

Subject No: 23

Sub: VUDA - Works - Engg - Construction of Municipal Office Complex at Anakapalli - Revised proposals - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board perusal and approval - Requested - Reg.

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#### Agenda Note:

Previously based on the request and as per the decision taken by the then Hon'ble for Commercial Taxes, Govt. of AP it is proposed to construct Municipal Office Complex in the compound of existing Anakapalli Municipal Office building. Accordingly an estimate was prepared for construction of office building as per the plans prepared and communicated by Planning Wing, VUDA for Rs.132.50 Lakhs. The new Municipal Office building is proposed in Ground + 2 Floors with total built up area of 12,717 Sft.

Further the Municipal Commissioner, Anakapalli has released an amount of Rs.30.00 Lakhs to VUDA as advance towards construction of Office Complex stating that the remaining amount will be arranged after release of funds by Government. The amount was deposited in VUDA funds vide receipt No.1522/152144 dated 26.02.2008.

The Vice Chairman, VUDA accorded Administrative Sanction for Rs.132.50 Lakhs on 02-08-2008 and permitted to take up the work by way of "e"-procurement. The subject work was entrusted to M/s Chaitanya Constructions, at 4.68% excess on the Estimate Contract Value in the tenders finalized in the 5<sup>th</sup> call has there is no response to earlier calls. The Agreement was concluded on 30-05-2009.

On the request made by VUDA, the Commissioner, Anakapalli Municipality, handed over the site for construction of Municipal Office Complex at Anakapalli situated in S.No.862 of Woodpeta ward on 23-09-2009. But the work could not be grounded due to dispute arisen in the site finalized for construction of building in between Political parties and local groups.

Later while giving peg marking to the contractor on 29-06-2010 to start the work, local leaders of different Political Parties have arrived and objected for construction of Municipal building in the proposed site and informed that they have no objection for construction of municipal building in the old premises in that area only. At that time the Commissioner, Anakapalli Municipality as well officers in-charge of work, VUDA were present at work spot and after discussions held on the subject matter, Commissioner, Anakapalli Municipality decided to stop the work. In the above circumstances, the VUDA Authorities stopped the work and the dispute was not settled till date.

In view of the above and has already one year lapsed the contractual agency has requested in their letter to cancel the work and to refund the EMD paid while concluding the agreement on 28-12-2010.

Afterwards while furnishing the above status report to the District Collector, Visakhapatnam and requested for orders for dropping of the proposals since the Hon'ble Minister, MA & UD instructed VUDA not to take up the said work during the review meeting held on 14-05-2011. Thereupon the District Collector, Visakhapatnam passed orders on 20-05-2011 as – "cancellation of proposal is not required and site problem will be resolved and the Hon'ble Minister, MA & UD may be requested to reconsider his decision".

Since the site dispute was not settled so far and stalemate position is continuing inordinately during the recent inspection of Anakapalli works the Vice Chairman, VUDA reviewed the subject matter with the present Commissioner, Anakapalli Municipality. After examining the subject matter in detailed it is felt that it is desirable to drop the proposals made earlier and to construct two additional floors on the existing Ground floor building of Municipal Office. As the existing accommodation is not sufficient and staff is facing difficulty due to lack of office space. It is also opined that it is better to take the services of reputed Architect for designing and modification of existing building for better utility.

Accordingly M/s. Artplan, Architects, Designers & Planners, Hyderabad one of the empanelled Architects in VUDA were contacted for preparation of plans and designs of the extension of further floors on the existing building of Municipal Office. Thereon the consultants have furnished conceptual plans for extension of two floors with a built up area of 6678 Sft. Per each floor. The estimates are under preparation as per the drawings furnished by the consultants.

In view of the above, it is proposed to cancel the proposals made earlier for construction of New Municipal Office Complex in the Compound of existing Municipal Office building and to take up construction of two additional floors on the existing Ground Floor building of present Municipal Office at Anakapalli to provide additional accommodation and to improve facilities by avoiding controversies arose in the location of site.

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

  
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Vice Chairman

  
Chairman

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The Board discussed the matter and was deferred till the merger issue is finalized.

  
CHAIRMAN