

Minutes of the 4th Lake Protection Committee Meeting held on 29-03-2011 at Conference Hall , Tarnaka, Hyderabad.

The meeting was chaired by the Metropolitan Commissioner; HMDA as the chairman of the Committee and the list of the Members/ Officers attended the meeting is annexed herewith.

1. The Member Environment & Convener of Lake Protection Committee (LPC) welcomed the members and the participants and made a power point presentation. The power point presentation includes (a) formation of Lake Protection Committee and its functions; (b) the decisions taken in the last 3 LPC meetings; (c) the action taken and to be taken on the decisions taken, in the previous LPC meetings.

2. The Collectors of the 5 districts are once again requested to address the respective Sub-Registrars, not to register the land included in the FTL and buffer zone of the lake duly communicating the details of survey numbers and the extent of the area involved, and to be published in the District Gazette. This is the very important decision taken in the 1st LPC and is to be followed up to its logical conclusion. This will ensure reduction in the litigations in the court of law, as well as educating the general public regarding the lake area and its buffer zone.

(Action: Collectors)

3. The Collectors may chalk out a programme to create strong awareness about the lake FTL area and buffer zone and the land associated with it and all other related important issues for awareness of general public.

(Action: Collectors)

4. The District Collectors and Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation are once again requested to take urgent follow up action in demarcation of FTL and buffer zone of lakes and fixation of FTL pillars along with the latitude and longitude. In this connection, the Joint Collector, R.R.District has informed that as

decided in the 1st LPC meeting the demarcation of FTL and fixation of FTL pillars are completed in 21 priority lakes. The committee felt that Revenue and Irrigation officials need to revisit the prioritized 21 lakes and confirm the demarcation and fixation of FTL pillars, ensuring its positioning once again.

(Action: Collectors & Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation)

5. The Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation is requested to furnish the details of 501 lakes of erstwhile HUDA area i.e. lake memoirs, maps and all other vital details duly organizing field inspection of the lakes by formation of number of teams and confirming the details of the lakes and status of the lakes at present. This is to be coordinated by the Collectors of the concerned districts and Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation by formation of the multi disciplinary team as decided in the 1st LPC meeting.

(Action: Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation)

6. It is also decided to put on website the details of FTL pillars with latitude and longitude associated with each lake in proper format, in the HMDA area. It is also decided to put up a board indicating all the vital details at the appropriate point of the lake or in the buffer area for the information to all concerned and general public.

(Action: Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation)

7. It is also suggested to identify and mark the channels on upstream and downstream of the lakes with survey numbers as these have threat of encroachments. The Revenue Department and Irrigation department are requested to carry out the demarcation of the boundary of lake and nala upstream and downstream. The Executive Engineer I & CAD Department have assured that the Survey will be completed in the next fifteen days for fixation of FTL's in 501 lakes in Erstwhile HUDA area & Lake memoirs shall be prepared in due course.

(Action: Collectors & Chief Engineer, Minor Irrigation)

8. It is decided to initiate strict and appropriate action including seizing the vehicles, tools, machinery etc and criminal action against all concerned, involved in the solid waste or debris dumping in the lakes and its buffer area. With a view, of ongoing large scale construction activities in Hyderabad Metropolitan region area, the civic body concerned granting the building permission are requested to formulate a mechanism for safe and proper disposal of construction waste and debris, while granting the building construction permission. Municipal Authorities and District Collector, R.R and Hyderabad are requested to take up a massive campaign programme against the debris dumping, construction material dumping in the lake and buffer area including inflow and outflow channels. This will go a long way in protection and restoration of water bodies.

(Action: Commissioner, GHMC; Collectors, R.R.District and Hyderabad & Commissioner of Police, Hyderabad and Cyberabad)

9. The Chairman, LPC has also suggested to identify and incorporate the debris dumping yards in the Master Plan under preparation so as to avoid illegal dumping of the debris in the lake.

(Action: Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA)

10. The Chairman of the LPC has reiterated that the LPC has the responsibility for all legal actions to be taken by different members and informed that Lok Ayukta is also insisting that LPC is responsible for all actions to be taken in protection of the lakes. The Members are requested to take action on all the court cases on priority basis with time limits and intimate the action taken so as to inform to the Lok Ayukta, High Court , Government etc.

Lok Ayukta cases and High Court Cases, annexed in Annexure-II of these minutes are discussed with members and members of LPC were requested to take time bound action as per the directions of Hon'ble Lok Ayukta and Hon'ble High Court and submit action taken report in the matter.

(Action: All members, LPC)

11. On the request of Joint Collector, Mahaboobnagar; Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA has agreed to consider for release of ` 10 Lakhs, for lake restoration work in HMDA area of District Mahaboobnagar.

(Action: Collector, Mahaboobnagar)

12. It is informed that there are encroachments existing within the FTL of Ramanthapur Cheruvu which are to be evicted and further informed that there are sewage inflows into the lake and M.D (HMWS&SB) is requested to lay the sewerage network in the area as per Master Plan diverting the inflows. The E.E.(I & CADD) informed that the GHMC has developed a park on the water course coming from O.U which is to be cleared so that the water from the catchment will enter into the lake.

(Action: Commissioner, GHMC; Managing Director, HMWS&SB)

13. The LPC decided that the week wise programme shall be taken up for all the prioritized 21 lakes, visiting, inspecting and to take action for the development and protection of these lakes. Collectors are requested to prepare the action plan programme in this regard.

(Action: Collector, Hyderabad; Collector, R.R.District)

14. On the suggestion, Chairman, LPC has requested the members to examine the proposals of adoption of lakes by the Corporates / Private Sector for its development and maintenance.

(Action: All members, LPC)

15. It is also decided to examine and formulate a proposal aimed at restoration and development of about 100 to 200 lakes on priority basis in the erstwhile HUDA area on the line of GHEP project executed by HUDA and pose the same for its funding and sanctioning to the appropriate funding agencies including the State Government / Central Government and other international funding agencies making it as a environmental project.

16. The Chairman, Lake Protection Committee concluded the meeting, thanking all the Members with a request to take necessary action on priority, in connection with Lok Ayukta and Court Cases particularly by Irrigation Department, District Collectors and concerned civic authorities.

Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA.
&
Chairman, Lake Protection Committee.

To
All the members.

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