
LOAN NUMBER 2410-IND

PROJECT AGREEMENT

(Uttarakhand Urban Sector Development Investment Program – Project 1)

between

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

and

STATE OF UTTARAKHAND

DATED 23 October 2008

PAL:IND 38272

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PROJECT AGREEMENT dated 23 October 2008 between ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (hereinafter called ADB) on the one part, and the STATE OF UTTARAKHAND acting by its Governor (hereinafter called the State).

WHEREAS

(A) by a Loan Agreement of even date herewith between India (hereinafter called the Borrower) and ADB, ADB has agreed to make to the Borrower a loan of sixty million Dollars (\$60,000,000) on the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement, but only on condition that the proceeds of the Loan be made available to the State and that the State agrees to undertake certain obligations towards ADB as hereinafter set forth; and

(B) The State, in consideration of ADB entering into the Loan Agreement with the Borrower, has agreed to undertake the obligations hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Definitions

Section 1.01. Wherever used in this Project Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the several terms defined in the Loan Agreement and in the Loan Regulations (as so defined) have the respective meanings therein set forth.

ARTICLE II

Particular Covenants

Section 2.01. (a) The State through the EA shall carry out the Project with due diligence and efficiency, and in conformity with sound administrative, financial, engineering, environmental and urban development practices.

(b) In the carrying out of the Project and operation of the Project facilities, the State through the EA shall perform all obligations set forth in the Loan Agreement to the extent that they are applicable to the State.

Section 2.02. The State shall make available, promptly as needed, the funds, facilities, services, equipment, land and other resources which are required, in addition to the proceeds of the Loan, for the carrying out of the Project.

Section 2.03. (a) In the carrying out of the Project, the State shall employ competent and qualified consultants and contractors, acceptable to ADB, to an extent and upon terms and conditions satisfactory to ADB.

(b) Except as ADB may otherwise agree, all Goods, Works and consulting services to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan shall be procured in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 4 to the Loan Agreement. ADB may refuse to finance a contract where Goods, Works or consulting services have not been procured under procedures substantially in accordance with those agreed between the Borrower and ADB or where the terms and conditions of the contract are not satisfactory to ADB.

Section 2.04. The State through the EA, shall carry out the Project in accordance with plans, design standards, specifications, work schedules and construction methods acceptable to ADB. The State through the EA shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, to ADB, promptly after their preparation, such plans, design standards, specifications and work schedules, and any material modifications subsequently made therein, in such detail as ADB shall reasonably request.

Section 2.05. (a) The State through the EA, shall take out and maintain with responsible insurers, or make other arrangements satisfactory to ADB for, insurance of Project facilities, to such extent and against such risks and in such amounts as shall be consistent with sound practice.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the State through the EA shall undertake, to insure, or cause to be insured, the Goods to be imported for the Project and to be financed out of the proceeds of the Loan against hazards incident to the acquisition, transportation and delivery thereof to the place of use or installation, and for such insurance any indemnity shall be payable in a currency freely usable to replace or repair such Goods.

Section 2.06. The State through the EA shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, records and accounts adequate to identify the Goods, Works and consulting services and other items of expenditure financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, to disclose the use thereof in the Project, to record the progress of the Project (including the cost thereof) and to reflect, in accordance with consistently maintained sound accounting principles, its operations and financial condition.

Section 2.07. (a) ADB and the State through the EA shall cooperate fully to ensure that the purposes of the Loan will be accomplished.

(b) The State through the EA shall promptly inform ADB of any condition which interferes with, or threatens to interfere with, the progress of the Project, the performance of its obligations under this Project Agreement or the financing arrangements, or the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan.

(c) ADB and the State shall from time to time, at the request of either party, exchange views through their representatives with regard to any matters relating to the Project, the State, and the Loan.

Section 2.08. (a) The State through the EA shall furnish to ADB all such reports and information as ADB shall reasonably request concerning (i) the Loan and the expenditure of the proceeds thereof; (ii) the Goods, Works and consulting services and other items of expenditure financed out of such proceeds; (iii) the Project; (iv) the administration, operations and financial condition of the State with respect to the Project and the Loan; and (v) any other matters relating to the purposes of the Loan.

(b) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the State through the EA shall furnish to ADB quarterly reports on the execution of the Project and on the operation and management of the Project facilities. Such reports shall be submitted in such form and in such detail and within such a period as ADB shall reasonably request, and shall indicate, among other things, progress made and problems encountered during the quarter under review, steps taken or proposed to be taken to remedy these problems, and proposed program of activities and expected progress during the following quarter.

(c) Promptly after physical completion of the Project, but in any event not later than three (3) months thereafter or such later date as ADB may agree for this purpose, the State through the EA shall prepare and furnish to ADB a report, in such form and in such detail as ADB shall reasonably request, on the execution and initial operation of the Project, including its cost, the performance by the State, of its obligations under this Project Agreement and the accomplishment of the purposes of the Loan.

