of the Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal & Chairperson of the HPC.
2. Shri S. Dasgupta, Project Director Finance, WBFBC Project
3. Shri S. Chaudhuri, Project Director M&E, WBFBC Project

  
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Chief Project Director

W.B FBC Project, & Member Secretary HPC

AGENDA NOTES

3<sup>RD</sup> MEETING

OF THE

HIGH POWER COMMITTEE

OF

WEST BENGAL FOREST

AND

BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION  
PROJECT

ON 21.3.2016

Agenda Notes  
3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the High Power Committee  
West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation Project

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 01.12.2014 :

No communication has been received in respect of the minutes from any member. As such the minutes may be considered as confirmed.

2. Discussion on the Action Taken Report on the Resolutions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 01.12.2014:

The Action Taken Report is attached as **Annexure-I** to these notes. Members are requested to kindly peruse the same.

3. Presentation of Status Report of WBFBC Project

The Status Report of WBFBC Project is attached as **Annexure-II** to these notes. Members are requested to kindly peruse the same.

4. Funding of Schemes proposed under FPC based Microplans

(i) As per the project document of West Bengal Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (WBFBC) Project, no project activity related to Forest Protection Committee (FPC) / Eco-development Committee (EDC) should be implemented unless a microplan is prepared through appropriate mechanism and with participation of local community. The target of FPC/EDCs to be covered under the WBFBC Project is 600 nos.

(ii) The selection FPCs/ EDCs would be based on criteria set for this purpose and delineated in Attachment 10 of the project document.

(iii) Post-selection of 576 FPCs and 24 EDCs, microplans of 525 selected FPC/EDCs have been prepared by the field level staff, based on Microplanning guidelines prepared and circulated by the PMU.

(iv) The PMU also obtained the services of the Regional Centre of the National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board (NAEB), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, at Jadavpur University, for checking the microplans developed under the project. About 200 nos. of microplan have been checked by NAEB.

(v) The Community Development activities, is one of the important aspects of the project depicted in the microplans. The fund provided under the project for Community Development activities is not sufficient to support the Community Development works proposed in the microplans.

(vi) It is therefore proposed that copies of the finalized microplans will be sent to the respective District Magistrates so that they can pool funds for implementation of the activities proposed in the microplan.

5. Any other item with the permission of the Chair

Issues may be raised with the permission of the chair.



**ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE RESOLUTIONS TAKEN AGAINST THE  
AGENDA POINTS OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> MEETING HELD ON 01.12.2014**

Sl No.	Issues	Resolutions	Action Taken
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting held on 17.09.2013	The minutes of the 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting of the HPC held on 17.09.2013 stands confirmed.	Action Complete.
2	Discussion on the Action taken Report on the Resolutions of the 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting held on 17.09.2013		
	(i) Procurement of vehicles & motorcycles at DGS&D rates	Procurement of Vehicles and Motorcycles under the Project should be done by e-tendering as per the orders of Finance Dept., Govt of WB, as being done for other procurements under the Project	No action required at present.
	(ii) Security Issues with regard to LWE Blocks	(a) The Principal Secretary Forest Dept. West Bengal should take up the issue with the DG Police West Bengal so that he may suitably direct the concerned Superintendents of Police to co-operate and co-ordinate with the District Magistrates for issuance of Certificate regarding favourable law and order situation for taking up project activities in LWE blocks  (b) The matter of issuance of certificate should be taken up directly with the District Magistrates by the senior officers of the Forest Dept.	(a) & (b) The matter of issuance of certificates with reference to the LWE blocks of Bankura, Purulia and West Midnapur districts was taken up with the respective district authorities. The clearance certificates with respect to these districts have been obtained and project work is in progress in the LWE blocks of the 3 districts.
	(iii) Presentation of the Status Report of WBFBC Project	(a) The activities implemented in the field should be properly recorded with photographic evidence and also geo-referenced for verification in the field.  (b) List of selected FPCs should be sent to the P&RD and BCW Departments. These departments will give feedback on the SHG groups and their activities to the project authorities.	(a) The activities under the project are being recorded with photographic evidence and also geo-referred. For this purpose the Divisional Units (DMUs) have been provided with cameras and GPS. Also Online plantation journal have been developed to record all plantation activities in electronic format.  (b) The finalization of the FPC/EDC list took some time owing to various factors. Presently, 600 nos. of FPC/EDC are finalized and microplans of 525 nos. have been prepared. Copies of the microplans of all selected FPC/EDCs will be sent shortly to P&RD and BCW Departments.

