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Minutes of 16th meeting of the Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee (LPCC) held on 12.02.2024 (1100 hrs.) at Kavaratti, Lakshadweep

The meeting of 16th Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee (LPCC) was held at Conference Hall of Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator on 12.02.2024 at 11.00 AM under the chairmanship of Chairman, LPCC/Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator, Union Territory of Lakshadweep Administration (UTLA). The following members of LPCC and special invitees of UTLA were present in the meeting:

1	Shri. Sandeep Kumar, IAS, Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator & Chairman, LPCC
2	Shri. Rahul Singh, IAS, Managing Director, Lakshadweep Development Corporation Limited
3	Shri. Arjun Mohan, IAS, District Collector & Director, Port, Shipping & Aviation
4	Shri. Santosh Kumar Reddy V, IFS, Secretary, Environment & Forests
5	Shri. Rakesh Dahiya, DANICS, Director, Industries & Director, Education.
6	Dr. Shrikanth R. Tapadiya, DANICS, Director, Health Services
7	Shri. Shajahan C.N, Superintending Engineer, LPWD
8	Dr. Mohammed Jaleel C.G, Medical Superintendent, IGH
9	Shri. Himanshu Yadav, DANICS, CEO, District Panchayat & Member Secretary, LPCC

The following members attended the meeting through video conference:

1	Shri. J.Chandra Babu, Regional Director, CPCB, Bengaluru
2	Dr. Sridhar, Scientist-D, Regional Office, MoEFCC, Bengaluru
3	Dr. P.V. Radhakrishnan, Scientist and Programme Director, Centre for Environment & Development, Thiruvananthapuram
4	Dr. Anas Abdul Aziz, Principal Scientist, CSIR-NIO, Kochi

Special Invitees:

1	Shri. S.S. Parihar, DANICS, Special Secretary (Information Technology)
2	Shri. Rakesh Kumar, Director, Panchayat

Shri. Himanshu Yadav, Member Secretary, Lakshadweep Pollution Control Committee welcomed the Chairman, other members and special invitees. After introduction of all the dignitaries, the Member Secretary presented the agenda points before the Committee.

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of 15th LPCC meeting

The minutes of the 15th meeting of LPCC were forwarded to all the members on 28.02.2023. No member raised any objection and therefore, minutes of 15th meeting stands confirmed.

Agenda item No. 2: Compliance/follow up action of decision taken at the 15th meeting held on 23.02.2023.

The Committee discussed that the Department of Health Services, UTLA is the Nodal Agency inter-alia for Nutrition and Hygiene related aspects and the LPCC has a regulatory role with respect to pollution control and monitoring as per provisions of Water Act, 1974 and Air Act, 1981.

The Committee discussed in detail regarding the issuing of consents to restaurants.

The Regional Director, CPCB, Bengaluru opined that the LPCC has to oversee the proper scientific management of solid and liquid waste in all the restaurants.

After discussion, it was decided that the LPCC has to prepare a detailed proposal for categorisation of restaurants for according consents in Lakshadweep. The proposal shall be submitted in the next meeting of LPCC. (Action: - LPCC)

Agenda Item No.3: Ratification of the following consent issued by LPCC

The LPCC submitted before the Committee for the ratification of the following consents issued after the last meeting.

1. Consent to Operate to Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) for Retail Outlet of petroleum products at Androth Island issued on 03.03.2023.
2. Consent to Operate to Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) for Retail Outlet of petroleum products at Kalpeni Island issued on 08.08.2023.
3. Consent to Establish to Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) for Oil Storage Depot of petroleum products at Androth Island issued on 21.12.2023.

After detailed discussion, the Committee decided to ratify the three consents. The Committee also suggested that all relevant details about the consents shall be circulated among all the members well in advance before placing before the Committee for ratification as part of the agenda.

The Committee also decided to issue letter to Department of Electricity, UTLA for obtaining consents for all Power Generating Stations working in Lakshadweep. (Action:- LPCC & Dept. of Electricity).

Agenda Item No.4: Elimination of Single Use Plastics in UT of Lakshadweep.

The Member Secretary briefed the activities carried out for the elimination of Single Use Plastics (SUP) in the islands. The LPCC has created the User credential ID's and passwords for the SUP ban Compliance Monitoring Portal for all the Executive Officers of the Village Dweep Panchayats. The Secretary, Environment & Forests, UTLA informed that the Department of Environment & Forests, UTLA had issued two type of cloth bags to the households in all islands as an alternative to Plastic carry bags.

Director, Department of Panchayat, UTLA requested to arrange the training programme in respect of SUP ban monitoring and reporting in the central portal for the officials of Panchayat.

After detailed discussion, the following decisions were taken:

- (i) LPCC has to arrange the training programme for the officials of Department(s) of Panchayat, Environment & Forests and Police. Regional Director, CPCB, Bengaluru also agreed to organize a training programme. (Action :- **CPCB/LPCC**)
- (ii) Procurement of sufficient number of instruments for measuring the thickness of plastic carry bags/sheets/film etc. may be explored. (Action :- **Department of Panchayat, UTLA**)

Agenda Item No.5: Review of financial assistance received from CPCB under the Scheme "Assistance for Abatement of Pollution".

Member Secretary briefed various activities carried out under the scheme and requested Dr. Anas Abdul Aziz, Principal Scientist, CSIR-NIO, Kochi to make the presentation on "Establishment of Water Clinic and Citizen Science Initiatives to Reduce Water Pollution in Kavaratti, Lakshadweep" project. Accordingly Dr. Anas Abdul Aziz gave a brief presentation before the Committee. After the presentation, the Chairman requested the expert members to suggest appropriate technology for the management of black water and grey water for Lakshadweep Islands and submit their suggestion(s) before the Committee in writing before the next meeting.

Agenda Item No.6: M.V. Nand Aparajitha, Stranded Cargo Barge at Kavaratti.

Deferred.

Agenda Item No.7: Creation of robust institutional mechanism for data collection from various departments, like Panchayat (for Solid and liquid waste), Health (for bio medical), Information Technology (E-Waste) etc.

Deferred.

Agenda Item No.8: Review of the reports and deadlines that need to be submitted to respective agencies, Ministries or in compliance to various orders of NGT or Courts

Deferred.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

This is issued with the approval of Chairman, LPCC vide e-Office Note.#113 dated 11.03.2024.


MEMBER SECRETARY, LPCC

Dated 11.03.2024

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To

All Concerned

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1. PA to the Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator & Chairman, LPCC
2. PA to the Secretary, Environment & Forests/ Industry/ LPWD/Port, Shipping & Aviation/ Health Services, UTLA
3. Member Secretary, CPCB, New Delhi
4. Regional Director, CPCB, Bengaluru