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Sub: Minutes of the 4th Meeting of Management Action Group on "Environment Planning and Co-ordination" for Review of MPD-2021

Fourth Meeting of Management Action Group (MAG) on "Environment Planning and Coordination" was held on 09.08.2012 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Environment), GNCTD in Conference room (Deptt. of environment), 6th Floor, C-Wing, I.P. Estate, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi. The copy of the approved minutes are enclosed herewith for further necessary action.

For Director (Plg.) MPR & TC

(Shikha Bhargava) A.D. (Plg) MPR

Date: 27.08 .2012

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1.	Secretary (Environment), GNCTD.	Chairman
2.	Development Commissioner, GNCTD.	Member
3.	Member(Sewerage)DJB,GNCTD	Member
4.	Commissioner (Plg)I,DDA	Member
5.	Commissioner (Plg) II, DDA	Member
6.	Chief Engineer(I &F),GNCTD	Member
7.	Addl. Commissioner (Plg)MPPR,DDA	Member
8.	Representative of MCD, Yamuna Action Group	Member
9.	Conservator of Forest/RMB,GNCTD	Member

Expert Members:

- 10. Chairman, CPCB.
- 11. Ms. Sunita Narayan, Center for Science & Environment.
- 12. Dr. Shovan Saha, SPA, New Delhi.

Special Invitee

- 13. Chief Conservator of Forest, GNCTD
- 14. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, GNCTD
- 15. Addl. Commissioner (AP), DDA.
- 16. Addl.Commissioner(Land Scape), DDA.
- 17. Ms. Paromita Roy, Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA
- 18. Ms. Mriganka Saxena, Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA

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Subject: Minutes of the Fourth Meeting of the MAG on "Environment Planning & Coordination" held on 09.08.2012

The Fourth meeting of the Management Action Group (MAG) on "Environment Planning & Coordination" on Mid Term Review of MPD-2021 was held on 09.08.2012 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Environment), GNCTD

The following Members/Special Invitees attended the meeting.

Members

1.	Secretary (Environment), GNCTD	Chairman
2.	Chief Engineer – II (I &F),GNCTD	Member
3.	Addl. Commissioner (Plg)MPPR,DDA	Member
4.	Executive Engineer – YAP-II, SDMC	Member
5.	Conservator of Forest/RMB,GNCTD	Member

Special Invitee

- 6. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, GNCTD
- 7. Director (Plg.) Zone E & O, DDA
- 8. Ms. Paromita Roy, Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA
- 9. Ms. Mriganka Saxena, Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA

Others

- 10. Director (Plg.) MPR/TC, DDA
- 11. Dr. Anil Kumar, Director (Environment), GNCTD
- 12. Dr. Chetna, Scientist, Environment Deptt., GNCTD
- 13. R.K. Sharma, Astt. Engg., NDMC

Secretary (Environment), GNCTD welcomed members and all the Special Invitee for the Fourth Meeting of MAG on "Environment Planning & Coordination". Addl. Comm. (Plg.) MPPR, DDA welcomed Secretary (Environment), GNCTD for this meeting of MAG and gave background of review of MPD-2021, formation of MAG, members etc. Thereafter Director (Plg.) MPR gave broad details of the issues discussed in the previous meetings. It was informed that the persons who submitted suggestions have been invited to present their views before MAG. The list of suggestions with summary is provided to all the members.

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 3rd meeting of "Environment Planning & Coordination" held on 19.03.2012

Since there were no observations by members, the minutes of the meeting of 19.03.2012 were confirmed.

2. Review of Action Taken Note of 3rd Meeting of MAG held on 19.03.2012

It was informed that a presentation was made in Advisory Group u/c of Hon'ble L.G. on Environmental aspects, which was appreciated by all. Director (Environment), GNCTD informed that first draft of the chapter on Environment is ready for further discussion

with members. Ms. Paromita Roy, Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC offered some inputs based on studies/discussions in UTTIPEC. It was decided that Department of Environment with the help from Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC will finalize the first draft of the Chapter on Environment. This draft Chapter will be circulated to all the members before next MAG meeting.

