



# MITHI RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND PROTECTION AUTHORITY (MRDPA)



**Compendium  
of  
Empowered  
Committee  
Meeting**

**MITHI RIVER DEVELOPMENT  
& PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

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**SEPARATOR**

**Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of EC**

MIRDPA/28<sup>th</sup> Dec 201

The draft Minutes of the meeting of EC kept  
at page no. 115/14, are submitted for approval, please

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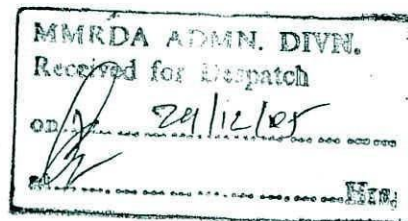
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December 28, 2005

**Mithi River Development and  
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To,  
Chief Secretary,  
Government of Maharashtra,  
Mantralaya,  
Mumbai



Sub: Mithi River Development and Protection  
Authority-2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Empowerment Committee

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2006  
Time: 11.45 a.m.  
Venue: Committee Room of Chief Secretary

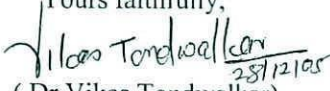
Respected Sir,

As decided in the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Empowerment Committee of Mithi River Development and Protection Authority (MRDPA), the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Empowerment Committee is organized at 11.45 a.m. on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2006 in the Committee Room of Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra to transact the following activities:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Empowerment Committee of MRDPA held on December 20, 2005
2. To decide the strategy for making available alternative accommodation to those eligible for rehabilitation within the width of 30 m. from the banks of Mithi River. Resettlement of those affected by 30 m. on either side widening of River needs to be done on priority basis by making available tenements from MCGM, MMRDA, SPPL, Housing Department and other concerned Departments.
3. To approve the detailed cost estimates of Rs. 30 crores for implementation of immediate works for Mithi river development.
4. To approve the block estimates for the development works for entire stretch of Mithi River from Mahim Causeway up to Powai along with Vakolla Nalla.
5. Any other items with the permission of Chair.

A copy of Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of Empowerment Committee of MRDPA held on December 20, 2005 is enclosed herewith for information. You are requested to be present in the Empowerment Committee meeting on the time and date indicated as above.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,  
  
(Dr Vikas Tondwalkar)  
Project Director  
and Member Secretary

**Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of Empowerment Committee of the  
Mithi River Development and Protection Authority**

Date: December 20, 2005

Time: 11.30 a.m.

Venue: Chief Secretary's Committee Room ( 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Mantralaya)

**Members Present:**

- 1) Shri Prem Kumar  
Chief Secretary,  
Government of Maharashtra
- 2) Shri O. P. Gehrotra  
Add. Chief Secretary, (Finance)  
Government of Maharashtra
- 3) Shri Ramanand Tiwari  
Principal Secretary (1)  
Urban Development Department  
Government of Maharashtra
- 4) Shri Nanasaheb Patil  
Principal Secretary (2)  
Urban Development Department  
Government of Maharashtra
- 5) Shri J. S. Sabni  
Principal Secretary, (Planning)  
Government of Maharashtra
- 6) Dr. T. Chandrashekhar  
Metropolitan Commissioner  
MMRDA.
- 7) Dr. D. B. Boralkar  
Member Secretary,  
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board
- 8) Dr Vikas Tondwalkar  
Project Director and Member Secretary  
MRDPA

**Special Invitees**

- 1) Shri Shrikant Singh  
Additional Municipal Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai.
- 2) Dr. Rakesh Kumar,  
Scientist & Head, Bombay Zonal laboratory  
NEERI,
- 3) Shri U. V. Purandare  
Additional Director  
CWPRS

- 4) Shri Kapilshwar  
Chief Research Officer  
CWPRS
- 5) Mr Nagarajan  
IT, Bombay

The Project Director and Member Secretary of the Authority welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman and all the members in the first meeting of the Empowerment Committee of Mithi River Development and Protection Authority (MRDPA), and thereafter item wise discussions were held as under:

**Item No 1. To decide implementation strategy for mitigating flood situation in the surrounding areas of Mithi river to be implemented before May 31, 2005.**

