Mumbai Trans Harbour Link (MTHL) project Minutes of 7th meeting of the Coordination Committee

Minutes of the Meeting

The 7th meeting of the Coordination Committee regarding compensation to be paid to the project affected Fisher folk was held on 13.08.2019at 12.00 noon in MMRDA office under the chairmanship of Additional Metropolitan Commissioner (K).

Following officials were present for the meeting.

Meeting chaired by		Shri. Sanjay Khandare		
		Additional Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA	Chairman	
Members present in	me			
1	5	Shri. Sandip Daptardar, ACF Mumbai Suburbs.		
		Representative of Commissioner of Fisheries	Member	
2	•	Smt. Ashwini Patil, SLAO, Uran	Member	
		Representative of Collector, Raigad		
3	•	Shri. D.T. Thube, Chief Engineer, MMRDA	Member	
			Secretary	
4	:	Shri. Devendra Katke (Dy. Collector, SDC) Chairman of FEVC	Invitee Member	
Other officials	:	Shri. M.D. Gangurde, Dy. Collector, Raigad		
Other MMRDA officials	30.00	Shri. S. S. Varaskar, Superintending Engineer, MMRDA		
	*	Shri. G. G. Deshpande Executive Engineer, MMRDA.		
	*	Shri. B.A. Gaikwad, Dy. Engineer, MMRDA.		
GÇ & BEIPL	i	Shri. Vivek Kulkarni, Team Leader, MTHL		
	*	Shri. Dayanand Nangare – MTHL-GC		
		Shri. Hiralchandra Maru		
	8.23	Shri. Chandrakant Girkar		
	ţį.	Ms Nimisha Ghorpade		

At the outset, the Chairman Coordination Committee welcomed all present and briefed about the agenda for the meeting. The Chairman expressed displeasure about the absence of officials of MMB, Collector Mumbai City & DCP of Port Zone Mumbai &Panvel and that too without any intimation.

- 2. MMRDA officials apprised the Committee members about the status of the compensation process carried out by MMRDA and summarized the agenda set for the 7th meeting of the Coordination Committee.
- 3. Mr. Vivek Kulkarni, MTHL-GC/Team Leader Fisheries, with the help of power point presentation, presented the progress of fisher folk's survey, payment done to beneficiaries, pending applications etc.
- **4.** The following issues were discussed by the Committee and the gist of discussion / decisions is as follows.
 - a) The cut-off date for submission of applications:

SE (SSV) appraised that, MMRDA has already published Public Notice regarding the last date of submission of application from any fisher-folk to MMRDA office as 15th July 2019,

The Committee members agreed to consider the last date for receiving of applications to MMRDA as 15th July 2019.

b) The cut-off date by which the proofs submitted by the fisher-folks can be considered for deciding eligibility:

Mr. Katke, Dy Collector MMRDA appraised that, many of fisher-folk applications are attested with a certificate from Fishermen Cooperative Society stating that the fishermen is member of said society. This needs to be verified with authentic records available with Dy Registrar of Cooperative Societies (Fisheries)Mumbai. Similarly, the cut-off date for validation of membership also needs to be approved.

After detailed discussion, the Committee agreed that, the cut-off date for validation of membership to any Fishermen Cooperative Society shall be 30 Nov 2016 i.e. the last day of the month when first MMRDA's survey drive was ended.

- rc) For C-3 category Finalising the villages falling within impacted zone of bridge construction:
 - i. Mr Kulkarni of BEIPL Consultancy informed that, MMRDA has so far received total of 20920 numbers of applications from about 90 villages and many of them are far away from project alignment near coast line. Most of the applicants (about 80% 85%) fall in C-3 category (fishing by hand picking in intertidal zone). In previous scrutiny of applications done by Fisheries Dept, 3 villages from Mumbai side and 17 villages from Raigad district have been considered as eligible. Moreover, 3 villages from Thane district are already part of Fishermen Compensation Policy are also to be considered as eligible. Mr. Katke appraised that, during FEVC meeting, the members opined that the villages falling within 2.00 km radius from centre of bridge alignment at shoreline can be treated as

impacted for C-3 category. For C-1 & C-2 category, the criteria are separate. However, Mr Kulkarni informed, that it is observed in field that, some fishermen from villages located beyond 2.00 km radius are also doing fishing near MTHL alignment.

