

Sub: VUDA - Works - Engg. - Proposals for Construction of VUDA Guest House and Senior Citizen's Centre in Plot No "G" at T S 982/P at Kirlampudi Layout, Visakhapatnam - Cancellation - Establishment of Mini Planetarium Science Centre - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board for consideration and approval - Reg.

Agenda Note:

Earlier proposals were made for construction of VUDA Guest House and Senior Citizen's Centre in Plot No. "G" having in an extent of 1600 Sq Yds located in S.No.982/P at Kirlampudi Layout, Visakhapatnam. In which provisions were made for Basement + Ground + 4 Floors to accommodate Parking in basement floor, Office room, Meditation center, Physical training equipment, and Mini conference hall in Ground, 1st and 2nd floors respectively meant for use of senior citizens. Remaining 3rd and 4th floors are designed for Guest rooms and Restaurant for VUDA own purpose. The built up area proposed is 35,600 Sft. (approx.). The said proposals including architectural drawings and accommodations were prepared by the then PMU Wing, VUDA. A line estimate was prepared for the total project working out to Rs.5.60 Crores and Foundation stone was laid by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh on 28.09.2010 for this project.

Subsequently, during inspection to the said project site, the District Collector, Visakhapatnam, Principal Secretary to Government, and other officials ~~stated~~ ^{with} opined that it is not desirable to take up Senior Citizen Centre and VUDA Guest house in this site owing to its strategic location, facing beachfront ^{with} high commercial value. During discussions held further it is felt that it is better to take up Mini Planetarium and Science Centre project in the above site, as it is ideally suits for the purpose and there are no such facilities available in the City of Visakhapatnam so far. It will be an added attraction and educative item for children and adults and helps to promote tourism industry considerably.

As per drawing

~~Apart from the above~~ the consultants and experts in the field were contacted for Establishment of Planetarium and Science Centre. Based on the conceptual Drawings / Designs prepared, the project cost ^{is about} would be Rs 20.00 Crores. The consultants expressed that the site ^{is} is ideally located for Establishment of Planetarium and Science Centre and extent is sufficient for the same.

It is further to state that the site should be put into use for the right purpose to avoid encroachments or allotment for some other purpose by other agencies due to its prime location.

In view of the above, it is proposed to cancel the proposals made earlier for construction of senior citizen centre and VUDA Guest house and to Establish Mini Planetarium and Science Centre in the same premises with an estimated project cost of Rs 20.00 Crores which will become a landmark in Visakhapatnam City and mileage of VUDA increases considerably.

Hence the matter is placed before VUDA Board for perusal and approval.

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The Board discussed the matter and directed the Vice-Chairman to identify the alternative land for the senior citizens centre and put up in the next Board Meeting



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