



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government Department - Co-ordination Committee for expediting the implementation and monitoring of solid waste management projects at Brahmapuram, Ernakulam District - Constituted - Orders issued

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (WM) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.2226/2021/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 09/11/2021

Read:- Letter No. KSIDC/TVM/WTE/2021/395 dated 28.09.2021 from the Managing Director, KSIDC

ORDER

With the objective of mitigating the issue of accumulation of solid waste in the urban areas of Ernakulam district, Government have decided to set up an Integrated Solid Waste Management project with a Waste to Energy Plant at Brahmapuram. The Project is being developed on a cluster based model and is located at Brahmapuram as a DBFOT project under Public Private Partnership mode. The waste to energy plant at Brahmapuram will process entire solid waste generated in all the participating LSGIs in the cluster. Accordingly majority of Urban Local Bodies in Ernakulam district has been included in cluster. Kochi Municipal Corporation has accorded sanction to hand over 20 acres of land at Brahmapuram to KSIDC which is the nodal agency appointed by the State Government to coordinate the implementation of waste to energy plants in the state.

2. Government have also approved Kerala Solid Waste Management project with the financial assistance from World Bank. The prime objective of the project is to augment the existing mechanisms for solid waste management and to create additional infrastructure facilities in the sector. Kochi Municipal Corporation has

set up a waste to compost plant at Brahmapuram for processing the organic waste being generated in Kochi Corporation limits. The unprocessed inorganic waste dumped at the site in Brahmapuram along with the organic waste which could not be processed in the existing compost plant. The huge quantity of mixed waste has accumulated at the site and approximately 5 lakhs tonne of waste is currently dumped at the site. As per the directions of National Green Tribunal, state Government has taken steps to remove the legacy waste at the site by appointing a contractor selected through a transparent tender process.

3. Kochi Municipal Corporation contemplates to set up another waste to compost plant in the available land at Brahmmpauram in addition to the existing compost plant. Discussions are also progressing for the development of a Septage Treatment Plant at Brahmapuram to treat the septages from neighbouring ULBs in addition to the existing septage treatment plant at the site. Indian Medical Association has also taken steps to set up Bio Medical waste treatment plant at Brahmapuram.

4. Kochi Corporation continues to dump their MSW at Brahmapuram dumpsite on a daily basis. The contractor for removing the legacy waste at the site has been appointed and as per schedule the work at the site is expected to be commenced by 1st week of November 2021. Construction activities of waste to energy plant at the site will also commence once the concessionaire receives the statutory clearances and achieves the financial closure. The daily incoming waste from Kochi Corporation to the site may adversely affect the steps taken for clearing the legacy waste at the site. It would also hinder the seamless operation of the Contractor as well as the Concessionaire appointed for removal of legacy waste and development of waste to energy project.

5. The Managing Director, KSIDC has reported that a comprehensive action plan needs to be charted out and effectively executed to address the daily incoming waste at the site on commencement of removal of legacy waste by the contractor, and simultaneously to coordinate the various activities and issues that may

arise during the development of the waste to energy plant. It is also reported that a Coordination Committee shall be constituted to handle all project coordination aspects related to the removal of legacy waste at the dump site, development of bio medical waste treatment plant and the septage plant at Brahmapuram, development of waste to energy plant, conservation of water body, etc.

6. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute a Coordination Committee for expediting the implementation and monitoring of solid waste management projects at Brahmapuram, Ernakulam district with the following composition:

- i. Mayor, Kochi Corporation - Chairperson
- ii. Principal Secretary LSG (KSWMP & WtE projects) Department
- iii. District Collector, Kochi
- iv. Secretary, Kochi Municipal Corporation- Convenor
- v. Chief Environment Engineer, KSPCB Ernakulam Regional Office
- vi. Dy. Project Director & Senior Expert from Kerala Solid Waste Management Project
- vii. Managing Director, M/s Zonta Infratech Pvt Ltd
- viii. Representative of the SPV to be incorporated for the WtE Project development.
- ix. MLA of the constituency - Special invitee
- x. Ward Councillor/s of Brahmapuram - Permanent invitee

6. The Committee shall meet on a monthly / fortnightly basis and take key decisions for the effective coordination of the various projects being developed at Brahmapuram and to ensure the clearance of legacy waste, development of Waste to Energy Project, Septage Plant and Bio Medical Waste Treatment Plant etc. in a time bound manner.

(By order of the Governor)
Bishwanath Sinha
Principal Secretary

To:
The Managing Director, KSIDC.

The Members concerned (through MD, KSIDC)

The Principal Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

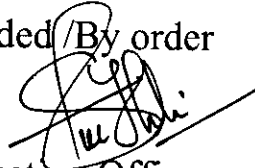
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