




Minutes of the online Review Meeting on village wise availability of lands for raising plantation under the MegLIFE Project

Date: 09.12.2023 Time:12:30 pm
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Date: 11.12.2023 Time: 5:00 pm

Points discussed	Decision taken
1. Raising plantation in <3 ha plots	<p>1. Plantations shall be raised in <3 ha plots if total minimum plantation area of the village sum up to 20 ha and proper monitoring for quality is ensured by respective DPM and BPM.</p> <p>2. Average plantation areas including all villages in a block shall come to a minimum 20 ha viz. Village-1 16 ha, Villages 2-11 ha, Village 3- 30 ha, Village-4-25 ha, Village 5-10 ha, Village-6-25 ha, Village-7-35 ha, Village-8-40 ha, Village-9-10 ha, Village-10-15 ha, Village-11-50 ha, Village-12-25 ha, Village-13-27 ha, Village-14-35 ha, Village-15-15 ha, Village 16-20 ha, Village-17-30 ha, Village 18-50 ha, Village-19-10 ha, Village 20- 20 ha = Average area for plantation per village (499 ha/20 villages) =24.95 ha</p>
2. Project interventions other than plantation in the villages	<p>1. Afterwards any intervention from the project will be initiated in the village only if the villages having sufficient areas provide minimum 20 ha land for plantation.</p> <p>2. The villages where no or negligible lands are provided for plantation but construction of community halls and SWC structures already started, in those villages all other project interventions shall be put on hold.</p>
3. Plantation in Group-II villages	As getting land for plantation become challenge due to various reasons in Group-I villages, it is decided to take up AR and ANR plantations also in Group-II villages along with agroforestry and NTFP plantations.
4. Agroforestry Models foe 2024 plantations	<p>1. BPMs shall fill up species demand received from VPIC members for raising agroforestry in the google sheet already circulated from SPMU.</p> <p>2. Consultant, Project Management, SPMU shall discuss with APD on agroforestry models to be developed for Khasi Hills Region.</p>
5. GPS demarcation of potential areas for plantation	Plantation presurvey with GPS devise shall be conducted in all remaining plots of all batches of villages (Group-I & Group-II) and potential area available for raising plantations shall be mapped by
6. Categorization of villages in respect of responses towards raising plantations	<p>1. Manager, NRM, SPMU along with SPMU MIS team shall categorize villages into 3 categories viz.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category-1 – the villages which are positive and agreed to provide lands for raising plantation • Category-2 – the villages which require some more efforts to get convinced for providing lands for raising plantation • Category-3 – difficult villages to raise plantation due to less geographical area, cash crop production, private ownership etc. <p>2. SPMU will conduct special meetings under the chairmanship of APD at Tura in the month of January,24 where Nokma of these villages shall be invited for discussion and exploring options for solutions.</p>
7. Data Entry in plantation forms in MIS	All BPMs shall complete data entry in the F1, and F2 forms of plantation in APPVERSE by 16 th Dec,2023 so that SPMU can compile plantation data for registration for the carbon credit project.

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8. Blocks having villages providing negligible area for plantation	Betasingh Block and Songsak Block have maximum number of villages where very less area has been taken up for plantations. DPM, SWGH and DPM, EGH shall visit all villages under these blocks and submit ground verification report by 16 th Dec, 2023.
9. LULC mapping of 3 rd Batch villages	Manager, GIS, SPMU shall prepare LULC maps of Batch-III MegLIFE villages indicating especially open forest/ degraded forest areas available for plantation using old GIS data from MBDA.
10. Field Visit data of BPMs	MIS Team, SPMU shall extract block wise field visit data of all BPMs of last 3 months and show to APD.
11. Intervention of Wildlife Trust of India (WTE) in MegLIFE villages under Rongara block	SPMU shall write to WTE to share details of interventions proposed to be taken up in the villages under Rongara block.

Two days review meeting on village wise availability of lands for raising plantation under the MegLIFE Project was held under the chairmanship of Additional Project Director, MegLIFE on 9th and 11th Dec, 23 through online mode. Following decisions were taken after detailed discussion on block wise village wise land availability issues.


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- All Concerned-for necessary action

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