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ABBREVIATIONS

ADB	Asian Development Bank
ADC	Additional District Commissioner
AH	Affected Household
AP	Affected Person
BPL	Below Poverty Line
CRBIFRERMP	Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project
CPR	Common Property Resources
CO	Circle Officer
DC	District Commissioner
DMS	Detailed Measurement Survey
DH	Displaced Households
DP	Displaced Persons
EA	Executing Agency
EM	Entitlement Matrix
EMA	External Monitoring Agency
FHH	Female-headed Household
FREMAA	Flood and River Erosion Management Agency of Assam
GoA	Government of Assam
Gol	Government of India
GRM	Grievance Redressal Mechanism
GRC	Grievance Redressal Committee
HDP	Households with disabled persons
INR	Indian Rupees
LA	Land Acquisition
LLTL	Landless and without legal title to land
NGO	Non-Government Organizations
NTHs	Non-Titleholders
RF	Resettlement Framework
RFCTLARRA	Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013
RP	Resettlement Plan
R&R	Resettlement & Rehabilitation
SSMR	Social-annual Social Monitoring Report
SC	Scheduled Castes
SIO	Safeguard Implementation Officer
ST	Schedule Tribe

ADB	Asian Development Bank
TAHH	Tribal Affected Households
THs	Title Holders
WRD	Water Resources Department

Glossary of Terms

Affected Person (AP): includes any person, who, on account of changes that result from the project will have their (i) standard of living adversely affected; (ii) right, title, or interest in any house, land (including residential, commercial, agricultural, forest, and/or grazing land), water resources, or any other movable or fixed assets acquired, possessed, restricted, or otherwise adversely affected, in full or in part, permanently or temporarily; and/or (iii) business, occupation, place of work or residence, or habitat adversely affected, with physical or economic displacement.

Assistance: means support, rehabilitation and restoration measures extended in cash and/or kind over and above the compensation for lost assets.

Compensation: means payment in cash or kind for an asset to be acquired or affected by a project at replacement cost at current market value.

Cut-off date: For titleholders in case of land acquisition, the date of publication of preliminary notification for acquisition under section 11 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act – 2013, and/or the date of publication of notification under State Government land purchase policy is treated as the cut-off date. In case of non-titleholders, the date of start of census survey is the cut-off date.

Displaced Person (DP): In the context of involuntary resettlement, displaced persons are those who are physically displaced (relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter) and/or economically displaced (loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihoods) as a result of (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas.

Economic Displacement: Loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihoods as a result of (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas.

Eksonia: Eksonia means annual Patta. Eksonia landholders have only possessory rights valid for one – three-year periods, in rural and urban areas respectively. These rights are not legally transferable or heritable

Entitlement: means the range of measures comprising cash or kind compensation, relocation cost, income restoration assistance, transfer assistance, income substitution, and business restoration which are due to AHs, depending on the type and degree /nature of their losses, to restore their social and economic base.

Household: A household includes all persons living and eating together (sharing the same kitchen and cooking food together as a single-family unit).

Inventory of losses: mean the pre-appraisal inventory of assets as a preliminary record of affected or lost assets.

Meaningful Consultation: A process that (i) begins early in the project preparation stage and is carried out on an ongoing basis throughout the project cycle; (ii) provides timely disclosure of relevant and adequate information that is understandable and readily accessible to affected people; (iii) is undertaken in an atmosphere free of intimidation or coercion; (iv) is gender inclusive and responsive, and tailored to the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable groups; and (v) enables the incorporation of all relevant views of affected people and other stakeholders into decision making, such as project design, mitigation measures, the sharing of development benefits and opportunities, and implementation issues.

Not significant Impact: Where the impact on land is less than 10 percent of the total area or impact on structure is partial and does not required relocation.

Non-titled: means those who have no recognizable rights or claims to the land that they are occupying and includes people using private or public land without permission, permit or grant i.e. those people without legal title to land and/or structures occupied or used by them. ADB's policy explicitly states that such people cannot be denied resettlement assistance.

Physical Displacement: Relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter as a result of (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas.

Project Affected Households (PAHs): residential entities which are identified to be either partially or fully impacted due to sub-project activities.

Relocation: means displacement or physical moving of the DPs from the affected area to a new area/site and rebuilding homes, infrastructure, provision of assets, including productive land/employment and re-establishing income, livelihoods, living and social systems.

Replacement cost: means the value of assets to replace the loss at current market price, or its nearest equivalent, and is the amount of cash or kind needed to replace an asset in its existing condition, without deduction of transaction costs or for any material salvaged.

Resettlement: means mitigation of all the impacts associated with land acquisition including restriction of access to, or use of land, acquisition of assets, or impacts on income generation as a result of land acquisition.

Significant impact: means where 200 or more DPs suffer a loss of 10% or more of productive assets (income generating) or physical displacement.

Titleholders: Titleholders of land are individuals or entities who legally own the title to a piece of land. This means they have the legal right to possess, use, and transfer the land according to applicable laws and regulations.

Vulnerable Person: The vulnerable group/persons may include (i) persons below nationally defined poverty line; (ii) indigenous people or Adivasis; (iii) poor women-headed households; (iv) landless and marginal farmers; (v) people with disability (vi) elderly; (vii) people without legal title to land; (viii) any other groups or persons found to be disproportionately affected by project impacts.

Significant Impact: Loss of shelter to the extent that relocation is required or losing more than 10% of their productive assets (income generating).

Solatium: Solatium is the amount given as a consolation. Under RFCTLARR Act, the solatium amount prescribed for calculation is 100% of the market value estimated as compensation for land and structure.

Zirat: Valuation of non-land/immovable assets like house, tree, well, pond etc. by the District Administration with the help from concerned departments.

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Executive Summary

Project Background

- i. Assam is the largest state of northeastern India having an area of 78,438 square kilometres and an estimated population of about 34 million (as per 2021). The state is very prone and exposed to extreme precipitation, floods, erosion, and drought, which severely affect livelihoods and food security of the people of rural Assam. Climate impacts are projected to worsen, compounding recurrent flooding and continual riverbank erosion from the Brahmaputra. Natural hazards and remoteness have led to long-term development slower than the national average, despite similar population growth and density. Assam continues to face high poverty and hindered socioeconomic development.
- ii. The multi-tranche financing facility (MFF) between the Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for the Assam Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Investment Program (AIFRERMIP) was approved by ADB in 2010. Based on the success of the Assam Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Investment Program (AIFRERMIP), and considering the Assam Vision 2030, Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of Assam (GoA) has signed an agreement for Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project (CRBIFRERMIP) where the project cost is amounting to \$ 255 million to be executed within a period of 72 months.
- iii. The project is aligned with the following impact: make Assam a disaster-resilient state. It will combine structural and non-structural measures in four high-priority flood- and erosion-prone areas to contribute to the broader stabilization of the river. The outputs will result in the following outcome: climate-resilient flood and riverbank erosion mitigation systems in the Brahmaputra River enhanced and women's resilience to disasters induced by floods and riverbank erosion strengthened. The Project will have following key outputs:
 - Output 1:** Output 1: Climate-resilient flood and riverbank erosion risk mitigation measures in subproject areas implemented and maintained.
 - Output 2:** Knowledge-based flood and riverbank erosion risk management planning strengthened.
 - Output 3:** Vulnerable people's livelihoods and resilience improved.
- iv. ADB requires the consideration of social safeguard issues in all aspects of the Bank's operations, and the requirements for involuntary resettlement are described in ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS), 2009.
- v. The overall project is classified as Category "A" for Involuntary Resettlement (IR) in accordance with ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS). ADB's SPS covers both temporary and permanent impacts. The preliminary surveys and impact assessments was undertaken by FREMAA with assistance of ADB TA Consultants indicates that construction and location of facilities will not entail significant resettlement impacts, however, the project will follow the principle, of either avoiding, minimization or mitigation, for the identified impact during field execution. The type of impact envisaged are:
 - a) Relocation and reconstruction of Common Property Resources (CPRs)
 - b) Physical displacement of people; and

- c) Economic displacement (permanent or temporary)
- vi. In addition, the sub-project activities will also entail acquisition of private land through negotiated direct purchase, as per the Direct Purchase State Policy of Assam and as a part of procurement of land for public purpose, mainly involving civil works (anti-erosion) under different sub- projects.

Land Acquisition and Resettlement

- vii. Due to high density of population and paucity of land, general propensity has been noticed amongst the rural milieu to undertake short time cultivation on Government lands. These encroachers are normally not disturbed till they harvest their produce and once their crop have been harvested, the lands become free from any/all encumbrances and are then being procured for sub-project works. Businesses facing income loss (temporarily or permanently) due to project implementation work will be compensated for lost income as per ADB's policy. Compensation eligibility is limited by a cut-off date as set for this project on the day of the income survey prior to commencement of civil works. Based on final detail design and survey updated resettlement plans will be submitted to ADB. Details of specific cut-off dates for each subproject district is mentioned as; (i) Dibrugarh – 03.04.2023; (ii) Tinsukia – 13.04.2023; (iii) Morigaon – 25.04.2023; (iv) Kamrup – 21.04.2023; and (v) Goalpara – 03.04.2023.
- viii. Socio-economic and full census surveys were conducted by FREMAA with assistance from ADB within the subproject impact area have been conducted. Businesses facing income loss due to disruption of access or construction during project implementation phase will be compensated for lost income. As a result of construction design change, whenever there will be need of any updating of Resettlement Plan, ADB will be notified and updated RP will be submitted for review and disclosure accordingly.

Subproject Impact on Indigenous People

- ix. There are 3.88 million tribal people in Assam, which accounts for 12.45% of the total population as per census 2011. Tribals are living throughout the state; but in certain districts such as Dima Hasao, Karbi Anglong, Dhemaji, Baksa, Chirang, Udalguri, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur and Goalpara, tribal predominance is significantly high. To protect the interests of the tribal population, provision of the Sixth Schedule is enshrined in the Constitution of India under Articles 244(2) and 275(1) to enable autonomous administration of the tribal areas of Assam. Six tribal districts of Assam: Karbi Anglong, Dima Hasao, Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa and Udalguri have been declared as the Scheduled Areas. The subproject districts Kamrup (rural), Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Morigaon, Goalpara doesn't fall within the sixth scheduled areas of Assam. Except for few tribal NTHs, there will be no such adverse impacts on any particular tribal region, nor to their unique socio-cultural identity as well as economic life of the tribal families. Considering the tribal people as vulnerable or disadvantaged group (DAG), special assistance provision has been made in the entitlement matrix and no separate Indigenous Peoples Plan (IPP) is prepared for this Project.

Stakeholders Consultation and Participation

- x. Public consultations are conducted at all sub-project locations to ensure peoples' participation at different stages of the project. Aiming at promotion of public understanding and fruitful solutions of developmental problems such as local needs and problems and prospects of resettlement, various sections of DPs and other stakeholders were consulted

through focus group discussions and individual interviews. Several additional rounds of consultations with DPs and communities will form part of the further stages of project preparation and implementation. The RP implementation support agency will be entrusted with the task of conducting consultations during resettlement plan implementation, which will include project information, disclosure on compensation, assistance options, and entitlement package and income restoration measures suggested for the project. To keep more transparency in planning and for further active involvement of DPs and other stakeholders the project information will be disseminated through disclosure of resettlement planning documents. The executing agency through its RP implementation support agency will provide relevant resettlement information, including information from the above-mentioned documents in a timely manner, in an accessible place, and in a form and language(s) understandable to displaced persons and other stakeholders. The regular consultative meetings with community is done on a continuous basis and will continue throughout the project period.

Entitlements, Assistance and Benefits

- xi. In case of land acquisition, for the titleholders, the date of publication of preliminary notification for acquisition under section 11 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Resettlement and Rehabilitation Act – 2013 (RFCTLARR Act, 2013) and/or such notification under the State Government land purchase policy will be treated as the cut-off date. For non-titleholders, the cut-off date will be the start of the census survey. The structures envisaged to be affected under the project will be compensated at replacement cost. DPs who settle in the affected areas after the cut-off date will not be eligible for compensation. They, however, will be given sufficient advance notice, requested to vacate premises and dismantle affected structures prior to project implementation. Their dismantled structures materials will not be confiscated and they will not pay any fine or suffer any sanction.

Grievance Redressal Mechanism

- xii. The multi-tier (3 tier) Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) for the project has been established, which will provide with a platform to receive, evaluate, and facilitate the resolution of displaced people's concerns, complaints, and grievances about the social and environmental performance at the level of the Project. The GRM will aim to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve social and environmental concerns linked to the project. The GRM procedures will be publicly advertised and publicized for use by the stakeholders. The PMU level GRC has already been constituted and notified, however, the district and PIU level GRCs are to be constituted.

Institutional Arrangement

- xiii. FREMAA is the executing agency of the project and will lead the contract administration, monitoring, and reporting aspects of the project through a Project Management Unit (PMU) based in Guwahati. The proposed ADB-financed project is to be headed by a full-time Project Director. A subproject level PIU has been established, which will be functional for the whole Project duration. Recruitment process of the RP implementation support agencies (NGOs) for supporting the implementation of R&R activities has been initiated for all five districts and will be engaged under the PIU.

Implementation Schedule

- xiv. The proposed project R&R activities are divided in to three broad categories based on the

stages of work and process of implementation such as Project Preparation phase, resettlement plan Implementation phase and Monitoring and Reporting phase. The time for implementation of resettlement plan has been scheduled earlier based on the preliminary findings, however, it will be updated during updating of the draft RPs prior to commencement of civil works per the overall project implementation. The civil works will commence only in sections where compensation and relocation has been completed.

