

**MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (DDC) MEETING, MORIGAON FOR
THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY-MARCH, 2023**

VENUE: INTERPRETATION CENTRE,
POBITORA WILDLIFE
SANCTUARY, POBITORA
DATE: 30th March, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.

List of Officers present in the meeting is at Annexure-I

The meeting of District Development Committee (DDC) was held on 30/03/2023 at 11:00 AM at the Interpretation Centre, Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary, Pobitora. The meeting was chaired by the Deputy Commissioner, Morigaon. At the very outset, the Deputy Commissioner, Morigaon, welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Initiating the discussion, the Deputy Commissioner informed about the visit of the hon'ble Governor of Assam on 4th April, 2023 to the Morigaon district and urged to all the HoDs to participate & cooperate during the proposed visit.

After that, a rigorous discussion on forest royalty took place. In this connection, HoDs of various departments raised the issue of double taxation, pilferage of taxes, overloading etc. The DFO, Nagaon, also clarified that only commercial uses of minor minerals come under forest royalty. The Chairman asked to develop a mechanism to check the pilferage and overloading issue. In this regard, the DFO proposed for joint operation of Police, DTO and Forest department to minimize such activities. The DFO also requested to mention details of bill amount and royalty amount separately on the cheque.

The CEO, ZP highlighted the exorbitant and unregulated hike in price of bricks and requested an urgent meeting with the owners of brick factories as it hampers in implementing PMAY scheme. In this connection, the Chairman asked the ADC (Rev.) to do enforcement & revenue assessment of all brick factories operated in the district within one month. He also asked the DO, Soil Conservation, to prepare a framework to check the unregulated use of agricultural land that results in the expansion of wasteland. The labour officer also requested to check the labour license of workers working in those brick factories. In this regard, the Chairman asked the ADC (Rev.) to do a joint inspection with Labour and Soil Conservation department.

Previous minutes of DDC meeting were reviewed and the following decisions were taken in the meeting:-

Sectors	Issues Discussed & Decisions Taken	Action to be taken up, if any
DRDA/ Zilla Parishad	The CEO, Zilla Parishad, Morigaon, informed about the challenges of providing houses to the landless beneficiaries under PMAYG. He informed that, the district has a higher target compared to other districts, which has resulted in a shortage of masons & workers. He also raised the issue regarding allotment of Amrit Sarovar scheme in Telahi.	CEO, Zilla Parishad, Morigaon

PWD(Roads)	<p>The Executive Engineer, PWD (T. Roads) informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Maloibasti road, intervention of APDCL is necessary for shifting of electric wires. In this connection, the Chairman asked both the departments to develop an amicable solution to resolve the issue. Later, both the departments consented and assured to do a joint inspection after the meeting. 2. The EE raised the challenges of land acquisition while implementing PMGSY scheme. In this regard, ADC (Rev.) informed that, in case of Govt. land, eviction will be done by the District Administration but for <i>miyadi</i> land compensation should be given to the land owner. He also asked the officer to send the letter/notification to Mayong Circle Officer (CO)/ADC (Rev.). In this regard, the Chairman asked to solve the issue before the next DDC meeting. 	EE, PWD (Roads), Morigaon/ ADC (Rev.)/ CO, Mayong
PWD (Building)	<p>The Asst. Executive Engineer, PWD (B) informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 120 bedded hostel at Mayong is 70% completed and will be handed over within 2 months. 2. The Chairman highlighted the issue of acute shortage of stone in Morigaon Medical College and Hospital as the permission of boulder blasting is stopped by the Chairman himself because of environmental issue and asked for expert review from the DFO. In this regard DFO clarified that; environmental clearance may be given if it falls under govt. rules & regulation. 3. Model Residential School will be completed by 31st December, 2023. 4. Jagiroad IB will be completed by May, 2023 and estimate for boundary wall and furniture is under progress. 5. Kushtoli Model Degree college will be completed by June, 2023. In this regard he raised the road connectivity issue and appealed to concern department for cooperation. 	EE, PWD (Building)/ EE, PWD (T. Roads), Morigaon

