

Proceedings of Ordinary Gram Sabha Meeting held on 09/04/2017 at 11.00 am in the Panchayat hall, Second Floor, Buticas Navelim, under the chairmanship of Sarpanch Shri. Frank Fernandes.

The signatures of the members present are taken on the attendance register where in 66 members are present. Earlier this meeting is adjourned by half an hour after waiting for 15 minutes and the same started at 11.45 am.

At the outset the Sarpanch welcome the members present and extended his warm greetings and called upon them to cooperate with the chair, to conduct this meeting in a cordial atmosphere. He thanked the members in anticipation for their Co-Operation for the last five years that has made him to work with utmost excitement and enthusiasm for the welfare of the people of Navelim Village.

1) To read and confirm the proceedings of previous meeting:-

Philomena Coutinho	Proposer
Inacio Vaz	Secunder

Proceedings of the previous Ordinary Gram Sabha Meeting held on 27/11/2016, 19/12/2016 and 26/01/2017 are read and unanimously confirmed.

Also the action taken report of the said meeting is placed before the members. During review the members sought follow up action in respect to the following:-

- (1-1) The work of Western Bypass should be scrapped with immediate effect and all work should be stopped. Since the said bypass will damage the paddy fields, the ground water resources, including the Salpem Lake.
- (1-2) The Irrigation Canal work is damaged during the work carried out on western bypass and action initiated by water resources department needs to be obtained including filing of FIR with the Police.
- (1-3) The matter of nationalization of rivers should be immediately followed up with a reminder so that the same are denotified.

Shri. Antonio Alvares informed that he has filed an FIR in respect to Damages Caused by western bypass to the fields and surrounding areas preferably as a gram sabha member of V.P. Navelim and he shall follow up the said matter.

Shri. Eleuterio Carneiro, Shri. Inacio Vas, Shri. Siddharth Karapurkar, Shri. Haorld Pinto, Shri. Antonio Alvares participated in the deliberation and shared their views in the matter.

2) To inaugurate the wet composting machine for V.P. Office

The Sarpanch called upon the senior most Gram Sabha member who is present for this meeting and requested him to inaugurate the composting machine for disposal of wet garbage. In his introduction the Sarpanch informed that the composting machine shall meet the garbage requirements of the Panchayat and the households in and surrounding the market area. This Machine has a capacity to compost 75 Kgs of waste He also informed that as of now one person is put in charge of the Composting Machine and is paid on daily wages of Rs. 350/- per day. Shri. Antonio Rodrigues inaugurated the composting machine and this development is welcomed with a loud applause.

3) To launch the online payment facility for payment of House Tax / Light Tax through website www.vpnavelim.com

The Sarpanch called upon the junior most Gram Sabha member who is present for this meeting and requested him to do the honours of launching the online payment facility

for House tax & Light Tax. Since IDBI is the banker for this facility, the Manager Smt. Sangeeta Castro has volunteered to actively participate and called upon her to streamline and launch the online facility and requested her to take charge. This part of the agenda commenced with presentation of floral tributes to the Hon'ble MLA Navelim Constituency Shri. Luizinho Faleiro, the Sarpanch Shri. Frank Fernandes, Shri. Mario J. J. Viegas, - V.P. Secretary and other panchayat members present. Shri. Damu Chavan being the junior most Gram Sabha Member launched the On line facility and the same is welcome with a loud applause. Shri. Luizinho Faliero M.L.A. speaking on the occasion congratulated the Sarpanch, the members and the Gram Sabha Members for taking this technological leap for the first time in the history of panchayats in Goa. The Hon'ble MLA also expressed his views on Garbage Composting Machine inaugurated earlier by the Panchayat and called upon them to keep up their efforts in disposing the dry as well as wet waste. He also called upon the Gram Sabha Members to take suitable resolution so that the State Govt., could move a review petition before the Supreme court and also denotify all the major district roads that have been upgraded to National Highways so as to benefit the affected liquor vendors. He also requested the Gram Sabha to take a resolution to de-nationalize the rivers of Goa. He also expressed his views on western bypass. He called upon the members to work unitedly to make Navelim constituency a No. 1 constituency in Goa by adhering to parameters of health, spreading greenery through enough plantations, garbage free through participation by all. Smt. Sangeeta Castro, Manager IDBI thanked the Hon'ble MLA, guests, Panchayat Members, Staff and the Gram Sabha Members for participating in this launch ceremony where-in IDBI will play the role of facilitator. She recollected the efforts put in jointly by the panchayat and IDBI for last one and half year in establishing this facility for the residents of Navelim Village and requested the villagers to take the maximum benefit of the same.

