

Appendix

Appendix 1: Monitoring Form

(1) Monitoring Format for Monthly Progress Report

No.	Component	Planned Total	Unit	Monthly Progress	Cumulative	Completed %	Status & Remarks
1. Resettlement Preparation							
	Identification of PAPs		No.				
	Group Meeting with PAPs,		No.				
	Distribution of Compensation for Structures		BDT				
	Compensation for crop/tree		BDT				
2. Payment of compensation							
	Land		BDT				
	Compensation for Structures		BDT				
	Compensation for Crop/tree		BDT				
3. Relocation and Income Restoration Activities							
	Relocation of Households		No.				
	Payment of Transfer Grant		BDT				
	Income Restoration Grant		BDT				

(2) Monitoring Form for Implementation of Resettlement Action Plan

Procedure	Indicator (specific step/action)		Unit	Year 1				Year 2
				Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Staffing and Management								
Recruitment, training, and deployment of staff/expert in charge	1.	Deployment of (an) officer(s) / expert(s) in charge of land acquisition	Man-months					
	2.	Deployment of resettlement officer(s) / expert(s)	Man-months					
	3.	Training and mobilization of officers-in-charge (if required)	No. of trained personnel					
Supervision and Management	1.	Supply of manpower and logistics	No. of persons					
	2.	Liaison with other agencies (ex. DC Office, Upazila Office, Union Parishads, etc.)	No. meetings					
	3.	Administrative management	Month					
Finalization of land acquisition and resettlement action plan								
Finalization of land acquisition	1.	Preparation of an application for land acquisition	%					
	2.	Submission of application to MOR/BR and requesting the DC	Date of submission					
	3.	Approval of land acquisition by the GOB	Date of approval					
Adoption of the Resettlement Action Plan	1.	Review of the draft Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)	%					
	2.	Submission of application to MOR/BR and making a request to the DC for implementation of RAP in line with land acquisition	Date of submission					
	3.	Approval of RAP	Date of approval					
Identification of eligible persons								
Socioeconomic Survey (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Survey design	Time					
	2.	Field Survey and collection of data	%					
	3.	Computerization of field data	%					
	4.	Data analysis and report processing	%					
	5.	Preparation of ID card, EP file, and Entitlement Cards	%					
Identification of Eligible Persons (in	1.	Collection of award data	No. of EPs					
	2.	Assigning ID numbers	No. of EPs					

liaison with the DC office)	3.	Photographing of EPs	No. of EPs					
	4.	Issuance of ID cards	No. of EPs					
	5.	Distribution of ID cards	No. of EPs					
Local consultation and information management								
Information Management	1.	Preparation of information brochure	%					
	2.	Distribute information brochure	No. distributed					
	3.	Personal contacts	No. contacted					
	4.	Local consultations (ex.Public consultation meetings, FGDs, etc.)	No of consultations					
Budgeting								
Valuation of the affected property (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Formation of Property Valuation Advisory Committee (PVAC)	%					
	2.	Planning for valuation	%					
	3.	Communication and collection of data	%					
	4.	Valuation	%					
	5.	Finalization of the resettlement budget	%					
Implementation of land acquisition and resettlement								
Payment of compensation for land acquisition (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Motivate Eligible Persons (EP)	No. of EPs					
	2.	Assist EPs to collect Cash Compensation under Law(CCL)	No. of EPs					
	3.	Organize top-up payments to fill the gap between CUL and RV	No. of EPs					
Relocation of Project Affected Persons (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Motivate Eligible Persons(EP)	No. of EPs					
	2.	Payment of Transfer Grant	No. of EPs					
	3.	Assist EPs in replacement land purchase/Relocation	No. of cases					
Resettlement of Project Affected Persons (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Assist EPs to collect Cash Compensation under Law (CCL)	No. of EPs					
	2.	Organize top-up payments to fill the gap between CUL and RV	No. of EPs					
	3.	Assist vulnerable EPs in the resettlement	No. of EPs					
Assistance in transition (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Motivate EPs to join the livelihood rehabilitation/improvement program	No of EPs					
	2.	PAPs attended skill training	No of trained					

with the DC office)	3.	Female PAPs attended skill training	No of trained					
	4.	Job opportunities provided	No of employe					
	5.	Female PAPs Job opportunities provided	No of employed					
Grievance Redress (in liaison with the DC office)	1.	Formation of Grievance Redress Committee (GRC)	No. of members					
	2.	Publicizing/notifying of GRC	%					
	3.	Receiving grievances from stakeholders	No. of cases					
	4.	Resolving grievances	No. of cases (%)					
	5.	Other claims/criticism	No. of cases					
Report processing								
Performance Reporting	1.	Inception report	Date of submission					
	2.	Monthly progress report	Date of submission					
	3.	Draft final report	Date of submission					
	4.	Final report	Date of submission					

