

MINUTES OF REVIEW MEETING ON DRAFT ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK [ESMF] OF NATIONAL SEISMIC RISK MITIGATION PROGRAMME (NSRMP) HELD ON 18.12.2020 AT 3:30PM THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING.

A review meeting on Draft Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) of NSRMP was held through video conferencing on 18th December, 2020 at 3:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sameer Kumar, Dy. Project Director, PMU, NDMA. The meeting was attended by Officials from NDMA, the World Bank and the Consultant (M/s DDF-AKDN JV). List of participants is attached at Annexure-I.

2. A detailed discussion was held on different chapters of Draft ESMF report. It was observed that the main ESMF report (Vol. I) is verbose. There are lots of repetitions, grammatical mistakes, loose terminology and contradicting statements observed across the document. The report is required to be prepared taking reference of ESMF of NCRMP-II and fulfilling requirements of the World Bank modified Environmental & Social Framework (ESF), 2018. Hence, the report in its present form is not acceptable.

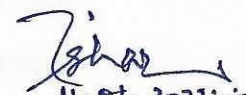
3. After deliberation involving views/ suggestions of participants, the following observations/decisions were made:

- (i) The ESMF of NCRMP-II, the World Bank Environmental & Social Framework (ESF) 2018, and Stakeholders Engagement Plan to be referred to.
- (ii) Bank document language to be picked up for preparation of ESMF document.
- (iii) The ESMF of NCRMP-II to be followed for structural content and language.
- (iv) The main Report (Vol. I) should be well connected with the Supplementary Report (Vol. II) with proper linkages. In other words, coherence needs to be established.
- (v) Need, Purpose, and Objectives of ESMF to be described taking reference of ESMF of NCRMP-II.
- (vi) Section related to Limitations for ESMF is not required to be mentioned.
- (vii) The ESMF should address requirements of all Components/Activities of project.
- (viii) Component/sub-component wise activities under the project, and Component/sub-component wise impacts should be discussed in separate relevant sections in Chapter 1.
- (ix) A table for engineering related interventions vis-à-vis EHS requirements to be figured out, and that will be the basis for preparation of ESMP.

- (x) The EHS related details against technology options to be provided in Impact Assessment Chapter.
- (xi) Environmental & Social issues section to be shifted to Environmental Risk Chapter.
- (xii) Only limited unforeseen impacts to be provided in addition to the anticipated impacts.
- (xiii) The ESMF Approach is mentioned in Chapter 1 and Chapter 5 as well. Such repetitions need to be avoided in the document.
- (xiv) State Profile is provided in the Main Report (Vol. I) as well as in Supplementary Report (Vol. II). The Socio-Economic aspect, Environmental aspect, hazard profile of States to be explained in tabular form for all States together in the Main Report (Vol. I), and key elements need to be provided in para.
- (xv) Environmental and Social baselines for all States are available. Hence, this should be suitably captured in the document. The baseline features directly relevant to NSRMP to be provided.
- (xvi) The Section, namely Need of ESMF should be crispy and shortened with relevant information.
- (xvii) The Chapter on Legal & Regulatory Framework should be detailed out specifying Act, Key Elements of the Act, and sub-project/activity wise applicability of the Act.
- (xviii) Policies/Rules/Regulations/Acts to be described in tabular format, referring ESMF of NCRMP-II.
- (xix) Table 3.1 related to Environmental Permissions needs to be re-written.
- (xx) There is no relevance of EPA Rules mentioned in the chapter on Legal & Regulatory Framework, hence, to be excluded.
- (xxi) Introduction for The World Bank ESF 2018 is not required to be mentioned.
- (xxii) Applicability of Environmental & Social Standards (ESS) to be described in terms of what is required, how ESS translates into concrete measures. The ESMF should specify the measures w.r.t. objectives of ESS to be adopted for different sub-components/activities of the project.
- (xxiii) The section related to potential risks (to be considered for DPR) need to be elaborated.
- (xxiv) Impacts on varied components of Environment (Land, Air, Water, etc) to be detailed out generic type as well as structure specific.

- (xxv) Chapter 5 on Approach, Process & Management Measures need to be prepared taking reference of ESMF of NCRMP-II and AP Disaster Recovery Project. For instance, Environmental Appraisal to be written as Environmental Screening.
- (xxvi) In Figure 5.1, the linkage between activities, viz.; Compile/prepare ESMP for inclusion in bid document and Prepare Temporary RAP is incorrect. Bidding Cycle and Consultation Process to be included [ESMF (NCRMP-II) to be referred].
- (xxvii) Results of application of Technical Criteria and Environmental & Social Criteria for each State to be provided in tabular form. It should include number of structures with appropriate reference for details.
- (xxviii) Under Environmental and Social Exclusion criteria section, Critical sites and Protected areas to be discussed together.
- (xxix) Consultant's Key Experts [Environmental Specialists (2 Nos.) and Social Specialist] must visit all nine (9) project States/UTs for field survey.
- (xxx) Explanation for land requirement should be based on initial field survey, detailing about survey activities and outcome of the field surveys.
- (xxxi) In case of additional land requirement, explanation should be in line with provision of Resettlement Action Plan.
- (xxxii) Displacement, for example in case of retrofitting for Hospital building, should be justifiably detailed out.
- (xxxiii) The report should clearly mention that there is no provision for compensation of encroachers.
- (xxxiv) Labour Codes approved by Parliament to be brought out after due review.
- (xxxv) Role of Stakeholders need to be explained in detail.
- (xxxvi) Proceedings/minutes of meeting with Stakeholders in the States annexed with attendance sheet duly signed by the Stakeholders need to be enclosed with Stakeholders Engagement Plan.
- (xxxvii) The World Bank Experts will provide overall comments on the document in track-change mode by 15th January 2021.
- (xxxviii) The revised ESMF document, taking into account the observations, to be submitted by the Consultant.
- (xxxix) The revised ESMF document will be discussed in the next review meeting to be scheduled in last week of January 2021.

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


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