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Subject: VUDA - Kaarthika Vanam - Ethnic Beach Resort - Status of the project and works taken so far - Further proposals - Ratification - Reg.

VUDA has proposed to take up establishment of a 'Ethnic Beach Resort' — 'Kaarthika Vanam' at the beach front adjoining Visakha — Bheemili Beach Road in an extent of Ac.13.00. This project is conceived to create a ethnic beach resort in a rural ambiance surrounded with Coconut Plantation, Casurina Plantation and a beach front. The facilities proposed are Amphi Theatre, Dining Hall with well landscaped gardens, Pathways etc.

M/s. S.S.Consultants, Hyderabad who had experience in similar projects like Silparamam at Hyderabad has been entrusted the job of Consultancy on the normal terms and conditions. The Phase I plans were finalised. For executing the works, on discussing with the Consultants it was opined that the works could not be executed as normal civil works, but require experience in executing similar works as they relate to artistic forms. Hence it was decided to entrust the works to agencies as recommend by the consultant who have executed similar works, on nomination basis at estimate rates. Accordingly the works were entrusted under Phase I and got executed. (The list of works taken up are enclosed).

The Project has been inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 27-12-2000. During the inauguration the Chief Minister has been pleased to instruct to take up certain additional items in land scaping and creating rural ambience and to make this a destination for all the National and International Tourists visiting Visakhapatnam.

Accordingly it was decided to have comprehensive development with some more works such as Construction of Foot Bridge, Entrance Arch, Ornamental compound wall, green rooms for Amphi Theatre etc., amounting to Rs.16.89 Lakhs. (Statement of works enclosed)

In these works the compound wall up to basement has been taken up on tender basis. The balance works are proposed to be taken up on nomination basis through the Agencies who have executed similar works inconsultation with the Consultants, Similar to the case of Phase.I.

Meanwhile the Forest Department has raised objection for certain portion of land stating that it was covered under protected forest land. To this the District Collector has addressed the Government for denotification of this land from protected forest area.

The District Collector has also sent a report to the State Tourism Promotion Committee on the status of the land informing that the land is in possession of VUDA since 1987 and to take action for denotification. The Principal Secretary, Tourism during her visit to Visakhapatnam has also been pleased to instruct to put up the matter to STPB Meeting for early action in the matter.

Further it is also proposed to release an Advertisement calling agencies who have experience in running of similar project so as to lease the land along with the structures therein, for earning revenue and to run the project on sound financial terms and conditions and accordingly an notification is being released.

Hence the matter is placed before the VUDA Board for

- a) Ratification of the approvals accorded for the works and entrusting on nominan ...
- Approve 10. project.

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  Special Officer. b) Approve for release of an notification inviting agencies for running the

c) To address the Government of the above matter and ratify the action taken so