Monitoring and Reporting

- xv. FREMAA will have overall responsibility for project execution. Keeping in view the significance of resettlement impacts of the overall project, the monitoring mechanism for this project will have both internal monitoring by PIU and external monitoring by an external expert. PIU responsible for supervision and implementation of the resettlement plan will prepare monthly progress reports on resettlement activities and submit to PMU. FREMAA will submit semi-annual resettlement plan monitoring reports to ADB. The external monitoring will provide guidance to FREMAA, its employer, on compliance issues and will submit a semi-annual review report to both FREMAA and ADB. The reports will assess whether resettlement plan outcomes have been achieved or to support FREMAA address gaps in resettlement plan implementation when these are observed.

I. Introduction

A. Project Description

1. Riverbank erosion is one of the most prominent causes of disasters in Assam due to highly dynamic morphology of the Brahmaputra River and its tributaries. Since the Great Assam Earthquake in 1950, the river has widened from about 6 kms to 9 kms along its 650 kms course in Assam eroding about 5.5% of Assam cultivable area, destroying roads, homesteads, crops, and flood embankments. Since 1954, around 427,000 hectares (ha) of land (equivalent to about 7% of Assam area) have been eroded at an average annual erosion rate of 8,000 Ha. Between 2000 and 2018, 93 locations eroded along the main stem of the Brahmaputra River in Assam causing damages to a total length of more than 400 km. Riverbank erosion disproportionately affects the poor, who face significant social hardships, such as loss of homesteads, lands, and crops, and are often displaced to fringe lands or urban slums. Disaster risks increase as the population grows, and the high population density of the state hinders people moving away from disaster-prone areas.
2. Effective flood and riverbank erosion risk management is therefore essential for economic growth, livelihood improvement, and poverty reduction in these locations. With a growing population as well as the expansion of settlements within the floodplain, future development will need to be carefully managed to protect the population from water-induced disasters. In addition, most of the length of the existing embankments system cannot be relied upon for protection from floods; during severe flood events, embankments are often overtopped or even breach which often leads to disaster. Furthermore, the growing population demands more reliable protection from riverbank erosion and flooding to safeguard their increasing assets and to sustain economic development.
3. Securing the livelihoods of the population living on floodplain needs to be addressed through public sector interventions aiming at: (i) mitigating the economic losses and social displacement caused by riverbank erosion, (ii) reducing the economic losses resulting from flooding, and (iii) providing a secure environment to facilitate an increase in agricultural and industrial production and to enhance related economic activities.
4. The multi-tranche financing facility (MFF) between the Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for the Assam Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Investment Program (AIFRERMIP) was approved by ADB in 2010. Depending on the success of the Assam Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Investment Program (AIFRERMIP), and considering the Assam Vision 2030, Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of Assam (GoA) has signed an agreement for Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project (CRBIFRERMIP) where the project cost is amounting to \$ 255 million to be executed within a period of 72 months.
5. The CRBIFRERMIP will focus on the main stem of the Brahmaputra River in Assam and follow a climate resilient, holistic, integrated, systematic, and reach-wise approach to managing riverbank erosion and the attendant flood risk. The project will combine structural and non-structural measures in four high-priority flood- and erosion prone areas to contribute to the broader stabilization of the river. The Project's key outputs are as under:
 - i. **Output 1: Climate resilient flood and riverbank erosion risk mitigation measures in subproject areas implemented and maintained.** This output will apply an

integrated river stabilization approach developed and refined under the earlier Jamuna-Meghna River Erosion Mitigation Project (JMREMP), AIFRERMIP, and the ongoing Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Investment Program (FRERMIP) in Bangladesh. Specifically, the Water Resources Department (WRD) will (i) construct about 60 km of riverbank erosion protection and 14 km of adaptation and/or emergency works to stabilize the river and improve its navigability; (ii) place about 32 km of pro-siltation measures such as porcupine screens to induce sediment deposition and facilitate stabilization of the river corridor; and (iii) construct, rehabilitate, or widen about 4 km of climate resilient flood embankments, including sluice gates, fish passes, and drainage structures in critical areas to maintain river-floodplain interconnectivity to enhance biodiversity. As learned from prior investments, construction contracts will include provisions for 5 years of monitoring, adaptive maintenance, and emergency works from construction completion to improve sustainability. The Assam Agroforestry Development Board (AADB) will pilot nature-based solutions such as reed plantations to promote sediment deposition and reduce rain cuts on slopes, as well as wetland rehabilitation.

- ii. **Output 2: Knowledge-based flood and riverbank erosion risk management planning strengthened.** The output will further develop key agencies' knowledge bases by improving various decision support tools initiated under AIFRERMIP. It will strengthen the state's institutional capacity to deliver FRERM, thereby promoting disaster resilience of the state and affected communities. It will: (i) strengthen flood forecasting and early warning systems; (ii) undertake flood mapping to identify people and infrastructure at risk of flooding and enable better land-use planning and management on risk-sensitive land; (iii) improve erosion prediction and embankment breach models to prioritize maintenance; (iv) enhance asset management systems and conduct life-cycle reliability analysis to improve maintenance decisions; (v) gather data through topographic and bathymetric surveys, flow and sediment measurements, and asset condition surveys; and (vi) strengthen existing guidelines for flood and riverbank protection design to address climate impacts and resilience, update river stabilization principles, and document the effectiveness of nature-based solutions. The output will contribute to update of the 2020 Flood and Erosion Management Plan.
- iii. **Output 3: Vulnerable people's livelihoods and resilience improved.** The output will continue prior efforts and directly improve the livelihoods and disaster resilience of poor and destitute people living on the flood embankments and *charlands* in the project areas, who are severely affected by floods and bank erosion. The project is categorized gender equity and will target women. Activities will: (i) establish eight modern weaving centers, provide sewing machines, and train female headed households and female self-help groups to spin, weave, and market silk; (ii) increase vegetable production by providing climate resilient seeds, promoting improved agricultural practices, and extending marketing support; (iii) provide vocational training for unemployed youth; (iv) raise awareness on flood and riverbank erosion; and (v) strengthen disaster preparedness and emergency response by providing equipment at district and regional levels. Support for subsistence and small farmers will include: (i) assistance to create agriculture and fisheries businesses; (ii) identification of income opportunities associated with the nature-based solutions in output 1; and (iii) upgrading eight rural markets. Further, the graduation approach will be piloted to complement the various state-led initiatives that strengthen beneficiaries' wellbeing by providing livelihood assistance through agriculture, livestock, fisheries, industries, and vocational training activities. Beneficiaries will be riverine producer collectives registered as farmer producer companies.

B. Scope of the Report

6. The scope of the social safeguard monitoring report is to present the periodic update of the project social safeguards implementation under the project in compliance with the ADB SPS, 2009, in particular reference to the approved resettlement plans. The SSMR covers the status of social safeguard implementation activities for the period from October 2023 to December 2023. The report aims to capture the following:
- (i) Monitoring progress of implementation of RP by the NGOs for all four project zones
 - (ii) Critical facts, significant finding, and recommended actions;
 - (iii) Provide information on avoidance, minimization and mitigation of IR impact due to project work;
 - (iv) Describe the status of information disclosure and the consultations with people and facilitating their participation during project implementation;
 - (v) Describe the status of grievances received and complaints resolved within the reporting period.
7. The requirement of the internal social safeguard monitoring activities is focusing on the current status of implementation of the social safeguard issues, effectiveness in implementation of the social program and provision of feedbacks and suggestions for the full compliance with ADB and Government of India and Government of Assam rules and regulations.
8. CRBIFRERMP is categorized as A for involuntary resettlement (IR) safeguards requirement as per the Safeguard Policy Statement, 2009 (ADB SPS-2009). Five District-wise draft RPs have already been prepared for the Project, which will be updated from time to time depending upon finalization of priority locations and status of RP implementation.

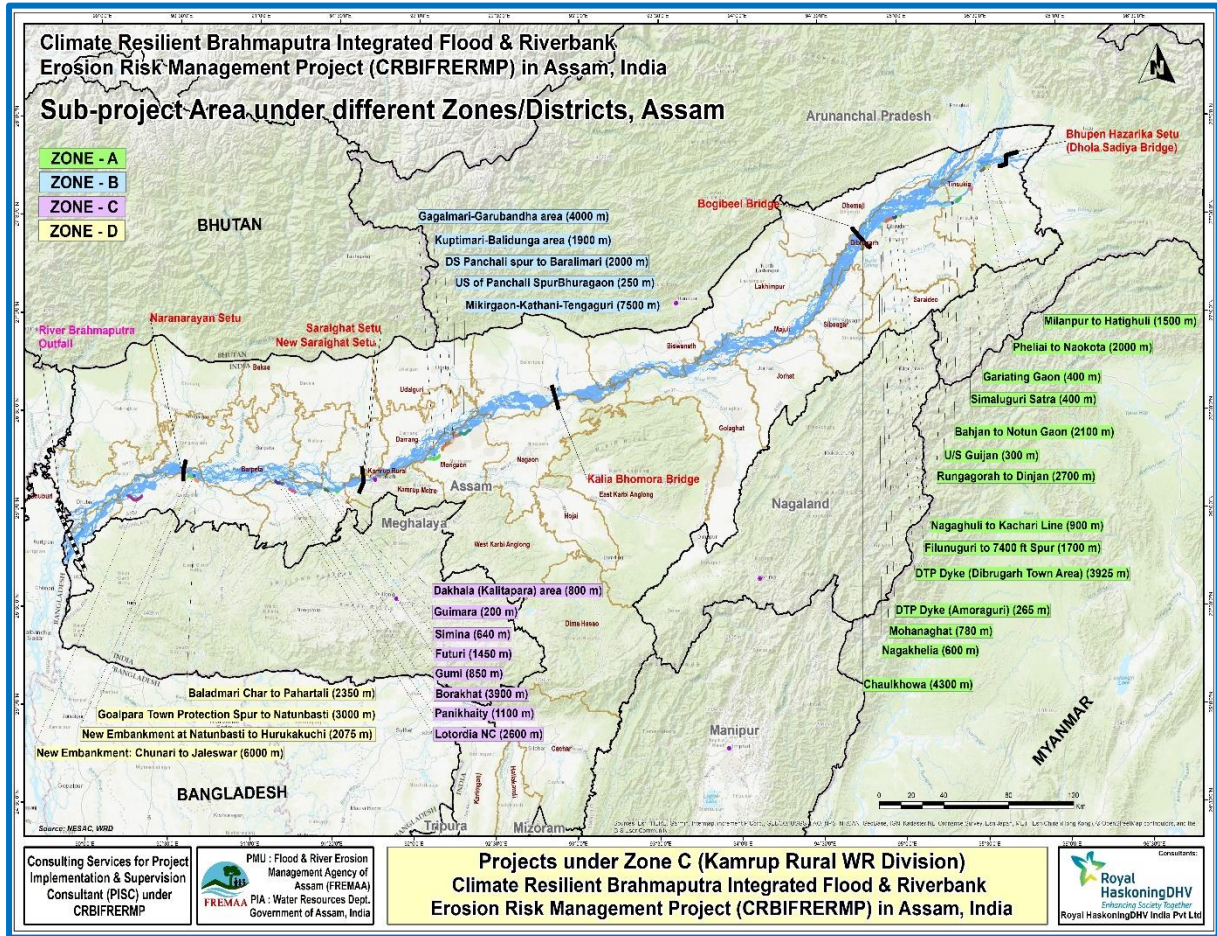
C. Subproject Locations

9. Under CRBIFRERMP, four high-priority subprojects characterized by a high risk of riverbank erosion, and valuable assets under threat have been selected. The subproject locations are (i) Dibrugarh and Tinsukia, (ii) Palasbari-Gumi/Guwahati West, (iii) Morigaon, and (iv) Goalpara as shown below in
10. **Figure 1**

D. Objective of Semi-annual Monitoring

11. The general objective of this Semi-annual Social Monitoring Report is to assess the progress on safeguard measures taken during the implementation of the project including the payment of compensations to the APs. The specific objectives are:
- To assess the status of compensation and assistance given to the PAPs (if any)
 - To assess the status of restoration of livelihoods (if any)
 - To review the consultations, disclosure process, grievances & grievances redress mechanisms, compliance status of safeguard measures etc.
 - To assess status of the APs
 - To assess and take note of the safeguard measures at construction sites.

Figure 1: Map Depicting Locations of Subprojects under CRBIFRERMP



E. Proposed Subproject Description

12. Proposed zone wise subproject components under CRBIFRERMP are reflected in the following **Table 1**

Table 1: Description of Subprojects

Zone Specific Sub-Projects	Package Details
Dibrugarh – Tinsukia Zone A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Embankment (km) 1.20 • Upgrading Embankment (km) 00 • Riverbank Revetment (km) 21.26 • Adaptation Works/Emergency contingency (km) 4.65 • Porcupine screen (no.) 173 • Porcupine screen (km) 24.1 • Regulator (no.) 1 • Fish pass (no.) 1 • Other works : Revival of, Majjan beel with nature based solutions
Goalpara Zone B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Embankment (km) 2.08 • Upgrading Embankment (km) 0.00 • Riverbank Revetment (km) 11.35 • Adaptation Works/Emergency contingency (km) 0.25 • Porcupine screen (no.) 6 • Porcupine screen (km) 4.5 • Regulator (no.) :3 • Fish pass (no.): 0

Zone Specific Sub-Projects	Package Details
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other works:
Morigaon Zone C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Embankment (km) 0.00 • Upgrading Embankment (km): 1.15 • Riverbank Revetment (km) 15.65 • Adaptation Works/Emergency contingency (km) 0.25 • Porcupine screen (no.): 7 • Porcupine screen (km): 1.0 • Regulator (no.) :0 • Fish pass (no.) :0 • Other works:
Palasbari -Gumi Zone D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Embankment (km) 0.00 • Upgrading Embankment (km) 00 • Riverbank Revetment (km) 11.54 • Adaptation Works/Emergency contingency (km) 8.75 • Porcupine screen (no.) 8 • Porcupine screen (km) 2.7 • Regulator (no.) 0 • Fish pass (no.) 0 • Other works: Pump house at Palashbari / Hostel for trainees next to Assam Water Center in Guwahati.