		(c)The target of expenditure upto the end of 2014-15 is fixed at Rs 40.00 Crores	(c) The expenditure upto the end of 2014-15 stood at Rs. 22.54 Crores (Rs 2.56 Crores in 2013-14 & Rs. 21.20 in 2014-15). Till date the expenditure in 2015-16 is Rs 33.26 crores. The cumulative expenditure as on date is Rs. 57.02 Crores.
	(iv) Procurement of additional vehicles and motorcycles under the Project	Procurement of additional 24 vehicles and 150 motorcycles may be done following the process of E-tendering as per the circular/guidelines issued by Finance Dept	Additional vehicles have not been procured as yet. The matter was placed in the Mid-term Review of the project and JICA has accepted the proposal in principle. The final approval is pending with the Dept of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, GoI. Follow up action is being taken.
	(v) Reallocation of target under the project	Reallocation of target of various activities under the project for Buxa Tiger Reserve is approved in principle	Reallocation of targets of BTR has been done, in consonance with the Mid-term Review



# Progressive Statement of Achievements

## ANNEXURE-II

Progressive Statement of Achievements								
Activities	Particulars	Unit	Achievements 2012-13	Achievements 2013-14	Achievements 2014-15	Achievements 2015-16 (upto 29.02.16)	Total achievement (Upto 29.02.2016)	
			Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Remarks
Establishment of PMU & Institutionalisation of Society								
Establishment of PMU		no.	-	-	1	-	1	G.O. No. 1162-For/G/6M-12/12 (Pt. I) dated 13.06.2014. PMU in place.
Establishment of DMUs		no.	-	32	4	-	36	BTR E & BTR W are not participating in the Project activities
Establishment of FMUs		no.	-	63	78	31	172	
Posting of Officers on Deputation to the Society of PMU		no.	-	-	5	-	5	
Employment of "Support Staff" to PMU and DMU	At PMU	no.	-	3	7	-	10	
	Circle Office		-	-	-	6	6	
	At DMUs	no.	-	6	67	-	73	
Preparation of Manuals	Manuals/Guidelines.	no.	-	6	9	-	15	
Afforestation								
Afforestation	A1	ha.	-	-	141.50	166.00	307.50	
	A2	ha.	-	-	176.00	406.00	582.00	
	A3	ha.	-	-	257.00	1,642.50	1,899.50	
	A4	ha.	-	-	1,129.00	3,036.00	4,165.00	
	A5	ha.	-	-	30.00	160.00	190.00	
	A6	ha.	-	-	20.00	110.00	130.00	
	B1	ha.	-	-	119.15	310.50	429.65	
	B2	ha.	-	-	45.28	19.00	64.28	
	Total	ha.	-	-	1,917.93	5,850.00	7,767.93	
	Central Nursery	New	units	-	-	15.75	4.50	20.25
Expansion		units	-	-	6.50	5.50	12.00	

