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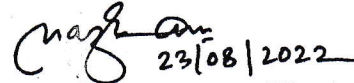
Notice

The 18th meeting of the Project Steering Committee (PSC) of "Urban Resilience Project (URP)" PCMU Part will be held on **07 September 2022, Wednesday at 10:00 am** in the New Building of Planning Division, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka. Mr. Md. Mamun-Al-Rashid, Secretary, Planning Division will preside over the meeting.

02. Agenda:

- (a) Approval of minutes of the previous meeting
- (b) Progress (physical and financial) of the project during the current financial year
- (c) Cumulative progress (physical and financial) of the project
- (d) Discussion regarding audit activities
- (e) Miscellaneous

03. All members of PSC are requested to attend or nominate a suitable representative for the meeting.


(Mohammad Nazmul Hasan Khan)
Senior Assistant Secretary
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Distribution: (not according to seniority)

1. Senior Secretary, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
2. Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Public Works, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
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4. Secretary, Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
5. Secretary, Security Services Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
6. Secretary, IMED, Ministry of Planning, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
7. Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
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11. Director General, URP: PCMU, Programming Division, Bangladesh Planning Commission, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
12. Chief Executive Officer, Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC), Gulshan, Dhaka.
13. Chairman, Rajdhani Unnayan Kartipakhkha (RAJUK), 1, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka.
14. Director General, Department of Disaster Management (DDM), Mohakhali, Dhaka.
15. Director General, Fire Service and Civil Defense Department, Kazi Alauddin Road, Dhaka.
16. Joint Secretary (PTC), Planning Division, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
17. Project Director, URP: DDM Part, Department of Disaster Risk Management, Mohakhali, Dhaka.
18. Project Director, URP: RAJUK Part, RAJUK Bhavan, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka.
19. Project Director, URP: DNCC Part, Dhaka North City Corporation, Banani, Dhaka.
20. Deputy Director, PCMU, Programming Division, Bangladesh Planning Commission, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
21. Director, Training Coordination and Procurement (TCP), PCMU, Programming Division, Bangladesh Planning Commission, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.

M & E Consulting Firm:

1. Acting Team Leader and Others, GOPA SSIL, House-359, Road: 04, Floor 1 & 3, Baitul Aman Housing Society, Adabor, Dhaka 1207. (With a request to provide power point presentation).

The World Bank:

1. MS. Swarna Kazi, TTL, URP, World Bank, Dhaka (With a Special request to attend the meeting.)

C.C for information and further necessary action:

1. Joint Secretary (Protocol), Planning Division, Ministry of Planning, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka (with a request to arrange the venue including necessary logistics for the meeting):
2. P.S. to the Secretary, Planning Division, Ministry of Planning, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.

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Subject: Minutes of the 17th Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting of "Urban Resilience Project (URP)" PCMU Part Project.

Please find the attached minutes of the 17th Project Steering Committee (PSC) meeting of "Urban Resilience Project (URP)" PCMU Part held on 30.05.2022 for your kind information and necessary action, if any at your end.

Attachment: Minutes of the 17th PSC meeting


22.06.2022
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(Attn. Mst Rahima Begum, Joint Secretary)
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(Attn. Mr. Myenul Hasan, Deputy Secretary)
4. Senior Secretary, Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
(Attn. Mst Poly Kar, Senior Assistant Secretary)
5. Secretary, Security Services Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
(Attn. Mr. Arif Ahamad, Joint Secretary)
6. Secretary, IMED, Ministry of Planning, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
(Attn. Mr. Abdullah Al Mamun, Director General)
7. Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
(Attn. Mr. Abu Usuf Md, Rasal, Senior Assistant Secretary)
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Subject: Minutes of the 17th PSC Meeting of the "Urban Resilience Project (URP) (PCMU Part)

The 17th meeting of the Project Steering Committee (PSC) of the 'Urban Resilience Project (URP) (PCMU Part)' project was held on 30 May, 2022 under the Chairmanship of Pradip Ranjan Chakraborty, Secretary, Planning Division, Ministry of Planning. A list of participants is attached as Annexure -A.

2.0 Confirmation of the minutes of 16th PSC meeting:

2.1 The minutes of the 16th PSC meeting held on 19th December 2021 was read out in the meeting and it was confirmed without any objection.

