

## Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Committee of Secretaries (GIS/RS initiative)

3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017 (3.00 pm)

Conference Room of Addl. Chief Secretary, Planning & Development Department

### List of Participants: enclosed

Initiating the discussion Shri KV Eapen IAS, Additional Chief Secretary and the Chairman of the Committee explained the need of streamlining the process of data sharing as per National Data Sharing Policy and generation of adequate data required to identify the socio economic gaps in the state. He further elaborated on capacity building as means to achieve the broad objectives in a methodical approach with the help of different organisations including UNICEF/UNDP.

Sri Alok Kumar IAS Addl. Chief Secretary IT and S&T Government of Assam emphasised the need for systematic integration of the spatial and non spatial data generated/to be generated by the development departments and other agencies of the government for the purpose of analysis and investigation. This exercise if properly executed with timely update would form the basis in drawing up future road map of development and for monitoring purposes of schemes/projects taken up.

Shri PLN Raju, Director, NESAC informed the Committee that NESAC had developed the North Eastern District Natural Resources Plan (NEDRP) web portal with no. of spatial layers for some of the districts of NE Region. These layers can be accessed and State Government departments can use them through an MoU.

Shri MK Yadava, IFS MD AMTRON dwelt upon the necessity and availability of high resolution data (both raster and vector) for a better GIS/RS platform. Involvement of NE Space Application Centre would make way for high resolution data sharing.

### **Action Points:**

1. it was decided to constitute a Sub Committee to assist the Committee of Secretaries in decision making and streamlining the process of data sharing (implementation of NDSAP 2012 as adopted by the Government of Assam), for capacity building and other issues relating to GIS/RS initiative in the state. The Sub Committee will consists of the following officials from different departments/organisations of the state and central governments as below-

Shri M S Manivannan IAS	Secretary P &D	Chairman
Shri M K Yadava IFS	MD AMTRON	Member
Shri Ajit Nath	Technical Director, NIC (GIS Division) Assam	Member
Shri Utpal Sharma	Sr. Scientist, ASTEC	Member
Shri Manijyoti Baruah	SRO P&D Department	Member



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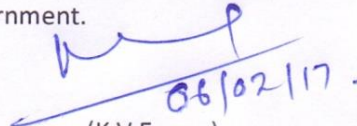
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Chairman directed that the Sub Committee would meet within the next fortnight to chalk out an action plan to suggest way forward for storing the GIS data as available with different departments in the server /portal available with NIC, ASTEC and how it can be made accessible for all department users. The Sub Committee will also follow up with NESAC for sharing of its data as per the mechanism suggested by NESAC.

2. As regards capacity building measures for the officers/staff of line departments necessary steps required are to be initiated in consultation with departments immediately for which Sub Committee will draw up an Action Plan.

The Chairman wanted to know from the representatives of UNICEF and UNDP present in the meeting if the organization would support the state government in this area of concern, as the state government agencies lack sufficient technical manpower to carry forward the action plan as intended under Assam GIS. To this UNICEF /UNDP Assam expressed their willingness to associate themselves in the plan of action as envisaged by the State Government.

  
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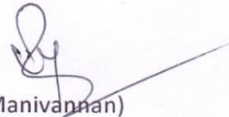
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