II. Project Status

A. Status of Project Implementation

13. Till the reporting period of 31.12.2023, Civil works of the subprojects under CRBIFRERMP have not yet started. Magnitude have been assessed for involuntary resettlement impacts tentatively during preparation of the RPs initially. ADB has approved all the 5 RPs, making it one RP for each district which has identified IR impacts due to acquisition of land, damages to trees/crop, and other losses, for anti-erosion works construction. The Report has indicated that the private land parcels within the corridor of project influence are proposed to be acquired through mutual negotiation.
14. In addition to the private land, project works will also be implemented on Government lands within the RoW. However, prior to handing over of working sites to the contractor, it will be ensured that all the Government land are made encumbrance free.
15. The scope of land acquisition and involuntary resettlement is identified based on the field visits to each of the project component locations and transect walk along the river bank. As mentioned, it is anticipated to have private land acquisition through negotiated settlement for the project components; at the same time, the anti-erosion civil works under the project will also be done on Government land within the RoW. Sample Copy of General Notice Published for Acquisition of Private Land through direct purchase is given as **Annexure - 4**
16. As of now, the initial assessment and verification of the affected persons enlisted in the RP is almost complete in all the five project districts where resettlement impact was identified earlier. However, actual number of APs will be cross-checked with regard to the final design. An effort is being made to consider the likely impact; however, the additional impact can also be identified at a later stage during implementation. Upon finalizing the impacts, the resettlement plan for the CRBIFRERMP subproject will be updated.
17. With the progress of work for all the subprojects, adequate measures are proposed to be adopted to avoid, minimize and mitigate the adverse impacts either temporary or permanent in nature. Though the RPs for the proposed sub-projects have been prepared and are in place, in case of any other unavoidable IR impacts during the implementation, the required safeguards document will be prepared and updated in accordance with SPS, 2009 and submitted to ADB for approval and compensation and assistances will be paid prior to the displacement of affected people.
18. **Table 2** summarizes physical progress of the subprojects and potential IR impacts.

Table 2: Zone wise Summary of Project Progress and Involuntary Resettlement Impacts

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
Dibrugarh & Tinsukia (Zone A)	Lot1	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers dumped over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in two layers filled with silt-filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 43m width & 1.00m thickness (with Type-C Geo-bags) for Chaulkhowa at D/S of Bogibeel Bridge and Adaptation-3 reaches having spurs and bridge effect and of size 33m width & 1.00m thickness for normal reaches (with Type-C Geo-Bags)	Brahmaputra Infrastructure Ltd Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes	Draft RP prepared and disclosed on ADB website. Will be updated prior to starting of civil works	Process for engagement of RP implementation NGO has been initiated.
	Lot2	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with fitting and fixing of G-Mat in double-layered composite geotextile fabricated to form a three-dimensional mattresses after filling sand at design slope and Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers dumped over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media and # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size	Bhartia Mahaabala JV Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
			1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in two layers filled with silt filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 43m width & 1.00m thickness (with Type-C geo-bags) for reaches having spurs and bridge effect					
	Lot3	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consists of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers dumped over a geofabric textile sheet as filter media # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in two layers filled with silt-filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 43m width & 1.00m thickness (with Type-C geo-bags) for Nagaghuli Ghat to 6th KM of Oakland Dyke, 7th Km to 7400 ft spur and Mohanaghat reaches having spurs and bridge effect and of size 33m width & 1.00m thickness for normal reaches (with Type-C geo-bags)	Bhartia Mahaabala JV Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
	Lot1	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 4 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 3 layers filled with silt-filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 40 m width & 0.1 m thickness (with Type-C Geo-bags in 5 layers)	Bhartia Mahaabala JV Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		
	Lot2	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 4 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 3 layers filled with silt-filled geo bags Type-A # Apron of size 40 m width & 0.1 m thickness (with Type-C Geo-bags in 5 layers)	Bhartia Mahaabala JV Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
Morigaon (Zone B)	Lot1	Yes	<p># Anti-erosion works at Mikirgaon-Kathani Tengaguri area consists of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media</p> <p># Toe-key of galvanised wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt-filled geo bags Type-A</p> <p># Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geo-bags in 5 layers)</p> <p># Recoupment of shank of land spur at Chutiagaon</p>	<p>MP Agarwala Pvt. Ltd.</p> <p>Work yet to start</p>	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes	<p>Draft RP prepared and disclosed on ADB website.</p> <p>Will be updated prior to starting of civil works</p>	Process for engagement of RP implementation NGO has been initiated.
	Lot2	Yes	<p># Anti-erosion works at Kuptimari-Balidunga, Gagalmari-Garubandha and Bhuragaon area that consists of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media</p> <p># Toe-key galvanised wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt-filled geo-bags Type-A</p> <p># Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geo-bags in 5 layers)</p> <p># Raising & Strengthening of</p>	<p>MP Agarwala Pvt. Ltd.</p> <p>Work yet to start</p>	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
			the existing embankment at Kuptimari area					
Palashbari - Gumi - Ghy West(Zone C)	Lot1	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media. # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geobags in 5 layers)	Brahmaputra Infrastructure Ltd. Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes	Draft RP prepared and disclosed on ADB website. Will be updated prior to starting of civil works	Process for engagement of RP implementation NGO has been initiated.
	Lot2	Yes	# Anti-erosion works at that consists of bank revetment with Type-A geobags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media. # Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geobags in 5 layers)	Brahmaputra Infrastructure Ltd Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
	Lot1	Yes	<p># Anti-erosion works that consists of bank revetment with TypeA geo-bags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media.</p> <p># Toe-key of PVC coated wire-netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt filled geo-bags Type-A</p> <p># Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geobags in 5 layers) at Simina and Dakhala(Kalitapara) area and 0.80 m thickness(with TypeC Geo- Bags in 4 layers) at Makhadhuj to Futuri area and Guimara Areas</p>	<p>Brahmaputra Infrastructure Ltd</p> <p>Work yet to start</p>	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		
	Lot1	Yes	<p># Anti-erosion works that consists of bank revetment with CC blocks laid over a filter of graded stones</p> <p># Toe-key of PVC coated wire netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt filled geo-bags Type-A</p> <p># Apron of size 35 m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geo-bags in 5 layers)</p>	<p>Shree Gautam Construction BNG (JV)</p> <p>Work yet to start</p>	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes	<p>Draft RP prepared and disclosed on ADB website.</p> <p>Will be updated prior to starting of civil works</p>	<p>Process for engagement of RP implementation NGO has been initiated.</p>

Zone	Lot	IEE carried out for the Location	Description of Lot	Name of the Contractor Shortlisted & Start Date	% of Physical Progress till 31.12.2023	RP/DDR prepared after impact assessment	Status of RP/DDR till 31.12.2023	Remarks
Goalpara (Zone D)	Lot2	Yes	# Anti-erosion works that consist of bank revetment with Type-A geo-bags in 3 layers laid over a geo-fabric textile sheet as filter media # Toe-key of PVC coated wire netting cages of size 1.5m x 1.5m x 0.45 m in 2 rows and 2 layers filled with silt-filled geo-bags Type-A # Apron of size 35m width & 0.75 m thickness (with Type-A Geo-bags in 5 layers)	Bhartia Mahaabala JV Work yet to start	Civil work to commence shortly	Yes		

B. Status of Project Monitoring Activities in Terms of Identification of Adverse Social Impacts and Losses

19. Social monitoring is a regular activity taken up during RP implementation. It provides an assessment of implementation work done, achievements of meeting targets, gaps in achieving targets, if any, over a stipulated reporting period. The progress of work done is monitored from two angles, physical progress and financial progress.
20. Till the end of December 2023, the current reporting period, no new TH or NTH has been identified who are impacted due to the project activities. However, likelihood of impact on private properties has already been identified earlier in 5 project districts during preparation of draft RPs. Prior to commencement of civil works, draft RPs will be updated and once the NGOs are in place, RP implementation process will start and the verification process and progress of RP implementation will be reported in subsequent SSMR of January 2024 to June, 2024.

Table 3: Details of Land Required and Affected Persons

Subproject	No. of Villages	LA in Ha (tentative)			Number of Affected Households (AH) due to LA		No. of non-titled HHs (NTH) on Govt. land	Total affected HHS
		Pvt.	Govt.	Total	Landowners	NTH on Pvt. Land		
Dibrugarh – Tinsukia Zone A	13	11.85	25.69	37.54	4	Nil	407	411
	11	11.61	17.80	29.41	26	Nil	68	94
Goalpara Zone B	12	16.53	25.89	42.42	301	Nil	78	379
Morigaon Zone C	15	27.53	19.45	46.98	392	Nil	47	439
Palasbari - Gumi Zone D	13	11.43	11.35	22.78	134	Nil	72	206
Total	64	78.95	100.18	179.13	857		672	1529

21. **Impacts on Land:** The anti-erosion activities under 4 zones will entail land acquisition of 78.95 Ha of land through negotiated purchase, involving 857 landowners. In addition, there will be a total of 672 HHs (NTHs) found on the Government land. The above table reflects that a total of 1529 HHs are going to be impacted in totality.
22. The nature-based solution to be implemented by Assam Agroforestry Development Board (AADB) as a pilot under CRBIFRERMP. To support this work, an existing nursery is also to be rehabilitated and improved. This is also confined to the land owned and managed by the forest department and no land acquisition and resettlement impacts are envisaged. The nature-based solutions will be implemented after the riverbank works have been implemented under the project, thereby providing AADB adequate time for finalization of detailed planning and designing of the components. During the project implementation period, FREMAA will review the detailed proposal with the help of PISC and ensure incorporation of necessary updates to this RP by the RP

implementation support agency in compliance with the policy principle agreed through this RP and ADB SPS.

Table 4: Anticipated Impact on CPRs

Name of District & Zone	Total No. of Impacted CPRs	Religious CPRs	Other CPRs	Remarks
Dibrugarh-Zone A	10	8	2	2 other structure includes Schools
Tinsukia- Zone A	11	8	3	3 are other type of community used structures.
Goalpara – Zone B	10	5	5	5 other are all Government structures, including 1 school and 1 public building
Morigaon – Zone C	6	3	3	3 other CPRs include 1 school, 1 Government shed and 1 used by the school toilet
Kamrup – Zone D	Nil	Nil	Nil	
Total	37	24	13	

23. **Impacts on Common Property Resources:** It is found that a total of 37 common property resources spread over 5 project districts are going to be impacted as location has been found to be within the project corridor. Out of the total 37 CPRs, 24 are religious structures and the rest are 13 are other structures. The project activity sites identified do not impact any CPRs. Route surveys completed for distribution line till date do not identify any CPRs within the RoW. However, during execution of work, final impact assessment will be done to ascertain the actual number of impacted CPRs to be relocated in all five districts.

Table 5: Zone wise details of Affected Persons (APs) and Affected Vulnerable Persons

Name of District	Total Number of affected HHs	Total Number of Affected HH Members	Total Number of Vulnerable HH	Total Number of Vulnerable HHs by Type							Status of the payment of Compensation and other Assistance
				BPL	SC	ST	FHH	Elderly	Specially Abled	Others	
Dibrugarh,	411	1,801	361	148	50	1	21	22	0	119	To be disbursed
Tinsukia	94	393	81	18	56	4	2	0	1	0	To be disbursed
Goalpara	379	2,810	208	160	0	0	6	0	3	39	To be disbursed

Name of District	Total Number of affected HHs	Total Number of Affected HH Members	Total Number of Vulnerable HH	Total Number of Vulnerable HHs by Type							Status of the payment of Compensation and other Assistance
				BPL	SC	ST	FHH	Elderly	Specially Abled	Others	
Morigaon	439	4,010	378	255	84	0	18	0	0	21	To be disbursed
Kamrup	206	919	129	81	5	0	6	0	0	37	To be disbursed
Total	1,529	9,933	1,157	662	195	5	53	22	4	216	

24. The above table is a depiction of the total number of anticipated affected HHs, vulnerable affected HHs and vulnerability by its type which are identified to be impacted due to project activities. These anticipated numbers of affected HHs were assessed during the initial impact assessment done for preparation of RP. A total number of 1529 HHs have been identified to have adverse impact having a total number of 9933 HH members. Out of the mentioned total number, 1157 are identified to be vulnerable affected HHs. In the vulnerable segment, maximum number are found to be falling under the category of BPL, followed by other and schedule castes. In case of FHHs, it is found to be 53 with maximum number in Morigaon district followed by senior citizen. In addition, 5 households belonging to schedule tribe category are also found to be impacted. As disbursement of compensation has not yet started, hence, further, verification will be done prior to updating of the RPs and payment of any eligible assistance due to impact.

C. Implementation Schedule of RP

25. The R&R activities of CRBIFRERMP are divided into three broad categories based on the stages of work and process of implementation. The details of activities involved in these three phases are Project Preparation phase, resettlement plan Implementation phase and monitoring and reporting period. For the riverbank protection works under in different reaches for 4 Zones, the exact locations of the required works can only be determined once the preceding contracts for works have been finalised. As the work contracts have not started, therefore, resettlement activities for these sites not yet be started.
26. The status of planned major approaches already adopted or to be adopted under implementation schedule of resettlement plan (RP) are discussed below.
27. **Census and Inventory of Losses:** During preparation of draft RPs in July 2023, for all the 5 districts, preliminary census survey and Inventory of Losses survey was conducted. Prior to disbursement of eligible compensation re-validation survey will again be undertaken by the engaged NGOs.
28. **Meaningful Consultation:** The public consultations were carried out in the year 2023 as part of the preparation of preliminary RP, and thereafter no further consultation has taken place to date as works has not yet commenced in the field. However, it is a continuous process and the engaged NGOs will carry out these activities as part of their scope for the whole project period in coordination with other officials.
29. **Information Campaigns:** The information campaigns were also carried out during preparation of the RPs in 2023 as an inevitable part of preliminary RP. However, information campaign will be carried out in a more structured way during project

implementation by the NGOs as part of its scope, including preparation updating and distribution of information booklets (in English and Assamese languages) to the AP within the project area.