(3) Monitoring Form for Impact Monitoring during Project Implementation

Indicator (specific step/action)		Unit	Year 1				Year 2
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Grievance redress mechanism							
1.	Grievance submitted by stakeholders	No. of cases					
2.	Grievance resolved	No. of cases (%)					
3.	Other claims/criticism	No. of cases					
Land acquisition and compensation							
1.	Households losing their land	No. of HHs (%)					
2.	Households losing their domicile on their land	No. of HHs (%)					
3.	Households losing their renting land (private land)	No. of HHs (%)					
4.	Households losing their renting land (government land)	No. of HHs (%)					
5.	Households losing their occupancy on khas land	No. of HHs (%)					
6.	Households losing their illegal domicile on government land	No. of HHs (%)					
7.	Households losing income from own land	No. of HHs (%)					
8.	Households losing income from livelihood activities	No. of HHs (%)					
9.	Households losing income from own business	No. of HHs (%)					
10.	Households losing income from standing crops/fish stock	No. of HHs (%)					
11.	Compensation completed	No. of HHs (%)					
Relocation and compensation							
1.	Relocated households	No. of HHs (%)					
2.	Relocated households owning land	No. of HHs (%)					
3.	Relocated households owning domicile	No. of HHs (%)					
4.	Relocated households renting land	No. of HHs (%)					
5.	Relocated households renting domicile	No. of HHs (%)					
6.	Compensation completed	No. of HHs (%)					

Household economy							
1.	A project- affected household that lacks a source of income	No. of HHs (%)					
2.	Project-affected households with reduced monthly income	No. of HHs (%)					
Livelihood restoration							
1.	Job training conducted	No. of courses					
2.	PAPs (age over 16) that received job training	Number (%)					
3.	Female PAPs (age over 16) that received job training	Number (%)					
4.	Compensated/relocated structure for a business (e.g. shop, garage, etc)	Number (%)					
5.	Employment of project affected people (age over 16) by the project	No. of HHs (%)					
6.	Employment of female PAPs (age over 16) by the project	No. of HHs (%)					
7.	Child labor	No. of children					
8.	Provision of personal protectiveequipment (PPE)	PAPs provided with PPE (%)					
9.	Labor accident	No. of cases					
Infrastructure development							
1.	Electricity reconnection						
2.	Others						

Appendix 2: TOR for Implementation NGO/Firm

1. Introduction

The Joydebpur-Ishurdi Double Line Project is an investment Project of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GoB). Bangladesh Railway (BR) under the Ministry of Railways (MoR) is the executing agency (EA) of this Project. The Project is jointly funded by JICA and the GoB.

The Project covers the administrative areas of Gazipur, Tangail, Sirajganj, Pabna, and Natore districts. The total length of this strip is 174 km where BR already has some land in the existing track, and only 72.03 acres of private land will be required. The Project is divided into two sections, (i) Ishurdi–Bangabandhu Setu East; and (ii) Bangabandhu Setu West–Joydebpur.

2. Project Impacts

According to the census and IOL survey carried out in 2022-23, key project impacts are summarized below.

Impacts	Title holder	Non-title holder	Total
Total Affected Land (acre)			1,774.03
Affected Public Land	-	-	1,702.00
Affected Private Land*	-	-	72.03
Total PAH (household)			2,991
Total PAP (people)			12,150
Number of Only Lands Affected PAH	1,328	-	958
Number of Only Lands Affected PAP	5,109	-	4,439
Number of Primary structures affected PAH (Displaced)	715	886	1,601
Number of Primary structures affected PAP (Displaced)	2,870	3,883	6,753
Number of Secondary structures affected PAH	16	18	34
Number of Other structures affected PAH	15	13	28
Number of Vulnerable PAH	320	279	599
Total Business Affected People (people)			797
Sharecropper	-	-	47
Tenants	-	-	645
Worker / Employees	-	-	105
Total Affected Structures & Trees (units)			
Number of Affected Structures	1,139	1,532	2,671
Number of Common/Community Property Resources (CPR)	17	19	36
Number of Affected trees	18,521	30,082	48,603

3. Resettlement Principles Adopted by the Project

Based on the legal framework of GoB as well as the JICA Guideline, the resettlement principles and guidelines adopted in this Project are:

- the land acquisition and resettlement impacts on persons affected by the Project would be avoided or minimized as much as possible through alternative design options;
- where the negative impacts are unavoidable, the persons affected by the Project will be identified and assisted in improving or regaining their standard of living;
- information related to the preparation and implementation of the Resettlement Plan (RP) will be disclosed to all stakeholders and people's participation will be ensured in planning and implementation;
- additional support over and above the cash compensation under the law (CCL) will be extended for ensuring the replacement market value of the affected property. The project-affected persons (PAPs) who do not own land or other property, but have economic interests or lose their livelihoods will be assisted as per the broad principles described in this document;
- before taking possession of the acquired lands and property or dispossession of structure/assets on right-of-way (RoW), compensation and resettlement assistance will be paid following the provisions in this document;
- an entitlement matrix for different types of losses and dislocation experienced by different categories of people due to the Project has been prepared. The entitlement matrix covers all affected persons irrespective of titles and as identified prior to the "cut-off date" by the census and IOL survey in this Project.
- in the case of land acquisition, the date of notification under Section 4 of ARIPA 2017 has been treated as the cut-off date. For non-titleholders such as informal settlers/ squatters the date set before the census and IOL survey is considered as cut-off date. Any encroacher or squatter moving into the Project areas after the cut-off date will not be entitled to any assistance;
- an appropriate grievance redress mechanism has been established to ensure speedy resolution of disputes;
- all activities related to Resettlement Planning, implementation, and monitoring would ensure people's participation including women and other vulnerable groups. Consultations with the PAPs will continue during the implementation of resettlement and rehabilitation works.
- all affected households and persons, as per the above principles, will be entitled to a combined compensation and resettlement assistance depending on the nature of ownership rights to the assets likely to be dispossessed and the socio-economic vulnerability of the affected persons.

