

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Fisheries & Ports Department - Vizhinjam International Seaport project - Compliance of Environmental Clearance conditions - Construction of a new fishing harbour at Vizhinjam - Preparation of DPR by Harbour Engineering Department - Advance payment - Orders Issued.

Fisheries & Ports (E) Department

G.O.(Rt)No.81/2025/F&P Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 30-01-2025

Read 1 G.O. (Rt) No. 392/2021/F&PD dated 12-08-2021

- 2 Letter No. VISL/37/2022-GM1 (E)/869 dated 13-01-2025 from the Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited
- 3 Minutes of the Technical Committee meeting of the Committee constituted for review of physical wave model studies conducted by CWPRS for the development of new fish landing facilities as part of the Vizhinjam International Seaport Project
- Minutes of Meeting Conducted by the Principal Secretary Ports on 23-01-2025 in his chamber at 4.00 PM to finalise the modalities of implementing the new Fishing Harbour at Vizhinjam as an Environmental Clearance Compliance requirement
- 5 Letter dated 30-01-2025 from the Executive Engineer, Harbour Engineering Department
- 6 e-mail dated 30-01-2025 from the Chief Executive Officer, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited

ORDER

In connection with the requirement of developing a new Fishing Harbour for the local community as per the Environmental Clearance (EC) obtained for the Vizhinjam International Seaport project, the Central Water & Power Research Station (CWPRS),

Pune was entrusted to undertake physical model studies for arriving at optimal layouts for the new fishery harbour. Accordingly CWPRS had carried out required studies and submitted its report.

- 2. The Technical Committee meeting convened by Principal Secretary, Ports constituted as per the Government Order read as 1st paper above, to review of physical wave model studies conducted by CWPRS for the development of new fish landing facilities as part of the Vizhinjam International Seaport Project, it was inter alia decided that 250-meter-long breakwater is conservative and recommended that the construction of 250- metre-long breakwater be taken up initially and based on its performance, a decision on its extension can be taken at a later stage. The Committee decided to accept the recommendations in the draft report of CWPRS on additional physical wave modelling study.
- 3. As per the letter read as 2nd paper above M.D., VISL reported that the construction of the new fishery harbour is a critical activity to be undertaken before 02 Jan 2026, the extended timeline allowed by the MoEF & CC for completing the pending compliances of Phase-1 of the port project, including the fish landing facility for the community and requested that the Harbour Engineering Department may be entrusted with the work of preliminary designing of the new fishery harbour and preparation of the cost estimate in a time bound manner.
- 4. The meeting convened by the Hon'ble Minister for Ports and Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries on 22-01-2025, it was decided to issue necessary administrative sanction earmarking the sourcing of finance for the project and stating the mode of execution as per provisions of funded works in the concession agreement to be issued by the port department urgently.
- 5. The meeting convened by the Principal Secretary, Ports on 23-01- 2025 to finalise the modalities of implementing the new Fishing Harbour at Vizhinjam as an Environmental Clearance Compliance requirement, it was decided that a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the revised layout of the fishing harbour and configuration of components shall be prepared by the Harbour Engineering Department (HED), they being the expert governmental agency.
- 6. As per the letter read as 5th paper above, the Executive Engineer, Harbour Engineering Department requested to release an advance amount of Rs. One Crores for carrying out the preparation of the DPR.

- As per the e-mail dated 30-01-2025 read as 6th paper above, sanction is requested for releasing Rs. 1.00 Crore as advance for the above purpose. The quantum of eligible fees for HED for undertaking this study and preparing the DPR shall be finalised and settled as per the Government approved norms for payment to Govt Departments and Institutions for this work.
- 8. Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord Sanction for the advance payment of Rupees One Crore to Harbour Engineering Department for preparing the Detailed Project Report for the fishing harbour and also to release the amount from the h/a 5051-01-001-99 Development of Vizhinjam Deep Water International Transshipment Terminal (PV) for the purpose.

(By order of the Governor)
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ADDITIONAL SECRETARY

To:

The Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited

The Director of Fisheries, Thiruvananthapuram

The Chief Engineer, Harbour Engineering Department

The Chief Executive Officer, Kerala Maritime Board, Thiruvananthapuram

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

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