

Resettlement

The Displaced families are resettled either in a resettlement colony or in a chosen place of their own which is often called “self resettlement”. When they resettle on their own and ten or more families choose to live in close neighbourhood the place is termed as a “resettlement cluster”. With revenue surplus land becoming scarce the numbers of resettlement clusters are in rise. While resettling the displaced families in a colony or cluster care is being taken to restore their livelihood, socio-cultural identity, cultural practices and social customs. Efforts are also being made to preserve archeological sites/monuments at their new place of relocation. Special attention is paid to develop good host and guest relationship. Besides, civic amenities are provided for a decent community living. To ensure proper resettlement, a socio-cultural survey is being meticulously done in all the ongoing irrigation Projects as prescribed in the R&R Policy- 2006. The infrastructure survey ensures that the lost community infrastructures are replaced in the new place of relocation. To improve the quality of lives, better infrastructural facilities in the shape of

roads, electricity, drinking water, deep bore well, ponds, schools, panchayat ghar, anganwadi center etc. are provided after thorough discussion and active participation of the displaced families. In some cases additional infrastructure is also provided in host villages to ease out the pressure on existing infrastructure and natural resources. This helps to maintain cordial relationship between the oustees and the host population. Of late, proper lay out of the colonies is being done with the help of architects who finalizes the lay out plan in consultation with the displaced persons.

At present, eleven(11) major and medium irrigation projects are under progress in which approximately 27246 persons will be displaced. During 2008-09, Rehabilitation assistance of Rs.305,13,60,911/- have been sanctioned to 4501 displaced families and 2803 affected families and are in the process of relocation. Besides, ex-gratia to the tune of Rs.73,12,00,000/- has been sanctioned in favor of 3656 displaced families to facilitate from Lower Indra, Deo and Titilagarh irrigation projects. The status of R&R is given in the table below.

Table No.4.24
Status as on 31.03.2009

| Project Name | District | Villages affected (Nos) | | Approximate DFs (Nos) | Approximate A.Fs (No) | Total (DFs & AFs) | Exgratia to be sanctioned to DFs paid RA prior to R&R policy 2006 |
|--------------|------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| | | Total | Fully (out of col.3) | | | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Telengiri | Koraput | 7 | 4 | 596 | Survey in progress | 596 | - |
| Ret | Kalahandi | 15 | 8 | 407 | Survey in progress | 407 | - |
| Lower Indra | Nuapada | 30 | 17 | 6181 | 3450 | 9631 | 2928 |
| Lower Suktel | Balangir | 26 | 16 | 8374 | Survey in progress | 8374 | |
| Kanupur | Keonjhar | 16 | 9 | 3623 | Survey in progress | 3623 | |
| Deo | Mayurbhanj | 14 | 4 | 964 | Survey in progress | 964 | 469 |

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|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Subarnarekha | Mayurbhanj | 109 | 24 | 5398 | Survey in progress | 5398 | 1239 |
| Titilagarh | Bolangir | 9 | 3 | 466 | 983 | 1449 | 259 |
| Rukura | Sundargarh | 4 | - | 258 | 315 | 573 | |
| Manjore | Angul | 14 | 4 | 608 | Survey in progress | 608 | |
| Chheligada | Gajapati | 15 | 5 | 371 | Survey in progress | 371 | |
| | Total | 259 | 94 | 27246 | 4748 | 31994 | 4895 |