4. The objective of Involving NGO/Firm

The primary objective of involving an Implementing NGO/Firm by BR is to carry out implementation activities and strengthen of delivery capabilities of the employer at the field level to implement the RP. The NGO/Firm will build a team of trained field workers to provide necessary institutional support in identifying, informing, and mobilizing all PAPs during the RP implementation. They will ensure that

all eligible PAPs receive their respective entitlement and can resettle properly. NGO/Firm will coordinate with the Employer, Deputy Commissioners (DC), and Supervision Consultant regularly to discuss progress and constraints in RP implementation. In case of rising any critical issue not covered by the provision of the RP, the NGO/Firm can make necessary recommendations by consulting with different committee (PVAC, GRC, and JVC) members to solve it.

5. Scope of Work

The responsibility for the effective, timely, and efficient execution of the resettlement activities will lie with the Implementing NGO. The NGO/Firm will be responsible to the Project Director for payment of entitlement and relocation of the PAPs based on Cash Compensation under Law (CCL) would be made by concerned DCs within a short period of signing the contract. The NGO/Firm to be appointed will give priority to the assessment of assets of non-titled persons on BR land and pay compensation as early as possible to make BR land available to the contractors.

The general tasks and responsibilities for the selected NGO/Firm in three consecutive stages of the process for RP implementation; preparatory stage, implementation stage, monitoring and evaluation stage relocation stage, and rehabilitation stage will be as follows:

5.1. Preparatory Stage

(1) Carry out a census or verify IOL

The NGO/Firm will carry out, where needed, additional census and/or verify existing IOL for compensation purposes. In case new areas are to be acquired, the NGO/Firm will have to carry out a census for additional areas.

(2) Survey rental spaces in urban areas and plots/space availability in rural areas

The NGO/Firm will conduct a survey and provide affected households with a list of available plots, structures, and spaces with their contact information for rent or purchase for residential or commercial purposes along the alignment. The NGO/Firm will also assist AHs in negotiation and preparing the documentation to secure rent or purchase space/plot. All households losing land, residential and commercial structures, whether titled or non-titled, as well as tenants will be eligible for this assistance.

(3) Creation of inventory of losses (IOL)

Collection and computerization of Land Acquisition (LA), joint verification data, payment of cash compensation under law data and resettlement benefit payment data, and reconciliation of all these; and Creation of an electronic database of inventory of losses and dislocations.

(4) Preparation/updating of EP file

Prepare the entitled person's files bringing together all her/his losses or update regularly.

(5) Preparation/updating of entitlement card

Prepare or update the 'entitlement card' for the individual EPs as per their types of losses and the amount of compensation due for each type of loss from the legal title and the amount of Resettlement Benefit to be paid by BR.

(6) Information campaign

Design, plan, and implement an information campaign in the Project affected areas to ensure PAPs are aware of their entitlements and assistance measures and how to avail of them. Also explain the additional assistance measures provided to them: (i) assistance in securing housing/plot/rent; (ii) livelihood restoration programme; (iii) basic personal finance training. The campaign would include activities such as distributing information booklets, leaflets, and notices among the PAPs, carrying out public consulting meetings, public announcements, and any other measures necessary to provide information to all PAPs in the Project area. The campaign should also inform PAPs about the Grievance Redress Mechanism and its procedures.

(7) Information dissemination and feedback

Assist BR and the local representatives in organizing consultations and recording the outcome of the meetings. Ensure dissemination of information on the Project and resettlement policy to the Project-affected persons and others (community groups, local administration, etc.) who are instrumental in the effective and transparent implementation of the RPs.

(8) Support BR to establish the Grievance Redress Committee and Property Valuation Advisory Committee (GRC and PVAC)

The NGO/Firm should support BR in setting up the GRC, JVC, and PVAC and provide advice to ensure its smooth implementation.

5.2. Implementation Stage

(1) Identification of entitled persons (EPs) and issuance of ID card

Assist BR field personnel in identifying and issuing ID cards to the entitled persons identified as per Resettlement Framework (RF) duly certified by the UP members or ward councilor.

(2) Preparation/updating of payment statement

Prepare and/or update payment statements for individual EPs as per their types of losses and the amount of compensation due for each type of loss from the legal title and the amount of resettlement benefit paid by BR.

(3) Disbursement of resettlement benefit

Process payment of additional benefits based on the price approved by MoR following the recommendation of PVAC and ensures that all resettlement benefits are paid accordingly.

(4) Participation in Grievance Redress Committee (GRC)

Support the establishment of the grievance redress mechanism. Build personal rapport and confidence with the PAPs and ensure that they are fully aware of the grievance redress procedure and the process of bringing their complaints to the GRCs. Investigate the veracity of the complaints and try to settle them amicably, fairly, and transparently before they go to the redress committee or the courts of law. Assist GRC in settling the dispute and prepare minutes of the GRC meetings and communicate the decisions to the parties involved.