4) To Consider the Budget Estimates for the year 2017-18

Inacio Vas	Proposer
Siddharth Karapurkar	Seconder

The Budget Estimates for 2017-18 are read out by the V.P. Secretary for information of the members and the same is unanimously approved with the projected receipts of Rs. 1,79,27,450/- and expenditure of Rs. 1,54,65,000/- thereby saving an amount of Rs. 24,62,450/-. It is further resolved that the new panchayat body should place a revised budget for approval once the new body takes over.

5) To place before the Gram Sabha the Annual Statement of Accounts of the previous Financial Year 2016-17

Inacio Vas	Proposer
Eleuterio Carneiro	Seconder

The annual statement of accounts for 2016-17 is read out by the Secretary for information of the members which is aided through visual media i.e Projector & Screen and the same is unanimously approved.

6) To Place before the Gram Sabha the Administration Report of the year 2016-17.

Cerita Mendonca	Proposer
Inacio Vas	Seconder

The Administrative report for 2016-17 is placed before the members and informed that the Panchayat has increased the income of the Panchayat by Rs. 36,49,031.54. It is also informed that the Panchayat has initiated the process of making the payment of House Tax / Light Tax online through its website www.vpnavelim.com. After discussion the same is unanimously approved.

7) To consider the proposals / suggestions received from the Gram Sabha Members, if any.

7(1) Proposal from Cerita Mendonca

Inacio Vas	Proposer
Eleuterio Carneiro	Secunder

With reference to proposal from Cerita Mendonca, it is unanimously resolved that Panchayat should revise the house/light tax in the entire village of Navelim. Cerita Mendonca proposing the said resolution informed the gram sabha members that a ground Plus one building is paying house tax of Rs. 25/- whereas she pays house tax of Rs. 100/- for a house of Manglore tiles roofing and called for immediate revision of taxes. It is further resolved that Panchayat should inform the progress made in respect to revision of House/light tax in the next Gram Sabha.

8) Any other subject, with the prior permission of the Chairman.

8 (1) Coal Hub in Goa

Inacio Vas	Proposer
Antonio Alvares	Secunder

Shri. Inacio Vas informed the members that Adani, Advani etc. are intending to import coal from Australia, unload in Goa and send it to other States. Shri. Inacio warned the members that the Coal so exported is of low quality and will inflict passive disease although we may be residing miles away. He reiterated that Goa does not need coal and as such the proposed Coal hub needs to be scrapped. He further informed that berth no. 2 and 3 of M.P.T. is silently being used for landing coal for last five to seven years and the same is transported to other states. After discussion the members unanimously resolved to request the Government to scrap the said Coal hub which is being actively promoted and for which public hearing is in progress.

8 (2) Congratulatory motion

Eleuterio Carneiro	Proposer
Inacio Vas	Secunder

Shri. Eleuterio Carneiro congratulated the Sarpanch, Members and staff for providing an efficient and transparent administration and adhering to the resolution of the Gram Sabha. The same is adopted unanimously.

8 (3) Ban on liquor along highways.

Eleuterio Carneiro	Proposer
Inacio Vas	Secunder

Shri. Eleuterio Carneiro, informed that the Government should immediately file a review petition and provide relief to the Liquor Vendors. Instead he stated that Government should make amends to the Motor vehicle Act and provide stringent punishment to the Drunken Drivers by utilizing the modern technology available at their disposal. After discussion the same is unanimously adopted. Shri. Antonio Alvares informed that P.W.D. Div XIV, is not authorized to notify Highways but it is the IRC. He further informed that there is no record of any Highway in Goa. Except one and he cannot understand as to how the Excise department is exercising the ban depending upon the identification of highways by this P.W.D division.

As there being no other matter, this meeting ended at 01:30 p.m.; with a vote of thanks by Smt. Belinda Dias, Dy, Sarpanch V.P. Navelim.

Recorded by:

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(Mario J. J. Viegas)
Secretary, V.P. Navelim.

Sd/-
(Frank Fernandes)
Sarpanch, V.P. Navelim