30. **Updating and Finalising of RPs:** Finalization of the RP requires an updated census and Inventory of Losses (IoL) survey, as well as meaningful consultation with the APs and information campaigns. These are under the scope of the RP implementation NGOs.
31. **Identification and Verification of APs:** The preliminary identification and verification of APs has already been carried out while preparing the RPs. However, reverification survey along with inventory of losses survey is yet to be done. In addition, the joint verification along with PIU and Revenue Officials is to be completed by the NGOs. Setting up of an updated AP management information system (MIS) database are yet to be carried out too. The respective NGO will carry out these activities as part of its scope.
32. **Identification of Loss and Entitlement:** The identification of loss and entitlement has been initially done, however, preparation of the actual budget for land acquisition and resettlement by the property valuation team will be initiated within the next reporting SSMR for the period of January, 2024 to June, 2024. The NGOs will also assist in carrying out these activities and it is expected that these activities will be undertaken as per the selection of priority reaches for anti-erosion works.
33. **Payment of Resettlement Benefits:** Payment of resettlement benefits can only be undertaken once the identification of loss and entitlement has been completed based on the updated approved RP. The concerned NGO will carry out the activities of finalizing the entitlements and identification of losses in coordination with PIU and thereafter the RP will be updated prior to commencement of civil works.

D. Summary of Progress

34. The summary of overall physical progress of resettlement plan is reflected in the following **Table 6**

Table 6: Resettlement Progress during the Period October – December, 2023

Sl. No.	Key Implementation Activities	Cumulative Status upto 31.12.2023
1	Formation of GRC	The GRC for PMU level has been constituted and notified. However, the same for district and PIU level is yet to be constituted and notified. It is highlighted that an information campaign is yet to be carried among the APs to disseminate details about the different level GRCs and the GRM as a whole and this will be undertaken as an important task prior to the reporting of next SSMR.
2	Verification of Census / Inventory of Losses (IoL) Survey	The preliminary census and Inventory of Losses (IoL) survey was carried out prior preparation of RPs, will be updated with the engagement of NGOs prior to disbursement of any kind of compensation.

Sl. No.	Key Implementation Activities	Cumulative Status upto 31.12.2023
3	Stakeholders' consultation ('Meaningful Consultation')	<p>32 numbers of consultation meetings/ focus group discussions were conducted in 5 sub-projects during May-June, 2023 as a part of preparation of draft RP.</p> <p>As consultations/FGDs are a continuous process for the whole project period, hence, it will be conducted with different stakeholders, at different levels prior to updating of the RPs during implementation phase.</p>
4	Information Campaigns	No additional information campaigns have been carried out subsequent to preparation of RP in July, 2023. Information campaign will be a from an inevitable part of the activities during RP implementation and it will be done on a regular basis by the NGOs.
5	Approval Status of RP	Preliminary RPs for 5 project towns were concurred by ADB. Now the same will be updated and submitted to ADB by 31/10/2024.
6	Identification and reverification of APs	To be done
7	Reverification of losses and entitlements	To be verified
8	Payment of resettlement benefits	To be disbursed prior to commencement of civil works.

III. Performance Monitoring

35. Performance monitoring forms a critical aspect in ADB funded projects that ensures the effective implementation and achievement of project objectives. The ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS) 2009 outline specific guidelines for performance monitoring in ADB projects. These requirements emphasize the importance of setting clear and measurable indicators to track project progress, assess results, and make informed decisions.
36. Performance monitoring in accordance with SPS 2009 requirements involves the systematic collection, analysis, and reporting of data related to project activities and outcomes. This process includes establishing baseline data, setting targets, and regularly monitoring and evaluating progress towards achieving project goals. It also involves identifying risks and challenges that may impact project performance and taking corrective actions as necessary.
37. Key elements of performance monitoring in ADB projects include:
 - Developing Indicators
 - Data Collection and Analysis
 - Reporting and Communication
 - Monitoring and Evaluation
38. By adhering to the SPS 2009 requirements for performance monitoring, ADB projects can enhance accountability, transparency, and learning throughout the project cycle. Effective performance monitoring enables to track progress, identify bottlenecks, and make evidence-based decisions to ensure the successful implementation of development projects.

A. Compliance with Legal and Policy Requirements

39. **Legal Framework:** The legal framework and principles adopted under CRBIFRERMP for addressing resettlement issues in the project have been guided by the existing legislation and policies of the Government of India (GOI), the Government of Assam and Asian Development Bank. Prior to the preparation of the resettlement plan, a detailed analysis of the existing national and state policies was undertaken. This resettlement plan is prepared based on the review and analysis of all applicable legal and policy frameworks of the country and ADB policy requirements.
40. Land will be procured through using the Land Acquisition through Direct Purchase by way of Negotiated Settlement for Public Purpose of all Departments in the State of Assam dated 7th March 2022. However, in case of land with uncleared title or ownership dispute, for which consent to sell cannot be obtained from the owners, the land will be acquired through RFCTLARR-2013. All compensation and other assistances will be paid to all DPs prior to commencement of civil works. After payment of compensation, DPs would be allowed to take away the materials salvaged from their dismantled houses and shops and no charges will be levied upon them for the same. The value of recovered materials will not be deducted from the overall compensation amount due to the DPs.
41. **Applicable ADB Policies and Other National / State Guidelines:** The policy framework and entitlements for the project CRBIFRERMP are based on National Laws: The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act-2013 (RFCTLARRA, 2013) Assam RFCTLARR Rules, 2015,

Land Acquisition through Direct Purchase by way of Negotiated Settlement for Public Purpose of all Departments in the State of Assam dated 7th March 2022, The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006, The Provisions of the Panchayats (Extension to the Scheduled Areas) Act 1996, and Rehabilitation Policy for Erosion Affected Families of Assam, 2020 and ADB SPS, 2009.

42. Brief of the National and State Laws to be followed as a Project compliance along with ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS), 2009 are discussed as under:
43. **The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (RFCTLARR):** Section 27 of the Act defines the method by which, market value of the land shall be computed under the proposed law. Schedule I outlines the proposed minimum compensation based on a multiple of market value. Schedule II through VI outlines the resettlement and rehabilitation entitlements to landowners and livelihood losers, which shall be in addition to the minimum compensation per Schedule I. The Government of Assam (GoA) has already notified the Assam RFCTLARR Rules, 2015 confirming implementation of the RFCTLARR Act, 2013 under CRBIFRERMP.
44. **Land Acquisition Through Direct Purchase by way of Negotiated Settlement for Public Purpose of all Departments in the State of Assam dated 7th March 2022:** To simplify and fast track the process of land procurement and to provide the land losers an opportunity to negotiate their cost of land, GoA has formulated a policy known as the "Land Acquisition through Direct Purchase by way of Negotiated Settlement for Public Purpose of all Departments in the State of Assam dated 7th March 2022".
45. The policy will expedite land availability for the project and also land possession by paying agreed price directly to land owners through the District Level Land Purchase Committee (DLLPC) chaired by the District Commissioner of the concerned districts. The land will be purchased through this policy if title-holders gives consent for 5 times the market value compensation, otherwise land will be acquired applying the RFCTLARR Act 2013.
46. **Rehabilitation Policy for Erosion affected families of Assam, 2020 (No. RGR.785/2014/91 dated 06/01/2021):** The Rehabilitation policy for erosion-affected families of Assam, will address those distressed families who are rendered landless, homeless or lost their homestead land or agriculture due to erosion. Any landowners identified in this project, whose land has been eroded before land purchase, will be facilitated to access the benefits under this Act.
47. **The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006:** This law will provide for recognition of forest rights to Scheduled Tribes in occupation of the forest land prior to 13.12.2005 and to other traditional forest dwellers who are in occupation of the forest land for at least 3 generations i.e., 75 years, up to maximum of 4 hectares. These rights are heritable but not alienable or transferable.
48. **The Provisions of the Panchayats (Extension to the Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996:** One of the important provisions of this Act states "the Gram Sabha or the Panchayats at the appropriate level shall be consulted before making the acquisition of land in the Scheduled Areas for development projects and before re-settling or rehabilitating persons affected by such projects in the Scheduled Areas.

49. **ADB's Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS), 2009:** ADB's SPS (2009) covers physical displacement (relocation, loss of residential land, or loss of shelter) and economic displacement (loss of land, assets, access to assets, income sources, or means of livelihoods) as a result of; (i) involuntary acquisition of land, or (ii) involuntary restrictions on land use or on access to legally designated parks and protected areas. It covers displaced persons whether such losses and involuntary restrictions are full or partial, permanent or temporary.
50. The three important elements of ADB's SPS (2009) which will be applicable for CRBIFRERMP are: (i) compensation at replacement cost for lost assets, livelihood, and income prior to displacement; (ii) assistance for relocation, including provision of relocation sites with appropriate facilities and services; and (iii) assistance for rehabilitation to enhance, or at least restore, the livelihoods of all displaced persons relative to pre-project levels and to improve the standard of living of displaced poor and other vulnerable groups.
51. **Transparency and Accountability:** Transparency and accountability will be promoted in implementation during its operation. This includes clear disclosure of project information, stakeholder engagement, and mechanisms for addressing grievances.
52. **Monitoring and Evaluation:** Monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to track compliance with legal and policy requirements throughout the project lifecycle will be established. Regular monitoring will help identify any deviations and allows for timely corrective actions.
53. **Capacity Building:** It will be ensure that project stakeholders, including government agencies, implementing partners, and local communities, have the necessary capacity to understand and comply with legal and policy requirements.
54. By considering these factors and implementing appropriate measures, compliance with legal and policy requirements in CRBIFRERMP can be enhanced, thereby promoting sustainable and inclusive development.

B. Compliance with Social Safeguard Covenants

55. Covenants written into loan agreement that is related to resettlement safeguard are listed in **Table 7** with the status of compliances up to the reporting period of 31.12.2023.

Table 7: Compliance Status of Social Safeguard Loan Covenants

Serial no. as per loan agreement	Program Specific Covenants	Status / Issues
Land Acquisition and Involuntary Resettlement		
Sl. No. – 13 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure or cause the EA to ensure that all land and all rights - of - way required for the Project, and all Project Facilities are made available to the Works contractor in accordance with the schedule agreed under the related Works contract and all land acquisition and resettlement activities are	Being complied. Draft Resettlement Plan (RP) have been prepared and approved by ADB. As the detailed measurement survey has not yet been completed as the priority reaches for commencement of civil works has not yet been finalized. RPs are going to be updated

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	<p>implemented in compliance with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower and the State relating to land acquisition and involuntary resettlement; (b) the Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards; and (c) all measures and requirements set forth in the respective RPs, and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report, in accordance with any timeframes set forth therein.</p>	<p>accordingly, as per the priority reaches or may be in sections.</p> <p>Wherever private plots are required for the project, land will be procured through direct negotiated settlement and inter- departmental land transfer process will be followed for government land parcels.</p> <p>All measures and compliance requirements as mentioned in RP will be considered during implementation.</p> <p>Corrective or preventive action plans which will be reflected in Safeguard monitoring report will be complied and taken care.</p>
<p>Sl. No. – 14 of Schedule 4</p>	<p>Without limiting the application of the Involuntary Resettlement Safeguards or the RP, the Borrower shall ensure or cause the EA to ensure that no physical or economic displacement takes place in connection with the Project until:</p> <p>a) compensation and other entitlements have been provided to affected people in accordance with the relevant RP; and</p> <p>b) a comprehensive income and livelihood restoration program has been established in accordance with the relevant RP.</p>	<p>Being complied</p> <p>As per the prepared RP – prior to the physical or economic displacement, compensation needs to be paid to Affected Persons (AP) as per “Entitlement Matrix”. Final verification or reverification of the affected persons are yet to be completed for all the Zones however, the same is yet to be done on finalization and completion of alignment / design and DMS.</p> <p>As per requirement, ILRP (Income and Livelihood Restoration Program) will be initiated as per prescribed guideline under RP and Gender Equality Social Inclusion (GESI) action plan.</p>
<p>Indigenous Peoples</p>		

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Sl. No. – 15 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure or cause the EA to ensure that the preparation, design, construction, implementation and operation of the Project and all Project Facilities comply with (a) all applicable laws and regulations of the Borrower and the State relating to indigenous peoples; (b) the Indigenous Peoples Safeguards; and (c) any applicable measures and requirements set forth in any RP. and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report.	<p>Being complied</p> <p>As per the initial social survey conducted by FREMAA, indigenous people are not affected from selected sub projects in targeted areas of four project districts.</p> <p>During subsequent implementation, social screening will be done to find out any impact on Indigenous People (IP).</p> <p>All measures and requirements (if emerge) during implementation in respect to IP's impact will be addressed accordingly.</p> <p>Corrective or preventive action plans which reflected in Safeguard monitoring report will be addressed by project Executing Agency.</p>
Human and Financial Resources to Implement Safeguards		
Sl. No. – 16 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure or cause the EA to ensure that all necessary budgetary and human resources to fully implement the EMPs and RPs as required are made available on a timely basis.	<p>Being complied</p> <p>Budgetary provisions have been included in RPs.</p> <p>Safeguard Officers for PMU, PIU is in place.</p> <p>It will be ensured that human resources as project consultant, i.e. Resettlement and Land Acquisition Expert. in PISC and NGOs for implementation of RPs are in place.</p>
Safeguards – Related Provisions in Bidding Documents and Works Contracts		
Sl. No. – 17 of Schedule 4	<p>The Borrower shall ensure or cause the EA to ensure that all bidding documents and contracts for Works contain provisions that require contractors to:</p> <p>a) comply with the measures</p>	<p>Being complied</p> <p>(a) This will be followed for all the sub projects. In case of changes of scope, revised RPs will be prepared and corrective measures will be disclosed to contractor and</p>

