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Office of the Special Commissioner, Forests, Environment, Climate Change Management

Proceedings of meeting held on 15-01-2025 under the Chairpersonship of Special Commissioner (Forest, Environment, Climate Change Management) regarding the Implementation of Bengaluru Climate Action and Resilience Plan (BCAP)

Date: 15.01.2025

Time: 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Venue: BBMP War Room

Participants:

1. Smt. Preeti Gehlot, IAS, Special Commissioner (Forest, Environment, Climate Change Management) BBMP
2. Ms Praseeda Mukundan, Senior Program Research Associate- Urban Development, WRI India
3. Mr. Zair Belgami, Program Research Associate- Urban Development, WRI India
4. Mr. Srinivas Alavalli, Fellow, Integrated Transport & Road transport, WRI India
5. Ms. Sharathapriya, Program Manager for B-CAC
6. B-CAC Fellows - Ms. Meghana, Ms. Bhuvana, Mr. Sanjay, Mr. Suraj, Mr. Pruthvi

Agenda

- To discuss on CSR Convening.
- To discuss on Collaborations.
- Update on Nurturing Neighbourhood
- Climate budgeting discussion and progress.
- BluGreen awards promotion.
- Localization of climate action plan discussion.
- General discussion on CAC activities.

Key discussions and next steps:

• **Collaborations**

- Proposal update of BPAC about EV charging points, chatbot development, and the Yuva Hasiru education programs.
- Update on the proposal by Lets be the change organisation regarding solid waste management.
- An update on the BPAC EV charging stations at the BMP Office indicates that work is ongoing. Sharath from B.PAC has received an engagement letter from CAC, and further processes are currently underway, with CAC set to follow up on this matter.
- Discussions regarding the Yuva Hasiru Rakshaka initiative have taken place, and progress is being monitored by CAC in collaboration with B.PAC.

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- **Nurturing Neighbourhood**

- A Workshop to be conducted for the BBMP Horticulture Department to develop BBMP parks with child- and caregiver-centric elements and amenities. The workshop will take place on 22nd January 2025 at 12:00 PM. All horticulture engineers must attend.

- **Redefining the role of Fellows by Special Commissioner**

- Climate Budgeting: Pruthvi is tasked with analysing the BBMP budget for FY 2024-25 and developing a template for subsequent fiscal years, while Sanjay and Jeevitha will assist in generating reports on climate budget ratios and sectoral action items.
- MER-Stocktaking Exercise: Pruthvi will consolidate departmental inputs and draft a framework for this initiative, with support from Sanjay and Jeevitha to analyse the data.
- BGIN Implementation: Meghana/Suraj to follow up on BGIN review meeting that is scheduled on 23rd Jan 2025 at 11am.
- IEC & Outreach: This involves preparing an Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) plan and materials, with Suraj, Jeevitha, and Sanjay collaborating on social media updates.
- Blugreen Awards: Meghana and Bhuvana will develop the IEC plan and application forms, including translations into Kannada, while managing backend support for the selection process.
- Ward Level CAP: Bhuvana, Sanjay, Suraj, and Jeevitha will work together on evidence collection regarding climate challenges at the ward level, establishing a consultative process to identify actions and develop a report.

- **CSR Convening**

- Date: February 6 2025
- Venue: Meeting Hall 1, BBMP Head Office.
- The Special Commissioner has approved an increase in seating arrangements, including additional tables and chairs, to accommodate all attendees.
- A preparatory meeting is set to take place next week with WRI India and Sattva Consulting to discuss the presentation materials.

- **Climate Budgeting:**

- Conduct assessments of previous BBMP budgets for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- Evaluate the new BBMP budget for the year 2025-26.
- Implement amendments in budget circulars and templates to integrate a climate perspective.
- Collaborate with various departments to prepare BBMP's inaugural Climate Budget for the year 2026-27.
- The assessment results are to be presented to the Special Commissioner by February 15.
- The CAC will establish weekly and monthly meetings with knowledge partners, including WRI India and C40 Cities, to provide technical support throughout this process.

