

Resettlement Due Diligence Report

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CURRENCY EQUIVALENTS

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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB	:	Asian Development Bank
CoI	:	Corridor of Impact
DoR	:	Department of Roads
LBT	:	Lahan – Bhagawanpur- Thadi
GoN	:	Government of Nepal
PD	:	Project Directorate (ADB)/Department of Roads
SPS	:	SafeguardPolicyStatement2009
SRCP	:	SASEC Road Connectivity Project
PPC	:	Project Preparatory Consultant

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The Government of Nepal (GON) is working towards accelerating the economic development of the country while redressing regional imbalances and inequalities. Access to road transport is a key determinant of economic development and socioeconomic opportunities. The Government of Nepal requested the assistance of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support the improvement of the east–west highway (EWH). The proposed project aims to improve the efficiency and adequacy of the transport system by addressing the deterioration of road asset conditions, the poor safety of the transport network, and the limited cross-border connectivity. The SASEC Highway Improvement Project (SHIP) will (i) rehabilitate and upgrade about 87 kilometers (km) of national highway between the Kanchanpur and Kamala section of the EWH in the southeastern part of Nepal, (ii) improve road safety and road maintenance on the EWH, (iii) strengthen the capacity of the Department of Roads (DOR) under the Ministry of Physical Infrastructure and Transport (MOPIT) in road safety and road maintenance and (iv) expand the DOR building. The executive agency will be DOR.

2. The existing office of the ADB Project Directorate (PD), Department of Roads, Bishalnagar, is located in Kathmandu Metropolitan City ward no. 5. One of the components of SHIP is to construct a new, modernized PD-ADB office building and facilities in the same location. The new building is expected to be well equipped and environment-friendly.

3. The Project Directorate (ADB) building will be constructed in Bishalnagar, Kathmandu where the existing office building is currently located. The existing office was constructed about 20 years ago. The project will be implemented in an area of 21,904 sq. ft. (4 ropani in local measurement) of land.

II. OBJECTIVES OF DUE DILIGENCE REPORT

4. The objective of this due diligence report is to determine whether the office building component leads to any resettlement impacts (e.g., land acquisition, impacts on non-titled holders).

5. This due diligence has been prepared by the design consultant's resettlement team. The following methodology was used: (i) reviewing of design documents; (ii) consultations with DoR Officials at the Project Directorate (ADB); and (iii) visit of the project site in Bishalnagar, Kathmandu.

III. SCOPE OF LAND ACQUISITION

6. The project will be implemented in an area of 21,904 sq. ft. of land in Bishalnagar, out of which 8,731 sq. ft. shall be used for a five-stories office building. The land ownership certificates (2003/08/25) shows (Annex-1) that the 21,904 sq.ft (4 Ropani in local measurement) of land belongs to the Department of Roads (Government of Nepal). All required basic amenities like motorable road, electricity, sewerage, water supply etc are available on the site. Hence, based on detail engineering design and land ownership certificate additional land acquisition is not required for this Office Building Construction.

IV. FIELD INVESTIGATION & FINDINGS

7. The field visit was conducted on 20 May, 2018. The resettlement expert confirmed the office building component does not have resettlement impact – whether permanent or

temporary. There are no squatters and encroacher on the project site, which is properly fenced (see pictures Annex 3).

8. Consultations were held with 11 participants (Annex-2), mostly officials from DOR. During the meeting, the social and environmental experts provided detailed information on the proposed building construction. The local people expressed that, during the construction period, pollution and noise should be controlled

Table1: Due Diligence Review of Potential Resettlement Impacts

Nature of impact	Magnitude of impact
Ownership of land	Department of Roads, Nepal
Number of houses to be displaced	Existing Office building belongs to DOR, there is no other private houses/structures within construction area.
Number of Affected Persons (AP's)	There are no affected persons.
Current land Use	There is only residential land with existing office building
Loss of individual and community livelihoods	There will not be loss of livelihood
Damage or disturbance to public utility	No impact on public utility
Loss of community properties	There is no loss of community property
Resettlement Budget	Not applicable






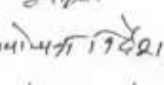

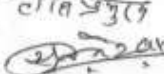



ANNEX 1: COPY OF LAND OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATE

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ANNEX 2: COPY OF MEETINGS MINUTES WITH WARD REPRESENTATIVE AND LOCAL PEOPLE

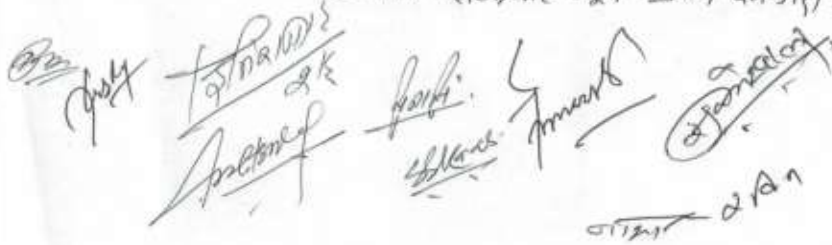
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उपस्थिति

१. रमेश ज्ञाने - वाडा अध्यक्ष (का.सं.५)  ९८५१०५१००१
२. सुभाष बस्नेत - अध्यक्ष  ९८५१०५१००१
३. विना सिंह - वाडा सदस्य  ९८५१०५१००१
४. काका कर्ण ज्ञाने - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
५. दुर्गा नाथ - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
६. सानु ज्ञाने - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
७. नारायण अधिकारी - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
८. ख. ल. र. - वाडा सदस्य  ९८५१०५१००१
९. रमेश बस्नेत - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
१०. शिव शंकर ठाकुर - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१
११. सविन शर्मा - स्थानीय वासी  ९८५१०५१००१

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૧. પ્રસ્તાવિત અવન વિશેષગણે વિષયક ખાતરો ઉપરથી ગણેધો.
૨. અવન વિશેષગણે વાતાવરણ મેટ્રી, જે સાથે ગણે ૫૬ અપાડ, મેટ્રી તથા વિશેષ ગણેધો.
૩. અવન વિશેષગણે સમસ્યા વગર ગણેધો (અવન) સમસ્યા ગણેધો.
૪. અવન વિશેષગણે સમસ્યા સ્વામિયકાલીકારે ૦૨૦૦ પ્રકાર ગણેધો ગણેધો.



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ANNEX 3: PICTURES OF EXISTING PROJECT DIRECTORATE (ADB) BUILDING