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			Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Remarks
Institutional Capacity Development								
Preparation of Micro-plans		no.	-	-	185	325.00	510	
Baseline Survey	Survey of Forest Resources	no.	-	-				- RFP drafted, E-tender floated
	Socio-economic Survey	no.						- Issued to NABCON on 13.01.2016
Construction of Building at AE-391		no.	-	-	-			- Construction work completed
Other buildings	Group D quarters	no.	-	1	6	8	15	Target 15 nos.
	Group C quarters	no.	-	-	8	2	10	Target 10 nos.
	ROs quarters/Range office	no.	-	-	1	2	3	Target 5 nos.
Trainings & Capacity building	Micro-plan preparation	no.	-	23.00	33.00	1.00	57	No. of Trainings
		no. of Participants	-	419	854	24	1,297	Frontline staff
		no. of Participants	-	10,000	14,300	6,000	30,300	FPC members
	Usage of GPS	no.	-	4	27	15	46	No. of Trainings
		no. of Participants	-	100	582	31	713	Frontline staff
	Accounting Procedure	nos.	-	-	31	11	42	No. of Trainings
		no. of Participants	-	-	247	51	298	Head of DMUS, Head of FMUs & Support Staff
	Tree Plantation Outside Forest Area (TPOFA)	nos.	-	-	14		14	No. of Trainings
		no. of Participants	-		443		443	Frontline staff & Beneficiaries
	Nursery Techniques	nos.	-	-	4	4	8	nos.
		no. of Participants	-	-	113	104	217	Head of DMUS, Head of FMUs & Frontline Staff
	Package 2 for Middle and Junior officers in Indian Institutes Short term training (10-15 days)	no. of Participants				83	83	KFRI- Thissur, IFM- Bhupal, IIRS- Dehradun, IISC,-Dehradun
	Package 3 for Jr. officers, FR and Front Line Staff (inhouse or Indian Institutes)	no. of Participants				27	27	IIRS Dehradun
	Study Tours	nos.	-	2	-	2	4	2 nos. planned in 2015-16
		no. of Participants	-	30	-	35	65	Officers & frontline staff
MIS	nos.	-	-	-	4	4		



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			Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Remarks
		no. of Participants	-	-	-	170	170	Officers & frontline staff
	Community Development	nos.				2	2	
		no. of Participants				80	80	Officers & frontline staff
Procurement	Vehicles-Mahindra Scorpio	nos.	-	-	10	-	10	Distributed to 10 DMUs
	Vehicles-Maruti Suzuki Ertiga	nos.	-	-	2	-	2	At HQ
	Hero Super Splendor motor-cycles	nos.	-	-	100	-	100	Distributed to 80 FMUs in 30 DMUs & 2 Training Centres
	Equipment-GPS	nos.	-	90	90	50.00	230	Distributed to 33 DMUs & PMU
	Equipment-Camera	nos.	-	-	90	47.00	137	Distributed to 33 DMUs & PMU
	Equipment-Computers	nos.	-	13	43	2.00	58	Distributed to 34 DMUs & PMU
	Equipment-Printers	nos.	-	5	45	2.00	52	Distributed to 34 DMUs & PMU
	Tally Software	nos.	-	25	12	-	37	Software for accounting in 34 DMUs & PMU
Biodiversity Conservation								
Improvement of Wildlife Habitat in Protected areas	Grass land Plantation in Plains	ha.	-	-	0.00	100.00	100.00	Advance cum creation
	Fodder tree plantation after bamboo removal in the hills	ha.	-	-	5.00	10.00	15.00	Advance
Studies	Studies	nos.	-	-	-	-	-	3 Topics finalised & work order has been issued
Equipment	Nylon Net	Sq. m.	-	-	500.00	-	500.00	
	Searchlights	nos.	-	-	25.00	-	25.00	
	Field gear	nos.	-	-	175.00	50.00	225.00	



### Utilisation of Grants

Items	Particulars	Unit	Achievements 2012-13	Achievements 2013-14	Achievements 2014-15 (upto 31.03.15)	Achievements 2015-16 (upto 29.02.16)	Total achievement (Upto 29.02.16)	Remarks
			Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	Financial	
Utilisation of Grants	Reimbursible	Rs. Lakhs	0	198.87	1702.96	2931.15	4832.98	Cumulative Total of fund released till date = Rs 124.99 Crore
	Non-reimbursible	Rs. Lakhs	0	56.63	295.5	315.78	667.91	
	Total Utilisation Grants	Rs. Lakhs	0	255.5	1998.46	3246.93	5500.89	
	Non-Grant Fund	Rs. Lakhs	0	0	121.79	78.83	200.62	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>Rs. Lakhs</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>255.5</b>	<b>2120.25</b>	<b>3325.76</b>	<b>5701.51</b>	
Re-imbursements	Reimbursible	Rs. Lakhs	0	176.9	1320.38	2931.15	4428.43	
	Non-Grant Fund	Rs. Lakhs	0	0	121.79	78.83	200.62	
	Total	Rs. Lakhs	0	176.9	1442.17	3009.98	4629.05	