- ii. After discussion, the Coordination Committee agreed to consider 3 villages from Mumbai side and 17 villages from Raigad district as eligible as considered earlier by the Fisheries Dept. Moreover, it was decided to include 3 villages from Thane District. These 23 villages are Sewri, Mahul &Trombay on Mumbai side and Gavhan, Kopar, Ulwe, Jawale, Vahal, Bamandongri, Belpada, Ganeshpuri, Jasai, Morave, Mora, Uran (Hanuman Koliwada), Shelghar, Shivajinagar, Nhavakhadi, Moha & Kombadbhuja on Navi Mumbai side and Diwale, Sarsole & Belapur on Thane side.
- iii. Regarding PAP list (1624 numbers) recommended by Thane Collector, it was decided that PAP's cannot be considered in C3 category as they are from distant places from the site. They may be considered in C1 or C2 category if found affected subject to documentary evidence.
- iv. It was discussed and decided that those fisher-folk if affected due to the movement of barges/vessels from jetties at Belapur should also be considered as eligibility.

d) For C-3 category fisher-folk - Enlist the type of documents on eligibility

Mr. Katke Dy Collector & Chairman Fishermen Eligibility Validation Committee (FEVC) has requested that, there are huge number of applicants falling in C-3 category (fishing by hand picking) and need to finalise the type of documents on the basis of which eligibility of Applicant for payment of compensation under C-3 category can be decided. Many of them submit certification from corresponding Gram Panchayat.

Committee members reiterated that, authentication with use of the certification from Gram Panchayats is not agreed by this Committee in previous meeting. As enlisted by FEVC, any of the following documents shall be treated as valid Occupation Proof.

- i) Biometric card issued by the Fishery department.
- ii) Registration of boats, sus or License of fishery department.
- iii) Member of fisheries co-operative society as per the record certified by the Asstt. Registrar of Co-op Societies (Dairy)
- iv) Certified Audit report by fisheries co-op societies by Asstt. Registrar of Co-op Societies (Dairy)
- v) Name recorded in CMFRI survey data (Issued by CMFRI)

vi) If above documents are not available with PAP fisher-folk, then the certificate issued by concern Tahasildar/BDO.

The Chairman instructed Smt. Ashwini Patil, the representative from Collector of Raigad, to ensure that the concerned Tahsildars provide a certificate after proper investigations of the PAPs.

Committee also approved the list of following documents as Residential Proof. Any of the following shall be treated as valid residence proof.

- i. Ration card
- ii. Aadhar Card
- iii. Election card
- iv. Residence certificate by Gram Panchayat

e) Approval to rate of compensation updated to Dec 2018:

Mr. Kulkarni of BEIPL Consultancy informed that, the rate of compensation to be updated for Dec 2018 was pending and this rate will be applicable till Nov 2019. Now, payment to 199 fisher-folk of C-1 category from Mumbai side is to be done and rate of compensation is updated on thebasis of Consumer Price Index (CPI) declared by GOI for Dec 2018 and it is as follows;

Compensation	Rate of	Escalation factor	Updated rate	of
category	Compensation		compensation t	to
P			Dec 2018 (Rs)	
C1	Onetime payment of Rs. 5,84,000/-	135.92/ 126.1	6,29,479/-	
C2	50% of the amount provided per Unit in Code C1	135.92/ 126.1	3,14,739/-	
C3	Onetime payment of 50% amount provided in Code C1	135.92/ 126.1	3,14,739/-	

The Committee approved the updated rate as above for compensation to fisherfolk.

f) Approval to disbursement of funds to Fisheries Dept towards compensation to approved list of 199 fisher-folks in C1 category from Mahul and Trombay villages on Mumbai side:

After formation of FEVC, it has approved eligibility of 199 fisher-folk under C-1 category from Mahul and Trombay villages from Mumbai side in its first meeting held on 08.01.2019 and approval to disbursement of funds basis of the rate updated to Dec 2018 is requested to Commissioner Fisheries for further payment to individual beneficiaries.

The Committee approved to transfer funds to Fisheries Dept.

- Mr Vivek Kulkarni explained the committee about the procedure adopted for establishing C1 category PAPs. After discussion, the Chairman directed the consultants to prepare a table/ index regarding the interviews/ documentary evidence while establishing the same.
- 5. Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the all members of the Committee.

(Dr D. T. Thube) Chief Engineer & Member Secretary

CC for information and necessary action to:

The Chairman Fisher-Folk Grievance Redressal Committee

The Chairman Fisher-folk Eligibility Validation Committee

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