

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS EMPOWERMENT
DIRECTORATE OF SOIL CONSERVATION & WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT, ODISHA,
BHUBANESWAR

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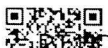
From
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To
Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Forest, Environment and CC, Odisha
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Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Odisha
Principal Secretary, Rural Development Department, Odisha
Principal Secretary, Department of Fisheries & ARD, Odisha
Principal Secretary, Department of Women & Child Development, Odisha
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Welfare Department, Odisha
Commissioner cum Secretary, Department of Mission Shakti, Odisha
Director of Agriculture & Food Production, Odisha
Director of Horticulture, Odisha
Collector and District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj
Collector and District Magistrate, Ganjam
Collector and District Magistrate, Kalahandi
Chairman, State Biodiversity Board, Odisha
Chairman, State level Bankers' Committee
FAO Representative in India, New Delhi
Representative from National Project Management Unit GEF-6 & GEF-7, New Delhi
Director, IMAGE
State Technical Coordinator, SPMU, Green-Ag Project, Odisha

**Sub: Minutes of the 5th State Steering Committee meeting of GEF-6–Green-Ag Project
& 1st SPSC meeting of GEF-7 Project-FOLUR-IP, Odisha-regarding.**

Sir/Madam,


In inviting a kind reference to the subject cited above, I am to inform that the 5th State Steering Committee (SSC) meeting of GEF-6, Green-Ag Project & 1st State Project Steering Committee (SPSC) meeting of GEF-7 FOLUR-IP project, Odisha was held on **22nd May 2024 at 3.30 PM in the 2nd Floor Conference Hall of Lok Seva Bhawan, Bhubaneswar** under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Odisha.



Enclosed please find here with the minutes of the said meeting for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,


25.6.24

Director, SC&WD-Cum-
Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No: 6052 /DSCWD

Dated : 25.6.2024

Copy forwarded to the PS to Chief Secretary, Odisha for favour of kind information of Chief Secretary.



Director, SC&WD-Cum-
Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No: 6053 /DSCWD

Dated : 25.6.2024

Copy submitted to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi for favour of kind information.



Director, SC&WD-Cum-
Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No: 6054 /DSCWD

Dated: 25.6.2024

Copy submitted to the Joint Secretary (RFS), Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government of India, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi/ Joint Secretary (IC) & GEF OFF, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi for favour of kind information and necessary action.



Director, SC&WD-Cum-
Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt.

Memo No: 6055 /DSCWD

Dated : 25.6.2024

Copy forwarded to the PD, Watersheds, Mayurbhanj/Ganjam/Kalahandi for information and necessary action.



Director, SC&WD-Cum-
Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to Govt.

**Minutes of the Fifth State Steering Committee (SSC) Meeting of
GEF-6 Green- Ag Project & First State Project Steering Committee
(SPSC) meeting of GEF-7 FOLUR Project, Odisha**

The 5th State Steering Committee (SSC) meeting of the GEF-6, Green- Ag Project and 1st State Project Steering Committee (SPSC) meeting of GEF-7, FOLUR Project, Odisha were jointly held under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Odisha at 3.30 PM on 22nd May 2024 in the 2nd floor Conference hall of Lok Seva Bhawan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The List of the participants is at **Annexure-A**.

Principal Secretary, Department of Agriculture & FE, Odisha welcomed the Chairman and the Committee members followed by a detail agenda wise presentation by Director, Soil Conservation & Watershed Development-cum-State Project Nodal Officer for GEF-6 and GEF-7 Projects.

The Committee deliberated on agenda wise points and the following decisions were made:

1. Approval of the minutes of 4th State Steering Committee Meeting.

The minutes of the 4th State Steering Committee (SSC) meeting held on 29th April, 2023 circulated to all members vide Letter No. 3794 dated. 09/05/2023 were approved as no comments have been received from any quarter.

2. Approval of additional budget for the activities accomplished in 2023-24.

The additional expenditure of Rs. 3,57,462 (Rupees Three lakhs fifty seven thousand and four hundred sixty two only) for the Capacity building of district level line department officials incurred in FY 2023-24 and an expenditure of Rs. 6,87,960 for Social and BD Assessment activities of 159 new priority villages from the available funds under the same head were approved.

3. Budget enhancement for Studies & Policy Dialogues.

The proposal for enhancement of the budget for remaining studies and policy dialogues from the existing Rs. 3.75 lakhs to Rs. 10.00 lakhs each by utilising saving from the other activities of Green-Ag project was approved.

4. Approval for engagement of additional Human Resources.

The Proposal for engagement of additional Human Resources at GLIU and SPMU level as attached in **Annexure- I** was approved.

5. Post-facto approval for engagement of Community Resource Person.

The engagement of 30 Community Resource Persons (CRPs) at GLIU level



in view of expansion of additional 159 project villages was approved.

