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No. B. 12014/1/2020-GLIU(AGR-GEF6)

Lunglei, the 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

**MINUTES OF THE TECHNICAL SUPPORT GROUP MEETING WITH MID TERM  
REVIEW TEAM**

*Venue: DC's Conference Hall, Lunglei*

*Dated: 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 at 11:00 am*

The meeting commenced at 11:00 am with a welcome speech from the Chairman Smt. Ramdinliani, Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Technical Support Group, Lunglei. She thanked all the members present and requested for a round of self-introduction. The Chairman highlighted some of the project objectives such as environmental sustainability while providing better infrastructures for the landscape villages. She also highlighted the difficulties faced by the GLIU team such as the COVID-19 pandemic and poor road connectivity which have significantly hindered and delayed the implementation of the project, and requested for extension of the duration of the project.

The Chairman then invited the Team Leader, Green -Ag project, Smt. Lalchhuanawmi Pachuau to give a presentation on the project status, activities completed up to November 2023, as well as the challenges faced while implementing the project.

**The discussion points are as below:**

1. The location of the villages, whether they are at the core or buffer area of the protected areas, was discussed, and it was informed that the selection of the villages within the landscape area was done in coordination with the Environment, Forests & Climate Change Department, and all the villages are located in the buffer area.
2. The committee informed the MTR team that the reason for the decrease in *Jhum* land or *Jhum* farming in Mizoram is due to the reason that *Jhum* farming is not sustainable in the long run, economically and ecologically.
3. The administrative awkwardness of locating the GLIU in Lunglei was discussed. Since the project area (Dampa landscape) covers villages falling under the administrative jurisdiction of Lunglei and Mamit districts, locating the GLIU in either of the district tend to be inconvenient particularly for the line department officials of the other district. Furthermore, it was suggested that locating the GLIU at the State capital, Aizawl maybe equally convenient/inconvenient for the officials of both the districts.
4. The DDM, NABARD informed the committee that they are willing to work with the Project if there is any opportunity for convergence.



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5. The lack of convergence at the district level is mainly due to the fact that various departments received their funds at different times and then each department is dictated by their own perspective and annual plans which are approved by their respective departments at the state level. Therefore, convergence plans may be coordinated at the State/Directorate level with reference to the Green Landscape Management Plan prepared at the village level. Notwithstanding this, the Chairman stated that convergence initiatives have been taken up within the project landscape and mentioned the collaborative effort of various departments such as Rural Development (through MGNREGS), Agriculture (through PM-KISAN) and DC's office (through NEC funding) in setting up a cluster of green houses in Bunghmun village for Self-Help Groups.

A fruitful and meaningful discussion was held, after which the meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks from the District Agriculture Officer and Member secretary TSG, Shri. C. Malsawmkima.

**Enclosed:** Attendance sheet.

**Sd/- RAMDINLIANI**  
Deputy Commissioner & Chairman  
TSG, Green-Ag Project  
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1. Project Director, NPMU, FAO-UN, Delhi, for kind information.
2. All members TSG, Lunglei District for kind information and necessary action.
3. District Information & Public Relation, DIPR, Lunglei for kind information.

  
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