(5) Assistance to EPs in the process of resettlement

The EPs and their losses will be identified and recorded in the EP file. The EPs will be informed of the resettlement benefits adequately. Payment of entitlement will be processed and assisted in the collection of those. They should be guided in relocating and investing the compensation and resettlement benefit appropriately.

(6) Assist AH in losing their land in re-titling

Assist all households losing part of their land in re-titling their asset.

(7) Post a list of available plots/structures/rental spaces and assist EPs in the negotiation and documentation process

Disseminate information about available plots, structures, and spaces to rent or purchase to eligible affected households (i.e. all households losing a plot of land, households losing residential or commercial structure whether titled or non-titled, renters losing a homestead or a business rental space).

(8) Carry out Livelihood Restoration Program (LRP)

The RP has provisions for interim support to mainstream alternative income-generating schemes or enhancement of existing livelihood resources so that AHs can continue their previous occupations, start new ventures or undertake alternative occupations. The basic objective behind the income restoration and rehabilitation measures is to restore the economic status of the displaced persons at least at the level they were enjoying before the Project.

The two key objectives of the LRP are to (i) mitigate any negative impacts related to loss of livelihoods and (ii) support the overall enhancement and improvements related to their income and livelihood. The specific scope of work under LRP is as follows:

- Identify eligible candidates from PAPs for participation in LRP;
- Conduct needs assessment as per market demand for LRP;
- Develop specific training curriculum based on needs assessment;
- Coordinate with local NGOs to provide continuous support to the trainees with micro-credit;
- Find proactive ways to encourage women to participate in LRP;
- Monitor LRP implementation progress and outcomes; and
- Conduct post-training impact evaluation of the program

5.3. Monitoring and Evaluation Stage

(1) Monitoring tools for implementation progress

Prepare monitoring tools covering RP implementation issues as follows to monitor the progress:

- Land Acquisition (LA) progress;
- LA compensation payment (CCL) progress;
- Compensation payments (BR) progress;
- Preparation and distribution of Bengali versions of brochures and booklets/ leaflets; and
- Awareness level of the stakeholders including the Aps by different awareness programs.

(2) Reporting the monitoring results

Generate progress reports for real-time monitoring of RP implementation progress using user-friendly software. The software will be simultaneously operated by the RU, NGO/Firm, the construction supervision contractor as well as by BR so that all the organizations are aware of the progress and problems instantly. Monitoring and supervision will include the following

- Implementation progress;
- Utilization of manpower input;
- Internal coordination meetings; and
- Meeting with clients and NGO/Firm

5.4. Other Social Safeguards Related Activities

(1) Conduct/liaise HIV/AIDS and Anti-Trafficking Awareness Campaigns

Coordinate with relevant governmental and non-governmental local agencies and conduct HIV/AIDS and Anti-Human Trafficking Awareness Campaigns in the communities along the corridor. Ensure 35% of women participate in these activities.

(2) Support in the Implementation of Gender-Related Activities

Support in carrying-out activities related to gender, such as ensuring the participation of women in the implementation of the RP and livelihood improvement training program, conducting anti-harassment and personal safety awareness campaigns, and encouraging the participation of women in civil works.

(3) Support the Railway Safety Awareness Campaigns to the Communities

Conduct awareness campaigns in the communities along the corridor on safety measures in railway stations and crossings. Document the implementation and participation in the activities outlined above and provide semi-annual monitoring reports to BR/JICA.

6. Implementation Schedule for NGO/Firm

Implementation of the RP will begin prior to the commencement of construction/ engineering works. A total of 36 months is planned for the implementation of RP. Accordingly, the current schedule for

the RP implementation will be adjusted based on project approval and start on the implementation date by the NGO/Firm.

7. Support to Be Provided by the EA

The NGO/Firm will be provided with necessary design documents, LAP and RAP.

8. Accounts and Records

The NGO/Firm shall keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the services in such form and detail as are customary in its profession and sufficient to establish accurately that the remuneration and reimbursable out-of-pocket expenses have been duly incurred. The NGO/Firm shall permit duly authorized representatives of the Client, to inspect and make an audit of all such documents, accounts, and records in connection with payments made under this contract.

9. Ownership of Documents

All reports, documents, correspondence, draft publications, maps, drawings, notes, specifications, statistics, work product in any form, and, technical data compiled or prepared by the NGO and communicated to the Client in performing the services (in electronic form or otherwise and including computer-disks comprising data) shall be the sole and exclusive property of the client and may be made available to the general public at its sole discretion.

10. Monitoring and Evaluation of NGO/Firm Work

In consultation with BR and the Resettlement Expert from the CSC, the NGO/Firm will develop an internal monitoring system. This system will include indicators to monitor both processes, outputs, and impacts of the RP. User-friendly software should be used to generate progress reports for monitoring the progress regularly. The software will be simultaneously operated by the BR and NGO/Firm and the construction supervision consultant so that all the organizations are aware of the progress without delay.