Section 2.09. The State through the EA shall (i) maintain separate accounts for the Project and for its overall operations; (ii) have such accounts and related financial statements (balance sheet, statement of income and expenses, and related statements) audited annually, in accordance with appropriate auditing standards consistently applied, by independent auditors whose qualifications, experience and terms of reference are acceptable to ADB; and (iii) furnish to ADB, promptly after their preparation but in any event not later than nine (9) months after the close of the fiscal year to which they relate, certified copies of such audited accounts and financial statements and the report of the auditors relating thereto (including the auditors' opinion on the use of the Loan proceeds and compliance with the covenants of the Loan Agreement as well as on the use of the procedures for imprest account, SGIA, and statement of expenditures), all in the English language. The State through the EA shall furnish to ADB such further information concerning such accounts and financial statements and the audit thereof as ADB shall from time to time reasonably request.

Section 2.10. The State through the EA shall enable ADB's representatives to inspect the Project, the Goods and Works financed out of the proceeds of the Loan, all other plants, sites, properties and equipment of the State, and any relevant records and documents.

Section 2.11. (a) The State through the EA shall, promptly as required, take all action within its powers to maintain IPMU's existence, to carry on its operations, and to acquire, maintain and renew all rights, properties, powers, privileges and franchises which are necessary in the carrying out of the Project or in the conduct of its business.

(b) In relation to the Project, the State through the EA shall at all times conduct its business in accordance with sound administrative, financial, environmental and urban development practices, under the supervision of competent and experienced management and personnel.

(c) In relation to the Project, the State shall at all times ensure operation and maintenance of its plants, equipment and other property, and from time to time, promptly as needed, make all necessary repairs and renewals thereof, all in accordance with sound administrative, financial, engineering, environmental, urban development, and maintenance and operational practices.

Section 2.12. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, the State shall ensure that any of its assets are not sold, leased or otherwise disposed of, the disposal of which may prejudice its ability to perform satisfactorily any of its obligations under this Project Agreement.

Section 2.13. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, the State shall cause the EA to apply the proceeds of the Loan to the financing of expenditures on the Project in accordance with the provisions of the Loan Agreement and this Project Agreement, and shall ensure that all Goods, Works and consulting services financed out of such proceeds are used exclusively in the carrying out of the Project.

Section 2.14. Except as ADB may otherwise agree, the State shall ensure that the EA and IPMU shall duly perform all respective obligations under the financing or other arrangements between the State and EA, and State and IPMU as applicable, and shall not take, or concur in, any action which would have the effect of assigning, amending, abrogating or waiving any rights or obligations of the parties under such Arrangements.

Section 2.15. The State through the EA shall promptly notify ADB of any proposal to amend, suspend or repeal any provision of IPMU's basic documents, and will give ADB an adequate opportunity to comment on such proposal before taking any action thereon.

ARTICLE III

Effective Date; Termination

Section 3.01. This Project Agreement shall come into force and effect on the date on which the Loan Agreement shall come into force and effect. ADB shall promptly notify the State of such date.

Section 3.02. All the provisions of this Project Agreement shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding any cancellation or suspension under the Loan Agreement.

ARTICLE IV**Miscellaneous**

Section 4.01. Any notice or request required or permitted to be given or made under this Project Agreement and any agreement between the parties contemplated by this Project Agreement shall be in writing. Such notice or request shall be deemed to have been duly given or made when it shall be delivered by hand or by registered mail, telegram, cable, telex, facsimile or radiogram to the party to which it is required or permitted to be given or made at its address hereinafter specified, or at such other address as such party shall have designated by notice to the party giving such notice or making such request. The addresses so specified are:

For ADB

Asian Development Bank
P.O. Box 789
0980 Manila, Philippines

Cable Address:

ASIANBANK
MANILA

Telex Numbers:

29066 ADB PH (RCA)
42205 ADB PM (ITT)
63587 ADB PN (ETPI)

Facsimile Numbers:

(632) 636-2444
(632) 636-2305.

For the State of Uttarakhand

Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand
Urban Development Department
4-B, Subhash Nagar
Dehradun – 248001
Uttarakhand

Facsimile Number:

(91-135) 2713554.


Section 4.02. (a) Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any documents required or permitted to be executed, under this Project Agreement by or on behalf of the State may be taken or executed by the Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand, Urban Development Department, or by such other person or persons as he/she respectively shall so designate in writing notified to ADB.

(b) The State shall furnish to ADB sufficient evidence of the authority of the person who will act under paragraph (a) of this Section, together with the authenticated specimen signature of such person.

Section 4.03. No delay in exercising, or omission to exercise, any right, power or remedy accruing to either party under this Project Agreement upon any default shall impair any such right, power or remedy or be construed to be a waiver thereof or an acquiescence in such default; nor shall the action of such party in respect of any default, or any acquiescence in any default, affect or impair any right, power or remedy of such party in respect of any other or subsequent default.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto, acting through their representatives thereunto duly authorized, have caused this Project Agreement to be signed in their respective names and to be delivered at the principal office of ADB, as of the day and year first above written.

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

By 
 NARHARI RAO
 Officer-in-Charge
 India Resident Mission

STATE OF UTTARAKHAND

By 
 VINITA KUMAR
 Principal Secretary
 Urban Development Department