

MINUTES OF THE 7th GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF GOA STATE WETLAND AUTHORITY (GSWA)

TYPE OF MEETING: REGULAR GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

DATE: 11th JANUARY 2023; **TIME:** 3.00 PM ONWARDS

VENUE: CONFERENCE HALL, 3rd FLOOR, OFFICE OF GOA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, OPP. SALIGAO SEMINARY, SALIGAO, BARDEZ, GOA

THE MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY RTD. JUDGE SHRI DESMOND D' COSTA, CHAIRPERSON, GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE (GC) OF GOA STATE WETLAND AUTHORITY (GSWA).

The following members attended the meeting:

Sr. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Hon'ble Rtd. Justice Desmond D'Costa	Chairperson
2.	Adv. Sapna Mordekar	Member
3.	Shri. Shailesh K. Naik, Assistant Engineer, Sub Division IV, Works Division XI , Ponda , Water Resource Department	Ex-officio member
4.	Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam, Head of Nodal Agency (HNA) for GSWA & Member Secretary (MS), Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB)	Convenor
5.	Mrs. Mugdha M. Shirodkar, Sarpanch Village Panchayat Shiroda	Invitee
6.	Shri. Amit A. Shirodkar, Chairperson, Biodiversity Management Committee(BMC) Shiroda	Invitee

At the onset, Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam, HNA, GSWA extended a warm welcome to the members of the Grievance Committee of GSWA. The following Agenda was transacted:

Agenda 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 6th GC Meeting held on 13th July 2022

The minutes of the Sixth GC Meeting were circulated before the Committee Members for confirmation.

Proposed by: Adv. Sapna Mordekar (Member)



Seconded by: Hon'ble Rtd. Justice Desmond D'Costa (Chairperson)

The same was approved by all the members present at the meeting.

Agenda 2: Action Taken Report of the 6th Grievance Committee Meeting.

The details of the action taken on the agenda points of the 6th GC Meeting were placed to the members for information and perusal. All the points on ATR were complied and approved.

Agenda 3: Personal hearing of the objectors regarding draft notification of Udden Lake as Wetland under Wetland (Conservation & Management) Rules, 2017

1. Mr. Kamlakant Tendulkar
2. Mr. Anil Shripad Tendulkar
3. Mr. Irfan Shah and Others

Initially all the grievants present brought to the notice of Grievance committee(GC) that Udden lake which is draft notified is in fact not Udden Lake but its called "Torla Lake" or "Talewada Lake". Sarpanch of Shiroda Village Panchayat and Chairperson of Biodiversity Management Committee Shiroda concurred with the submissions of the grievants and further informed GC that there is another waterbody nearby known as Udden lake, hence there is error in naming of the waterbody. The said waterbody which is wrongly named as Udden lake is maintained by the local community and water is used for Kulgars in the periphery of the waterbody.

Conclusion: GC decided to differ the draft notification of Udden lake and agreed that GSWA may differ the notification due to incorrect name and considering the assurance given by the locals to protect the draft notified Udden lake. It was decided that this opinion of GC may be referred to GSWA for final decision in this matter.

Agenda 4: Any other matter with the permission of the chairperson.

Nil.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Head of Nodal Agency, GSWA.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pradip Sarmokadam", written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Pradip Sarmokadam

Head of Nodal Agency, GSWA