

RESETTLEMENT & REHABILITATION POLICY

5. Socio-Economic Surveys And Resettlement Action Plan :

5.1 Socio-Economic Surveys:

5.1.1 For proper planning and implementing resettlement programs, a socio-economic survey shall be undertaken first. This would help in assessing the magnitude of displacement, losses to be sustained by PDPs and PAPs, better targeting of vulnerable groups, ascertaining the social cost, drawing out the rehabilitation package and administering the same.

5.1.2 The Socio-economic survey shall consist of two parts namely:

- (a) A census of P.A.Ps.
- (b) A baseline survey of the Social & Economic state of the P.A.Ps.

The state shall notify the date on which the Socio-Economic Survey will commence. The Census operations shall be conducted using the date of said notification as the cut-off-date. The Baseline Socio-economic Survey shall be completed at least 6 months prior to the date of 1st notification under Section 4 of the L.A.A.

Each of the census subsequent to the initial census & initial Socio-economic Survey mentioned in para 5.1.5 shall be completed not later than one year after the dates of second and subsequent notifications under section 4 of the L.A.A. after the previous notification under section 4 has expired.

5.1.3 Prior to starting the socio-economic survey, training camps should be organised to train the PAPs & NGOs regarding the processes & provisions of compensation and R&R as well as regarding the methods of carrying out the socio-economic surveys & census. The NGOs will help in organising these training camps.

5.1.4. The cut-off date shall be used for determining impacts of the Project on the affected population. Prior to full-scale initial Socio-economic Survey, a sample Socio-economic Survey will be conducted involving the PDPs, PAPs & local revenue officials and N.G.Os & the sample S.E.S. shall be discussed with them. Based on the suggestions / comments of the PAPs & N.G.Os and local revenue officials, a full-scale initial census and S.E.S. associating them in the same also will be carried out to establish the base line numbers and other details of the affected persons.

5.1.5 If declaration under section 6 of LAA is more than three years behind the socio-economic survey, then census will be conducted updating the latest socio-economic survey and the cut-off date not linked with the date of first notification U/S 4 of the L.A.A. shall be moved upto the date of last (updated) socio-economic survey.

5.2 Rehabilitation Action Plan:

5.2.1 A comprehensive plan for resettlement will be drawn up in advance by the project authorities based on the Socio-economic surveys. The entire plan for resettlement should be prepared by the project authorities with the participation of the previously trained local NGOs & the representatives of the PAPs, as well as the host communities. Depending upon the circumstances of each individual project, the plan will specify mechanism for contribution by the project beneficiaries towards R & R of the PAPs.

5.2.2 The Rehabilitation Action Plan (RAP) shall be brought to the notice of the displaced and affected persons with the help of the local NGOs, the representatives of PAPs & the host communities so that they are able to make their suggestions if considered necessary by them. It shall be the basic obligation of the project authorities to disseminate the information about RAP to the entire population so as to enable even illiterate persons in the affected area to have full knowledge of the RAP. The affected persons will be explained about their entitlement of R&R under the policy.

5.3 Socio-economic Surveys and Preparation of RAP

Guidelines for carrying out, Socio-economic surveys and preparation of RAP may be seen in Annexure-II.