

Minutes of the 131st Meeting of KCZMA held on 15.09.2023 (Friday)
at 10.30 AM in the Conference Hall of DoECC, Thiruvananthapuram.

The meeting started at 10.30 A.M. in the Conference Hall of DoECC. Dr. Rathan U Kelkar IAS, Secretary, Environment Department, Govt of Kerala and the Chairman, Kerala Coastal Zone Management chaired the meeting.

Participants

1. Sri. Suneel Pamidi IFS, Member Secretary, KCZMA
2. Dr.C. Revichandran, Member (Expert), KCZMA
3. Dr. Richard Scaria, Member (Expert), KCZMA
4. Smt. Amrutha Satheesan, Member (Expert), KCZMA
5. Sri. Sathyan Meppayyur, Member (NGO), KCZMA
6. Sri. T. T. Suresh, Joint Secretary, Forest Department
7. Sri. Sreelu. N. S, Additional Director, Department of Fisheries

In attendance

1. Dr.Reji Srinivas, Scientist E, NCESS
2. Sri. P.C.Sabu, Joint Secretary, KCZMA
3. Sri. P. Kalaiarasan, Environmental Engineer, DoECC
4. Sri. Muhammed Faisal. H, Deputy Secretary, LSGD

Status of CZMP 2019

1. Discussion on the modified CZMP 2019 of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam Districts.

Dr.Reji Sreenivas, Scientist, NCESS presented the draft CZMP of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam Districts.

Decision : The CZMP of Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam districts was presented by Dr. Reji Srinivas in detail along with modifications carried out after examining the complaints raised during the public hearing. After a detailed discussion, it was decided to approve the CZMP of Thiruvananthapuram district. The NCESS is directed to complete the CZMP report, public hearing compliance report, Coastal Land Use Plan and other supporting documents/reports of Thiruvananthapuram District in all respects as per the CRZ Notification 2019 and the Guidelines issued by MoEF&CC. The same shall be discussed with NCSCM before submitting it to the Technical Scrutiny Committee. This exercise shall be completed before the first week of October 2023.

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Sri. P.Kalaiarasan, EE, DoECC presented the way forward to submit the draft CZMP to the Technical Scrutiny Committee, NCSCM. The Authority requested NCESS to follow the procedure as detailed in the presentation attached as **Annexure 1**.

Regarding Kollam District CZMP it was decided to carry out a Joint field inspection of Mangrove locations along with NCESS to redress the complaints raised by the Public.

2. Discussion on the modifications to be made in the CZMP 2019 of Kottayam, Kozhikode, Kannur, Kasargod, Alappuzha, Thrissur, Malappuram Districts.

Decision : The CZMP of Kottayam, Kozhikode, Kasargod, Thrissur, and Malappuram were presented by Dr Reji Srinivas in detail along with modifications carried out after examining the complaints raised during the public hearing. After a detailed discussion, it was decided to conduct Joint field inspections of required areas in Thrissur, Kollam and Kasargod districts with Bunds/Sluice gates and mangroves along with NCESS to redress the complaints raised by the Public. The field inspection schedule decided is as below:

Thrissur : 29.09.2023

Kollam : 30.09.2023

Kasargod : 03.10.2023.

3. Action taken by KCZMA on the grievances received with regard to the finalization of CZMP 2019.

Decision : Dr. Reji Srinivas informed that the corrections in CZMP of Kannur and Alappuzha will be completed in a week and submitted to KCZMA. The grievances of Ernakulam will sent to NCESS in a week.

4. Ratification of Minutes of the DLCs:

Decision : Ratified

5. (i) File No : 324/A1/2022/KCZMA- Construction of Rebuild Kerala Initiative – River Training Work at Shiriya in Kasargod by the Chief Engineer, Harbour Engineering Department

Decision : The project proponent has not fully addressed the concerns raised by the Authority in the 129th meeting. As per the Hon'ble NGT direction in case No.O.A 04/2013 (SZ) with Appeal No. 18/2017 (SZ) the Government of Kerala is preparing the Comprehensive Shoreline Management Plan. The proposal will be considered after the approval of the Shoreline Management Plan.

5 (ii) File No. 682/A1/2023/KCZMA- Petition submitted by Artech Lake View Owners' Association alleging CRZ violation near Akkulamlake by Sri.Abdul Salam, Kollam Corporation, 17/1134, Third Milestone, Kilikolloor, Thevalli.P.O, Kollam District.

Decision: After the discussion, it was decided to carry out a site inspection immediately by expert members of the KCZMA. A reminder shall be sent to the Secretary, Thiruvananthapuram Municipal Corporation to submit the action taken report. If the report is not submitted in a week's time matter may be reported to Govt for suitable action.

The meeting was concluded at 1: 30 PM with a vote of thanks to the Chair.