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Proceeding of the Ordinary Gram-Sabha meeting of V.P. Navelim held on 26/02/2023 at 10:00 AM in the Panchayat Hall. This meeting was presided over by the Secretary Mr Paul Pereira.

The signatures of Gram-Sabha members present are taken on attendance register.

Earlier the meeting was adjourned for half an hour after waiting fifteen minutes from the appointed time due to lack of quorum and same was started at 10:45 AM.

Res no: 1 : To read and confirm the proceedings of the last meeting.

Proceeding of the last meeting held on 30/10/2022 were read out to the Gram-sabha members by the secretary. After going through it in detail Mr Simon-Fernandes brought to the notice of the meeting that it was also decided that Panchayat should take up the work of cleaning of Fredilim Chapel at least once in a week and its surrounding area at least once in a week. Remaining all the resolutions were passed unanimously. It was proposed by Eleteio Carneiro seconded by Joe Gracias.

Res no: 2 : The budget Estimates prepared for the ensuing financial year 2023-24 placed before the meeting. After going through it in detail opening balance it was decided to increase Rs 100000/- (Rupees one lac) instead of sixty thousand under the head women and child development. It was also informed by the Gram-sabha that the bus Panchayat should utilize the funds towards the school uniforms & the same should be distributed to the needy school students during the next financial year.

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After going through it in detail it was the budget estimates for the ensuing financial year unanimously passed as under

(i) Opening Balance	46997900	Total Expenditure	54 289000
Total Receipts	25686150	Probable Closing Balance	8415050
Grand Total	72684050	Grand Total	72684050

Res NO. 3: To discuss the proposal received from the Gram Sabha members

Resolution NO: 3 (i) proposal submitted by Inacio Vaz P/O H. NO. 329/1 Butica Navelim Regarding Mhadei River diversion and coal transportation through Goa and its ill effects on the entire state of Goa placed before the meeting. After discussion it was decided as under that the Gram-Sabha member Shri Inacio Vaz spoke about the issue of diversion of part of the water flowing as Mhadei River as proposed by the state of Karnataka. He said that if this proposed diversion takes place the same will cause irreversible loss of water availability, biodiversity and life support system. It is discussed that the environment, economies and people of Goa especially the traditional communities living in exemplary coexistence with its rich flora and fauna are dependent on Mhadei River for their survival and that almost half of Goa's population depends on Mhadei River for their drinking water or for fishing agriculture and other traditional economies. He further cited that future water crisis due to climate change and the vulnerability of Goa as described in the state action plan for climate change for state of Goa also demand that water flowing into the state of Goa must be defended under all circumstances. It is further discussed that the flora and fauna of the UNESCO world heritage site of western Ghats in Mhadei, Mollem, Bhimgad and Bondla wildlife sanctuaries.



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and the rich fisheries of Mandovi, Cumnahn sivea and Zuari Rivers depend on the free flowing Mhadei River for their survival. The Gramsabha members opined that the proposed diversion is not just in violation of the wildlife protection Act 1972, but is also against the basic principle that free flowing rivers, especially rivers flowing across state and national boundaries, should not be blocked by any person, state or country.

Shri Inacio was cited that the human status of Whanganui River recognized by New Zealand equally applies to our Mother River Mhadei, whose legal rights as a living entity have been violated.

The Gramsabha members anticipated that the diversion of Mhadei River waters to Malaprabha River is not for drinking or irrigation supplies to the residents of Karnataka, but for the large numbers of future steel and power plants within Malaprabha River basin proposed by the Sagarmala programme and the Karnataka Government. Shri Inacio was said that it was observed that the existing steel plants in Karnataka, which are supplied coal from Mormugao port against the interest of Goa, and Goans, consume huge quantities of water, thus creating the artificial water scarcity faced by the residents of Karnataka. He further stated that these steel plants were also noted to be only for private profits of a few corporations at huge costs to the people and nation, and are therefore against public and national interest.

In view of the above, the Gramsabha members of the Village Panchayat of Navelim unanimously resolved that
 A) The proposed diversion of waters of the Mhadei river by state of Karnataka must be rejected, all permissions granted including the approval

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of the DPR and the award given by the Tribunal in 2018 must also be revoked and no further permissions shall be granted

B) The forest department of Government of Goa must prevent the loss of wildlife and forests in Goa due to the proposed diversion of waters of Mhadai River by upholding the wildlife protection Act 1972. to give directions that no no waters of Mhadai river are diverted under any circumstances

C) The ongoing coal handling at Mormugao Port and coal transportation from and within Goa must be stopped immediately not just to protect Goa and Coas from the direct impacts but also to ensure that waters usurped by the steel plants of private profit seeking corporations are returned to the people of Karnataka and the Diversion of Mhadai river is prevented.