	<p>6. The Chairman asked the officer to plan for a proper drainage system for sewage/effluents discharge in the Medical College campus. The Chairman also suggested constructing the mortuary at a distance from the staff's residential area.</p> <p>7. For the construction of stadium at Manipur, the Chairman asked the AEE to find an innovative idea, so that cutting of trees can be avoided during the construction work.</p>	
PWD(NH)	<p>The Asst. Engineer informed that :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For balance work of the construction of bridge over river Kopili in Jagiroad-Morigaon road, the sinking work for existing well foundation is in progress and it is expected to be completed by May, 2024. 2. The Chairman showed concern over narrowing of road where there is a bridge and also lack of proper lighting in those areas, which may lead to some serious accidents. In this regard, he also asked to raise hazard signboards in those areas. 3. The EE, PWD (T. Roads) apprised the Chairman that, there is a confusion regarding the maintenance of Basnaghat to Bhuragaon road since it is declared as National Highway. 	EE, PWD(NH), Nagaon
Agriculture	<p>The District Agriculture Officer(DAO) informed that :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Under PMKSY, 560 hectre area is covered so far with irrigation facility. 2. Under PM Fasal Bima Yojna , 400 applications received so far. But there is a mismatch of data, while uploading the list on the portal. 3. The Chairman asked about the overall achievement in agriculture with respect to Morigaon district. In this regard, DAO informed that minor irrigation facility has been increased compared to previous year. Also productivity is increased for rice (3rd position in the state) and maize, while mustard and Sali area is decreased. 4. The DAO informed that, main focus area is double cropping and along with this, no. of FPC should be 	DAO, Morigaon

	<p>increased. 1200 nos. of females are involved in composting process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Chairman asked about the convergence schemes with the irrigation department and in this regard, DAO informed that in some areas this scheme is yet to be covered due to uneven canal slope, power problem and fund availability. The Chairman inquired about the market linkage of agricultural by product and asked to increase awareness among farmers. In this regard DAO informed that, due to lack of infrastructure, proper market linkage could not be done yet. The DAO informed that the rice fallow areas will be cultivated with other crops. The Chairman also inquired about urea availability issue. In this regard, DAO informed that this issue could not be solved in district level, as all the existing wholesalers have been converted to retailers while there is only one wholesaler that is Assam State Marketing Board. 	
Education	<p>The Inspector of Schools informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Construction of KGBV, Moirabari is lagging due to court intervention. Though, alternate land is provided by the Circle Officer, Laharighat, but due to low lying area the construction is not feasible. Online applications for transfer of 825 nos. of school teachers from Morigaon to other districts have been received so far. The Chairman asked about the performance of Morigaon district in Gunotsav this year. In this regard, IS informed that the performance is satisfactory and a good result is expected. 	IS, Morigaon/ Circle Officer, Laharighat/ ADC, Revenue, Morigaon
Handloom & Textile	<p>The Superintendant of Handloom & Textile informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Swanirbhar scheme is implemented The DFO, wildlife informed that, Pobitora has immense potential for the handloom sector, owing to its tourism industry. She also requested the officer to provide necessary support to the 	Superintendant, Handloom & Textile, Morigaon

	<p>beneficiaries of Ouguri EDC.</p> <p>3. Regular inspection is going on in various parts of the district against shops selling power loom made Gamochas.</p>	
Agri Engineering	<p>The Assistant Executive Engineer, Agri(Raha) informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Knowledge center and training hall at Mayong is 95% completed and requested to provide service connection to the CEO of APDCL. He also informed that Laharighat knowledge center is having land issues. 2. The Chairman asked about the areas in which improvement is needed. In this regard AEE informed that, mechanization needs to be modernized. 3. Chairman asked about status of cold storage in the district. In this regard, the officer informed that, proposal has been sent many times but not yet sanctioned by the govt. It was learned that, PPP mode may be adopted for installing cold storages. The Chairman asked to take initiative for installation of at least one cold storage within this financial year in Morigaon district. 	AEE, Agri (Raha)/CEO,APDCL Morigaon
Irrigation	<p>The Assistant Executive Engineer, Irrigation informed that :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. One no. of scheme has been completed out of 4 nos. under RIDF NABARD XXVII. Balance 3 nos. will be completed by 31st march, 2023. 2. The Chairman asked the officer to give effort and achieve the target before the next DC's conference. 3. AEE assured the DFO, Wildlife to inspect the Dibrang area affected by machinery leakage. 	EE, Irrigation, Morigaon/DFO, Wildlife,Guwahati
PHE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Chairman expressed dissatisfaction over the poor performance of JJM in the district. 2. The AEE (Dhing) raised the issue of charging problem at Hahsora scheme and urged cooperation from APDCL. In this regard, Chairman asked for 	AEE, PHE(Dhing)/APDCL, Morigaon

