

Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP)

Minutes of Eighth SLNA meeting held on 23.02.2015

At South Conference Hall, Secretariat

The meeting started at 2.30 pm. The meeting was chaired by the Chairman of SLNA **Sri. Subratho Biswas IAS**, Agriculture Production Commissioner. Sri. James Vargheese, I.A.S, Principle Secretary to Government, LSGD and the Vice Chairman of SLNA was also present. List of participants is furnished as annexure.

Sri. K.V. Mohankumar, I.A.S, Commissioner & CEO, SLNA welcomed the participants and made introductory remarks and briefly appraised the status of IWMP in Kerala.

Subsequently the Agenda Items were discussed.

I : Confirmation of the minutes of SLNA meeting held on 23-05-2014

The minutes of the SLNA meeting held on 23-05-2014 is confirmed as no comments have been made on it.

II: Action taken report on the decisions of the SLNA meeting held on 23-05-2014 were discussed and the following decisions were taken.

Resolution I: In the last meeting of SLNA held on 23-05-2014, it was decided to constitute a Task Force for preparing data base of all watersheds treated under various schemes in Kerala and any new watersheds to be taken under any scheme should get the clearance of this Task Force before starting implementation. It has been informed that the data pertaining to the treated watersheds are being collecting from various agencies such as NAPCON, Western Ghat Cell, KSLUB, Soil Survey and Soil Conservation department. Now it is resolved to complete the preparation of entire data base before 31-03-2015. (Action: Director, SS&SC dept)

III: Review of Progress

Chairman appreciated the remarkable progress achieved in the implementation of IWMP projects in Kerala. Chairman also remarked to keep this pace of implementation in future also.

IV: PPR - Sanction for District wise Development Projects of Batch VII for the year 2015-16 to be submitted to Government of India for approval.

Resolution No. 2 - Chairman suggested that instead of taking projects in a scattered manner, it would be beneficial if we concentrate on River basins to get tangible results especially in the case of dying rivers like Bharathapuzha. Moreover, it will showcase a visible impact (model /demo) of IWMP project in the State. Hence the Preliminary Project Report (PPR) for 2015-16 has suggested was deferred.

Resolution No. 3 - It was resolved to take up Revival of Bharathapuzha River under Batch VII for the year 2015-16. The Task Force headed by Chief, Agriculture, State Planning Board, will prepare the data base of Bharathapuzha sufficiently in advance, ie, not later than 15.03.2015, so as to finalise the projects by the end of March 2015. The Chairman instructed KSLUB to re-work the weightage criteria for the preparation of PPR for the Revival of Bharathapuzha River Basin for the year 2015-16.

Resolution No. 4 - It was also resolved to seek the possibility of getting additional allocation for 2015-16 so that we can select one more river basin in the southern districts also.

Resolution No. 5 - It is resolved to conduct next SLNA meeting on 7-04-2015.

V: Approval of DPRs submitted by WCDC

Resolution No. 6: SLNA approved the following 21 DPRs of Batch III, IV & V subject to further modifications if any while scrutinizing by the technical committee constituted for the purpose.

Sl No	Batch	District	Project
1	III	Idukki	Idukki
2			Kattappana
3			Azhutha
4			-Do-
5			-Do-
6		Kannur	Irikkur
7	IV	Thiruvananthapuram	Pothencode
8		Alappuzha	Bharanikkavu
9		Kottayam	Pallom
10		Idukki	Kattappana
11			Azhutha
12			Thodupuzha
13		Ernakulam	Parakkadavu
14		Thrissur	Chowannur
15		Kozhikode	Kunnamangalam
16		Kannur	Irritty
17	V	Thiruvananthapuram	Kilimanur
18		Kollam	Chittumala
19		Pathanamthitta	Mallappally
20		Ernakulam	Pampakuda
21		Thrissur	Cherpu

Resolution No.7: It is resolved to complete and submit the DPRs of projects in Kasargod block of Kasargod District - Batch IV, Kalpetta block of

Wayanad district - Batch IV and Chittoor block of Palakkad district - Batch IV latest by 31-03-2015. [Action CEO, SLNA]

Resolution No.8 : It was also resolved to keep the time line as on 31-03-2015 for the completion of all the remaining DPRs pertaining to Batch V.

VI. Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning and Documentation (MEL&D)

Resolution No.9: It is resolved to entrust third party independent agencies for concurrent monitoring and evaluation of IWMP projects as per the guidelines for the purpose issued by DoLR. The CEO, SLNA is entrusted to select the agencies through open bidding process, by observing the established procedure in practice.

VII. Constitution of Technical Committee for scrutinizing and finalizing the technical and financial bid of MEL&D agencies.

Resolution No.10: It is resolved to constitute a Technical Committee with the following officers for scrutinizing the technical as well as the financial bid of agencies for MEL&D

1. Secretary, LSGD – Chairman
2. CEO, SLNA- Convenor
3. Chief, Agriculture, State Planning Board – Member
4. Director, SS & SC Department – Member
5. Director, GW Department –Member
6. Senior Finance Officer, CRD – Member

VIII. Approval of Annual Action Plan for 2015-16

Resolution No.11: It is resolved to approve the AAP prepared for 2015-16.

IX. Approval of Capacity Building Plan 2015-16

Resolution No.12: It is resolved to approve the Capacity Building Plan prepared for 2015-16.

X. Finalisation of Nodal Agency for Capacity Building for IWMP

Resolution No.13: It is resolved to entrust the Secretary, LSGD (RD) to examine the presentations by IWDM-K, Chadayamangalam, CWRDM and SIRD and finalise the partner agencies for Capacity Building under IWMP.

It was also resolved that if any agency wishes to collaborate with Capacity Building activities of IWMP, they have to submit a proposal in this regard to SLNA. [Action CEO, SLNA]

Resolution No.14: Chairman suggested that in future all IWMP projects must be converged with other schemes especially with MGNREGS. SLNA will provide break up of DPRs on GP, Ward level to the MD MGNREGS. A detailed working instruction will be issued by the nodal department [CEO, SLNA]

XI. Appointment of Chartered Accountant

Resolution No.16: It is resolved to entrust Sri Venkatachalam & Associates. Trivandrum to conduct audit of accounts of SLNA for the year 2014-15.

Meeting concluded at 3.30 pm.


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Commissioner for Rural Development

Agriculture Production Commissioner

Approved for issue


Joint Development Commissioner