It was further resolved that the Panchayat shall forward this resolution to Government of Goa

This resolution was proposed by Inacio Vaz seconded by celly Quadras and passed unanimously

3/2) proposal received from Mr Cruz Rodrigues A/o Nagmodem Navelim placed before the meeting and it is discussed / decided as under

A) With regard to sewerage works and yearly phenomenon of digging chambers, it is ~~discussed~~ brought to the notice of the meeting by Mr Cruz Rodrigues that the sewerage work of laying sewerage pipeline is done haphazardly by the sewerage dept, the said work is going for last seven years as a result ~~that~~ it causes inconvenience to the general public. One further asked the Sanchak to inquire with the sewerage dept. that the when the said work will be completed

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To this Sarpanch replied that Panchayat cannot give any assurance regarding completion of the said work. However a meeting will be called in the Panchayat office along with the locals and the IWD off engineers, sewerage Dept and the contractors to expedite the said work at the earliest.

B) With regard to Arterial road Mr Cruz Rodrigues proposed to acquire the road at Nagmodem and repair the said road at the earliest.

C) With regard to arrange / fix a multi axis electric pole and CCTV. It was unanimously decided to send a request to the electric / Townships Dept to install four arm electrical pole at various places in the jurisdiction of vr Navelim.

With regard to CCTV cameras Sarpanch informed the Gram-sabha that ~~CCTV camera~~ work of installation of CCTV cameras ~~has~~ already been started near four road junction near Panchayat office and ~~to~~ at Toleabath.

D) With regard to the monsoon work i.e. clearing of water drains Mr Jose Rodrigues informed the Sarpanch that ~~the~~ the ward members of each ward should check all the drains, which are blocked due to construction material and should take necessary steps to clear the drains before the onset of monsoon.

3(3) Proposal received from Mr Melwyn Pereira / a Cruz Nagar Budicast III placed before the meeting and discussed / decided as under.

A) Regarding proposal of a bus shelter for south bound buses, Mr Melwyn Pereira brought to the notice of the meeting that there is an urgent ~~need~~ need for a shelter as it causes inconvenience to the passengers for south bound buses, he



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further stated that the draft submitted by the society of Rosay Arcade should be checked as the society has taken maximum benefit of the setback area and ~~but shelter to be erected there~~ and Panchayat should take initiative to erect the said bus shelter in front of Rosay Arcade on ~~panchayat~~.

B) Mr Mellwyn Pereira suggested to create hawkers zone for benefit of local vendors as well as customers and further suggested to send a letter to Francisco Luis Gomes Priest and to the Parish Priest to allow the Panchayat to use the open space for local vendors.

C) with regard to creation of Advertisement Zone Mr Mellwyn Pereira suggested to identify a place a particular place for display of banners, boards etc for a particular period as the banners are displayed in a haphazard ~~manner~~ manner ~~thereby~~ and as a result the vision of the drivers is ~~obstructed~~ obstructed. Sarfanch informed the Gram. Sabha that the matter will be discussed in the Panchayat meeting.

D) with respect to one month rent on rented premises Mr Mellwyn Pereira proposed to reduce that to half as this will increase the confidence in the owner and will be able to get more owners into the legal ambit, does increasing the revenue of the Panchayat. Sarfanch informed the meeting that it is a law and the Panchayat has imposed the tax based on the relevant act in force.

Therefore after discussion it is unanimously decided to send the proposal to the Director of Panchayat to take necessary decision in the matter.



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3(4) Proposal received from Mr Joe Gracias placed before the meeting and discussed/decided as under

A) with regard to stray cattle. Mr Joe Gracias brought to the notice of the meeting that 3 Cattles are seen freely roaming the street posing a threat to motorists as well as pedestrians. He further stated that Panchayat should take urgent steps to address the issue. To this Sanjay informed the meeting that there is no place to construct a cattle pound and Gram-Sabha should identify the place. Mr Eleuterio Carneiro suggested that every member should take initiative to identify the place.

B) with regard to plan for wet Garbage. Mr Joe Gracias suggested that Panchayat should take a proper plan for collection of wet garbage, and also should fix schedule for garbage drive. Mr Eleuterio Carneiro proposed to have joint meeting with all the neighbouring villages to fix schedule for cleaning. He also suggested to raid the shops. Mr Mellayn Bevan suggested to make awareness in the village to use cotton bags instead of plastic bags. He also suggested to appoint a tailor for preparation of cotton bags.

After discussion Sanjay informed the meeting that the matter will be discussed in the Panchayat meeting.

C) with regard to traffic signal near church and road leading to Aquem. It is unanimously decided to send a letter to the traffic cell to appoint permanent traffic police near the junction to control the traffic.

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Res No: 3(5) Mr Inacio Vay brought to the notice of the Panchayat Sarpanch that the Panchayat Hall needs urgent painting and he further stated that Panchayat should take up the work of painting of Panchayat Hall before the onset of monsoon and complete the said work before next Gram-Sabha meeting.

Res No: 3(6) Mr Estevao Carneiro proposed to send a letter to the electricity dept to put wire guard to all the electrical lines wherever required in the jurisdiction of V.P. Navelim, as it may endanger the life of the passengers/local.

There being no other subject left to discuss the meeting the meeting ended at 1.10 P.M.

Recorded by

[Signature]
Secretary

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Paul Pereira
Sarpanch, V.P. Navelim