	mutual cooperation for an amicable solution to the problem.	
Water Resources	<p>The Executive Engineer, Water Resources informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sluice gate at Matiparbat is 75% completed and will be ready before the flood season. 2. The Chairman asked whether the department is prepared for the coming flood season or not. In this regard, EE informed that as there is scarcity of Geobags, therefore minimum one month will be required. He added, that most vulnerable stretch along Kolong river is partially covered. He also expressed his concern over Nagaon stretch of Kolong river. 3. Chairman asked to take up ADB flood prevention project on priority basis in cooperation with ADC (Revenue) and concerned Circle Officers. 	EE, Water Resources/ADC(Revenue)/CO (concerned), Morigaon
APDCL	<p>The Chief Executive Officer, APDCL informed that :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Electrification of 39 nos. of primary schools through off-grid is under process. 2. Despite being of utmost importance, the Jhargaon sub-station is facing challenges due to the inadequate land allotted for its establishment. 	CEO, APDCL, Morigaon
Health/NHM	<p>The Joint Director of Health Services informed that :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Camp for Japanese Encephalitis booster dose will be held in Pobitora for officials and staff and requested the DFO, Wildlife to share the details with the MPW. 2. He informed that doctors will be trained for administering anti snake venom. 3. He also requested for ambulance and atleast 4 beds in Loonmati state dispensary. 4. The Chairman instructed the Joint Director to take action and put a stop to the blood mafia operating within the civil hospital. 5. The Joint Director informed that the trauma center in Nellie has been delayed due to issues with the contractor. 	Joint Director of Health Services, Morigaon/ DFO, Wildlife, Guwahati

Veterinary	<p>The District Veterinary Officer informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vaccination done for food and mouth disease of cow. 2. The DFO, Wildlife has highlighted the need for regulating cattle grazing in the wildlife sanctuary, citing it as a major issue that requires attention. In this regard Chairman asked to take stringent action and impounding of cattle, if necessary, to address the issue. In light of the issue at hand, the DVO has recommended convening a meeting with all the stakeholders in the fringe area of the sanctuary. 3. To establish a dispensary in Bardia, the DVO has requested the DC's involvement and persuasion to move the process forward. 	DVO, Morigaon
Social Welfare	<p>The District Social Welfare Officer informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. POSHAN related awareness is going on in each AWC. 2. Chairman asked about the performance of One Stop Centers in the district and requested the officer to give special emphasis on working and potentials of such centers. 	DSWO, Morigaon
Fishery	<p>The District Fishery Development Officer informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shortage of feed mill is the major issue since there is only one such mill in the entire district. 2. Under PMMSY, hatchery construction is going on in Laharighat. 3. He also informed that fish delivery problem has been solved by providing 13 nos. of vehicles to the beneficiaries. 	DFDO, Morigaon
Sericulture	<p>The Assistant Director of Sericulture informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 99.42% production target for Eri has been achieved so far, while mulberry production is at 23.65%. 2. Old damaged buildings in the farms have been dismantled. 3. She requested for assistance from the CEO, Zilla Parishad for construction of boundary walls and partition works of Oujari sericulture farm. 	Assistant Director, Sericulture Morigaon

DICC	<p>The General Manager, DICC informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the time being PMEGP progress is not satisfactory in the district because of pending and rejection of applications by banks. 2. She also apprised the Chairman about lack of work force in the department. 	GM,DICC
Co-operatives	<p>The Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Awareness program is going on in govt. colleges to encourage the students for entrepreneurship. 2. 2 acres of land is required to install cold storages and processing units. 	Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Morigaon
Labour	<p>District Labour Officer informed that: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Morigaon is in 6th position in the state for registration of workers in e-Shram portal. 2. She requested the DTO to check Motor Transport Labour License. 3. She also requested the Executive Officer, Municipal Board, Morigaon, to inform all the contractors about the auto renewal of license and urged to deduct cess for construction of personal building too. In this regard, the Chairman asked the Labour officer to appraise the matter in writing to the Deputy Commissioner, Morigaon. 	Labour Officer, Morigaon/ EO, Municipal Board, Morigaon
Soil Conservation	<p>The Divisional Officer, Soil Conservation informed that: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Watershed project under PMKSY is going on. 2. The chairman asked the officer, to find a solution for conservation of soil in the municipal dumping site. 	DO, Soil Conservation, Nagaon
ASRLM	<p>The District Project Manager, ASRLM informed that:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Laharighat, Moirabari and Bhuragaon are lagging in credit linkage due to non cooperation from the respective PNB branches. In this regard, the Chairman asked to write a letter to LDM, Morigaon for necessary action. 2. The chairman informed that, The Indrajaal Festival will be held in Mayong and asked the DPM to co-operate in the event. 	DPM, ASRLM/ LDM, Morigaon

Last but not the least; the Chairperson requested all the concerned Heads of Developments Deptts. to start the restoration work in a war footing manner and be prepared for the ensuing flood season. Apart from the above, HoDs Diary, Legal Metrology, Economics & Statistics, Excise & ITI departmental review has also been done.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the Chair.

Chairman, Dist. Dev. Committee
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Deputy Commissioner,
Morigaon

Dated Morigaon the 19th April, 2023

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2. The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Transformation & Development Deptt., Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati-6
3. The Director (DCP), Division Transformation & Development Department, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati-6
4. The Director Evaluation & Monitoring Division, Transformation & Development Department, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
5. The Technical Director, DIO, NIC, Morigaon. She is requested to upload on the District Website.
6. All Members of District Development Committee (DDC), Morigaon
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