| Project Name | DFs paid RA (Nos) prior to R&R policy 2006 | RA sanctioned in 2007-08 | | RA sanctioned in 2008-09 | | | Exgratia sanctioned during 2008-09 | |
|--------------|--|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| | | No of DFs | Amount (Crore) | No of DFs | No of AFs | Amount in cr. | No. of DFs | Amount in cr. |
| 1 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| Telengiri | | 428 | 9.24 | 74 | Nil | 16.3013 | Nil | Nil |
| Ret | Nil | | | 407 | Nil | 18.8552 | Nil | Nil |
| Lower Indra | 2928 | | | 1832 | 1132 | 148.4768 | 2928 | 58.74 |
| Lower Suktel | Nil | | | 1205 | Nil | 53.228 | Nil | Nil |
| Kanupur | | 1073 | 46.48 | 157 | Nil | 0.7067 | Nil | Nil |
| Deo | 469 | | | Nil | Nil | Nil | 469 | 9.38 |
| Subarnarekha | 1239 | 802 | 38.30 | 47 | Nil | 0.7467 | Nil | Nil |
| Titilagarh | 259 | | | 211 | 1171 | 35.6397 | 259 | 5.00 |
| Rukura | Nil | | | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |
| Manjore | 101 | | | 480 | Nil | 23.8534 | Nil | Nil |
| Chheligada | Nil | | | 88 | Nil | 3.1418 | Nil | Nil |
| | 4996 | 2303 | 94.02 | 4501 | 2303 | 305.1360 | 3656 | 73.12 |

Further, an amount of Rs.23,50,08,968/- has been sanctioned for creation of civic infrastructure in the resettlement colonies and clusters. R&R work of other pipeline projects such as Ong Irrigation Project, IB irrigation

Project, Katra Irrigation Project, Dhauragoth Irrigation Project and Ghatakeswar Irrigation Project are to be taken up after clearance from MOTA.

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New Initiatives Taken

- Application of Remote Sensing and GIS Technology for identification of Revenue land.
- Preparation of R&R action plan by Independent Agencies by conducting socio economic, Socio cultural and Infrastructural Survey.
- Involvement of reputed Architects to ensure optimum use of land in a planned way with all basic amenities in a holistic manner.
- Steps initiated for creation of Database for the completed, ongoing and pipeline irrigation projects.
- Various training programmes and exposure visit organized for the field level functionaries by the support of UNDP. A team consisting of 6 officers of the Department has been sent for exposure visit to Upper Krishna Irrigation Project, Karnataka.
- Special efforts made to settle the pending cases related to forest and environment clearance by taking up the issues with F&E Dept. Govt. of Orissa, MOEF, Govt. of India in its Regional Office at Bhubaneswar as well as at New Delhi. Wild Life Management Plan for adversely affected areas due to construction of Left & Right system of Rengali project has been approved and Rs.19.85 crore was sanctioned.
- R&R plan of Dhauragoth and Ong irrigation Project hasve been submitted to MOTA.
- R&R issue resolved in Titilagarh and Lower Indra. River Gap closing work resumed.

Organisation

The Directorate of R&R functions as a composite Directorate under the Dept. of Water Resources. The Directorate is headed by the Director-cum-Ex-officio Additional Secretary to Govt., who is assisted by Joint Secretary/Deputy Secretary, Deputy Director-cum-Ex-Officio Under Secretary, Asst. Conservator of Forests, Asst. Director(CM), IPDP officer and other ministerial staffs. In the field there are Spl. LA and RROs and Zone Officers etc. who are responsible for acquisition of land and implementation of R&R Policy – 2006 in the field. The Spl.LA&RROs are under functional control of the RDCs concerned. The Directorate of R&R is responsible for acquisition of private land, alienation of Government and diversion of forest land for non-forest use as required for construction of the Irrigation projects. The land is acquired as per the Land acquisition act (1864) and Forest & Environment laws etc. The displacement of people from the acquired land is done as per the Orissa Resettlement & Rehabilitation policy 2006. It closely interacts with the Directorate of R&R, Revenue & D.M. Dept. on policy matters and organizes Trainings to operationalise the R&R Policy 2006.

The principal jobs of the Directorate are

- To process land acquisition cases expeditiously to make land available to the project.
- To ensure that land losers get genuine compensation.

- Successful resettlement and rehabilitation with participation of displaced people and all stake holders.
- Emphasis on Land based rehabilitation in the ayacut area to the extent possible.
- Livelihood reconstruction through skill up-gradation, horticulture, reservoir fishery, diary and other means.
- Make the displacement experience as less traumatic as possible.
- Expediting Forest and Environment clearance proposals for irrigation Projects