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	<p>relevant to the contractor set forth in the IEEs, EMPs and RPs (to the extent they concern impacts on affected people during construction), and any corrective or preventative actions set forth in a Safeguards Monitoring Report;</p> <p>b) make available a budget for all such environmental and social measures;</p> <p>c) provide the Borrower with a written notice of any unanticipated environmental, resettlement or indigenous peoples risks or impacts that arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project that were not considered in the IEEs, EMPs and RPs;</p> <p>d) adequately record the condition of roads, agricultural land and other infrastructure prior to starting to transport materials and construction; and</p> <p>e) Reinstate pathways, other local infrastructure, and agricultural land to at least their pre-project condition upon the completion of construction.</p>	<p>same will be reflected in the subsequent Social Monitoring Report.</p> <p>(b) A separate budgetary provision has been made for RPs where ever applicable.</p> <p>(c) With the development of sub project and implementation, in case of any additional impacts/risks due to change in scope/area or design, it will be reflected in the revised RPs and Safeguard Monitoring Report and accordingly project Executing Agency will inform the Construction Agency for taking relevant corrective measures.</p> <p>(d) Dedicated Roads will be marked properly (by avoiding residences and agricultural land) before commencement of transportation of materials.</p> <p>(e) Pathways, roads which are likely to be affected for a short period during implementation of the sub project will be restored by concerned contractor. Restoration status (if any required) will be reflected in post construction monitoring format of the Social Monitoring Report.</p>
Safeguard Monitoring and Reporting		
Sl. No. – 18 of Schedule 4	<p>The Borrower shall do the following or cause the EA to do the following:</p> <p>a) submit Semi-annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports for involuntary resettlement impacts, and annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports for environmental and indigenous peoples impacts to ADB, and</p>	<p>Being complied</p> <p>a) Semi-annual Safeguards Monitoring Reports will submitted to ADB in every six months interval as decided.</p> <p>(b) During implementation, in case of any additional impacts/risks due to change in scope/area, will be reflected in</p>

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	<p>disclose relevant information from such reports to affected persons promptly upon submission;</p> <p>b) if any unanticipated environmental and/or social risks and impacts arise during construction, implementation or operation of the Project that were not considered in the IEEs, EMPs and RPs, promptly inform ADB of the occurrence of such risks or impacts, with detailed description of the event and proposed time-bound corrective action plan;</p> <p>c) no later than the date of award of the Works contract, engage qualified and experienced external experts under a selection process and terms of reference acceptable to ADB, to verify information produced through the Project monitoring process in respect of Involuntary Resettlement Impacts, and facilitate the carrying out of any verification activities by such external experts;</p> <p>d) report any breach of compliance with the measures and requirements set forth in any EMP or RP promptly after becoming aware of the breach.</p>	<p>revised RPs/DDR's and accordingly Executing Agency (EA) will inform the ADB along with corrective action plan which will be reflected in Safeguard Monitoring Report.</p> <p>(c) On awarding of Works contract, External Monitor will be engaged by the Executing Agency in respect of Involuntary Resettlement Impacts, and facilitate the carrying out of any verification activities</p> <p>(d) In case of any breach of compliance with the measures and requirements set forth in the RPs; EA will promptly inform ADB and suitable corrective action plan will be planned if required.</p>
Prohibited List of Investments		
Sl. No. – 19 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure, or cause the EA to ensure, that no proceeds of the Loan are used to finance any activity included in the list of prohibited investment activities provided in Appendix 5 of the SPS.	Being Complied Under this Project, there will no violation of prohibited investment activities and the same will be followed throughout the project period
Communication and Participation		
Sl. No. – 21 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure, or cause the EA to ensure, that the Project is undertaken in	Being complied

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	conformity with the SCS, and that all necessary budgetary and human resources are made available on a timely basis for its implementation.	
Gender Equality and Social Development		
Sl. No. – 22 of Schedule 4	The Borrower shall ensure, and cause the EA to ensure, that (a) the GESI Action Plan is implemented in accordance with its terms; (b) the bidding documents and contracts include relevant provisions for contractors to comply with the measures set forth in the GESI Action Plan, (c) adequate resources are allocated for implementation of the GESI Action Plan; and (d) progress on implementation of the GESI Action Plan, including progress toward achieving key gender outcome and output targets, are regularly monitored and reported to ADB.	Being complied <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implementation of GESI Action Plan as per approved GESI will be taken up with the help of engaged NGOs. 2. The bidding documents and contracts including relevant provisions for contractors with the measures set forth GESI Action Plan will be complied during the course of implementation. 3. Provisions will be made for adequate resources to be allocated for implementation of GESI Action Plan. 4. Progress on implementation of the GESI Action Plan, are monitored regularly and reported to ADB on quarterly basis.
	Overall Status of Compliance	
<div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <p><u>Not Complied</u> - Redressed action &</p>	<div style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div> <p><u>Partly complied</u>, needs further regular monitoring for more compliance</p>	<div style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></div> <p>Fully Complied - no further action</p>

C. Compliance with Safeguard Plan Requirements

56. The compliance with Safeguard Plan requirements can be assessed by evaluating various components of the Safeguard Plan. Some key aspects to consider are reflected in the below **Table 8**

Table 8: Compliance Status of Safeguard Plan Requirements

Sl. No.	Key Aspects of Safeguard Plan Requirements	Activities	Compliance Status
1	Impact Assessment	Preliminary Impact assessment done based on the decided project components, design, field visits, consultations/FGDs etc. to the project areas, prior to preparation of the RPs in all five project districts.	Tentative number of APs/DPs has been identified in consultation with the same. In addition, tentative requirement of land for project works, its availability and requirement of private land acquisition has also been assessed tentatively and included in the RPs.
2	Resettlement Plans (RPs)	Reviewing of the RPs from time to time to ensure that designs are finalised and appropriate number of affected persons/families receive eligible compensation and that resettlement measures are in place for affected persons	<p>RPs will be updated for all four project districts depending upon the final design, priority reach etc. prior to commencement of civil works and any disbursement of compensation.</p> <p>Timely implementation of livelihood restoration programs for the impacted will also be ensured.</p> <p>The intended Livelihood Programs will help people in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Income Generation b. Skill Development c. Employment opportunities d. Access to Financial Resources e. Social Support f. Resilience Building

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			<p>The activities will be immediately initiated once the RP implementation NGOs are in place.</p> <p>Once the RP implementation begins, the progress can be measured and actual number people benefitted could be reported accordingly.</p>
3	Indigenous Peoples	The project included provisions to protect the rights and interests of indigenous peoples (if present within the corridor of impact), including their participation in project decision-making.	Under this project, there will be no such adverse impacts on any particular tribal region, nor to their unique socio-cultural identity as well as economic life except for 1 NTH in Dibrugarh and 4 NTHs in Tinsukia.
4	Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) indicator	A M&E indicator to track the implementation of safeguard measures and assess their effectiveness in mitigating adverse impacts.	Robust M&E indicator has been developed which will be used throughout the project period for recording the progress of implementation of safeguard measures during project implementation phase and also to assess the efficiency of mitigating adverse impacts.

IV. Implementation of the Grievance Redress Mechanism

A. Grievance Redressal Mechanism

57. A project-specific 3 – tier grievance redress mechanism (GRM) will be established to receive, evaluate and facilitate the resolution of displaced people's concerns, complaints and grievances about the social and environmental performance at the level of the Project. The GRM will aim to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve social and environmental concerns linked to the project. The project-specific GRM is not intended to bypass the government's own redress process, rather it is intended to address displaced people's concerns and complaints promptly, making it readily accessible to all segments of the displaced people and is scaled to the risks and impacts of the project. The complainant may access the formal legal system at any time.
58. PMU Level grievance redressal committee (GRC) has already been constituted and notified (Appendix 1) as per the prescribed guideline. However, the District level and PIU level GRC are going to be constituted and notified within the next quarter.
59. The GRM will function throughout the project cycle for use by stakeholders to address concerns and complaints promptly and transparently. The Project specific GRM is not binding and the affected persons can approach the Judiciary any time if they wish to do so. Taking grievances to Judiciary will be avoided as far possible and the resettlement plan-implementing agency will make utmost efforts and reconciliation at the level of GRC.
60. The GRM will provide an accessible, inclusive, gender-sensitive and culturally appropriate platform for receiving and facilitating the resolution of affected persons' grievances related to the project. The stakeholders are being informed about the Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) through consultations and it is continuously done. The project information leaflet/signboard at site have been prepared that contains information on the GRM.
61. For the project level, Grievance Redress Cell at respective PIU will be comprising of the safeguards officers (Assistant Engineer and Junior Engineer) of the PIU, supported by the NGOs will be responsible for ensuring periodic community meetings with affected communities to understand their concerns and help them through the process of grievance redressal including translating the complaints, recording and registering grievances of non-literate affected persons and explaining the process of grievance redress mechanism.
62. The GRM will work within existing legal and cultural frameworks, providing an additional opportunity to resolve grievances at the local and sub-project level. The key objectives of the GRM are to:
 - Educate stakeholders on the GRM
 - Receive and record the grievances
 - Resolve and close the grievances
 - Escalate unsolved grievances to concerned authority
 - Notify/ update the stakeholders of the solutions
63. Presently, FREMAA and WRD are also addressing grievances raised through the Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS), which is an online portal implemented by the Govt. of India and hosted by National Informatics Centre (NIC). The Chief Minister of Assam can be contacted for any help at phone

numbers 0361-2262222/ 2237043, Fax Number 0361-2262069 and email cm@assam.gov.in.

B. Status of Implementation of the GRM

64. No major complaints to the level of PMU are elevated under GRC for its consideration during the reporting period from October 2023 to December 2023. In addition to it, no minor or major site related grievances, have been received from any of the targeted project districts during the reporting period as no civil works has commenced. Details of grievance register and redressal format is attached as Appendix 2.

V. Stakeholder Engagement

A. Stakeholder Communication Strategy and Engagement Process

65. As a prerequisite of the project and in order to maintain a constructive and meaningful relationship with Project Stakeholders at different level all through the project period, Stakeholders Communication Strategy (SCS) has been prepared for the CRBIFRERMP which basically describes the planned stakeholder consultation and engagement process for the Project. The prepared SCS will be implemented according to the timeline mentioned in the SCS with Stakeholders of all level as it will ensure in timely ongoing dissemination of relevant project information to all stakeholders, which will result in systematic approach and facilitate decision approach. The progress recorded for SCS, as per the timeline mentioned in the prepared SCS will be regularly shared and reflected from the next Social Monitoring Report.
66. Stakeholder engagement is a decisive aspect of river works and anti-erosion projects as it involves various parties with a vested interest in the project. The process followed for engaging stakeholders in such projects typically includes the following steps:
- i. Firstly, it was necessary to have an idea and to identify all the parties that are likely to be affected by or have an interest in the river works and anti-erosion projects. This included local communities, related government departments/agencies and other relevant organizations.
 - ii. Once stakeholders were identified, it was analysed to have an idea of their interests, concerns, and influence on the project. This helped in understanding their perspectives and developing of appropriate engagement strategies accordingly.
 - iii. Effective communication is key to stakeholder engagement. This carried out in many times in all the project districts by sharing information about the project, listening to stakeholders' feedback, and involving them in decision-making processes. Consultation sessions, public meetings, and workshops can be organized to facilitate dialogue. And developing appropriate engagement strategies accordingly.
 - iv. Transparency in decision-making processes and project implementation is essential to build trust among stakeholders. Regular updates, progress reports, and feedback mechanisms will help in ensuring accountability in CRBIFRERMP.
 - v. Conflict resolution is also an inevitable process of stakeholders' engagement. During stakeholders' engagement, chances of raise of conflict was always considered due to varied interests or concerns of community and accordingly, it was such situations were addressed through dialogue, negotiation, and mediation to reach mutually acceptable solutions. The same would be followed throughout the project period during stakeholders' engagement process.
 - vi. Realising the overall necessity and effectiveness for engaging stakeholders at all stages of the project, in river works and anti-erosion works, series of consultations were conducted during impact assessment stage and preparation of RP with identified APs/DPs and community in general, for building common consensus, ensuring project sustainability, and minimizing negative impacts on communities and the environment as far as possible. The same process of consultations with different stakeholders at different levels will be a continuous process during the whole project period.