The NGO/Firm will prepare monthly progress reports to submit to BR, the Resettlement experts from the CSC, and JICA.

The NGO/Firm will provide all information requested by the Independent Monitor to be hired by JICA for the RP implementation.

11. Criteria for NGO/Firm Selection

The NGO/Firm to be selected must have proven experience in the following tasks of Resettlement Planning and implementation:

- The NGO/Firm shall have the demonstrated capacity to mobilize the required trained and experienced field staff.
- The NGO/Firm shall have the experience in implementation of a large Resettlement Plan like the present Project.

- The NGO/Firm must have at least ten years of working experience in the implementation of resettlement and land acquisition under an externally funded development programme.
- The NGO/Firm must be registered under the Social Welfare Department or NGO Affairs Bureau or Joint Stock Company
- The NGO/Firm must present certificate/s from the concerned Government department/agency to verify its satisfactory performance in resettlement social/census surveys, planning, and implementation of the Resettlement Plan, monitoring and evaluation through effective management information systems and preparation of analytical reports that meet the standards of co-financiers.
- The NGO/Firm shall have to present an audit report for the past three years.

12. Staffing for the Tasks

The NGO/Firm must be able to present evidence of sufficient experienced and trained qualified manpower to be mobilized to this end. The NGO/Firm shall have to provide staff input to carry out the works under this ToR. The NGO/Firm should show the duration of their services and limit as per requirement in consultation with the civil works contract. If the settlement of legal issues on land acquisition requires a longer time, the NGO/Firm may have to demobilize for a period as per the request from the executing agency in writing.

The following are the key staff required for the task.

- Team Leader
- Resettlement Specialist
- Social Development Specialist
- Livelihood Development
- Specialist Gender and Social Development Specialist
- MIS Specialist

Appendix 3: TOR for the External Monitoring Agency

1 Introduction

The Joydebpur-Ishurdi Double Line Project is an investment Project of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GoB). Bangladesh Railway (BR) under the Ministry of Railways (MoR) is the executing agency (EA) of this Project. The Project is jointly funded by JICA and the GoB.

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2 Objectives

To implement the LAP/RAP properly, independent monitoring by a third party of the executing agency, the supervision consultant, and the implementing agency, preferably by an external monitoring consultant has been considered effective. Through independent monitoring, the executing agency can help ensure LAP/RAP implementation activity is efficient. It will be possible to identify bottlenecks and amend/improve the LAP/RAP implementation procedure or payment modality through executive order if found necessary. The major objectives of engaging the independent monitor are to:

- Assess the overall approach of resettlement activities along the alignment of the project
- Verify results of internal monitoring;
- Assess whether resettlement objectives have been met; specifically, whether livelihoods and living standards have been restored or enhanced;
- Assess resettlement efficiency, effectiveness, impact, and sustainability drawing lessons as a guide to future resettlement policy-making and planning; and
- Ascertain whether the resettlement entitlements were appropriate in meeting the objectives and whether the objectives were suited to AP conditions.

3 Specific Tasks

The independent monitoring consultant will set up a set of baseline indicators reviewing available data and or collecting primary data for monitoring and evaluation, building upon the Project's record-keeping system. It may also include maps, charts, photographs of the affected property, copies of contracts and land titles, payments, and valuation documents relating to resettlement. Specific tasks of the monitor are to;

- Establish a system of internal monitoring to assess progress in meeting key targets in the Resettlement Plan: budget and time frame, delivery of PAP entitlements, consultation, grievance, and special issues and benefits.
- Conduct regular reviews, based on internal monitoring and evaluation reports, involving key

stakeholders including PAP representatives. Reach consensus on actions required to improve resettlement performance and implement them.

- Establish a system for external monitoring and evaluation to assess the achievement and suitability of resettlement objectives.
- Establish monitoring and evaluation reporting methods and reporting requirements.
- Involve PAPs, hosts, and RAP implementing NGO/Firm and community in Project monitoring and evaluation using appropriate methods.
- Include an ex-post evaluation of resettlement to be conducted by the independent monitor after the completion of the Project.
- Review lessons learned for resettlement policy-making and planning.

4 In specific to the Project the independent monitor should perform the following activities

- Monitor the authenticity of the data and the approach for the generation of those.
- Review justification for changes in LAP/RAP policy and budget.
- Verify progress and achievement of implementing agency and devise formats for estimating various indicators responsible for the achievement of progress.

5 Monitoring Indicators and Information Needed

Indicator	Information
Basic information on affected household	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location of the PAHs • HH structure, age, education, skills, occupation, and employment pattern • Access to health, education, and other social services • Land holdings and pattern of use • Income source and levels • Housing type • Participation level in social activities • Value of all assets forming entitlements and resettlement entitlements
Restoration of living standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of compensation and entitlements • Undertaking housing option development • Reinstatement of the opinion of the community • Replacement of social and cultural elements
Restoration of livelihoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of employment opportunities for the PAPs • Sufficient assistance for the re-establishment of entrepreneurship development • Adequate income substitution allowance • Sufficient transfer and relocation grants • Availability of replacement land • Sufficient compensation and entitlements
Satisfaction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge of RP procedure and entitlements • Knowledge about the fulfillment of resettlement entitlements • Assessment of living standards and their livelihoods • Knowledge about grievance and mitigation actions
Effectiveness of RP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient time and budget to meet the objectives of the RP

