



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Fisheries & Ports Department – Vizhinjam International Seaport Project -Construction of underground railway line connecting Vizhinjam International Seaport to Balaramapuram Railway Station - Selection of Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) tender documents for the proposed rail connectivity project for the Vizhinjam Port - Expert Committee Constituted - Orders Issued

FISHERIES & PORTS (E) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.482/2025/F&P Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 04-07-2025

Read 1 G.O.(Ms)No. 4/2025/F&P Dated, 20-03-2025

2 Letter No. VISL/2021/2020-E(I)/198 dated 05-06-2025 from the Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited

3 Letter No. VISL/2021/2020-E(I)/234 dated 18-06-2025 from the Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited

ORDER

As per the Concession Agreement between the Government of Kerala and the Concessionaire Adani Vizhinjam Port Private Limited, the responsibility for establishing railway connectivity lies with the State Government.

2. As per the Government Order read as 1st paper above, Government approved the Detailed Project Report (DPR) prepared by Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) for the construction of the underground railway line connecting the Vizhinjam International Seaport to the Balaramapuram Railway Station and administrative sanction was accorded for an amount of ₹1482.92 Crores for the implementation of the project.

3. The Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited reported that the Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) has submitted the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) tender documents pertaining to the proposed rail connectivity project for the Vizhinjam Port. A proper examination and vetting of these documents are

critical for successfully completing the bid process and selecting the best Contractor to achieve desired progress of the project within the stipulated timeline. The EPC tender documents are structured as per the standard two-packet system (technical and financial) adopted by Indian Railways and has been duly vetted for publication on the IREPS Central Government Portal.

4. As per the letter read as 2nd paper above, the Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited requested to constitute a committee under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ports to examine and vet the documents in connection with the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) tender documents pertaining to the proposed rail connectivity project for the Vizhinjam International Seaport.

5. Having examined the matter in detail, Government are pleased to constitute an Expert Committee to examine and vet the documents for the Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) tender documents pertaining to the proposed rail connectivity project with the following composition:

- i) Secretary to Government, Ports Department - Chairperson
- ii) Managing Director, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited
- iii) Chief Executive Officer, Vizhinjam International Seaport Limited
- iv) Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Railway (EPC Contracts in-charge)
- v) Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (Anakkampoil - Meppadi Tunnel Project) or Chief Engineer (Projects), Kerala State Transport Project (KSTP)
- vi) Sri. V. Ajithkumar, IRSE, Former Chief Engineer Construction, Thiruvananthapuram and Additional Divisional Railway Manager of Thiruvananthapuram Division (Currently, Managing Director, K-Rail)
- vii) Sri. K.P. Purushothaman, Former Additional Director General (ADG), Border Roads Organisation (BRO) and Chief Engineer overseeing the Construction of Atal Tunnel (Currently, Director, KIIFB).

(By order of the Governor)
ABDUL NASAR B I A S
SPECIAL SECRETARY

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