



Minutes of the the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the State Level Programme Management Committee (SLPMC) of OTELP held on 15.04.2009 at 11.00 A.M. in the Office Chamber of Principal Secretary, STSCDD and Chairperson, OTELP

List of Members present is at Annexure - I

At the outset the Programme Director, OTELP welcomed the Principal Secretary, STSCDD and Chairperson, OTELP and all other members of the committee

1. Confirmation of Proceedings of 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of SLPMC

Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of SLPMC held on 06/06/2008 has been circulated to all member and dated 661 Dtd. 09.06.2008 of PSU, OTELP. The committee confirmed the minutes

2. Action taken on key decisions of 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of SLPMC

The Programme Director presented the action taken report on the key decisions of the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of SLPMC which was acknowledged by the committee and the following decisions were taken.

- The effort in settling lands with the eligible landless households in both Phase I and Phase II programme villages should be expedited with the support and assistance of the field functionaries of Revenue department. This should also include the households having less than 1 standard acre of land.
- The details of all the cases under Section 2 of Orissa Land Reforms (OLR) Act, 1956 pending in the courts of Sub Collectors and the OSD (LR) pertaining to the programme villages will be collected by the ITDAs and the concerned tribal households will be facilitated under the component of Legal Defence Funds for settlement of these cases and bring the same to a logical conclusion. The P.A. ITDA will be the nodal officer at the district level to liaise with the courts for expeditious disposal of such cases. The District Collectors will ensure timely execution of the above
- In regards to implementation of the Forest Rights Act, processing of applications from village level to district level committees is to be continued and conferment of rights to the eligible tribal families can be effected after the vacation of stay by the Hon'ble High Court.
- Principal Secretary, STSCDD and Chairperson, OTELP suggested that the process of procurement of High-tech Survey Equipments (ETS & DGPS) through competitive bidding should be expedited. The tender documents are to be modified as per the standard format designed by IFAD and re-tendering should be done at the earliest. The demonstration of High-tech Survey Instruments is to be arranged on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2009 which will be attended by the Principal Secretary, SCSTDD, Commissioner cum Secretary, Forest & Environment and Commissioner cum Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management.
- In addition to 10 sets of High-tech Survey Equipments (ETS & DGPS) which are to be placed with the Director, Land Records for carrying out the survey and settlement process in the programme villages, another 10 sets are to be procured by OTELP for survey and settlement of forest land in the programme villages of Phase I and Phase II areas. The additional 10 sets of High-tech Survey Equipments (ETS & DGPS) are to be placed with Forest and Environment Department to facilitate conferment of rights under Forest Right Act. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Forest & Environment Department agreed to nominate one Officer in the rank of Conservator of Forests to be a Member of the Technical Committee for finalization of the tender. The field level officers of Forest department will also be nominated to under-go training on handling High-tech Survey Equipments (ETS & DGPS).
- The advertisement for the Post of Forestry Officer in ITDA, Nawarangpur and MIS Executive in ITDA, Gunupur is to be published by PSU immediately and the date of interview should be fixed after the model code of conduct cases to operate

### 3. Annual Work Plan & Budget for the year 2009 – 10

The AWPB for the year 2009 – 10 prepared by the PSU projecting a financial outlay of Rs. 53.92 crores was deliberated upon. The Addl. Secretary, Finance Deptt representing the Principal Secretary, Finance Deptt suggested to enhance the budget outlay in the line of other externally aided projects. Keeping in view the expenditure under different components for the year 2008-09 it was decided that the budget outlay for 2009-10 will be as follows:

Components	Budget(in Rs.lakhs)
Programme Mmanagement	432.64
Capacity Building for Empowerment	1470.00
Livelihoods Enhancement	3000.00
Support for Policy Initiatives	865.00
Development Initiative Funds	617.00
Food Handling	10.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>6394.64</b>

This includes the unspent balance of Rs. 10.92 crores pertaining to the year 2008-09. Thus funds to the tune of Rs 53.92 crores only will have to be released to PSU during 2009-10 by the ST & SC Development department. The committee approved the same.

#### 2. Any other matter

- The Commission-Cum-Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management conveyed that OTELP has become one of the flagship programmes of the Government and tribal communities have been empowered to take decisions and execute the activities themselves as per their Village Development and Livelihoods Plans. There is no contractor engaged for execution of programme activities and the NGOs and the staff of UDAs are facilitating the communities for smooth operation of programme activities. The modus operandi of the programme has kept the Maoists/Naxalites activities at bay in the programme villages. The Committee appreciated the good work done under this programme and expects the same trend to continue.
- On the issue of financing by DFID which is agreed up to 2010 the committee decided to move DFID India for further extension as per the commitment given by DFID at the time of the Programme Loan Agreement. The Addl. Secretary, STSCDD conveyed that in the event of non receipt of further grant from DFID, the Govt. of Orissa would bear the balance budgetary requirement till completion of the programme (2011) or has been decided by the Principal Secy, Finance Department.

Principal Secretary, STSCDD  
and Chairperson, SLPMC

