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DFCCIL organizes Workshop on 'Management of Social and Environment Issues in Large Infra Projects'

The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Ltd. (DFCCIL) organized a workshop on 'Management of Social and Environment Issues in Large Infra Projects' on 05th October, 2015 in New Delhi. The objective of the workshop was to share lessons learnt from the management of Land Acquisition and Rehabilitation and Resettlement and Environmental issues in DFCC project and explore solutions to challenges of implementing the Entitlement Matrix in line with the new Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (RFCTLARR) Act 2013. The Workshop was attended by delegates from the World Bank, Ministry of Railways, various States and DFCCIL officials with extensive and varied experiences in this field. The workshop was organized in association with World bank and Ministry of Railways.

Shri Adesh Sharma, Managing Director, DFCCIL, in his key address reiterated that the DFCCIL fully understands its responsibility towards environment and society. He stated that this project once implemented will reduce green house emission by 30% as compared to conventional freight transport. DFCCIL has already implemented Entitlement Matrix as per new Land Acquisition Act 2013 and has distributed compensation of more than 1.0 billion US dollar to Project Affected Persons. He stressed that workshop on Social and Environment Safeguard is an ideal platform to discuss challenges of implementing provisions of RFCTLARR Act 2013. The workshop participants discussed some of the burning issues being faced by the field officers in implementing Entitlement Matrix based on new Land Acquisition Act.

Other eminent speakers in this Workshop were Mr. Ben Eijbergen, Lead Transport Specialist, World Bank, Mr. Reidar Kvam, Global Lead (Social) GSURR, World Bank, Shri Anshuman Sharma, Director (PP)/DFCCIL, Shri Achal Khare, Executive Director (Infra), Railway Board, Shri M. K. Srivastava, Executive Director (PP), Railway Board, Sh Atul Agarwal (World Bank) and other officers from World Bank, DFCCIL, various States and Ministry of Railways.

DFCCIL, a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) is engaged in planning, construction, operation and maintenance of the dedicated freight corridors and in the first phase, the two corridors, namely, Eastern Corridor from Ludhiana to Dankuni (1856 kms) and the Western Corridor from Dadri to Jawaharlal Nehru Port (JNPT) (1504 kms) are being constructed. The entire Western Corridor is being funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), while the Eastern Corridor from Mughalsarai to Ludhiana is being funded by the World Bank.

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Shri Adesh Sharma, Managing Director, DFCCIL addressing the Workshop on 'Management of Social and Environment Issues in Large Infra Projects' in New Delhi.

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