Action: Department of Environment, GNCTD and Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC

3. Suggestions received towards Review of MPD-2021 related to Environment

S.	Diary No. Issue/Suggestion Observation/Recommendation		
N.	Diary Hor	10000/ 0000001011	the Group
1	734 M.K.Jain, Blooming Dales Farm House Owner Welfare Association, 9, Mehndi Farms, Bhati Mines, Chattarpur Rd., New Delhi – 110074	I. Bhatti village is shown as Regional Park and not as Green belt which results to applications of two different norms applicable for Farm Houses. Change of land use of Bhatti Village from Regional Park to Green Belt suggested.	- MPD-2021 provides policy for declaration of Green belt along with GNCTD boundary wherever available. In case of Zone 'J', the peripheral village is mostly indicated as 'Regional Park' and thus the suggestions for amending the land use from 'Regional Park' to 'Green Belt' is not agreed upon.
		II. 100 sq.m or 1% ground coverage in farmhouses is impractical which leads to illegal constructions.	- The Draft policy for Farm Houses was discussed in DDA Meeting on 03.08.2012. This will be processed further for amendment in MPD-2021. The suggestions will be invited from the Public as per provisions in DD Act 1957.
		III. Minimum landholding size for construction is 1 ha or more which leads to no permissible construction activity in land holding less than 1 ha as a result after subdivision of plot lot of properties are not liable for any type of construction	Action: Director (Plg)MP, DDA
		IV. Difficulty in attaining permission for water-harvesting in individual farmhouse plots.	- Chairman stressed on the need to make necessary addition to the chapter on 'Environment' regarding "installation of rain water harvesting system", both for new and existing buildings. Action: Department of Environment, GNCTD

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			- Chairman suggested 'single window' system for faster processing of the request from applicants who want to install water harvesting systems in their plots. Necessary amendment for same may be taken up in Ground Water Regulation & Management Notification issued by Environment Department so as to have simplified procedure. Action: Department of Environment, GNCTD; DJB; NDMC
2 3882	. 3896, 3981,	I. Special Restoration plan	I. It was informed that DDA has
· · · · · · · · · · · · ·	, 3600	for Sanjay lake multi-	prepared Development Plan for
	oj Mishra,	disciplinary group of	the area around Sanjay Lake in
Conv	ener,	experts from various	consultation with concerned
Yamu	ına Jiye Abhiyan	relevant fields.	agencies.
yamu	najiye@gmail.co	II. No further/additional	Action: Addl. Comm.(Landscape),
m		provisions of land use	DDA
		change permitted in Zonal Plan resulting in loss of flood plains. III. Reclaimed land from abandoned power plants, etc, should be returned to the river and NOT be converted to other use. IV. Proper EIA study be done for any new bridge over Yamuna River. V. Natural water bodies resulting from accumulation of flood water need to be protected & maintained as centers of Groundwater Recharge and recreational sites.	MAG observed that water-harvesting project needs to be planned in Zone-O adjoining Zone P-II, i.e. area north of Wazirabad Barrage. Chairman suggested formulation of an expert committee which will study the water conservation & water harvesting issues in Delhi. State Government of Haryana could also be consulted for the purpose. Action: Chief Engineer (I&FC), GNCTD II. Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA suggested decentralization of water-harvesting system, instead of developing large centralized water-reservoir. It highlighted the need to retain water in local parks naturally, instead of developing large concrete tanks. Also, locally arranged water catchment system would reduce the quantum of surface run-off. Chairman suggested incorporating these aspects in

Chapter on 'Environment'.

			Action: Department of Environment, GNCTD and
3	848 Kuldeep Nayar, President, Natural Heritage First A-10/4 Vasant Vihar, Delhi-57	I. Zonal plan of Zone O is largely based on NEERI recommendation, NEERI is the body responsible for destroying the flood plains. II. Building of slip roads on Vikas Marg has cutoff a sizeable part from rest of the flood plains; as well as building of ring road bypass has dissected the flood plains. III. Millennium Bus depot, embankment opposite to Mayur Vihar, Metro construction, Convention Centre, OAT, race course, Shopping Plaza, non urban residential urban uses have affected the flood plains. IV. No construction activity should be allowed in the flood plain. V. Activities to be allowed in	- I
4	854 Ranjan Chauhan, Co-Convener, Haryana Jal Suraksha Abhiyan H.No-1962, Sec-23, Gurgaon, Haryana-	the flood plains may be forest plantation, walking, cycling, organic agriculture and any other human activity which are non polluting and non invasive for sand aquifers. I. Sewage release in the river Yamuna have made the stretch after Delhi a sewage canal, the contamination is entering the food chain as this water is used for irrigation	The group found the suggestion to be general in nature, and no modification in MPD-2021 is required.
	122017	in downstream areas. Ensure ecologically acceptable flow in river Yamuna, atleast 50% of its natural flow around Delhi area. II. Ground water loss of approx 15-20 mtr can be	