B. Consultations

67. Community consultation has been taken up as an integral part of environmental and social assessment process of the project. In this regard, Community Consultation, Focus Group Discussion (FGD) and household level interactions were conducted to understand people's perception on the project and to inform and educate stakeholders about the proposed project and its activities. It helped in identification of the problems associated with the project as well as the needs of the population likely to be impacted. This participatory process helped in reducing the public resistance to change and enabled the participation of the local people in this development process.
68. Consultation activities were carried out in different phases during the preparation of RPs for all five project districts which is very important due to the fact that the Affected Persons (APs) and the entire project community gets an opportunity for full participation in the project, at the same time, the ability to contribute to both the design and implementation of the project activities thereby reducing the likelihood for grievances and conflict. At the first stage, people residing nearer to the project locations (habitations near the project areas in project districts) were consulted on the anticipated socio-economic impacts due to the proposed project activities. The potential APs / AHs were identified through socio-economic census in the identified work zones. Several meetings were organized with the local residents of the areas and FGDs were also held to assess the environmental and social impacts in and around the corridor of influence. The identified Affected Persons (APs)/ Affected Households (AHs) were consulted to assess their loss of property and structures. A structured schedule was administered to capture the impact and opinion of people residing on the project corridor. In the local level meetings and FGDs, the participants were informed about the purpose and preliminary design of the project and feedbacks were received on their issues of concern. Consultations / FGDs were held in all the identified working pockets representing all the project districts.
69. During the reporting period of October – December, 2023, no fresh consultations have taken place due to the fact that site specific civil works have not yet commenced, reverification process of the affected people, including land and structures of both TH and NTH is yet to be taken up and RPs are yet to be updated as per the revised design, survey etc. Moreover, RP implementing NGOs are yet to be in place. As consultation forms one of most crucial part of the project, therefore, it will be conducted regularly from next quarter as a continuous process at all stages and the overview of the consultation meetings along with issues raised and process of addressing the issues will be given along with next SSMR. However, details of consultations/FGDs conducted during the period of Resettlement Plan (RP) are reflected in the below **Table 9**

Table 9: Details of Consultations Undertaken During Preparation of RP

SI. No	District	Place	Date	Total Participants		
				M	F	Total
1	Dibrugarh	Bogibeel	14-04-2023	10	1	11
		Borsaikia	06-04-2023	10	4	14
		Mathola	05-04-2023	15	5	20
		Purana Amlapati	13-04-2023	19	18	37

		Borsaikia	06-04-2023	0	32	32
		Mathola	05-04-2023	0	20	20
		Total		54	80	134
2	Tinsukia	Felai	15-04-2023	7	4	11
		Kordoiguri	18-04-2023	16	11	27
		Baghjaan	17-04-2023	16	4	20
		Kordoiguri	18-04-2023	0	13	13
		Baghjaan	17-04-2023	0	20	20
		Total		39	52	91
3	Morigaon	Pambori	29-04-2023	19	1	20
		Barmari Pam	05-05-2023	16	4	20
		Tenguri	03-05-2023	19	1	20
		Pambori	30-04-2023	0	20	20
		Tenguri	03-05-2023	0	40	40
		Barmari Pam	05-05-2023	0	14	14
		Pabhakati	05-05-2023	0	17	17
		Total		54	97	151
4	Kamrup	Dakhla	24-04-2023	14	7	21
		Hahua Pathar	25-04-2023	18	0	18
		Asolpara	25-04-2023	9	9	18
		Lotordia	30-04-2023	15	0	15
		Hahua Pathar	25-04-2023	0	10	10
		Asolpara	25-04-2023	0	14	14
		Total		56	40	97
5	Goalpara	Baladmar	06-04-2023	13	14	27
		Hurkakusi	13-04-2023	9	2	11

		Karbala	13-04-2023	8	12	20
		Kathuri	15-04-2023	19	0	19
		Silar vita	17-04-2023	10	0	10
		Takimari	18-04-2023	0	11	11
		Karbala	13-04-2023	0	20	20
		Kathuri	15-04-2023	0	17	17
		Total		59	76	135

VI. Follow-up actions, Recommendation and Disclosures

70. The monitoring of social safeguard activities and implementation will be continued throughout the project implementation period. The project will involve in following action for the implementation of RP: It also describes recommendations and further actions or items to focus on for the remaining monitoring period. In view of the activities that have been carried thus far with regard to social safeguards for CRBIFRERMP, the detail status if presented below with a few recommendations in **Table 10** for consideration:

Table 10: Follow-up actions, Recommendation and Disclosures

Activity	Recommended / Action	Responsibility	Actions Taken	Actions Required
Formation of GRC at PMU, District level and PIU level	<p>PMU level GRC is in place.</p> <p>District and PIU level GRC to be constituted and notified.</p> <p>GRCs to act and adhere in a structured manner in redressing the grievances received.</p>	PMU and PIU	PMU level GRC has already been constituted and notified.	<p>GRCs to be constituted soon prior to the commencement of civil works.</p> <p>GRCs to review the status of all grievance and redressal on a monthly basis.</p>
Updating of RPs	Conduct census survey, revalidation survey as per the finalization of design and selection of priority reaches, consultation and photographs, preparation and issuance of I – Cards, collection of land related documents and secondary data etc.	PMU, PIU, PISC and NGO	Out of the five district specific RPs, none have been updated yet	Design, survey and alignment based on DMS needs to be finalized at the earliest for finalizing the RPs.
Implementation of RP	To be complied prior to commencement of civil work	PMU, PIU, PISC and NGO	Compensation has not been paid to any of the affected persons (as stated in the resettlement plan) till the reporting period	Detailed measurement survey and design need to be finalized.

Activity	Recommended / Action	Responsibility	Actions Taken	Actions Required
			<p>31.12.2023 of this SSMR. Work have not been taken up.</p> <p>Since design has not been finalized and completed, hence, RPs could not be updated completely and finalized till the reporting period.</p>	
Implementation of RP	To be complied prior to commencement of civil work	DSISCs, PIUs, PMU	<p>Compensation has not been paid to any of the affected persons (as stated in the resettlement plan) till the reporting period 31.12.2023 of this SSMR.</p> <p>Since design has not been finalized and DMS not completed, hence, RPs could not be updated till the reporting period.</p>	Detailed measurement survey and design need to be finalized as per the priority.
Information sharing, Awareness generation, social relationship & public safety	One to one discussion, FGD, consultation meeting to be conducted from time to time.	NGOs, PIUs, PISC and Contractors	Consultations, Focus Group Discussions (FGDs), community meetings taking place from time to time to disseminate project information and generate awareness disaster and also to take suggestions	To be continued at different stages of the project till post project implementation phase throughout the project period
Disclose the RP and EM to the affected persons	To be disclosed	NGOs and PIUs	Not yet disclosed to the affected persons.	Disclosure will be done prior to payment after translating the same in Assamese language.

Activity	Recommended / Action	Responsibility	Actions Taken	Actions Required
Disclose the details of GRM to the Communities	To be disclosed during consultations as well as in the form of leaflets	DSISCs & PIUs	Communities will be continuously informed regarding GRM during consultations, field visits and other meetings. GRC Boards along with contact numbers will be displayed in all the working sites.	Leaflets regarding GRM procedure to be distributed in the target areas of all the five project districts.
Livelihood Restoration Plan	Livelihood Restoration Plan to be implemented simultaneously as a part of RP implementation	NGOs and PIUs	Draft Livelihood Restoration Plan has been prepared during preparation of the RPs.	Draft Livelihood Restoration Plan prepared during preparation of the RPs needs to be finalized and distributed to affected people. Training requirements needs to be identified and skill trainings to be provided to the APs, particularly the vulnerable.
Finalization of land negotiations with willing sellers (landowners) and obtaining of Third Party Certification as well as transfer of Government lands in the name of Project	PMU and PIUs to take initiatives in this regard prior to handing over of land to contractors.	PMU and PIUs	Actions will be taken as per priority and requirement of land for project work.	Purchasing/ procurement process through negotiated direct purchase to be completed at the earliest.

71. The project details and resettlement benefits will be disclosed to the APs/DPs. If any of the APs/DPs doesn't have bank account to encash the project assistance, actions will be taken to assist the concerned AP to open a Bank Account
72. Information dissemination and disclosure is considered as a continuous process since the beginning of the project. The approved Entitlement Matrix and resettlement plan will be placed in the office of FREMAA and concerned WRD main office, and concerned divisional offices of WRD and Gram Panchayat offices or concerned Block offices accessible to affected persons. The PIU, safeguard and gender cell (SGC) of PMU, PISC, NGOs and even contractors will continue with consultations, information

dissemination, and disclosure. Draft project information disclosure leaflet containing the Executive Summary of the resettlement plan, the Entitlement Matrix, and contact numbers of concerned personnel with grievance redress hotline number will be distributed among affected persons and also beneficiaries.

VII. Conclusion

73. The resettlement process of CRBIFRERMP covers compensation and resettlement assistance for the Project Affected People of their households, business structures and other lost assets in connection with the riverbank protection works under five numbers of RPs and also construction/rehabilitation of embankment and other anti-erosion measures under the RPs. The RPs also included women headed and vulnerable household allowance for resettlement assistance. Mitigation of loss of assets and livelihood is the focus of the Resettlement Plan. A livelihood program is included in the project-aiming enhancement of livelihood of the project-affected people.
74. Mitigation of loss of Assets and Restoration of Livelihood are the focus of the Resettlement Plan. Social Development Program was there in LRP as an innovative experiment to restore livelihood of APs.
75. Five draft RP has been prepared, one for each subproject, namely, Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Goalpara, Morigaon and Kamrup. All the draft RPs were prepared during June-July, 2023, submitted to ADB, necessary concurrence received and disclosed in the ADB website. The draft resettlement plans identified a total of 78.95 hectares (ha) of private land acquisition through negotiated direct purchase belonging to 857 landowners and a total number of 1529 HHs are going to be affected with 9933 affected family members.
76. In the present reporting period, physical progress of work is yet to begin for the sub-projects. The sub-project areas have been visited by ADB, technical and safeguard team from PMU, along with the WRD Engineers. There are no major findings as the work is yet to be started.
77. On November, 2023, the PMU advertised the EOI for engagement of Consulting Services of NGOs for Resettlement Plan(RP) implementation. The ToR for this Resettlement Plan – Implementation Non-Governmental Organisation (RP-NGOs) includes, amongst other items: updating and finalizing the Resettlement Plans, including an updated census and Inventory of Loss (IoL) survey, as well as carrying out meaningful consultation with the APs.
78. Further work to be taken up in the next reporting period (January–June 2024) focusing on a system for monitoring implementation of mitigation measures; public involvement in social safeguards; resettlement planning and implementation; enactment of the grievance redress mechanism, disclosure of safeguard documents and with follow up training of PIU staff in connection to IR & social safeguard.

Appendix 1: Copy of Notification for Constitution of GRC

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Dated: 02/09/2023

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of the provisions of the Resettlement Plan prepared for the proposed Asian Development Bank supported Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project (CRBIFRERMP) in Assam, it has the requirement to establish Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM) to receive, evaluate and facilitate the resolution of displaced people's concerns, complaints and grievances about the social and environmental performance at the level of the Project. The GRM will aim to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve social and environmental concerns linked to the project. The project-specific GRM is not intended to bypass the government's own redress process, rather it is intended to address displaced people's concerns and complaints promptly, making it readily accessible to all segments of the displaced people and is scaled to the risks and impacts of the project. In view of this, for the CRBIFRERMP being implemented by Flood and River Erosion Management Agency of Assam (FREMAA) under Water Resources Department of Assam, GRM are formed at the three levels, viz, (i) Division/ PIU level, (ii) District level and, (iii) PMU level GRC to address stakeholders' grievances and dissatisfactions about actual or perceived impacts and to find a satisfactory solution. The GRM will be implemented throughout the project cycle for use by stakeholders to address concerns and complaints promptly and transparently. The GRM will ensure that the stakeholders have access to legitimate, reliable, transparent, and efficient institutional mechanisms that are responsive to their complaints.

1. Division/ PIU level

- 1.1. The concerned Project Implementation Unit (PIU)/Water Resources Department (WRD) will nominate 1 (one) official to oversee the implementation of Resettlement Plan (RAP) and to provide response to the grievances raised by the community and Affected Person(s) (AP).
- 1.2. Composition of the GRC- The GRC at the Division/ PIU level may be constituted with the following members.

1.	Executive Engineer (WRD) – concerned Division	Chairperson
2.	Assistant Executive Engineer (WRD) – concerned Division	Member-Secretary
3.	Nominated official from RP implementing NGO	Member
4.	Gaon Bura (Village Head) of the concerned village	Member
5.	Two Community Members (Female)	Members

- 1.3. The Committee will be notified by the Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division.
- 1.4. Prior to registering the complaint/ query, a procedural step will be in place to assess its eligibility and check that issues raised in the complaint fall within the scope that the GRM is mandated to address.
- 1.5. Grievances thus accepted, acknowledged and registered will be responded to the complainant in writing within a three weeks' time and in the prescribed manner, following the Three-Level Grievance Redressal Mechanism under the project.
- 1.6. A Grievance Register will be maintained and digitized at the PIU level by this designated official to document the grievance as per the prescribed format attached in Annexure-1, including details of the date and type of grievance received, the date of personal hearing provided to the complainant, the date when grievance was redressed or if not redressed date of forwarding the grievance to the GRC.
- 1.7. Provision will be made to record and maintain grievances received directly on-site and incorporated in the Grievance Register. This will serve as the First Level of Grievance resolution.
- 1.8. Grievances that cannot be resolved at the PIU level and in cases where the complainant is not satisfied with the decision, will be referred to the district level GRC.
- 1.9. Grievances that do not reach a resolution at District level GRC and in cases where the complainant is not satisfied with the decision, will be further escalated to PMU level.
- 1.10. With reference to complaints related to Gender Based Violence (GBV)/ Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), the PIU will refer the case to the concerned Service Provider with an intimation to the Internal Committee (IC) under PMU and PIU and adhere to the principle of confidentiality while informing the same to the district level GRC (if required) as the case may be.

- 1.11. The designated official at the PIU will also be responsible to ensure that a mechanism is put in place to address grievances of labours and staff deployed at project sites by the Contractors.
- 1.12. The PIU will also ensure installation of Display Boards at site with GRM information with support from the implementing support NGO and in consultation with project Management Unit (PMU), FREMAA.
- 1.13. Consultative meetings along with distribution of leaflets with the community and APs will also be conducted to educate them on the GRM and its escalation matrix for resolving grievances to encourage them to use and access it in case of need.
- 1.14. Stakeholders will also be engaged through community-based monitoring mechanisms or social audits as may be intimated by PMU, FREMAA, to create transparency and accountability in the implementation, monitoring and maintenance of the project to improve the outcomes of the program.

