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Subject: Minutes of the Project Implementation Committee (PIC) meeting on Progress Review of "Urban Resilience Project (URP): RAJUK and overall aspects".

The undersigned is directed to send herewith the minutes of the Project Implementation Committee (PIC) meeting on Progress Review of "Urban Resilience Project (URP): RAJUK and overall aspects" held on 31 March, 2021 in the Conference Room of Planning Division Sher-e Bangla Nagar, Dhaka for further necessary action.

Enclosure: As stated.


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Subject: Minutes of the Project Implementation Committee (PIC) meeting on Progress Review of Urban Resilience Project (URP):RAJUK and overall aspects.

Date : 31 March, 2021, Thursday
Time : 02:30 P.M.
Venue : Conference Room of Planning Division, Sher-e- Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
Chairperson : Mr. Khandker Ahsan Hossain, Chief, Programming Division
Participants : List of participants is enclosed in Appendix - 'A'

Presentation:

At the outset, the Chair welcomed all officials attended the meeting along with the representatives of RAJUK. After introduction of the participants and exchanging pleasantries, he requested the Director General (DG)/ Project Director (PD), URP: PCMU to present the agenda of the meeting. In response, DG, PCMU mentioned that today's meeting was mainly arranged for discussion and review of physical and financial progress of RAJUK in details and determine if additional funding was required to continue the planned activities. Then he requested the PD of RAJUK part Mr. Abdul Latif Helaly and the Acting Team Leader, URP M & E team Mr. Shamsul Arefin to present the progress status in details.

Discussion:

At the beginning, the Chair requested the Project Director of RAJUK to describe the objectives, activities and both physical and financial progress of his part. The PD narrated the activities and latest progress. He presented the same with power point. Elaborate discussions were held on that issue. Agency wise discussion and decisions are described below:

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1.	Progress Review (Physical and Financial)	<p>The PIC meeting leads the following discussions and the relevant decisions were made accordingly.</p> <p>a) URP: RAJUK</p> <p>At first the PD, URP: RAJUK presented the overall components and sub-components of Rajuk part. RAJUK is implementing total six sub-components under URP. These are B1, B2, C1, C2, C3 and C4. Component wise detailed physical and financial progress were presented by the PD, URP: RAJUK. He stated that physical progress of around 60% for Vulnerability Assessment (VA) work and 73% for Risk Sensitive Land-use Planning (RSLUP) work have been achieved so far. Urban Resilience Unit (URU) operationalization package is also achieved 70% physical progress. Besides,</p>	<p>URU (Urban Resilience Unit) operationalization Package (S-6) needs to be redefined to increase its scope of work with a view to fully operationalize the URU as well as some other additional works like PEA ((Preliminary Engineering Assessment), DEA (Detail Engineering Assessment) and procurement of furniture for URU building.</p> <p>Other 3 agencies (DDM, DNCC and PCMU) will examine if there will be any unspent amount left</p>

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		<p>URU construction activities have started in full swing while site mobilization is already done and piling work is targeted to finish within late May 2021. Now RAJUK requires the approval of budget and manpower for URU. With that reference, it (RAJUK) will seek necessary steps from Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Public Administration.</p> <p>He also stated that equipment for the lab is already delivered within stipulated time. Electronic Construction Permitting System (ECPS) package has achieved 65% physical progress and it is going to be launch on late April 2021.</p> <p>Under the Professional Accreditation Programme (PAP), the contract package has been signed with a reputed firm.</p> <p>Building Code Implementation and Enforcement Strategy package has achieved 60% physical progress.</p> <p>On a query of the Chief, Programming Division regarding the URU operationalization, the PD, URP: RAJUK acknowledged that the URU operationalization is a challenging task within the project period. Besides, it needs additional funding to conduct its operationalization process.</p> <p>Moreover, regarding URU Operationalization the PD, URP: RAJUK also expressed that under the "Vulnerability Assessment of critical and essential lifeline-B1", they have identified 5 million Square meter Rapid Visual Assessment (RVA). Within these 5 million square meters they will conduct 1 million square meter PEA (Preliminary Engineering Assessment) and only .4 million square meter DEA (Detail Engineering Assessment). According to him, for the sustainability of this work, URP 2nd phase is needed to conduct the rest amount of PEA among the RVA, and the implementation of Detail Engineering Assessment (DEA).</p> <p>Chairperson thanked the PD, URP: RAJUK for their activities. He, then expressed the significance of URU. He requested the PD to take necessary steps for the employment of staff and to make some rules, regulations in this regard.</p>	<p>over; along with surplus amount and inform Programming Division, ERD and World Bank within 10 days for fund restructuring. The additional amount if available was proposed to contribute to RAJUK part to complete their proposed tasks.</p> <p>RAJUK will expedite their work for approval of budget and manpower for URU. PD, URP: RAJUK will communicate with the concerned Ministries within April 2021.</p> <p>RAJUK will expedite work progress of all other packages in order to accomplish all targeted works within timeframe.</p>