		revived by promoting agriculture & forestry on 33% of area & compensate farmers for doing this.	
5	Jagdish Chhabra, jchhabra17@gmail.co m	I. There is no proper classification of green spaces in Delhi. Green spaces should be categorized as (a) Ridge along the routes in the vast areas (b) forest around the city (c) peripheral woodlands in the jungle (d) big parks (e) parks for recreation and social functions (f) parks in moderately small open spaces (g) gardens, (h) children's play spaces (i) plantations of ornamental flowers (j) Orchards, landscaping, agriculture, etc. The present use of the playground adjoining to the residential plot of the suggestion-maker is creating nuisance.	Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC informed the group that UTTIPEC, DDA has prepared a draft for recategorization of green-open spaces. Chairman suggested to incorporate these aspects in Chapter on Environment. Action: Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC, DDA; Department of Environment, GNCTD and Department of Forests, GNCTD. Since the suggestion regarding the current use of the playground adjoining a residential plot in Tagore Garden Woodland was area-specific and not a Master Plan issue; Chairman suggested submission of a written representation to Department of Forests, GNCTD Action: Department of Forests, GNCTD
6	3677 V.K. Aggarwal, B-5/113, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi	 I. Need to configure a unified drainage system. II. Flood Plain Zoning Bill may be enacted by the Delhi Legislative Assembly without any further delay. III. Akshardham temple & Common Wealth Games Village in the river bed should be removed. IV. The water pondage level be raised to RL 210.8M, RL 204.5M and RL 202.7M upstream of Wazirabad, Yamuna Barrage and Okhla Barrage respectively. Water levels to be maintained in all season. V. A regulatory Tribunal be created for Co- 	It was informed that Master Plan for Drainage is under preparation in consultation with IIT Delhi. Chairman suggested that the issue of establishing a unified drainage system shall also be considered. Action: Chief Engs. (I&F), GNCTD Rest of the suggestions were general in nature, and do not required any modification in MPD-2021. The Chairman highlighted the scope of work of this MAG i.e. "Conservation of Yamuna River Bed and Flood Plain (including defining the same)". He informed that a plan of river bed in Delhi needs to be prepared with following layers Superimposeda. Built-up area, embankments,

		coordinating storm water drainage schemes, sewage treatment and disposal schemes. VI. No sewer/ waste/ polluted water is to be drained into storm drains of DDA, MCD, PWD and Irrigation & Flood control Departments. VII. Committee for District Planning to be constituted for Zonal Plan for the river bed land under Article 243-ZD of Constitution. VIII. Land Use of the Yamuna River Bed to be proposed under Article 243-ZD of the Constitution.	etc. b. Floodable area with highest flood level in Delhi, c. Major drains' meeting Points, d. Zonal Development Plan for Zone 'O' The above map will assist in redefining the boundaries of Zone – 'O'. GSDL is to be consulted for GIS mapping. It was also suggested to formulate a Group for same. Director (Environment), GNCTD may call a meeting of the regarding the issues and help for GSDL. Senior Consultant, UTTIPEC expressed interest in being a part of the Group. Action: Director (Plg) Zone O& E, DDA, Director (Environment), GNCTD
7	3884 Rahul Jindal, 553/37 Onkarnagar-c Trinagar, N.Delhi-35	The suggestion maker wants to discuss and present a proposal for cleaning River Yamuna ecologically and reducing its carbon footprint by use of microorganisms.	Chairman suggested presentation of the proposal in the next meeting and DDA should intimate the suggestion maker accordingly. Action: Director (Plg.) MPR & TC, DDA

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

For Director (Plg.) MPR & TC

(Shikha Bhargava) A.D. (Plg) MPR

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- All members of the group
- Special Invitees & Others
- P.S. to V.C., DDA
- OSD to V.C., DDA
- Concerned officers for necessary action as mentioned in the minutes