

Minutes of the the 11th meeting of the State Level Programme Management Committee (SLPMC)
of OTELP held on 01.10.2009 at 03.30 P.M. in the Office Chamber of
Principal Secretary, STSCDD and Chairperson, OTELP

List of Members present is at Annexure -1

At the outset the Programme Director, OTELP welcomed the Principal Secretary, STSC Development Department and Chairperson, OTELP and all other members of the committee.

1. Confirmation of Proceedings of 9th meeting of SLPMC

Minutes of the 10th meeting of SLPMC held on 06.06.2008 has been circulated to all members vide letter No. 183 Dtd. 13.04.2009 of PSU, OTELP. The committee confirmed the minutes.

2. Action taken on key decisions of 10th meeting of SLPMC and Review of Progress

The Programme Director presented the action taken report on the key decisions of the 10th meeting. The report was acknowledged by the committee and the following decisions were taken.

- * The Tender Call notice for procurement of DGPS and ETS has been advertised under National Competitive Bidding. Two tenders have been received and the General bids have been opened on 30th September, 2009. The technical evaluation is to be done at the earliest. As suggested by the P.D. it was decided to invite the Chief Executive, ORSAC, Representative of Survey of India and Conservator of Forests (to be nominated by F&E dept) as special invitees in the Technical Committee constituted vide the letter No. 29774R&DM dated 28th July, 2007 by the Govt. in Revenue & Disaster Management Deptt.
- * Out of 7321 landless households in the Phase I programme districts, 3524 households have been provided with homestead and agricultural lands under OPLE Act and OGLS Rules. 3020 applicants under Forest Rights Act have also been settled by the respective District Level committees with conferment of land titles. 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. It was decided that PD, OTELP will work out village wise the number of landless households who are yet to be given land either under OPLE Act / OGLS Rules and Forest Rights Act and inform the concerned Tahasildars, Collectors, RDCs and Revenue Deptt. with a request to settle land with them as per ACT / Rules.
- * All the relevant Rules and Acts (OPLE Act / OGLS Rules / Forest Rights Act / Rules) should be translated in tribal languages with the support of the Director, SCSTRFI and circulated among the project villages for awareness.

- At least 10 video films of 10 to 15 minutes duration will be developed in different tribal languages including Oriya with the support of ORSAC for wide coverage under GRAMSAT programme. Effort will also be made to get slots in the OTV or ETV for telecasting the films.
- Massive awareness programme will be taken up through the FNGOs in all the programme villages for making the PRIs, SHG members, Village volunteers and members of other CBOs aware of the rules, provisions and procedures involved in Forest Rights Act and other Revenue laws and regulations facilitating them to process their demands for conferment of land titles in the correct way. PD, OTELP will also other IEC materials in this regard as deemed necessary.
- Training programmes on Forest Rights Act and other relevant Revenue Act / Rules will be conducted with the support of Director, SCSTRTI and Director, Land Records for the staff of FNGOs, officers of Forest & Environment, Panchayati Raj, Revenue & Disaster Management and SC & ST Development Departments.
- ITDAs with the support of FNGOs will facilitate attendance of Revenue Inspectors, Amins, and Foresters in the meetings of Gramsabhas.
- Under Section 2 of OLR Act, 1956, 101 numbers of cases (Koraput-12, Balliguda-20, Kalanandi-69) have been identified pertaining to Phase I villages, which are pending in the courts of Sub Collectors. The PA, ITDAs have been requested to facilitate the beneficiaries for fighting out the cases. They have also been requested to identify the cases in Phase II villages. The concerned tribal households will be facilitated under the component of Legal Defense Funds for settlement of these cases and bring the same to a logical conclusion. The PA, 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. The P.D., OTELP will take steps for bringing out advertisements in the leading Oriya Newspapers regarding the facility under Legal Defense Funds for wide dissemination of the information in all the programme districts. PD, OTELP will also disseminate the same through other types of IEC materials.
- The special survey operation in all the Phase I villages under OTELP has been notified by the Govt vide Revenue & Disaster Management Department Notification dated 31st August, 2007. The Chief Executive ORSAC will be requested to take up the same in one of the Phase I blocks under OTELP. As such he has been entrusted with the survey operation in four districts by the Revenue & Disaster Management Deptt.
- The Dy. Director, Land Records & Survey informed that necessary steps have been taken up to get the approval of Member, Board of Revenue for incorporating the methods of High Tech Survey operation under Section 10 of the "Kistwari and Khanapuri Niyamabali"

published by the Board of Revenue, Orissa, Cuttack and Section 2 of The Technical Rule, Vol I. The matter will be expedited by the Director, Land Records & Survey.

- The Commissioner cum Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management department will be requested for early placement of the services of 10 special survey units (each unit comprising one A.S.O, one Amin and one Consolidator, Grade II) with the PA, ITDAs of the Phase I programme districts as decided by the Govt. vide memo No S. 146/06 51848/RDM dated 07.11.2006.

3. Progress under Annual work Plan & Budget, 2009 – 10

- The P.D. informed that the total expenditure for the year 2009-10 has been to the tune of Rs. 15.60 crores up to August, 2009. All efforts will be taken by the programme staff to ensure complete achievement of the target by the end of 2009-10.
- Effort will be made to collaborate with the State Medicinal Plant Board for promoting Home and Institutional herbal gardens in the programme villages.
- Herbal fairs will also be arranged in every programme district in collaboration with the State Medicinal Plant Board.

4. Staff position under OTELP

- The post of Revenue & Administrative Officer in PSU has fallen vacant since one month on transfer of Dr. Gopabandhu Dash, OAS-I (JB). Immediate posting of a suitable officer is required to be made in view of commencement of special survey operation. The matter has been taken up with the Revenue & Disaster Management Department. This may be expedited by Revenue Deptt. .
- The post of Agriculture Officer in ITDA, Koraput is vacant. Further the Agriculture Officer in ITDA, Balligada is under order of transfer by the Director, Agriculture. The Comm cum Secy, Agriculture Deptt has been requested to place the services of Asst. Agriculture Officers with ST & SC Dev Deptt for posting as Agriculture Officers under OTELP.
- There is no full-fledged PA, ITDA in ITDA, Th.Rampur since June, 2007 and the P.O (PME), OTELP is kept in charge of P.A., ITDA. This is very adversely affecting the progress of OTELP in Kalhandi district. The present incumbent may be allowed to continue as PA, ITDA and a suitable officer in the rank of O.A.S.-I (JB) may be posted as

P.O. (PME) in ITDA, Th. Rampur. The matter will be taken up with the G.A. and Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

- The P.O. (PME) in ITDA, Balliguda is going to retire from service on 31st Jan, 2010. A suitable substitute may be posted in his place and the matter will be taken up with the Revenue & Disaster Management Department.
- The Forestry Officers of ITDA, Paralakhemundi and Balliguda are also on the verge of retirement. Posting of suitable Range Officers will be taken up with the Forest & Environment Department

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Principal Secretary, SI SCDD
and Chairperson, SI PMC