

**MINUTES OF REVIEW MEETING ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL & SOCIAL MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK (ESMF) AND PROGRESS OF NATIONAL SEISMIC RISK MITIGATION PROGRAMME (NSRMP) HELD ON 24.02.2020 AT 11 AM in AUDITORIUM, NDMA BHAWAN, NDMA, NEW DELHI.**

The meeting to review draft Environmental & Social Management Framework (ESMF) report and overall progress of National Seismic Risk Mitigation Programme (NSRMP) was held at NDMA, New Delhi on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 at 11 AM under the Chairmanship of Dr. Pradeep Kumar, Spl. Secretary & Project Director, NDMA. The meeting was attended by Officials from NDMA, the World Bank, and Consultant (M/s DDF-AKDN JV). List of participants is attached at **Annexure-I**.

2. The meeting started with a welcome note from the Spl. Secretary & Project Director, NDMA. A presentation on draft ESMF report was made by the Consultant Team.
3. Gist of deliberation/discussion, observations and Action plan/way forward are as under:
  - (i) The report has not been prepared in line with the requirements of NSRMP and principles set out in the World Bank modified Environmental & Social Framework, 2018. The report fails to completely address issues pertaining to Environmental & Social aspects of the project. Hence, unacceptable in the present form.
  - (ii) Accordingly, the Consultant was advised to restructure the whole document ensuring to fulfil the objective of the ESMF for the project, with clarity on approach/methodology.
  - (iii) The ESMF report should detail out project specific Environmental & Social issues, including applicable Laws & Regulations.
  - (iv) Environmental & Social issues have to be ingrained in case of each sub project related to Component A and different categories of critical facilities under Component B of NSRMP.
  - (v) The report should contain guidelines for all 27 Categories of critical facilities considered under the project so that this can be readily referred by the project States for all kinds of environmental & social queries that may be encountered in the life of the specific information/facility.
  - (vi) Technical criteria to be listed out and supplemented with Environmental & Social screening criteria, including relevant statutory requirements for all 27 categories of critical facilities to be retrofitted under NSRMP.



- (vii) Technical, and Environmental & Social screening criteria to be applied to the Raw list of critical facilities provided by States/UTs for prioritizing the critical buildings/infrastructure to be considered for RVS.
- (viii) A write-up on Technical and Environmental & Social criteria for selection of critical facilities in priority list from States/UTs to be included in draft ESMF report.
- (ix) The write-up on criteria (Technical, and Environmental & Social) for selection of critical buildings/infrastructure will also be separately shared by the Consultant with NDMA.
- (x) Environmental & Social screening checklist to be prepared in context of seismic project. Environmental & Social screening to be conducted using the modified version of the screening checklist.
- (xi) The ESMF of NCRMP – II and the World Bank modified Environmental & Social Framework, 2018 to be referred for drafting ESMF report of NSRMP.
- (xii) Exclusion criteria with regard to environmental and social aspects to be defined specific to the NSRMP.
- (xiii) Standard Generic EMP for each category of projects under NSRMP should be part of the ESMF report.
- (xiv) The report should list out activity wise and project wise potential impacts during Planning and Design stages of project only.
- (xv) A write-up on activity wise and project wise potential impacts during Planning and Design stage to be submitted by the Consultant within two weeks.
- (xvi) Irrelevant questions to be excluded from the Environmental & Social screening checklist. Accordingly, screening checklist should be refined with only higher order of screening criteria.
- (xvii) There will be a Supplementary Volume of the ESMF report, which will contain all the basic information, such as, State profile, State specific Disaster profile, etc.
- (xviii) Structure of DPR will be defined specific to Category-wise investment, clearly indicating Do's & Don'ts, from ESMF perspective.
- (xix) State Coordinators will collect data specific to Component A-2 of NSRMP from States/UTs and perform physical verification within 15 days.
- (xx) Sub-classification in terms of packages (P1, P2, P3,...) in the prioritized list of critical facilities will not be considered.
- (xxi) Consultant to submit a report on State-wise prioritization of critical facilities under different categories in prescribed format, including criteria for selection, at the earliest.



- (xxii) Prioritization of critical facilities to be done based on set criteria and all documents to be duly signed by Nodal Officer from respective State/UT, as well as Consultant's State Coordinator and Team Leader.
- (xxiii) All State Coordinators (8 Nos.), and Environmental Specialists (2 Nos.) were invited to attend the review meeting. However, State Coordinators of 2 States, viz.; Assam & Uttarakhand, and one of two Environmental Specialists deployed under the project didn't attend the meeting. The Consultant must ensure the presence of all key experts when they are invited for any meeting.
- (xxiv) The Consultant will submit schedule of their activities (State-wise) by breaking down the activities upto 3/4 levels, at the earliest.
- (xxv) A meeting will be held at the World Bank Office, New Delhi on 27th February, 2020 to discuss ESMF of NSRMP, whose minutes will be issued separately.

4. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair and all the participants.



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