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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RIDGE MANAGEMENT BOARD HELD ON
12TH APRIL, 2013 AT 1600 HRS. UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP
OF SH.D.M.SPOLIA, CHIEF SECRETARY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE
RIDGE MANAGEMENT BOARD

The following attended the meeting:-

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| 1. Sh. D.M.Spolia, Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi: Chairman | |
| 2. Sh.Amit Yadav, Secretary (Finance) | : Representative (Finance Deptt.) |
| 3. Sh.Sanjiv Kumar, Secretary (E&F) | : Member |
| 4. Sh. Dina Nath | : Representative, DDA |
| 5. Sh. Brijlal, Director (Horticulture), DDA | : Representative, DDA |
| 6. Sh. P.S. Chauhan, Chief Engr., DMRC | : Special Invitee |
| 7. Sh. Rajesh Kumar, DMRC | : Special Invitee |
| 8. Sh. S.K. Roy, DMRC | : Special Invitee |
| 9. Brig. N. Balan, Brigadier Admin. HQ | : Special Invitee |
| 10. Sh.A.K.Shukla, CCF, Govt. of NCT of Delhi | : Member |
| 11. Dr. Suneesh Buxy, CF, GNCTD | : Member |
| 12. Sh. Nisheeth Saxena, DCF (S), GNCTD | : Special Invitee |
| 13. Sh. Rajgopal Prashant, DCF (W), GNCTD | : Special Invitee |
| 14. Sh.G.N.Sinha, APCCF, Govt. of NCT of Delhi | : Member Secretary |

The Vice Chairman, DDA, Sh. Ravi Singh, CEO, WWF-India and Ms. Sunita Narain, Director, Centre for Science and Environment, Members, Ridge Management Board, did not attend the meeting.

The Chief Secretary, Chairman, Ridge Management Board welcoming the members and Special invitees asked the Member Secretary of RMB to put up the proposal pending for consideration by the Board. After detailed deliberations, the decisions taken agenda-wise were as under:

Agenda 1: Pending proposal for construction of tunnel by DMRC extending through morphological ridge area.

The representatives of DMRC, Sh. P.S. Chauhan informed that a case was filed in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India under IA No. 3366-3367/2012 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 for

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getting clearance towards construction of 440m length tunnel under Yamuna Vihar- Mukundpur corridor which is passing through morphological ridge area. Hon'ble Supreme Court referred the case to CEC to look into this matter which was forwarded to Ridge Management Board for consideration.

It was informed that the tunnel is passing through morphological ridge area from BRO, Headquarters to Kendriya Vidyalaya, Naraina at a minimum depth of 9m. Ridge Management Board after careful consideration of all relevant points and subsequent discussion with the officer of Forest Department, has no objection in construction of tunnel by the DMRC which will be subject to clearance from CEC constituted by Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Agenda 2: Clearance for construction of infrastructure on army land in area adjacent to the Central Ridge Area.

Brigadier N. Balan on behalf of three (3) Defense units B Squadron 61 CAVALRY, 105 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) Rajputana Rifles and Air Support Signal Unit, requested for clearance of 87.09 acres of Defense land categorised under morphological ridge area. Chairman, RMB sought details of the strength of various units including horses, etc. from the User Agency. He also requested to provide the details of the project features like proposed area under roads, type of construction, no. of stories, area under green cover and detailed layout plan.

However, User Agency could not furnish the satisfactory reply on the issues. The Chairman desired that all the details should be provided along with field inspection report of CCF to the Board for consideration of the proposal on next date of meeting of the Board.

Agenda 3: Clearance for utilization of land adjacent to the Army Public School at Ridge Road.

Brigadier N. Balan also requested for an area of 2184 sq.m. in front of Army Public School between school gates no. 2 & 3 for boarding and de-bussing of the students, parking of vehicles and walking space. The Chairman, RMB desired field inspection report with specific comments of APCCF to be placed before the Board for consideration of the proposal.

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Agenda 4: Financial Status of RMB fund.

Chairman, RMB, asked the Forest Department for detailed Action Plan for restoration of quality of vegetative cover and other related activities for consideration.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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