6. Approval of Annual Work Plan & Budget for FY 2024-25.

The Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWPB) for FY 2024-25 amounting to **Rs.13,56,67,995** (Thirteen Crores Fifty Six Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Five only) was presented in the meeting. The AWPB has been prepared in line with the Risk Mitigation Strategy and revised time line. The AWPB 2024-25 was approved. The approved AWPB for 2024-25 is at **Annexure – II (A & B)**.

7. Approval of Procurement Plan FY 2024-25.

The procurement plan including expendable & non expendable items, GLMP procurement and other contracts with a budgeted outlay of Rs.2.00 Crore was approved. The approved procurement plan is at **Annexure- III**.

GEF-7, FOLUR Project

8. Approval for budget under activities as per Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) for the FY 2023 - 2024 & up to 2nd quarter of 2024-25 for GEF 7 project .

The Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWPB) for FY 2024-25 amounting to Rs. 3.14 Cr was presented in the meeting. The AWPB 2024-25 was approved. The approved AWPB for 2024 -25 is at **Annexure – IV(A) & (B)**.

9. Finalization of the procedure of recruitment, ToR, Eligibility Criteria, qualification, experience & remuneration of the personnel of various positions to be engaged in GEF-7 project.

The proposals on recruitment procedure, ToRs, Eligibility criteria, qualification, experience and remuneration of various positions at SPMU, DPIU and BFT level was discussed at length. It was decided that during evaluation process, due weightage to be given for the NIRF ranking but it should not be made a mandatory criteria for eligibility. The revised proposal approved by the SPSC in the 1st SPSC meeting is placed at **Annexure-V**.

10. Any other discussion as opined by the Chair.

- It was advised to identify and map existing best practices in the State aligned with GEF-7 project and to work towards strengthening and replicating those practices.
- Documentation of indigenous knowledge leading to best practices to be done which are to be replicated under GEF-6 and GEF-7 project.
- A detailed crop planning and implementation strategy for *Kharif-2024* to be prepared and implemented under GEF-7 Project.

- The GEF-6 project to take one control village and one village with project interventions to understand the distinct impact of such project interventions.
- The investment plan under green value chains for GEF-6 Project must focus on local produces aligning with overall project goal to improve livelihoods of the people of project villages.
- Natural farming / Organic farming along with farmers' friendly technologies should be promoted.

The minutes are being issued with the kind approval of the Chief Secretary and Chairman, SSC and SPSC in the OSWAS file No. PT1-DSCWD-SCHII-MISC-0028-2021.



Principal Secretary to Govt.

24.6.2024

Department of Agriculture & FE, Odisha

**List of Participants of SSC Meeting of GEF-6 & SPSC Meeting of GEF-7 held
on 22nd May 2024**

1. Shri Pradeep Kumar Jena, IAS, Chief Secretary, Odisha
2. Dr. Arabinda Kumar Padhee, IAS, Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Agriculture & FE, Odisha
3. Sri Vishal Kumar Dev, IAS, Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Finance, Odisha
4. Shri S.K Panda, Special Secretary, Dept. of Rural Development, Odisha
5. Shri G. Nayak, Special Secretary, Dept. of Fisheries & ARD, Odisha
6. Ms. Rina Mohapatra, Special Secretary, Dept. of Women & Child Development, Odisha
7. Shri Lingaraj Otta, OSD-cum-Special Secretary, Dept. of Forest, Environment & CC, Odisha
8. Shri Shubham Saxena, IAS, Director, Soil Conservation & Watershed Development, Odisha
9. Shri Rohit Kumar Lenka, IFS, Director of Horticulture, Odisha
10. Sri Bikash Ranjan Dash, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), O/o PCCF (WL)
11. Shri Rajesh Das, Director, IMAGE, Odisha
12. Prof. S.K Swain, Dean of Research, OUAT, Bhubaneswar
13. Shri Nihar Nayak, Member Secretary, State Biodiversity Board, Odisha
14. Chairman, State level Banker's Committee In-charge
15. Dr. Konda Chavva Reddy, OIC,FAO, New Delhi
16. Shri Prasanta Kumar Swain, Project Director, GEF-7, FAO, New Delhi
17. Shri Manoj Mishra, National Technical Coordinator, GEF-6, FAO, New Delhi

18. Shri Sailendra Narayan Naik, Joint Director, DSC&WD, Odisha
19. Shri Malaya Kumar Dalai, JDA (SP&C), DA&FP (O)
20. Shri Siba Charan Jethy, Project Director, Watersheds, Mayurbhanj
21. Shri Pravakar Nayak, Project Director, Watersheds, Kalahandi
22. Shri Subhendu Kumar Dash, Project Director, Watersheds, Ganjam
23. Dr. K.C Pal, Dy Director, IMAGE, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
24. Sri Sushree Sonakshi Biswal, ADSC, DSC&WD, Odisha
25. Shri Sukanta Kumar Samal, State Technical Coordinator, SPMU, Green-Ag
Project, Odisha