2. District Level

- 2.1. The Second Level Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC) will be notified by the District Commissioner for the sub-project under the Asian Development Bank financed Climate resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project (CRBIFRERMP)
- 2.2. Composition of the GRC: The GRC at district level may be constituted with the following members:

1.	District Commissioner of the District or his representative	Chairperson
2.	Additional District Commissioner (LA)	Member-Secretary
3.	Revenue Circle Officer(s) – concerned Revenue Circles	Member
4.	Executive Engineer (WRD) – concerned Division	Member
5.	Nominated official from RP implementing NGO	Member
6.	Member of the Panchayat/ULB	Member
7.	One Representative of the Affected Person	Member

There shall be minimum one-third women representation in the committee.

- 2.3. Functions of the GRC: The functions of the district level GRC is listed below.
 - i. The GRC will meet regularly at least once a month on a prefixed date.
 - ii. Grievances will be recorded as per the prescribed format attached at Annexure-1.
 - iii. All grievances of the people will be reviewed and resolved within three weeks of the date of submission.
 - iv. The complainant/petitioner will have the right to be heard by the GRC before the committee gives its decision.
 - v. Communication in writing should be sent to the aggrieved person about the date, time and venue of the GRC sitting.
 - vi. It should be made known to the complainant/petitioner that he/she is entitled for personal hearing and that representation through proxy will not be entertained.
 - vii. Communication will also be sent through implementation support NGO to ensure that the petitioner is informed about the date of the GRC sitting.
 - viii. With reference to complaints related to GVB/ SEA, principle of confidentiality will be adhered to.
 - ix. Decision of the District Level GRC will be final, unless an appeal is preferred with the PMU level.
 - x. If the committee is unable to arrive at a decision through consensus, the matter will be referred to the appellate authority with a note on opinion of the committee members. PMU is the appellate authority for GRM under CRBIFRERMP.
 - xi. The complaint/concern thus received at District level will be redressed in three weeks' time and written communication should be sent to the complainant about the decision taken.
- 2.4 The GRC will aim to provide a time-bound and transparent mechanism to voice and resolve stakeholders' concerns linked to the project.
- 2.5 The GRC will address affected persons concerns and complaints promptly, making it readily accessible to all segments of the affected persons and other stakeholders.
- 2.6 The GRC will continue to function, for the benefit of the stakeholders, during the entire life of the project including the defects liability period.
- 2.7 Other than disputes relating to ownership rights and apportionment issues, on which the LARR Authority has jurisdiction, GRC will review grievances involving eligibility, valuation, all resettlement and rehabilitation benefits, relocation and payment of assistances.
- 2.8 Further, for title-holders, the GRC will provide an opportunity to have their grievances redressed prior to approaching the State level LARR Authority, constituted by Government of Assam in accordance with Section 51(1) of the RFCTLARR Act, 2013.

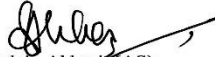
3. Project Management Unit Level

The Executing Agency Level Grievance Redressal Committee (PMU) is constituted with the following members.

1.	Chief Executive Officer (CEO) FREMAA	Chairperson
2.	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Dy. CEO) FREMAA	Member-Secretary
3.	Chief Executive Officer (CEO) AADB	Member
4.	Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Revenue and Disaster Management Department	Member
5.	Chief Engineer Water Resources Department	Member
6.	Chief Technical Officer (CTO) FREMAA	Member

The Committee will address stakeholders' grievances and dissatisfaction about actual or perceived impacts and to find satisfactory solutions at the policy level. The Committee will function throughout the project cycle for use by stakeholders to address concerns and complaints promptly and transparently. The Committee will take up grievances scaled up from the District level. Grievances received by WRD through other portals such as Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) related to CRBIFRERMP will also be placed before the PMU level committee for redressal. The Committee will dispose all grievances registered at PMU level within three weeks. Performance reports will be generated at each level and submitted to the Chief Executive Officer, FREMAA, at the end of each calendar month. The Committee will ensure that the stakeholders/appellants have access to legitimate, reliable, transparent, and efficient institutional mechanisms that are responsive to their complaints.

50% attendance of the committee members at all three levels will constitute the quorum for the meeting. However, in case of Divisional level and District level, participation of community members, Goan Burah, representation of RAP implementing NGO is mandatory.


(Shri Syedain Abbasi, IAS)
Chairman Executive Body
FREMAA
Dated: 02/09/2023

Memo No. FREMAA(P)/PROJ/ADB/24/2023/ 4664

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur.
2. The Chief Executive Officer, FREMAA.
3. The Chief Executive Officer, AADB.
4. The District Commissioner, Tinsukia/ Dibrugarh/ Morigaon/ Kamrup/ Goalpara.
5. The Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, AWC, Basistha.
6. The Executive Engineer, Dibrugarh/ Morigaon/ Guwahati West/ Kamrup-Rural/ Goalpara Water Resources Division.


(Shri Syedain Abbasi, IAS)
Chairman Executive Body
FREMAA

Annex-1: Format for Grievance Registration

Registration number assigned:		
1	Name :	
2	Address :	
3	Phone number :	
4	Email Id (if available) :	
5	Gender :	
6	Complainant category	Specification
i	Affected person(s)	
ii	Intermediary (on behalf of AP)	
iii	Associated service department/organisation	
iv	Civil organisation	
v	Others	
7	Mode of Receiving Complaint	Specification
i	Phone call	
ii	Webpage	
iii	Email	
iv	Complaint Register (on-site)	
v	Verbal	
vi	Others (specify)	
8.a.	Details of Complaint	Specification
i	General enquiry	
ii	Land acquisition	
iii	Compensation	
iv	Resettlement site	
v	Construction	
vi	GVB/ SEA	
vii	Others	
8.b.	Location (District, Block, GP, Village)	
8.c.	Person/ agency responsible for causing the issue (PIU, Contractor, Associated department, implementing agency, etc.) - if known	
8.d.	Brief description of issue	
8.e.	Past action(s) taken by the complainant (if any)	
9	Preliminary Response to Complainant	Details
i	Complaint rejected	
ii	Complaint accepted (partially/ wholly)	
iii	Query responded to and issue closed	
10	Person who received the complaint	
i	Name	
ii	Designation	
iii	Phone number	

Appendix 2: Grievance Status Reporting Format

Sl. No.	Complaint Number	Date	Complaint Registered Through	Name of Complainant and Contact Number	Address/ Village Name	Summary of Complaint	Brief of Action taken & Resolved by Contractor/ PIU/PMU	Complaint Resolved (Date & Days Required)	Prevention For Recurrence of Same Grievance (Yes/No)	Signature of Complainant After Problem is Resolved	Signature of Concerned Official from PIU
Name of District:											

Appendix 3: Social Safeguard Monitoring Check List

Project Data			
Name of Project and Sub - projects	Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project (CRBIFRERMP) in Assam		
Type of contract	Regular	Design Build	Combined
Safeguard Categorization	A ✓		
IR	A ✓		
IP	B ✓		

A. Design and Engineering Status

Item	Status (Y/N)	Follow up required (Y/N)	Type of Required Action
Final detailed engineering design of the sub project completed	N	Y	Updated draft RP/IP ✓ New RP/IPP preparation No action
Changes in project design/ scope (occurred or envisaged)	Y	Y	Project re-categorization (IR/IP) IR/IP Impact assessment ✓ New RP/IPP preparation No Action

B. Institutional Status Readiness

Sl. No.	Item	Status (Ready/Not ready/NA)	Follow up required (Y/N)	Completion Deadline
1	Mobilization of civil works contractor	Not Ready	N	
2	Mobilization of Project Supervision Consultant	Not Ready	N	
3	EA's Safeguards Unit with designated staff	Ready	Y	
4	Recruitment of External Monitoring Agency	Not Ready	N	

C. Safeguards Requirements

Sl. No.	Item	Status (Ready/Not ready/NA)	Follow up required (Y/N)	Completion Deadline
1	Safeguards monitoring included in the project progress report	Ready	N	

Sl. No.	Item	Status (Ready/Not ready/NA)	Follow up required (Y/N)	Completion Deadline
2	Final/updated RP/IP Prepared and submitted	Not Ready	Y	
3	Project's Grievance Redress Mechanism established	Not Ready	Y	
4	Recruitment of third independent party for negotiated land acquisition	Not Ready	Y	
5	Project's ESMS (for FI) established	NA	NA	

D. RP/ IPP Monitoring Checklist

Item No.	Safeguards Related Requirements	Status (Ready/Not ready/ NA)	Completion Deadline	Progress to Date/ Remarks
1.0	MANAGEMENT			
Institutional and Financing Arrangements				
1.1	Financing and budget: (i) safeguard office and staff; (ii) RP/IPP cost	Ready	Through the project period	
1.2	Establish Safeguard Unit: (i) resettlement offices (ii) resettlement staff as in RP (iii) safeguards' database (iv) facilities (v) safeguards training	Not Ready		
Updating of DD/RP/IPP based on Detailed				
1.3	Update DD/RP/IPP: (i) revise based on DMS (ii) revise implementation schedule (iii) revise budget	Not ready	Draft RP for all 5 project districts has been submitted to ADB and approval received. The same needs to be updated upon finalization of DMS and design/ alignment.	The five districts for which RP have been prepared initially are Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Goalpara, Morigaon and Kamrup. While updating the RPs reverification survey would be done by the engaged NGOs for finalizing the actual number of APs/AHs.

Item No.	Safeguards Related Requirements	Status (Ready/Not ready/ NA)	Completion Deadline	Progress to Date/ Remarks
1.4	Compensation rates: (i) approved by Government; (ii) Adequate as per RP/RF; (iii) APs informed.	Ready		Resettlement cost for all the districts have been initially approved by PMU and accordingly the RP was finalized and submitted to ADB and approval received. However, the Zirat cost for R&R will have to be finalized while updating the RPs.
Disclosure and Grievance Redress				
1.5	Disclose final/updated RP/IPP: (i) to the Aps in local language; (ii) in ADB website; (iii) in EA's website	Not Ready		
1.6	Disclose project activities to affected communities: (i) put up a project sign boards; (ii) distribution of project leaflets	Not Ready		
1.7	Grievance redress committees: (i) clear terms of reference; (ii) appointment decree; (iii) publicly disclosed among APs.	Not Ready.		
1.8	Grievance redress records: (i) list and numbers of grievances received; (ii) numbers of resolved issues; (iii) numbers of cases under GRC review; (iv) outstanding cases (filed to court)	Not Ready		No grievances have been received yet from any of the project districts. The format for registering the grievances have been finalized. During the process of RP updating and its implementation, grievances received will be

Item No.	Safeguards Related Requirements	Status (Ready/Not ready/ NA)	Completion Deadline	Progress to Date/ Remarks
				registered, recorded and reported in the next reporting period of SSMR.
Monitoring and Reporting Arrangements				
1.9	Set up internal monitoring system: (i) assessment on capacity and staff requirements; (ii) criteria of safeguards assessment ; (iii) reporting mechanism	Ready		
1.10	Appoint external monitoring agency (as relevant): (i) recruitment schedule; (ii) TOR; (iv) baseline survey (v) reporting mechanism (vi) Action taken by management on reports.	Not ready		
1.11	Reporting: (i) frequency; (ii) timeliness; (iii) identified issues; (iv) action taken and / recommendation.	Not Ready		
2.0	RP/IPP IMPLEMENTATION			
Consultation				
2.1	Consultation: (i) responsibility; (ii) stakeholders Identified; (iii) consultation and process; (iv) documentation	Ready		
Mapping and Assets Inventory				
2.2	AP Identity cards & affected assets records: (i) issuance and distribution of AP ID cards, (ii) detail measurements survey of affected assets and documentation	Not Ready		.
2.3	Land acquisition activities: (i) maps of affected and relocation sites; (ii) acquisition & relocation schedule; (iii) coordination with the asset's acquiring, transfer and registration bodies	Not Ready		
2.4	Common property/public assets: (i) final inventory; (ii) restoration plan and schedule; (iii) funding sources	Not Ready		
Compensation, Relocation and Rehabilitation				
2.5	Payment of compensation and entitlements (as stated in the RP): (i) schedule of payment; (ii) records/ receipts of payment	Not Ready		

Item No.	Safeguards Related Requirements	Status (Ready/Not ready/ NA)	Completion Deadline	Progress to Date/ Remarks
2.6	Relocation of process (relocation site readiness): (i) housing & associated facilities established; (ii) transfer of new land/plot/ house ownerships completed	Not Ready		
2.7	Provision of (a) income restoration, (b) additional assistance for vulnerable APs, (c) training, etc. (as stated in the RP): (i) per type of activities; (ii) schedule of implementation	Ready		
Monitoring and Reporting				
2.8	Submission of the reports: (i) semi-annual monitoring reports; (ii) external monitoring and evaluation reports (as required); (iii) completion report	Ready		This is the 1st Semi Annual Social Monitoring Report for the period of October – December 2023
2.9	Transfer of acquired assets to the acquiring agency	NA		

Appendix 4: Sample Copy of General Notice Published for Acquisition of Private Land through Negotiated Settlement of Land in Dibrugarh District



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NOTICE

No. DRA.221/2022/201

It is hereby notified to the owners/ pattadars/ occupants of the land that the **District Level Land Purchase Committee, Dibrugarh** has decided to acquire patia land measuring **88B-2K-17.44L** out of total proposed land measuring **280B-2K-13.32L** at the following villages under Dibrugarh East Revenue Circle and Dibrugarh West Revenue Circle (village wise schedule of acquired land are enclosed herewith) through **Direct Purchase By Way of Negotiated Settlement for "Construction of new Embankments and Anti-Erosion Works of Brahmaputra River under "Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project in Assam (CRBIFRERMP)" in the District of Dibrugarh by Water Resource Department as per the procedures notified by Govt. of Assam vide Notification No. RLA.177/2021/3, Dated 7th March, 2022.**

The owners/ pattadars/ occupants of the land may submit their objections regarding interest and ownership of the land etc. (if any) to the Chairman, District Level Land Purchase Committee, Dibrugarh at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dibrugarh or at email ID **dc-dibrugarh@nic.in** within a period of 15 (fifteen) days from the publication of this notice.