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support provided to the land speculators• Level of the generosity of the entitlements• Identification of the vulnerable groups• Dealing with unforeseen problems by the PIU
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6 Methodology and Approach

6.1 General Approach

Appropriate methods will be followed to collect field-level information to review and compare the socioeconomic condition of PAPs "before" and "after" the resettlement programs. Collected information on the key indicators of resettlement progress, efficiency, effectiveness, impact, and sustainability will be analyzed. The monitoring and evaluation consultant will also conduct at least one ex-post evaluation Survey to assess the achievement of resettlement objectives, the changes in living standards and livelihoods, and the restoration of the economic and social base of the PAPs.

6.2 Detailed Methodology

The independent monitor will use existing baseline census and Survey data with their periodic updates. In specific the independent monitor performs its activity in the following methods:

- Review pre-Project baseline data on income and expenditure, occupational and livelihood patterns, leadership, community organizations, and cultural parameters.
- Identify an appropriate set of indicators for gathering and analyzing information on resettlement/rehabilitation impacts; the indicators shall include but not be limited to issues like relocation of affected people, delivery of entitlement, and level of satisfaction by the beneficiaries of the programs.
- Review the result of internal monitoring and verify claims through random checking at the field level to assess whether resettlement/rehabilitation objectives have been generally met. Involve the PAPs and community groups in assessing the impact of resettlement programs for monitoring and evaluation purposes.

6.3 Methodology for Participatory Rapid Appraisal

The affected and host people should be involved in the monitoring and evaluation process to solve day-to-day problems arising during resettlement operations. PAPs, local CBOs, and/or local NGOs should be involved in the process. The key players should be involved in the evaluation design and implementation. Participatory Rapid Appraisal (PRA) techniques should be undertaken to foster the involvement of PAPs and other key stakeholders in resettlement monitoring and implementation. The methodology of the PRA should be as follows:

- Key informant interviews: select local leaders, community workers, or persons with special knowledge or experience about resettlement activities and implementation.
- Focus group discussion: specific topics (e.g. land compensation payments, services at resettlement sites, income restoration, and gender issues)

- Field observations on the status of resettlement implementation, plus individual or group interviews for cross-checking purposes.
- Informal Surveys/interviews: informal Surveys of PAPs, hosts, community workers, resettlement staff, and implementing agency personnel using non-sampled methods.

7 Criteria for selection of Consultant

The tasks require a consultant experienced in the field of resettlement planning, implementation, and monitoring. The consultant should have sufficient technical and professional skills in dealing with involuntary resettlement as per JICA guidelines.

The Consultant must be able to present appropriate evidence to verify his/her satisfactory performance in resettlement planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, and preparation of analytical/evaluation reports meeting the standards of the external financiers.

8 Staffing for the Tasks

The consultant must be able to present evidence of his/her skill and sufficiently qualified, experienced, and trained manpower to mobilize to the field to collect data according to the requirements. To carry out the tasks stipulated in this ToR, the field-level input should be limited as shown in the table below. The consultant should show the duration of their services and limit as per requirement in consultation with the civil works contact. However, the mobilization is based on field requirements only.

- Resettlement Monitor
- Data Collector/Data Processor

9 Stakeholders and their Responsibility

9.1 Responsibility of Executing Agency

Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and the Resettlement Unit (RU) will ensure a timely supply of background references, and data to the independent monitor. It will ensure uninterrupted access to work sites and relevant offices of the GoB and BR. The independent monitor will sit in quarterly coordination meetings with the BR and the BR should organize that at PIU or RU level as appropriate.

Recommendations based on the result of the monitoring should be offered to BR to cover up the deficiencies identified by the independent monitor. The BR will accept the recommendations of the independent monitor if it is within the scope of work and there is nothing incorrect in the report.

9.2 Responsibility of Project Supervision Consultant

Construction Supervision Consultant (CSC) will provide appropriate protocol at the site or its Project Office for the mission of the independent monitor. It will, on behalf of the EA, ensure free access to work sites, impact areas, and the database on resettlement and civil works. The CSC will ensure timely intimation of its civil works planning as and when made or updated during the construction period and keep the Independent Monitor informed.

9.3 Responsibility of RAP Implementing NGO/Firm

The RAP Implementing NGO/Firm will assist and cooperate with the independent monitor by providing free access to its database and the automated management information system (MIS). It will provide copies of the progress reports and other reports as requested by the independent monitor. The Implementing Agency may have to carry out surveys as well for the fulfillment of the requirements of independent monitoring.

9.4 Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

JICA will review the activities of the independent monitor considering the social safeguard strategy and the involuntary resettlement guideline of JICA. JICA will ensure a timely response from the EA on queries and recommendations from the independent monitor.

