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MINUTES OF 34th MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED UNDER SUB RULE 4 OF RULE 3 OF THE GOA TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (PUBLIC PROJECTS/SCHEMES/DEVELOPMENT WORKS BY THE GOVERNMENT) RULES, 2008 HELD ON 07/09/2021 AT 4.00P.M. IN MINI CONFERENCE HALL, SECRETARIAT, PORVORIM – GOA.

The following Members attended:

1. Shri Parimal Rai
Chief Secretary ... Chairman
2. Shri Puneet Goel,
Principal Secretary (TCP) ... Member
3. Er. Anwar Khan
Rep. of Institution of Engineers
(Goa Local Centre) ... Member
4. Arch. Milind Ramani
Rep. of Indian Institute of Architects
(Goa Chapter) ... Member
5. Smt. Snehalata Pednekar,
Rep. of Indian Institute of Town Planners
(Goa Chapter) ... Member
6. Shri Rajesh J. Naik,
Chief Town Planner (Planning) ... Convener/
Member Secretary

Item No. 1: Confirmation of minutes of 33rd meeting of the committee constituted under sub rule 4 of the rule 3 of the Goa Town & Country Planning (Public Projects/Schemes/Development works by the Government) Rules, 2008, held on 24/06/2021.

The Members took note of the progress pertaining to decisions taken in 33rd meeting of the committee held on 24/06/2021. Member Secretary was accordingly directed to immediately communicate the decision of the Committee to the concerned Department once the approval for the same is obtained from the Government.

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Item No 2: Proposal of Panchayat Ghar under Deendyal Panchayat Raj Infrastructure Development (Golden Jubilee) in Survey No. 70/1 of Village Seraulim, Salcete Taluka.

The Member Secretary informed that the proposal is of Village Panchayat Seraulim, Salcete Taluka for change of zone of property bearing Sy. No. 70/1 in Seraulim Village, Salcete Taluka for construction of Panchayat Ghar under Deendyal Panchayat Raj Infrastructure Development (Golden Jubilee) at Seraulim admeasuring an area of 1000.00 sq. mts. It was informed that the Land use of the property under reference is "Paddy Field" zone as per the Regional Plan for Goa – 2021.

The Member Secretary further informed that the Sarpanch of Village Panchayat Seraulim has informed vide letter dated 22/07/2021 that as per the Gift Deed dtd. 17/04/2007, Mr. Jose Fabio D'Costa has gifted 1000 sq.mts. of land bearing Sy.No. 70/1 of village Seraulim, Salcete Taluka to the Administrator of Village Panchayat Seraulim and it was also informed in the said letter that the Panchayat does not have a proper Panchayat Office for the benefit of the people and the proposal of Panchayat Ghar is in public interest for change of zone from Eco-sensitive zone for the Government project.

The Committee deliberated on the proposal and took note that requirement of Panchayat Ghar is necessary for the operational purpose of Panchayat Office and therefore consider the proposal for change of zone of the property from "Paddy field" to Settlement zone as requested by Office of Village Panchayat Seraulim.

Item No 3: Proposal for change of zone at land bearing Sy. No. 52/1(part) & 52 at Penha-de-Franca village, Bardez Taluka.

The Member Secretary informed that the proposal was earlier received from the Goa Tourism Development Corporation for change of zone of the property bearing Sy. No. 52/1(part) & 52 at Penha-de-Franca village, Bardez Taluka from partly Institutional zone and partly under Private Forest to Settlement zone for an area admeasuring 2970.00 sq. mts.

The Member Secretary further informed that the proposal of Managing Director, Goa Tourism Development Corporation for change of zone of the property bearing Sy. No. 52/1(part) & 52 at Penha-de-Franca village, Bardez

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Taluka from partly Institutional zone and partly under Private Forest to Settlement zone for an area admeasuring 2970.00 sq. mts. was placed in the 24th meeting of the Committee held on 11/04/2018 and the Committee after deliberation decided that the Managing Director, Goa Tourism Development Corporation shall first obtain necessary clearance/NOC from Forest Department as the land under reference is partly under Private Forest as per Regional Plan for Goa 2021.

The Member Secretary informed that the Goa Tourism Development Corporation vide letter dated 17/11/2020 has now submitted letter from Forest Department dated 26/10/2020, wherein regarding the property under reference, the Forest Department has informed as under:

- a) The area is not a Government Forest and does not form part of any Compartment or working plan of North Goa Division.
- b) The area also does not figure in the list of Survey numbers finally confirmed as Private Forest as per the report of the State Level Expert Committees headed by Sawant/Dr. Karapurkar.
- c) Average tree canopy density of plot is around 0.3.
- d) Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is not applicable to the above area.

The Committee deliberated on the proposal and took a note of the report dated 26/10/2020 of Forest Department. The Committee observed that its role is to recommend the change of zone only and any further matter pertaining to grant of conversion etc. shall be dealt by the competent Authority by considering any other issues before it pertaining to the subject.

The Committee therefore recommended the change of zone of property from partly Institutional zone and partly under Private Forest to Settlement zone for an area admeasuring 2970.00 sq. mts. only.

Item No. 4: Any other item with the permission of the chair.

No other item was discussed under this item.