3.0 Introduction and Discussion:

3.1 At the beginning of the meeting, the chair welcomed all the members of the PSC. A total of 25 participants attended the meeting and all participants of the meeting made self-introduction. The Chief (Additional Secretary), Programming Division gave a short briefing on the Project's current status.

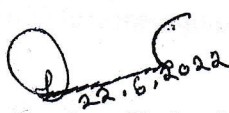
3.2 The Chairperson opened the discussion and he wanted to know the number of consultants working under this project. The meeting was informed that a total of 18 consultants are now working in this project. They carry out their day to day activities in a rented house situated in Shyamoli of Dhaka city. He expressed his dissatisfaction since nobody brought their mode of duties before him. He said no consultant is known to him although he is acting as Head Of Procuring Entity (HOPE) of the project. In this context Mr A.B.M Shamsul Arefin, Acting Team Leader, M & E Team Said that they are submitting quarterly progress report to the programming Division on regular basis. These reports are not checked or verified and even these are not produced before him. This should be done by the project director, he opined.

3.3 During discussion, the Chairperson mentioned that from this project a number of fire fighting equipment including Turn Table Ladder (TTL) was supplied to the department of Fire Service and Civil Defence. This department is also procuring fire fighting equipment under its revenue and development budget. So, there should be a clear identification mark regarding the source of the equipment. Representative of Fire Service Department mentioned that the equipments which they got from this project is not found to be perfect. Some of these are laying inactive for days together. They have also shortage of manpower for proper handling of these equipments. They proposed for creating new posts for these equipment but the administrative division did not agree with that proposal. The project authority should take cognizance of the fact and find out a fruitful solution in this respect, the chair added.

3.4 During discussion, the role of Dhaka South City Corporation, Dhaka North City Corporation and Sylhet City Corporation was raised. The meeting was appraised that there were provisions of erecting a total of 21 warehouses. Among these, Dhaka North City Corporation-05, Dhaka South City Corporation-03, Sylhet FSCD-02 and Dhaka FSCD-11. All these 21 have already been completed. The Chairperson asked for a comprehensive report regarding these warehouses. DPP

has provision of erecting 133 towers. Of these, Rooftop tower-115 and Greenfield tower-18. Among 115 Rooftop towers, a total of 107 have been completed (FSCD-97 out of 102, DNCC-04 out of 06, DSCC-05 all done, Sylhet City Corporation-01 out of 02). On the otherhand, only two out of 18 Greenfield towers have been completed, these are, FSCD-01 and DNCC-01. The provision of Greenfield towers include, FSCD-10, DNCC-03, DSCC-02 and Sylhet City Corporation-03. These towers were constructed for making good communication network. The height of a tower is 60 meter (Greenfield Tower). In this context, the Chairperson wanted to know about the exit plan of the project. He passed doubt regarding the sustainability of these warehouses and towers. Because, these were not implemented in a co-ordinated way. He said, every fire station has an approved drawing and design. These towers and warehouses are not included in that drawing and design. From this point of view, the administrative ministry or the Public Works Department should be consulted earlier before doing these activities, the Chairperson added.

- 3.5 During discussion of RAJUK Part, the meeting was informed about the activities Sub Component B-1, B-2, C-1, C-2, C-3 and C-4. The Rapid Visual Assessment (3252 buildings), Preliminary Engineering Assessment (579 buildings) and Detailed Engineering Assessment (210 buildings) have been done.
- 3.6 In course of detail discussion it was strongly noticed that there is still huge communication gap and lack of co-ordination among different components of the project, PCMU and the project director should take immediate measures in this regard, the chairperson opined.
- 4.0 After threadbare discussion, The following decisions were taken in the meeting :-
- I. The consultants working under this project would produce detail activities of each component before the HOPE of the project;
 - II. The Director General of the Fire Service and Civil Defence Department would be requested to form a committee for making through investigation regarding equipments, tower and warehouses arranged under this project;
 - III. The Security Services Division should be kept well informed regarding the activities involving FSCD;
 - IV. The project director is requested to varify all the Quarterly Progress Report of the project and place these reports before the HOPE with specific comments.
- 5.0 As there was no other issue to discuss, the Chair thanked all the participants for their presence and contribution and declared the meeting closed.


(Pradip Ranjan Chakraborty)
Secretary
Planning Division
&
Chairperson
Project Steering Committee