Appendix 4 Process of Land Acquisition according to ARIPA 2017

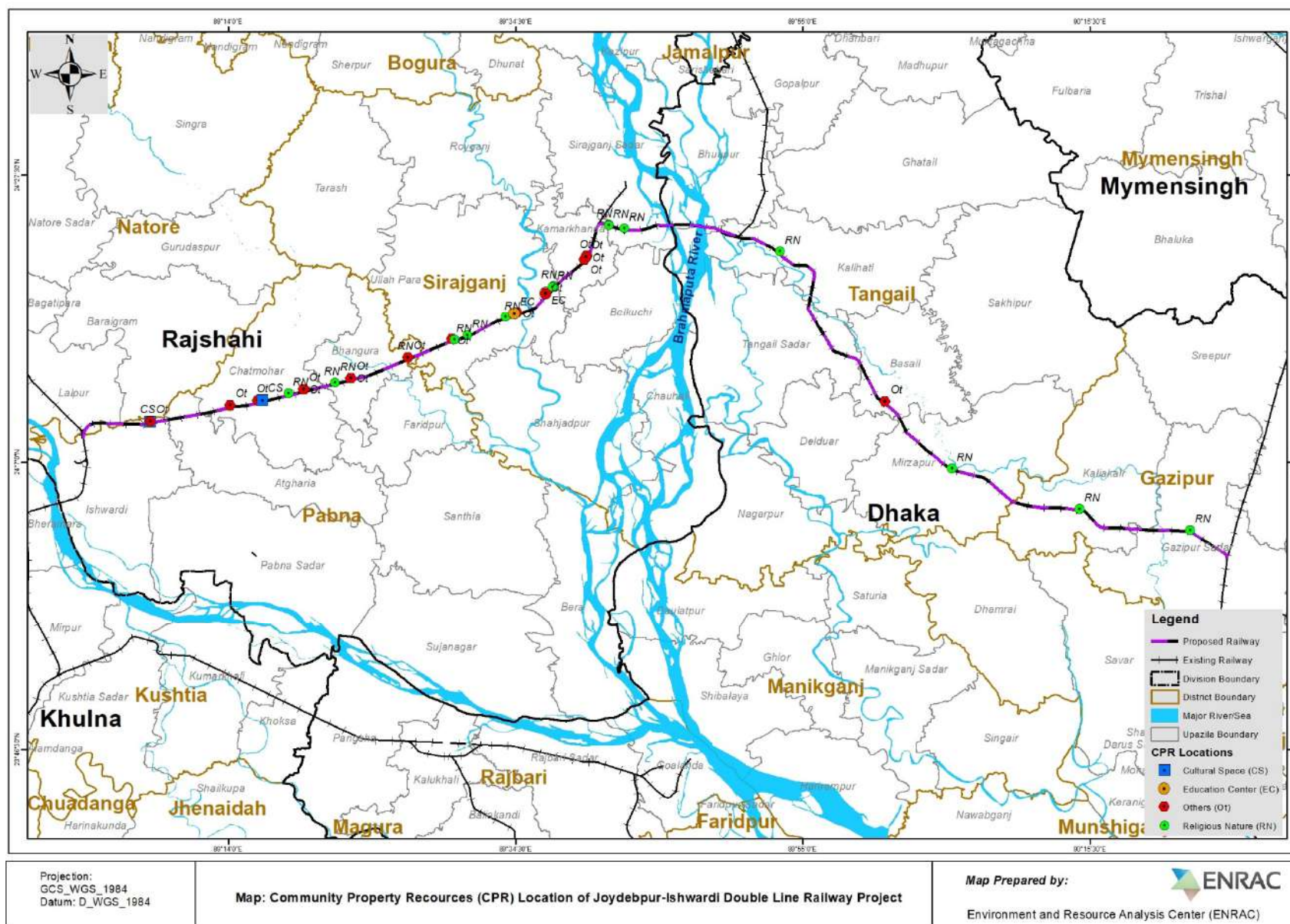
Section under ARIPA 2017	Steps in the Process of Land Acquisition	Responsibility
Section 4 (1)	Publication of preliminary notice of acquisition of property for a public purpose	Deputy Commissioner
Section 4 (3) (1)	Prior to the publication of section 4(1) notice; Identify the present status of the land, structures and trees through videography, still pictures or appropriate technology.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 4 (3) (2)	After the publication of the section 4(1) notice, a joint verification is conducted with potentially affected households and relevant organizations.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 4 (7)	After publication of preliminary notice under the section 4(1), if any household has changed the status of the land for beneficial purposes, changed status will not be added to the joint verification notice.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 4 (8)	If the affected person is not happy with the joint verification assessment, he/she can complain to Deputy Commissioner within seven days of issuing sec 4(1) notice.	Affected Person
Section 4 (9)	Hearing by Deputy Commissioner within 15 working days after receiving the complaints. In case of government priority projects, hearing will be within 10 working days.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 5 (1)	Objections to acquisition by interested parties, within 15 days of the issue of section 4 (1) Notice	Affected Person
Section 5 (2)	Deputy Commissioner submits hearing report within 30 working days after the date of the section 5(1) notice. In the case of government priority projects, it will be within 15 working days.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 5 (3)	DC submits his report to the (i) government (for properties that exceed 16.50 acres; (ii) Divisional Commissioner for properties that do not exceed 16.50 acres. Deputy Commissioner makes the final decision if no objections were raised within 30 days of inquiry. In case of government priority project, it will be 15 days	Deputy Commissioner
Section 6 (1) (1)	Government makes the final decision on acquisition within 60 working days after receiving report from the Deputy Commissioner under section 5(3) notice.	Ministry of Land
Section 6 (1) (2)	Divisional Commissioner makes the decision within 15 days or with reasons within 30 days since the submission of the report by Deputy Commissioner under section 5(3) notice.	Divisional Commissioner
Section 7 (1)	Publication of the Notice of final decision to acquire the property and notifying the interested parties to submit their claims for compensation.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 7 (2)	Interested parties submit their interests in the property and claims for compensation within 15 working days (in case of priority project 7 days).	Affected Person
Section 7 (3)	Individual notices have to be served to all interested persons including the shareholders within 15 days of issuing Section 7(1) notice	Deputy Commissioner
Section 8 (1)	Deputy Commissioner makes a valuation of the property to be acquired as at the date of issuing Section 4 Notice; determine the compensation; and apportionment of compensation among parties interested.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 8 (3)	Deputy Commissioner informs the award of compensation to the interested parties and sends the estimate of compensation to the requiring agency/person within 7 days of making the compensation decision.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 8 (4)	The requiring agency deposits the estimated award of compensation with the Deputy Commissioner within 120 days of receiving the estimate.	Requiring Agency
Section 9 (1)	During valuation of assets, Deputy Commissioner will consider the following: (i) Average market price of land of the same category in the last 12 months; (ii) Impact on existing crops and trees; (iii) Impact on other remaining adjacent properties; (iv) Impact on properties and income; and (v) Relocation cost for businesses, residential dwellings etc.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 9 (2)	Additional 200% compensation on transaction deeds of preceding 12 months is added to the estimated value. If land is acquired for private organizations, added compensation will be 300%.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 9 (3)	Additional 100% compensation on top of the current market price for impacts mentioned under sections 9(1) and (2)	Deputy Commissioner