Project Director, MRDPA stated that in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Authority headed by Hon'ble Chief Minister of the State, decision was taken to prepare & execute immediate action plan on or before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006 so that during the next monsoon, the flooding in low lying areas surrounding of the Mithi River could be controlled in case of heavy rainfall. Accordingly, immediate action plan along with its financial implications to implement the development works in Mithi river was put up before the Committee. In responding to this, Chairman of the Committee enquired regarding the details of the works proposed in the immediate action plan. Project Director explained that CWPRS, Pune had submitted interim recommendations for increasing the discharge capacity of the river based on 100 years return period and the final report will be submitted in February 2006. Project Director further stated that based on the Interim report of CWPRS, the immediate action plan has been worked out and the implementation of this action plan before May 31, 2006 would increase the discharging capacity of Mithi river to a reasonable extent so that flooding in the low lying areas Mithi river could be controlled. Shri Purandare, Additional Director, CWPRS confirmed that the development works proposed in the immediate action plan could help to control the flooding in the low lying areas of Mithi river. Metropolitan Commissioner, MMRDA suggested that such an Action Plan may have to be jointly implemented by MMRDA and MCGM in their respective jurisdictions adjoining the Mithi River, specifically, in BKC area from Mahim Causeway to CST bridge by MMRDA and remaining area from CST bridge to Powai lake by MCGM.

Upon an understanding of the proposed Action Plan, Hon'ble Chairman however suggested that all aspects of the Action Plan should necessarily be implemented independently by Mithi River Development and Protection Authority (MRDPA) which has been constituted for the said purpose and both MCGM and MMRDA needs to support its efforts by providing all necessary administrative and financial support within the urgent time frame. The Empowerment Committee after

discussions, further decided that MMRDA should immediately provide the required Engineering and Administrative Staff to MRDPA and also decided to give all the technical powers such as according technical sanction, calling tenders, acceptance of tenders, issue of work orders, and releasing the funds agencies to the Project Director and Member Secretary of MRDPA for speedy and efficient implementation of the Works for improvement of the Mithi River Development. In addition the Committee also decided to send the proposal to attach one division of the Irrigation Department to MRDPA to work under the Project Director for adequate support and coordination of the implementation works. In this regard, Hon'ble Chairman instructed the project Director to prepare the proposal for recruitment of the Administrative and Engineering staff.

**Item No 2. Approval to the Block Estimates for development works proposed to be undertaken based on the recommendation of CWPRS, Pune**

Next item discussed on the Agenda was the Cost Estimates and necessary approvals for completing the works related to the Mithi River Development. The Block Cost estimates for Rs. 127 crore as prepared for completing the works from Mahim Causeway to CST Bridge in BKC was put up before the Empowerment Committee for approval. Principal Secretary (Planning) inquired whether the Block Cost estimates had been prepared based on a proper project survey. Project Director confirmed that the estimates prepared were based on a proper survey conducted by MMRDA and hence may be approved.

In continuation, it was pointed out by the Project Director that Works of at least Rs. 30 crores mainly involving deepening as recommended by CWPRS could be taken up immediately in the BKC limit for control of flooding and completed prior to the next monsoon. While discussing it was confirmed from the concerned Executive Engineer (Shri L. M. Bisen) that the block estimates for the development of Mithi river proposed are based on recommendations of CWPRS and does not require immediate removal of any encroachments.

Hence, Project Director requested that such a budget of Rs. 30 crores might be sanctioned for issuing the Tenders and Public notice bearing in mind the urgency of completing at least priority works by May 31, 2006. Project Director also informed the Committee members that MRDPA could undertake implementation of other works (widening, deepening, pitching, increasing the spans of five bridges, preparing the physical model and allied items) as soon as the encroachments in the relevant stretches are removed. He also stated that MMRDA has suggested CWPRS to consider 25 yrs and 50 yrs return period and also for rainfall of 26<sup>th</sup> July event for mathematical and recommend various scenarios. After receiving recommendations of CWPRS for the above scenarios (100 yrs, 50

hrs, 25 yrs and 25<sup>th</sup> July Event), the feasibility report will be prepared considering technical feasibility, socio-economic impact, and financial feasibility and submitted to Government of Maharashtra for approval of feasible proposal. After getting the approval of GoM, MRDPA will start implementation of other recommendations of CWPRS accordingly.

In response Hon'ble Chief Secretary directed Project Director to immediately prepare the detailed cost estimates for Rs 30 crores of works, which can be taken up immediately and also to initiate the process of necessary approvals and tendering of the works, such that this can be reviewed and approved in the next meeting of Empowerment committee scheduled for December 28, 2005.

In addition to above, the Chairman, also inquired on the status of the Block estimates for entire stretch of Mithi river. He further thereby directed the Project Director to immediately prepare the Block cost Estimates for stretch of Mithi river up to Powai Lake and also place it before the Empowerment Committee for review and approval during their next meeting of Empowerment committee scheduled for December 28, 2005.