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		<p>b) URP: DDM</p> <p>DDM is responsible for <u>Component A1</u>: Renovate and outfit national-level Disaster Risk Management (DRM) facilities; and Component A5: Provide Training, Exercises and Drills (TED) to national-level and local-level agencies involved in DRM.</p> <p><u>Component A1</u>: The M&E consultant informed that the construction works for the renovation of Emergency Response & Communication Centre (ERCC) and National Disaster management Research & Training Institute (NDMRTI) were completed. Handover not yet done by the contractor due to pending approval of additional work from the Ministry.</p> <p><u>Component A5</u>: The M&E firm informed that DDM hired the REM-DTCL consortium to conduct TED (Training, Exercise and Drill) program. But after implementation of one introductory training (6 batches) and a Drill (1 batch) the program was postponed. The long pending financial settlement with the REM/DTCL-JV was not yet completed and the TED firm claimed a significant amount of the contract value as <i>Force Majeure</i> which is still in an insecure and unsettled stage. In this regard, the M&E Consultant informed that completion of the TED program is essentially important to achieve the Project Development Objective (PDO) Indicator 3, Intermediate Results Indicator (IRI) 6 & 7 of the URP Results Framework. Without achievement of these indicators the project development objective will not be achieved.</p> <p>Project Director (DDM-part), Mr. Abdul Mannan stated that DDM analyzed every possible steps so that the TED programme can resumes again. But as TED contract ended with REM/DTCL in November 18, 2020 and all international consultants leave the country and not interested to continue within the Global pandemic situation, it is not possible to continue and resume the training programme at this moment. Amicable Financial Settlement with REM/DTCL is also getting delayed for long time as Force Majeure claimed by REM/DTCL with significant amount of contract value as compensation.</p>	<p>TED is very much important to achieve the Project Development Objective. DDM will expedite the negotiation process for an amicable settlement of financial issues with the firm. The Agency will take an immediate decision about the future of TED program after discussion with the World Bank.</p>

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		<p>Besides, the above discussion the M&E team expressed that the (a) necessity of TED; b) completion of the Preliminary Engineering Assessment (PEA) and implementation of Detail Engineering Assessment (DEA) under the Vulnerability Assessment, c) URU construction and operationalization, and d) the Comprehensive plan & budget for O&M of purchased Goods & equipment is crucial needs for the overall Sustainability of URP. Considering the above very important issues, this is a decision-making time to initiate the process for the URP 2nd phase.</p>	

Concluding Remarks

The Chair advised everyone to work with wisdom, safety and sincerity. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

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(Khandker Ahsan Hossain)

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Convener of the PIC.

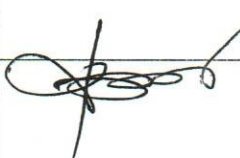
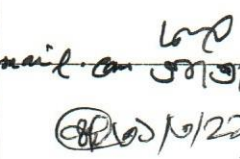
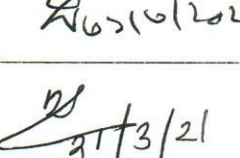
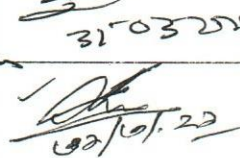
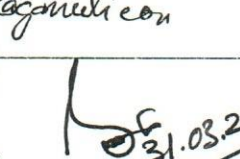
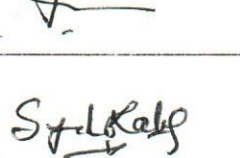

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Subject : List of Participants Attended the Project Implementation Committee (PIC) Meeting (URP: PCMU).

Date : 31 March, 2021 at 2:30 pm.

Venue : Conference Room (Building-10, Room-04, Ground Floor), of Planning Division.

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