

Minutes of the first meeting of Lake Protection Committee held on 20-4-2010 at HMDA Complex, Tarnaka, Hyderabad

The first meeting of the Lake Protection Committee, constituted vide G.O.Ms.No. 157 MA&UD Department, dt. 6-4-2010 was chaired by Sri B.P. Acharya, IAS Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA and was attended by the following officers (Annexure-1).

At the outset, the Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA and Member Environment, HMDA made a brief presentation covering the work done so far by HMDA on the lakes, its important and the problems and issues connected with the lakes and water bodies in the HMDA area. The Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA explained the importance of formation of the committee by the Government and functions to be performed. In this regard, Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA & Chairman of the Committee noted that most of the members have nominated their representatives for the meeting, though as per the Government orders only Director General of Police , Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests and Director NGRI are authorised to nominate their representative. All the other members are requested to attend the meeting personally to have better coordination. After detailed discussions the following decisions were taken:

1. All lakes in the HMDA areas are to be listed along with their maps and memoirs and their FTLs are to be fixed on the ground. This exercise has to be taken up by Revenue and Irrigation officials in entire HMDA area, there by creating a comprehensive database on the lakes. The Collector, R.R.District explained that proposals have been submitted to Government of India for the fund required for demarcation of FTL boundary and construction of pillars. To begin with baseline data on 501 notified lakes in the erstwhile HUDA area are to be consolidated, updated and ground verification to be completed.

(Action: Collectors concerned & C.E, Minor Irrigation)

2. FTL stones are to be fixed by Minor Irrigation Department and each stone should be identified by its latitude and longitude and survey numbers, with the help of Revenue field staff. The work has to be coordinated, executed and monitored by a team comprising of MRO, AE Irrigation, Revenue Inspector and Village Secretary concerned.

(Action: Collectors concerned & C. E, Minor Irrigation)

3. The field staff of Revenue Department have to mark the Survey Number falling in the FTL and with 30 mtr radius from the FTL. This will lead to identification of encroachments and then action to be taken by the local body and Revenue Department and Irrigation Department combinedly for removal of the encroachments. Collectors concerned will be responsible to address the Sub-Registers not to register any properties in FTL area and 30 mtrs buffer from FTL. District wise Gazzette notification is to be issued giving details of Government / Patta lands under FTL of each lake, prohibiting registration of lands under FTL and 30 mtrs buffer zone.

(Action: Collectors concerned & CE., Minor Irrigation, Commr., GHMC)

4. No building / construction / layout permission is to be granted upto 30 mtr from the FTL of the lakes. Effective Mechanism is to be evolved to strictly enforce this provision.

(Action: Commr.,GHMC & Commrs / E.O's, Local bodies)

5. Director General of Police is requested to provide 42 Home Guards to be placed at the disposal of Enforcement Cell of HMDA for protection of the 21 lakes identified for immediate intervention. The Executive Engineer (Lakes) of HMDA is to coordinate in the matter with the Enforcement Cell.

(Action: DGP, Police & E.E Lakes)

6. Collectors were requested to utilize Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme funds for taking up the works of Lake Restoration and desilting, including inflow and outflow channel desilting on priority.

(Action: Collectors concerned & C.E, Minor Irrigation)

7. Green buffer along the Osman Sagar and Himayath Sagar Lakes is to be taken upto 500 mtr downstream and 1 km to upstream. The area may also be suitably fenced with chainlink, if necessary .

(Action: Dir (UF), HMDA & M.D, HMWS&SB)

8. The Pollution Control Board has to ensure that no industrial effluents are let out into the Kukatpally Nala and other Nalas leading to Hussain Sagar Lake, as well as into other lakes.

(Action: Member Secretary, APPCB)

9. It was decided to launch a special drive for protection of 21 lakes listed in the (Annexure-2) right from 22-4-2010, (Earth Day) to be culminated to 5-06-2010 i.e., World Environment Day, by taking up some tangible work.