Schedule of land

Sl No	Revenue Village	Mouza	Revenue Circle	Area of Proposed Land		
				Patta Land	Govt. Land	Total
1	Maijan Grant Gaon	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh East	3B-1K-18L	1B-0K-19L	4B-2K-17L
2	Cantonment Ward	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh East	1B-2K-12.91Ls	28B-0K-15.84L	29B-3K-8.75L
3	Borsaikia Gaon	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh East	3B-0K-10.53Ls	55B-3K-3.04L	58B-3K-13.57L
4	Nogagghuh 16/177 ORR Grant	Lahowal	Dibrugarh East	18B-1K-11Ls	1B-4K-06L	20B-0K-17L
5	Mothala 5/142 ORR Grant	Lahowal	Dibrugarh East	40B-3K-0LS	4B-4K-8L	45B-2K-08L
6	Filonuguri Grant 4/152 No. ORR Grant	Lahowal	Dibrugarh East	0B-0K-17L	-	0B-0K-17L
7	Maijan T.E. 2/178 ORR Grant	Lahowal	Dibrugarh East	21B-2K-08Ls	-	21B-2K-08Ls
8	Japara Gaon Ward	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh East	-	0B-4K-12L	0B-4K-12L
9	Old Amolapaty Ward	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh East	-	3B-0K-09L	3B-0K-09L
10	Nagakhelia	Jamirah	Dibrugarh West	-	13B-2K-13L	13B-2K-13L
Total				88B-2K-17.44L	109B-1K-5.88L	197B-4K-3.32L

N.B. The total proposed land involved for "Construction of new Embankments and Anti-Erosion Works of Brahmaputra River under "Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project in Assam (CRBIFRERMP)" in the District of Dibrugarh is 280B-2K-13.32L which also includes Chaulkhowa NC village (Area involved =75B-2K-17L) and Dihingmukh Reserve Forest (Area involved =7B-0K-13L).

Due to ongoing flood and erosion, Chaulkhowa NC village and Dihingmukh Reserve Forest is not included in this General Notice. It will be published after re-survey of erosion affected area.

Sd/- Chairman
District Level Land Purchase Committee
Dibrugarh District

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar	
							1
2	26 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Jolatok	0B-0K-10Ls	Assam Company Ltd
3	27 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	BhalBari	2B-1K-01Ls	Assam Company Ltd
4	32 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	4B-4K-08Ls	Assam Company Ltd
5	35 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	2B-3K-06Ls	Assam Company Ltd
6	36 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	BhalBari	1B-1K-15Ls	Assam Company Ltd
7	39 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	1B-3K-14Ls	Assam Company Ltd
8	40 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Foring	0B-0K-10Ls	Assam Company Ltd
9	42 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Foring	0B-0K-10Ls	Assam Company Ltd
Total						18B-1K-11Ls	

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar	
							1
	52 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	2B-3K-07Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
2	107 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	1B-0K-18Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
3	108 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Jolatok	12B-0K-02Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
4	109 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	0B-4K-18Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
5	110 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Bari	3B-0K-05Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	112 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	3B-4K-08Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	114 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	0B-3K-18Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	5 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	4B-3K-00Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	5 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	2B-4K-18Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	46 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	BhalBari	2B-0K-11Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	47 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Foring	0B-0K-17Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	49 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Bari	0B-1K-05Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar Bagaria, S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
	73 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Trade Site	3B-0K-05Ls	Sri Bhabani Shankar S/O Lt. Sardamol Bagaria
Total						40B-3K-0Ls	

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar
Total						1B-2K-12.91Ls

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar
2	4 (Pt)	53	P.P.	Jolatok	0B-1K-08Ls	Sri Chandan Kumar Rai S/O Lt. Amarendra Rai
Total						3B-1K-18L

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar
2	15 (Pt)	34	P.P.	Trade Site	0B-0K-17.11Ls	1. Sri Ranjit Bagaria 2. Sri Alok Bagaria S/O Lt. Prahlad Rai Bagaria
3	18 (Pt)	22	P.P.	Bari	0B-1K-10.20Ls	Sri Purna Chutia S/O Monu
4	21 (Pt)	26	P.P.	Bari	0B-1K-11Ls	1. Sri Bhubal Ch. Ghosh S/O Ananda Mohan 2. Sri Sadamal Bagaria S/O Giridhari 3. Sri Khargeswar Chutia S/O Bhugmal
5	22 (Pt)	19	P.P.	Bari	0B-1K-10.31Ls	1. Sri Nandeswar Chutia S/O Nil 2. Sri Boloram Chutia S/O Sukhidhar
6	113 (Pt)	5	P.P.	Trade Site	0B-0K-18.14Ls	Sri Purushuttam Beria S/O Bhagat Ram
7	37 (Pt)	1	T.P.	Foring	0B-2K-6.87Ls	Assam Company Ltd
8	38 (Pt)	1	T.P.	Bari	0B-2K-17.90Ls	Assam Company Ltd
Total						3B-0K-10.53Ls

Sl No	Dag No.	Patta No.	Type of Patta	Class of Land	Area (B-K-L)	Name of Pattadar	
							1
2	10 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	ChahToli	13B-2K-14Ls	Upper Assam Tea Co. Ltd
3	12 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Foring	0B-1K-03Ls	Upper Assam Tea Co. Ltd
4	34 (Pt)	1	ORR Grant	T.P.	Jolatok	3B-3K-06Ls	Upper Assam Tea Co. Ltd
5	36 (Pt)	1	A.P.	Jolatok	0B-1K-07Ls	Upper Assam Tea Co. Ltd	
Total						21B-1K-18Ls	

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Sample copy of general Notice Published in Assamese Newspaper for Acquisition of Private Land through Negotiated Settlement of Land at Morigaon District

নং: MRQ 9 2022/LA case No-10/2023/51

জাননী

ইয়াৰ দ্বাৰা সন্মুক্ত সকলো মাটিৰ স্বত্বাধিকাৰী/পট্টাদাৰ/দখলকাৰক জনোৱা হয় যে জিলা পৰ্যায়ৰ মাটি ক্ৰয় সমিতি, মৰিগাঁও সিদ্ধান্ত মৰ্চে লাহৰিঘাট ব্যক্তৰ চক্ৰৰ অধীনত পামবড়ি কিচামৰ, মৌজা: লাহৰিঘাট, তলত উল্লেখ কৰা দাগ সমূহৰ মুঠ ১০ বি: ৩ ক: ৫ পে: ম্যাণী মাটি গড়মহনীয়া প্ৰতিৰোধৰ বাবে স্থাপিত "Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and River bank Erosion Risk Management Program" প্ৰকল্পৰ বাবে নিৰ্দিষ্ট প্ৰক্ৰিয়াৰ মাজেৰে চৰকাৰী অধিসূচনা নং RLA/177/2021/3 তাৰিখ 07/03/2022 ক অনুসৰণ কৰি পাৰস্পৰিক বৃজাবূজিৰ মাধ্যমেৰে পোষণপটীয়া ক্ৰয়ৰ দিয়া কৰা হৈছে। অধিগৃহীত মাটিৰ তপনীল ইয়াৰ লগত সংলগ্ন কৰা হ'ল।

সন্মুক্ত মাটিৰ স্বত্বাধিকাৰী/পট্টাদাৰ/দখলকাৰ সকলে তেওঁ লোকৰ মাটিৰ ওপৰত থকা স্বত্বাধিকাৰী অথবা অন্য কোনো অস্তিত্বৰ বাবে নিৰ্দিষ্ট প্ৰক্ৰিয়াৰ মাধ্যমেৰে লিখিত আকাৰত তেওঁলোকৰ অভিযোগ সমূহ জিলা আমুক্ত, মৰিগাঁও কাৰ্যালয়স্থিত সভাপতি, জিলা পৰ্যায় মাটি ক্ৰয় সমিতি, মৰিগাঁওত জনাব পাৰে। অভিযোগ সমূহ এই জাননী প্ৰকাশৰ পৰা ১৫ দিনৰ (পোন্ধৰ দিন) ভিতৰত দাখিল কৰিব লাগিব।

১৫ দিনৰ ভিতৰত কোনো আপত্তি দাখিল নকৰিলে ইয়াৰ সিদ্ধত কোনো ওজন আপত্তি গ্ৰহণ কৰা নহব। এই জাননী প্ৰকাশ হোৱাৰ পাছত মাটিৰ পৰাকী সকলে স্ব-ইচ্ছাই প্ৰ-পত্ৰ B-I ও B-II লিখিতভাৱে দাখিল কৰিব লাগিব।

ম্যাণী মাটিৰ তপনীল													
গাঁও:		পামবড়ি											
মৌজা:		লাহৰিঘাট											
ৰাজহ চক্ৰ:		লাহৰিঘাট											
জিলা:		মৰিগাঁও											
ক্রমিক নং	পট্টাদাৰ নাম ও পিতাৰ নাম/শাৰীৰ নাম	দখল কৰাৰ নাম	অধিগ্ৰহণ হব লগা পট্টা মাটিৰ বিৱৰণ				মুঠ মাটি-কলি (বি-ক-পে)	অধিগ্ৰহণ হব লগা মাটি-কলি (বি-ক-পে)	মাটিৰ শ্ৰেণী	দাগৰ চকীয়া			
			কিছাম	পট্টা	পট্টা নং	দাগ নং				উ	ব	পু	প
১	১) আ অলী পিতা-চৰপদ্দিন	১) চান মিঞা পিতা-শ্বেত মৰল	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	১	১৫৪	৩-০-৬	১-০-১৪	বি কং	১৫০, ১১৬	৪৪	১০৪	১০৪
	২) চান মিঞা												
	৩) মজলুদ্দিন												
	৪) আ ছকাৰ												
	৫) সুব্ৰজ অলী পিতা-শ্বেত মৰল												
৬) আমজত অলী পিতা-চৰপদ্দিন													
২	১) আ অলী পিতা-চৰপদ্দিন	১) আ অলী পিতা-চৰপদ্দিন	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	৪২	১২৯	৩-০-০	১-১-৬	বি কং	১২৯	১০৪	১২৬	১২৯
৩	১) সহৰ বানু হাৰ আ অলী	১) মহম্মদ অলী	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	৪৮	১৩৬	৪-১-৪	৩-২-৭	বি কং	১২৬	১২৬	১০৭	১২৬
	২) মহম্মদ অলী												
	৩) আহম্মদ অলী পিতা- কুমেদ অলী												
	৪) আ ছকাৰ পিতা- বজ্জৰ অলী												
৪	১) বজ্জৰ অলী পিতা-চমিৰ সৈখ	১) বজ্জৰ অলী পিতা-চমিৰ সৈখ	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	৪৬	১৩৬	২-০-৪	১-০-৬	বি কং	১৩৭	১৩৬	১৪২	১৩৬
৫	১) মজিবুৰ ৰহম্মদ	১) আ বতিন পিতা- মৃত আ অলী	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	১১	২৪৯	৪-০-০	০-২-১০	শুলি কলি	১৫০, ১০৯	২৪৯	২৪৯	১০৬, ১০৭
	২) হাবিব ৰহম্মদ												
	৩) আজিজুৰ ৰহম্মদ												
	৪) এলাদ ৰহম্মদ												
	৫) মতিউৰ ৰহম্মদ												
৬) আ বতিন পিতা- মৃত আ অলী													
৬	১) মহম্মদ অলী	১) আ কদিৰ পিতা- কাচম অলী	পামবড়ি	ম্যাণী	৮	১৪৮	১৪-০-০	৩-০-১৬	শুলি কলি	২৪০, ২৪৯	২৪৮	২৪০	২৪৯
	২) নাজিব আহম্মদ												
	৩) আ কদিৰ পিতা- কাচম অলী												

অধিগ্ৰহণ হব লগা মুঠ মাটিকালিৰ পৰিমাণ :- ১০ বিঘা ৩ কঠা ৫ পোতা

জিলা আমুক্ত ও সভাপতি,
জিলা পৰ্যায় মাটি ক্ৰয় সমিতি
মৰিগাঁও

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Appendix 5: Sample Grievance Registering Form

The (Name of Project) _____ Project welcomes complaints, suggestions, queries and comments regarding project implementation. We encourage persons with grievance to provide their name and contact information to enable us to get in touch with them for clarification and feedback. Personal detail information will remain confidential, please inform by writing/typing *(Confidential)* above this form.

Date:		Name:		Gender (√)	
Place of registration		Contact Information		Male	Female
				Age:	
Home Address:	Village -		P.O. -		
	P.S. -		District -		
Phone No:			PIN -		
Complaint/Suggestion/Comment/Question Please provide the details (who, what, where and how) of your grievance below:					
If included as attachment/note/letter, please tick here: How do you want us to reach you for feedback or update on your comment/grievance?					

Glimpses of Field Consultations and Visits by the Project Officials



Field Visit of ADB Consultant along with Officials in Dibrugarh District



Zirat survey in Tinsukia Sub-Project



Field visit of Dy. CEO-FREMAA in Goalpara Sub-Project area



Land demarcation survey at Goalpara Sub-Project



Land measurement survey with Revenue Officials in Morigaon Sub-Project



Community consultations at Palashbari sub-project under Kamrup district