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Centre-State Division

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 6 of the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014 (6 of 2014), the Central Government hereby constitutes an Expert Committee to study the various alternatives regarding the new capital for the successor State of Andhra Pradesh and make appropriate recommendations.

2. The composition of the Committee so appointed is as follows:

- a) Shri K C Siva rama krishnan, IAS (Retd.), Former Secretary Urban Development, GoI – Chairman
- b) Dr. Rathin Roy, Director, National Institute of Public Finance & Policy, New Delhi
- c) Shri Aromar Revi, Director, Indian Institute for Human Settlements, Bengaluru
- d) Shri. Jagan Shah, Director, National Institute of Urban Affairs, N Delhi
- e) Prof. K T Ravindran, Former Dean School of Planning and Architecture, N Delhi

3. The Terms of Reference of the Committee are as follows:

1. To study various alternatives for locating the new capital of the successor State of Andhra Pradesh and evaluate their comparative suitability based on available data, site visits and consultations with the stakeholders, central government and the existing government of Andhra Pradesh and the successor State of Andhra Pradesh and submit its report within 31st August, 2014.
2. To evaluate the possible alternatives and make appropriate recommendations based on the following considerations:
 - a) Availability of sufficient land, water and other essential natural resources with due regard to the possibility of de-reservation of degraded forest land.

- b) Conduct an assessment of the potential for planned growth for the estimated population with appropriate zoning regulations as well as the feasibility of accommodating large structures to house the Raj-Bhawan, State Legislature (Assembly and Council), Secretariat, High Court, office buildings, guest houses, residential quarters and physical infrastructure including stadia, conference halls, convention centres, hotels, hospitals, schools, colleges, educational and training institutions, libraries, museums, theatres, places of recreation and tourism, parks and markets etc.
- c) Potential for connectivity by rail, road and air with various districts of the successor State of Andhra Pradesh and the present common capital of Hyderabad and other major cities of the region as well as the possibility to develop rapid mass transit systems within the city.
- d) Assess the potential for developing a vibrant economic, social and cultural infrastructure for a symbiotic growth with the other important cities in the region

The Committee while making its recommendations will inter-alia consider allied issues such as:

- a) The least possible dislocation to existing agriculture systems as well as ensure minimum resettlement of people and their habitations.
- b) Preservation of local ecology and natural features including water bodies.
- c) Promoting environmentally sustainable growth coupled with measures for pollution mitigation including solid and liquid waste management.
- d) Vulnerability assessment from natural disasters like floods, cyclones and earthquakes.
- e) Assess the scope for minimizing the cost of construction and acquisition of land
- f) Ascertain the availability of raw materials, skilled and unskilled labour etc required for the construction of a new capital.

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Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. Chairman and all the Members of the Expert Committee
2. Secretary Ministry of Urban Development, Nirman Bhawan
3. Chief Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh
4. Principal Secretary to the Governor of Andhra Pradesh
5. Principal Secretary, Urban Development, Government of Andhra Pradesh
6. Shri. J P. Prakash, Additional Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat
7. Shri. Shatrughan Singh, Additional Secretary, Prime Minister's Office
8. Additional Secretary (NM), MHA
9. PS to Home Minister
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