

**SUBJECT NO: 07**

**Sub: Works – Engg. – VUDA – Proposal for construction of a Modern Auditorium (VUDA Samskruthika Pranganam) in Sector-7 of MVP Colony VUDA, Visakhapatnam – Foundation stone laid by the then Minister for Infrastructure, Investments and Ports, GoAP, Hyderabad - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board for perusal and approval - Reg.**

Ref: Review of Development Activities of VUDA by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, A.P at Visakhapatnam at Circuit House on 20-06-2013.

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**Agenda Note:**

While reviewing the development activities taken up by VUDA and GVMC by way of presentations given to the then Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh at Circuit house during his visit to Visakhapatnam City on 20-06-2013, Sri Ganta Srinivasa Rao, the then Minister of Infrastructure, investments and ports, GoAP, Hyderabad has raised the issue of sanctioning Ravindra Bharathi Type Auditorium to the City and on this, then Chief Minister instructed to examine the issue by District Administration, Commissioner, GVMC and Vice-Chairman, VUDA.

Subsequently, discussions were held with the Minister along with District Collector, Commissioner, GVMC, Vice-Chairman, VUDA and instructions were issued to identify the suitable land for the said purpose.

Later during the review of developmental works taken up by VUDA and GVMC by the Minister on 26-11-2013, the subject was again discussed and instructed to finalize the designs in the available space along with financials involved and to be kept ready by December, 2013.

After examination and as per the notified Master Plan and approved land use patterns, it is found that the land in which New Rythu Bazaar was constructed in Sector-7 of MVP Colony and not put to use (lying vacant at present) is the only suitable land for construction of modern auditorium as it is strategically located.

To promote the development of Art & Culture, there is a need to construct a modern auditorium on the similar lines of Ravindra Bharathi

Auditorium at Hyderabad in Visakhapatnam city as there is no such facility and it is a long awaited public amenity for various artistes and performers.

In order to get the best design, the Empanelled Architects of VUDA were invited on 21-12-2013 to furnish elegant designs for the proposed auditorium in MVP Colony keeping the last date for submission of designs as 28-12-2013. Also a Technical committee was constituted with expert members to scrutinize the designs received and to select the best designs by 30-12-2013.

In response to the above, seven designs were received within the stipulated time. The same were scrutinized by the Technical Committee constituted on 02-01-2014 and after evaluation, three of them were shortlisted. Out of the above three, the conceptual design furnished by the architects, M/s. PADGRO Consultants, Chennai is preferred by the Technical Committee as the best one. As per the notification given for furnishing of Architectural designs, the consultancy fee would be 2.00% of the project cost to be paid to the consultants.

The following are the salient features of the design selected as best one from the shortlisted three designs.

Brief Details of the project are as given below:

- Extent of the site : Ac.1.49 Cts.
- Estimated Project Cost : Rs.20.00 Crores approx.

**Amenities provided:**

- Auditorium raises above the street level with a grand staircase leading to Entrance Plaza at 8'-0" above GL to create a sense of Grandeur.
- A dedicated VIP entry with its own Lobby and Waiting Room.
- A large dais suitable for all kinds of Performances, lectures and functions designed with a suitably equipped back stage area.
- The Entrance Plaza has a Mini Amphi Theatre for outdoor performances and functions.
- A Convention centre is provided under the foyer with 3 halls of different capacities which are linked with a Pre-Function area of 2000 Sft. to serve as on ante / dining space for the halls
- Green rooms and other Performer facilities.
- Ample parking facility.

In the meantime, the Sri Ganta Srinivasa Rao, the then Minister of Infrastructure, investments and ports desired to lay the foundation stone for the said auditorium project during the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of February, 2014. Thereupon, the subject matter was discussed over phone with the Hon'ble Minister for MA & UD Dept., Govt., of A.P., Chairman, VUDA & Prl. Secretary to Govt., MA & UD Dept., and permission was obtained to perform the said Foundation stone laying.

Accordingly, the Sri Ganta Srinivasa Rao, the then Minister of Infrastructure, investments and ports has laid the foundation stone in the presence of Sri T. Subbarami Reddy, MP, Rajyasabha and other public representatives (MLAs) on 15-02-2014. The proposed auditorium was named as '**VUDA SAMSKRUTHIKA PRANGANAM**'

The following aspects are taken as the basis for the said project.

- Ownership of the land will be vested with VUDA only.
- It is only an auditorium to cater the needs of culture and arts of the city on the similar lines of Ravindra Bharathi in Hyderabad.
- The local bodies GVMC and VUDA can take up the project and can be maintained by them.
- The land used for Nursery purpose should not be diverted for Auditorium purpose.

Subsequently, vide Lr.Rc.No.198/2013/L4, Dt.1-3-2014, the above facts were informed to the Government duly requesting necessary permission for the construction of Auditorium (VUDA Samskruthika Nikethanam) at Sector-7, MVP Colony, Visakhapatnam with the above basic premises with the funds from the ULBs viz., GVMC and VUDA with the above amenities as detailed above.

Hence, the matter is placed before VUDA Board for perusal and necessary orders on the above matter.

Sl. No.	Subject No.	Subject	Resolutions
8	7	Works - Engg. - VUDA - Proposal for construction of a Modern Auditorium (VUDA Samskruthika Pranganam) in Sector-7 of MVP Colony VUDA, Visakhapatnam - Foundation stone laid by the then Minister for Infrastructure, Investments and Ports, GoAP, Hyderabad - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board for perusal and approval - Reg.	<b>Ratified the action taken towards eliciting the design from the architects and foundation laying; Obtain permission from Government and proceed with the work.</b>
9	8	Works - Engg. - VUDA - Development and Widening of Master Plan Roads in Madhurawada area Bakkannapalem and Nagarapalem Villages - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board for Perusal - Reg.	<b>Agreed for taking up the two Master Plan Roads subject to MCC provisions.</b>
10	9	Engg - VUDA - Integrated Housing Project in Sy.No.33/P of Madhurawada and L.P.No.103/89 of Rushikonda layout in an extent of Ac-50.00 Cts., by M/s Radiant Developers Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad - Representation of Developers for invocation of Arbitration clause as per the Development Agreement cum GPA concluded on 26.08.2005 -Opinion of Addl. Solicitor General Supreme Court of India obtained as per the directions of VUDA Board - Panel of Justices suggested by Government for Selection of Sole Arbitrator to resolve the dispute - Draft subject placed before VUDA Board for perusal and to take a decision - Reg.	<b>Agenda item and the annexure thereon are perused and ratified the action taken. It is instructed to put up proper plea of VUDA before arbitrator by engaging good counsels and professionals.</b>