



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government Department- Resilient Kerala Program for Results (PforR)- Technical Assistance Program with CEREMA as Technical Partner and AFD as funding partner – "Sponge city solution conference" at Lyon in France – Permission for officers from LSGD (Planning)to attend- Granted - Orders issued.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (PP) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1180/2023/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 07-06-2023

Read 1.GO(Ms) No.18/2022/P&EA dated 29.07.2022

2.G.O.(Rt)No.462/2023/LSGD dated 23.02.2023

3. Letter no. TCPCTP/2628/2021 -E3 dated 24.05.2023 from Chief Town Planner

ORDER

Government vide GO read as 1st paper above granted permission for availing external assistance of Euro 100 million from the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) on a co-financing basis in a Program for Results (PforR) mode for Resilient Kerala Development Programme under Rebuild Kerala Initiative (RKI). A grant in kind Technical Assistance program component, worth 5,00,000 Euro, is also attached with this assistance with an objective of creating institutional partnerships between French and Kerala institutions to improve territorial resilience, while supporting the State of Kerala in attaining the objectives of the Resilient Kerala PforR, notably on DLI 4 and DLI 5 implemented by LSGD . A Tri-Partite Memorandum of Understanding has been signed among Government of Kerala (Beneficiary), The Center for Studies and Expertise on Risks, the Environment, Mobility and Planning -CEREMA (Technical Partner) and L'agence Francaise De Development-AFD (Agency) for the Technical Assistance Program as sanctioned vide Government Order read as 2nd paper above.

As part of the Technical Assistance Program CEREMA has requested to suggest upto 3 persons working on sponge concepts to attend the "Sponge city solution conference" scheduled between the 4th and the 7th of July 2023 at Lyon in France. Chief Town Planner, vide letter read as 3rd paper above, reported that this is an International research conference organized every 3 years in France specifically on the subject of Sponge City solutions which is considered as one of the important mitigation measures for Flood Risk Reduction which is also proposed in the Risk Informed Master Plans prepared in the State. This is envisaged to be a great opportunity for the officials working on sponge city solution to increase their technical skills and to network with French and international experts in the field. The team's travel and conference registration will be fully covered by CEREMA as part of the AFD mission and funding. In the context, Chief Town Planner has requested that the following officers from LSGD Planning may be nominated to attend the conference:

1. Mr Arun G, Town Planner (team leader), Pathanamthitta
2. Ms Gladis William, Deputy Town Planner, Alappuzha
3. Ms Seema S R, Deputy Town Planner, Thiruvananthapuram

Government have considered the matter in detail and are pleased to grant permission for above three officers to attend the "Sponge city solution conference" scheduled between the 4th and the 7th of July 2023 at Lyon in France as part of the Technical Assistance Program pursuant to Tripartite MoU entered into by Government of Kerala with CEREMA and AFD.

(By order of the Governor)
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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

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