- **MER**

- The stocktaking process initiated by WRI India in April-May 2024 will be carried forward by the CAC Fellows. WRI India has already shared the templates and data collected from various departments with the CAC.
- The immediate task is to assess the number of BCAP actions that have already been implemented by the city agencies.



- Systems and platforms need to be developed for Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting (MER) of BCAP.
- **Blugreen awards:**
 - The CAC team is actively managing social media posts and advertising to promote the Blugreen Awards.
 - A strategic outreach and communication plan is needed to enhance awareness of the awards.
 - Video Production: Video segments featuring the DCM, Chief Commissioner, and Special Commissioner will be created to highlight the concept and objectives of the Blugreen Awards, as recommended by the Special Commissioner.
 - Entries Received: To date, a total of four entries have been submitted for consideration.
 - Collaboration with Knowledge Partners: WRI India and Azim Premji University will assist with backend activities, including developing jury profiles, determining the number of awards to be given, and establishing scoring criteria.
 - Documentation: FAQ documents will be prepared, and regular social media updates to be posted to disseminate information about the awards.
 - Promotion Meeting: CAC will convene a meeting with Srinivas (WRI) to discuss strategies for promoting the Blugreen Awards.

- **Localization of climate action plan: next steps**

January to February:

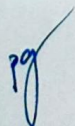
- WRI India will develop a comprehensive methodology and action plan, along with an initial list of targeted wards.
- WRI India, in collaboration with other interested partners, will create draft templates for:
 - Basic Factsheet
 - Loss & Damage Inventory
 - Deep Dive Factsheet
- CAC fellows will implement a pilot test of these templates in one or two selected wards.

March:

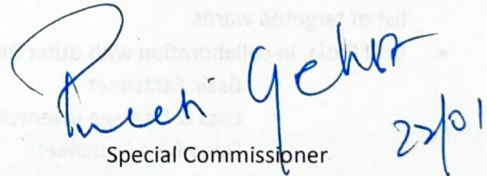
- BBMP will finalize the selection of wards with input from zonal and divisional engineers.
- A shortlist of potential projects for each ward will be prepared in consultation with relevant stakeholders.

April:

- Finalization of ward-level projects will occur, detailing what actions will be taken, where they will be implemented, and how they will be structured.
- A kick off and sensitization event organized by CAC at the zonal/division level will introduce the concept of Localizing Climate Action (LCA), outlining participant roles and next steps.
- CAC plans to propose an allocation of ₹1 cr per ward in the upcoming budget to pilot local climate action initiatives across 27 wards, designated as 'BluGreen Wards.'
- Following project identification, an assessment will be conducted to determine additional funding needs, and suitable funding sources will be explored.
- Once the detailed localization plan is finalized, CAC will seek additional resources such as Fellows and interns to support these initiatives.



- CAC fellows will also develop communication and outreach materials to facilitate the sensitization event and workshops.
 - A coordination request letter will be shared by CAC with interested organizations to garner support for the ward-level climate action initiative, with WRI India providing a draft for this correspondence.
 - Special commissioner suggested having a checklist of wards for selection and doing proper groundwork.
 - Special Commissioner mentioned Prithvi (CAC Fellow) to prepare a budget Para of CAC and mention solarisation of rooftop in all government buildings and mention the 10 things listed.
- **General discussions:**
- Meeting Notice of BGIN Review Meeting to be prepared.
 - BGIN review meeting is scheduled on 23rd Jan 2025 at 11am.
 - Nurturing Neighbourhood workshop meeting to be held on 22nd of Jan 2025 at 12:00PM
 - CAC Collaboration Proposal Meeting on 3rd Feb 2025 at 3:00PM.
 - A Tentative meeting to be scheduled on 23rd Jan 2025 post afternoon with Sattva Consulting along with WRI India team regarding CSR Convening.



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