**Item No 3. Approval to Block estimate for implementation of environment improvement works based on the recommendation's of IIT, Mumbai**

Project Director informed that The IIT, Bombay had submitted the draft Interim report in third week of November 2005. MMRDA had given the comments on the draft Interim recommendations. It was discussed that as a part of recommendations of IIT, Bombay, MPCB had initiated the actions for preventing the discharge from commercial and industrial units located at the bank of river It was also discussed that MCGM had initiated actions for solid waste management in the localities adjacent to Mithi river so that the waste is prevented from dumping into Mithi river. The Empowerment Committee directed MPCB and MCGM to immediately take all necessary measures so that the sewage and solid waste are prevented from entering into the Mithi river.

**Item No . 4 Deciding the ' logo' of MRDPA**

Project Director, MRDPA presented several alternative samples of logos for the consideration of the Empowerment Committee. After discussions and review of the various alternative Logos, the Committee selected one of the Logos, which is attached with a copy of these Minutes.

**Item No. 5 Detailed Survey of existing structures as per the original width of Mithi river**

Project Director informed that a joint committee of representatives of M.C.G.M. and Revenue Department has been constituted and the city survey officers have



prepared the map of Mithi river showing original as well as the present dimensions and the extent to which encroachment has taken place.

Additional Collector (Western Suburbs) informed that a preliminary survey has been conducted by the Revenue Department for the width within 30 m. from the banks on either sides of the river and detailed survey was in progress. The Empowerment Committee directed the Revenue Department that the detailed survey of existing structures needs to be completed by December 31, 2005.

**Item No. 6: Issue of notices and verification of documentation by Revenue Department for finalizing the list of encroachers with reference to eligibility for rehabilitation.**

Project Director informed that after the detailed survey is completed the revenue department has proposed issue notices and verification of documents from January 1, 2006 for finalizing the list of encroachers with reference to eligibility for rehabilitation. The Empowerment Committee directed the Revenue Department to complete the activity of issuing notices by January 15, 2006 on priority basis.

**Item No. 7 Offering of alternative accommodation to those eligible for rehabilitation within the original width of the Mithi River**

The Empowerment Committee discussed various options of making available alternative accommodation for those eligible for rehabilitation. The Committee directed MCGM, MMRDA, SPPL and Housing Department to explore the possibility of making the residential and commercial units available for resettlement of eligible affected persons. Hon'ble Chairman instructed the Project Director to hold the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Empowerment Committee on December 28, 2005. He further stated that in this meeting, the issue of making the tenements available for resettlement of affected households would be discussed and decided on priority basis. He instructed that all the concerned Departments should be invited in his meeting.

**Item No. 8 Removal of affected structures and deepening and widening of the Mithi River to the extent shown in the city survey map**

This item was discussed as a part of Item No 1.

After discussions of the various Items the Empowerment Committee passed the following Resolutions:

- (i) It is hereby resolved that the detailed cost estimates of Rs 30 crores for implementation of immediate works for Mithi River development are to be prepared and put up for approval in the next Meeting. The

block estimates for the development works for entire stretch of River from Mahim Causeway up to Powai along with Vakolla Nalla should be prepared and put up in the next meeting of the Committee for review and necessary approval.

- (ii) It is further resolved that for the implementation of immediate development works of the Mithi River required expenditure will be incurred from Task No. 7.6 of MMRDA Fund.
- (iii) It is further resolved that MMRDA will provide all required administrative support to MRDPA till the regular arrangements are made. It is further resolved that the Project Director, MRDPA is hereby empowered to appoint Administrative/Engineering Staff on deputation basis as and when required from concerned government/semi-government organizations.
- (iv) Considering the urgency of execution of development works it is further resolved that all the technical powers such as according technical sanction, calling tender, acceptance of tenders, issue of work order, and releasing the funds agencies are hereby vested to Chief, T&C Division, MMRDA with the concurrence of Project Director and Member Secretary of MRDPA.
- (v) It is further resolved that the Revenue Department will complete the detailed survey of existing structures for the width of 30 m. from banks on either side of the Mithi river by December 31, 2005.
- (vi) It is further resolved that the Revenue Department will complete the activity of issuing notices by January 15, 2006 on priority basis.
- (vii) It is hereby resolved that the logo attached along with these Minutes is hereby approved.

The meeting ended with the Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



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