

MINUTES OF THE 4th MEETING OF RECONSTITUTED WEST BENGAL STATE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WBSCZMA) HELD ON 29th NOVEMBER, 2016 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

The following members/officials attended the meeting :

1. Shri Arnab Roy, IAS, Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Environment & **Chairman**, WBSCZMA
2. Prof. Amalesh Chowdhury, Ex-Head of The Deptt., Marine Science, Calcutta University- **Member**
3. Dr. Parthasarathi Chakrabarti, Former Chief Scientist, Geo-informatics and RS Cell, Deptt. of Science & Technology, GoWB – **Member**
4. Shri Sandip Chatterjee, Ex-Engineer-in-Chief, Deptt. of Public Health Engineering, GoWB- **Member**
5. Shri Sandipan Mukherjee, IFS, Chief Environment Officer & **Member Secretary**, WBSCZMA

The following officials attended the meeting as invitees:

1. Dr. S. Mukherjee, IFS, Member Secretary, West Bengal Pollution Control Board
2. Smt. Barnali Biswas, IAS, Director, IESWM
3. Shri Siddhartha Roy, IFS, Senior Environment Officer of the Department

The officials/Consultants/representatives of the 'Kolkata Port Trust' attended the meeting

PROCEEDINGS

The Chairman welcomed everybody and initiated the discussion. The following issues were discussed after brief introduction between the Members and the Project Proponent:

1. *CRZ recommendation for setting up Mini-Bulk Carriers Handling facility on upstream of 3rd Oil Jetty at Haldia Dock Complex – by Kolkata Port Trust*

The entire project was discussed in details by the Project Proponent through Power Point presentation along with maps. It was found that movement of ships inside the dock complex through the lock gate takes considerable time. Hence, in order to avoid movement of ships through the lock gate and decongestion of impounded docks as well as to improve the turnaround time thereby increasing the output of Haldia Dock Complex as demanded by the shipping industries, the decision of setting up of mini-bulk handing facility outside the dock area but within the Port complex of Haldia port has been proposed in an area having proper draught by Kolkata Port Trust. In view of the tidal influx within the river, a floating pontoon jetty has been proposed with walkway and conveyor. The activity is permissible in terms of 4(i) of CRZ Notification, 2011.

After detailed discussion, the Authority unanimously agreed to recommend the said project to the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India for CRZ clearance subject to correction and incorporation of the followings which came up in course of discussion:

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- i. A detailed plan of the jetty, walkway and hardstand showing different CRZ zones to be incorporated within the draft EIA.
- ii. The typographical errors as found in the EIA report also need to be corrected.

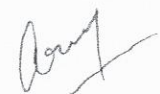
On receipt of the corrections, the proposal will be forwarded to the MoEF&CC, GoI.

2. *Miscellaneous*

Preparation of Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP)

Discussions were held within the members of the WBSCZMA reg. preparation of Coastal Zone Management Plan for West Bengal. With the permission of the Chairman, the Member Secretary, WBSCZMA discussed the position of mapping and subsequent generation of Coastal Zone Management Plan. In order to speed up the process the Chairman and the Member Secretary alongwith Senior Environment Officer visited National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM), Chennai on 11.11.2016 and discussed with the Director, NCSCM on the issues and also had a glimpse of the progress of the work done by NCSCM . After discussion it was found that NCSCM has already prepared the draft HTL and ESA maps. A copy of the HTL maps in .shp format was handed over to the Member Secretary, WBSCZMA by the Director, NCSCM. On return from NCSCM the map was sent to Institute of Environmental Studies and Wetland Management (IESWM) for validation. The progress of validation procedure was also discussed with the Director, IESWM. During the meeting at Chennai the Director, NCSCM conveyed that ESA maps in .shp file was also ready but would be handed over at a later date to the WBSCZMA. It was discussed that the Coastal Regulation Zone should extend up to the limit that was prescribed in the earlier plan and hence the scanned maps of the earlier plan would be handed over to NCSCM by WBSCZMA for fixing the limit of tidal influx within the State. It was proposed that in order to further follow up the planning process a Steering Committee and a Working Committee will be constituted involving representatives of different Departments and Authorities. The Working Committee would work under the guidance of the Steering Committee so that the entire work can proceed in a time bound fashion. The members agreed to the same and it was further decided that an formal order should be issued by the Principal Secretary, Environment Department and & Chairman, WBSCZMA by fixing the names of the members of the Steering Committee and the working group and the works to be done in a phase wise manner. In the 1st Phase the work would be taken up in 1:25,000 scale and thereafter a detailed plan would follow after the finalization of the maps in 1:4,000 scale as provided in CRZ Notification,2011.

The meeting then ended with thanks to and from the Chair.



(Arnab Roy)

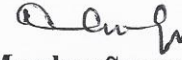
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Member Secretary

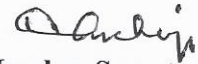
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