

High-Level Review Meeting on Land Allocation and Statutory Clearances Concluded



A high-level review meeting was convened to address challenges related to land allocation and securing necessary approvals/No Objection Certificates (NOCs) from various departments, with the objective of ensuring effective implementation of projects being executed under the Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Company (MPUDC), an undertaking of the Urban Development and Housing Department.

The meeting was chaired by Additional Managing Director, Mr. Divyank Singh, and was organized in accordance with the directions of Managing Director, Mr. Sanket Bhondwe.

Senior officials from key departments, including the Water Resources Department, Forest Department, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), Madhya Pradesh Road Development Corporation, Public Works Department, and West Central Railway, were present during the meeting.

The session was also attended by EnC Mr. Pradeep Mishra (Department), EnC Mr. Anand Singh (Company), Chief Engineer Mr. Shailendra Shukla, DPDA Mr. Rajiv Ranjan

Pandey along with Project Managers from various implementation units.

The primary objective of the meeting was to review bottlenecks related to land allocation and departmental clearances affecting project execution, and to establish effective coordination mechanisms for their swift resolution, ensuring timely completion of projects.

During the meeting, officials were instructed to attend with all requisite information and relevant documentation, and to actively participate in resolving pending issues. Emphasis was also laid on strengthening coordination with concerned contractors to expedite project progress.



Inspection of Water Supply System in Mandu; **15-Day Deadline Issued for Resolution**

The EnC of Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Company (MPUDC), Mr. Anand Singh, conducted an on-site inspection of the water supply system in Mandu town.

Following the inspection, a review meeting was held at the council office, where he directed concerned officials to ensure that all technical issues affecting the operation and maintenance of the water supply project are resolved within 15 days.

The EnC emphasized that all existing technical deficiencies must be addressed on priority to ensure uninterrupted and efficient water supply to residents. Considering

Mandu's significance as a major tourist destination, he also instructed that hotels in the area be connected to the water supply network to enhance facilities for visitors.

Additionally, he directed the Chief Municipal Officer to undertake public awareness initiatives on water conservation through garbage collection vehicles, ensuring wider outreach among citizens.

The meeting was attended by Project Manager of the Indore unit, Mr. D.R. Lodhi, Deputy Project Manager Mr. Lalchand Kurethiya, along with officials from the Tourism Department, Municipal Council, and local public representatives.

Expert team inspects sewerage project for

Mandakini River conservation, praises MPUDC's work.

A high-level expert team inspected the ongoing work under the Mandakini River Pollution Control and Sewerage Project in Chitrakoot, walking along the riverbank from Sphatik Shila to Bharatghat. The expert team, led by Professor Dr. A.A. Kazmi of the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, was accompanied by Mr. Shailendra Shukla, Chief Engineer of the Madhya Pradesh Urban Development Company (MPUDC), an undertaking of the Urban Development and Housing Department, and his team. The team included Dr. Praveen Mutiyar (Technical Director, Namami Gange), Mr. Kamal Tiwari (Director, Daiki India Limited), Mr. Rajesh Tripathi, Engineer from the Deendayal Research Institute, officials from the Chitrakoot Municipal Council, officials associated with the sewerage project, and contractor Mr. Karan Patel and his team.



During the inspection, a detailed overview was made of the outfall sewer pipeline laid under the sewerage project and various measures taken to keep the river pollution-free. The team from IIT Roorkee commended the work of MPUDC, particularly the complex and challenging sewerage works along the riverbank. Dr. Praveen Mutiyar praised the work done under difficult conditions, while Mr. Kamal Tiwari described the drain trapping model adopted to protect the Mandakini River from pollution and the decision to use SBR technology instead of oxidation ponds at the STP as highly effective.

Chief Engineer Mr. Shailendra Shukla directed the contractor to complete the remaining 1,800 sewer connections by June 30, 2026, and to ensure that 4 MLD of sewage is delivered to the STP within the next 20 days. Also, instructions were given to complete the construction work of MBR based STP within a time frame of 8 months.



Worker Safety Measures Strengthened Across Water Supply Projects in Madhya Pradesh



Prioritizing worker health and safety, Heat Stress Awareness training was conducted at the Bhind Water Supply Project, along with the distribution of glucose-enriched drinking water to safeguard workers against extreme heat conditions.

At the Old Galla Mandi OHT site in Bhind, a motivational program was also organized to promote safety awareness, where workers were encouraged to follow best practices. The “Best Safety Performer of the Month” was recognized during the event. The program was

successfully coordinated by Community Development Officer (CDO) Ms. Sonika Sharma. Similarly, under the Sheopur Water Supply Project, ORS packets were distributed to workers to provide relief from intense heat and prevent dehydration.

In Harpalpur (Chhatarpur unit), workers were educated on protective measures against heat waves, including staying hydrated, covering their heads, and taking regular breaks. The initiative was coordinated by CDO Ms. Archana Singh.