
The Expert Group as required under Section 7, Sub-Section 1&2 of Right to Fair compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act. 2013, the Special Secretary (Revenue) has nominated the following members, to give the recommendation on the Social Impact Assessment report in connection with acquisition of lands at Kurumbapet and Odiampet Revenue Villages, for formation of Link Road South of Puducherry – Villupuram Railway line by passing Arumbarathapuram – Natesan Nagar Segment of NH-45-A within a period of two months from the date of the notification.

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The meeting of the Expert Group was held on 29th May 2018 at 5.00 P.m. at District Collectorate Office and was attended by all the members. The Social Impact report assessed on the acquisition of lands at Kurumbapet Revenue Village and Odiampet Revenue Village, for formation of link road South of Railway line by passing Arumbarathapuram – Natesan Nagar NH-45A, carried out by the following Team was circulated among the members of the Expert Group on 7th May 2018.
The Social Impact assessment was carried out by the following members:

1. Dr. Anbu. Sentil, M.B.B.S., M.S.,
   charge Medical Officer,
   Public Health Centre,
   Mettupalayam, Puducherry

2. Dr. Rajiny, M.S.c., B.Ed. P.G.D.N. & ,Ph.D
   Assistant Professor (Home Science),
   Bharathidasan Government College for Women
   Puducherry.

   Statistical Inspector (Retd)
   No.5, Marie Street, Bahour,
   Puducherry -607402.

4. Ms. Alice Tomas., B.A., L.L.B.,
   VuthaviKarangal
   SamoogaThodarKalvilyakkam,
   No.1, 3rd Cross, Pudu Nagar,
   Nonankuppam, Ariyankuppam, Puducherry.

Chairman of the expert group welcomed all the members and views of the members were deliberated. Dr. C. Aruna, from Sociology Department Pondicherry University, expressed that the Social Impact Assessment report does not reveal the realities at the site and it is felt that the people living in the buildings constructed in the LGR Patta land (4 Nos) are getting affected to an extent when compared with other land owners.

They should be considered for reallocation of new site. The Chairman expressed that if new sites are identified and allotted by the Revenue Department, they could be included under PMAY scheme, for getting necessary funds to construct their houses.

The acquisition for the said project has been initiated during the year 2006. Most of the land for the scheme has been acquired except for the following.

**IN KURUMAMPET REVENUE VILLAGE**

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<td>P. Dinakaran</td>
<td>Preliminary Metal Industry</td>
<td>5154 Sqft</td>
<td>181 /2pt</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>K. Gangaram</td>
<td>Vishnu Saw Mill</td>
<td>4681 Sqft</td>
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<td>Jothi</td>
<td>SBK Traders</td>
<td>2217 Sqft</td>
<td>177 /2Bpt</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>K.P. Nanu</td>
<td>Bharathi Bakery</td>
<td>785 Sqft</td>
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<td>Devi</td>
<td>Vacant Plot</td>
<td>1260.21 Sqft</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Sundari</td>
<td>Vacant Plot</td>
<td>1276 Sqft</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Saraswathy</td>
<td>Vacant Plot</td>
<td>2121.87 Sqft</td>
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<td>5.</td>
<td>Nandagopal</td>
<td>Vacant Plot (Joint Family)</td>
<td>65023 Sqft</td>
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LGR PATTA

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<td>2.</td>
<td>Parvathi</td>
<td>Single Storied R.C.C Building</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Thaiyanayagi</td>
<td>Tiled House</td>
<td>441.16 Sqft</td>
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The Committee has gone through the SIA study report, the proceedings of the Public Hearing, the details of Socio Economic Study conducted, the EIA study reports, and notified Master Plan pertaining to the area in addition to making a visit to the site to study in respect of following issues.

- Whether the Project serves any public purpose.
- Whether the potential benefits outweigh the social costs and adverse social impacts.
- Whether the extent of land proposed to be acquired is the absolute bare minimum extent needed for the project.
- Whether there are other less displacing options available.
The Expert group after site visit felt that the proposed by-pass road will ease the condition on the existing NH-45A from Natesan Nagar (India Gandhi Square to Arumbharthapuram Railway Line) to considerable extent. The possibility of widening the existing by-pass road is very little and the proposed project has almost been nearing completion, except for the pending acquisitions, cited.

PUBLIC PURPOSE

The proposed acquisition notified earlier was withheld due to the stay obtained by these people before the Hon'ble court. The proposal is not continuous and isolated, which hinder the Progress and completion of the railway over bridge and by-pass road. Out of the affected 13 persons, 4 are running commercial establishments which could be relocated and the compensation provided as per the norms of the Act will suffice for their re-establishment and relocation in a better place.

There are 5 Vacant Plots under this acquisition, of which one is a bigger area with some cultivation and poultry with few cattle. The area is totally vacant and hence shifting these activities to a remote area will in no way affect the livelihood of the person. Certainly the remaining area available with the owner of the poultry farm, will fetch a better value if the by-pass road is developed.

There are no persons with disability, mentally challenged, orphan, or destitute affected by this acquisition. There is no impact of Social Cultural Organizations, Political Organization, Civic Society Organization and Administrative Organization, getting affected by the acquisition. Since most of the people are self employed and pensioners, the livelihood does not get disturbed.

SOCIAL COSTS AND IMPACTS

The hindrance of 13 land pockets of the individuals, in isolated location has led to delay in the progress of the by-pass road scheme, which has led to cost escalation of the project. Hence, the acquisition of these areas will favour the completion of the project and for putting the by-pass road into use for the general Public for better and safe transportation.
The better and safe transportation will help in the development of the area, and the economical condition of the locality as well as the state, will improve.

**EXTENT REQUIREMENT**

It was ensured during the site inspection that the extent proposed for acquisition is the bearest minimum required and the same as tabulated may be agreed to. Additional area for relocation of the LGR Patta holders needs to be identified by the Government and allotted to the affected people in the vicinity not more than 1.5 Kms, from their present location.

**DISPLACEMENT AND RELIEF**

The Commercial / Industrial establishments getting affected by acquisition may be considered for the renewal of Trade License without any additional Fees, and to be considered by the Villianur Commune Panchayat.

The LGR Patta holders to be allotted with fresh LGR Patta in a location not for away than and to be included as fresh beneficiaries under the PMAY scheme and funds extended to them for the construction of new houses.

**CONCLUSION / RECOMMENDATION**

The Expert Group has unanimously agreed that the compensation to be paid as assessed under the provisions of the Right to Fair compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2017 will be sufficient in respect of the 4 Commercial establishments in Kurumbapet village and 5 vacant land owners in Odiampet Village. The 4 persons living in R.C.C., Asbestos Roof and Tiled House may be considered for issue of free patta land in an area within 1.5 Kms. from their present place of living. They should also be provided with financial assistance under PMAY scheme once the LGR patta is allotted to them. Necessary Fair compensation may also be considered for the Pucca Buildings on which the land proposed to be acquired as per the Act. The acquisition should be carried out expeditiously and remove the hindrances / obstructions of the by-pass Road Project, for earlier completion of the Project.

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