(Action: Collectors, HMDA, CE, Minor Irrigation)

10. It is decided to hold the meeting of the committee on every 3rd Friday of the month. Accordingly, the next meeting of the committee will be held on 21.05.2010

Meeting concluded with a strong resolve to protect & conserve the lakes and water bodies in HMDA area.

Metropolitan Commissioner,
HMDA.

To
All the members.

Annexure-1

List of Officer's present

- 1) Sri M.Dana Kishore, IAS - Collector, R.R. District.
- 2) Sri Suresh Kumar, IAS - Collector, Medak District.
- 3) Sri K.S. Reddy, IFS - Addl. Principal Chief Conservator (Wildlife)
- 4) Sri Dhananjay Reddy - Addl. Commissioner, GHMC.
- 5) Sri B.Purushothama Reddy - Director Town and Country Planning.
- 6) Sri C.V. Rama Baba - Director Operation, HMWS&SB.
- 7) Sri S. Ravi Kumar - Joint Director, Industries
- 8) Sri B.J.Sudhakar - Dy. Commissioner Panchayath Raj
- 9) Dr. G.Sudhakar - Scientist EPTRI.
- 10) Sri K.Sriram Reddy - Executive Engineer, Irrigation Department.
- 11) Dr. B.A. Prakash - Scientist NGRI
- 12) Dr. B.Krishna Reddy - Pollution Control Board.
- 13) Office Superintendent - DGP Office.
- 14) Sri Sunil Kumar Gupta, IFS - Member (Environment), HMDA – Convener

Special Invitees :

- 15) Sri A.V. Bhide - Member Planning, HMDA.
- 16) Sri V. Madhwaraja - Chief Engineer, HMDA
- 17) Sri Sista Vishwanath - Director Planning, HMDA.

Annexure-2

List of Lakes – Action to be taken on top priority

Priority-I : Development of Green Belt

1. Osman Sagar
2. Himayath Sagar
3. Hussain Sagar.

Priority-II : Demarcation of boundary & removal of encroachments

1. Durgam Cheruvu
2. Banda Cheruvu (Malkajgiri)
3. Thammadi Kunta (Madhapur)
4. Amber Cheruvu (Kukatpally)
5. Hasmathpet Cheruvu (Kukatpally)
6. Yellamma Cheruvu (Serilingampally)
7. Bhagarathi Cheruvu (Serilingampally)
8. Mysamma Cheruvu (Serilingampally)
9. Pedda Cheruvu (Ramanthapur)
10. Kapra Cheruvu (Kapra)

Priority-III: Diversion of excess Sewerage in-flow/ construction of STPs

1. Banjara Lake
2. R.K.Puram Cheruvu (Malkajgiri)
3. Patel Cheruvu (Nacharam)
4. Pedda Cheruvu (Nacharam)
5. Nalla Cheruvu (Uppal)
6. Mir Alam Tank (Rajendra Nagar)
7. Satam Cheruvu (MCH area)
8. Nalla Cheruvu (Moosapet)

Annexure

List of Officer's present

1.	Sri. T.S.Appa Rao, IAS	-	Prl. Secretary, MA&UD Department
2.	Sri. Prashant Mahapatra, IAS	-	Prl. Secretary, Irrigation Department
3.	Sri. Rajeshwar Tiwari, IAS	-	Metropolitan Commissioner, HMDA
4.	Sri. Sunil Kumar Gupta, IFS	-	Member Environment, HMDA
5.	Sri. M.Jagadeeshwar, IAS	-	Managing Director, HMWS&SB
6.	Sri. S.K.Sultania, IAS	-	Managing Director, APTDC
7.	Sri. Madhusudan Rao, IAS	-	Member Secretary, APPCB
8.	Sri. Y.Ramakrishna	-	Addl. Secretary, Finance Department
9.	Sri. P.Panduranga Rao	-	Engineer-in-Chief, GHMC