Section 9 (4)	Appropriate action will be taken for relocation on top of the above-mentioned subsections.	Requiring Agency
Section 11(1)	Deputy Commissioner awards the compensation to entitled parties within 60 days of receiving the deposit from the requiring agency/person.	Deputy Commissioner
Section 11 (2)	If an entitled person does not consent to receive compensation, or if there is no competent person to receive compensation, or in the case of any dispute with the title to receive compensation, Deputy Commissioner deposits the compensation amount in a deposit account in the Public Account of the Republic. Thereafter, Deputy Commissioner acquires the land. (Landowners can obtain such deposited money at any time, having appealed to the Deputy Commissioner, and providing evidence in support of his/her claim.	Deputy Commissioner Affected Persons
Section 12	When the property acquired contains standing crops cultivated by Bargadar the apportion of compensation due to him will be determined by the Deputy Commissioner and will be paid to the Bargadar in cash.	Deputy Commissioner

Appendix 5: List of CPRs in the Project Area

No.	Category	District	Upazila	Chainage
1	Cultural space	Pabna	Ishwardi	215+800
2	Cultural space	Pabna	Chatmohor	229+700
3	Education center	Sirajganj	Ullapara	262+600
4	Education center	Sirajganj	Ullapara	267+300
5	Religious nature	Tangail	Kalihati	305+300
6	Religious nature	Tangail	Mirzapur	340+600
7	Religious nature	Gazipur	Kaliakoir	357+500
8	Religious nature	Gazipur	Gazipur	371+800
9	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Ullahpara	254+500
10	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Ullapara	256+200
11	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Ullapara	261+300
12	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Ullapara	268+500
13	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Ullapara	268+700
14	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Sirajganj	280+400
15	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Sirajganj	280+400
16	Religious nature	Sirajganj	Sirajganj	282+300
17	Religious nature	Pabna	Chat Mohor	233+100
18	Religious nature	Pabna	Bangura	238+800
19	Religious nature	Pabna	Bhangura	240+800
20	Religious nature	Pabna	Bhangura	248+400
21	Others	Tangail	Basail	328+500
22	Others	Sirajganj	Ullapara	254+300
23	Others	Sirajganj	Ullapara	262+900
24	Others	Sirajganj	Ullapara	267+300
25	Others	Sirajganj	Kamarkhondo	273+900
26	Others	Sirajganj	Kamarkhondo	274+300
27	Others	Sirajganj	Kamarkhondo	274+400
28	Others	Sirajganj	Kamarkhondo	274+400
29	Others	Pabna	Ishwardi	215+900
30	Others	Pabna	Chatmohor	225+900
31	Others	Pabna	Chatmohar	229+300
32	Others	Pabna	Chatmohor	235+000
33	Others	Pabna	Chatmohar	235+100
34	Others	Pabna	Vangura	241+100
35	Others	Pabna	Vangura	241+100
36	Others	Pabna	Bhangura	248+400

Source: CSS & IOL survey 2022-23



Appendix 6: Stakeholder Meeting Newspaper Announcement

(1) 1st Stakeholder Meeting Newspaper Announcement

বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর-ইশ্বরদী সেকশনের ডুয়েলগেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব বিষয়ক মতবিনিময় সভা

বিষয়ঃ
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)/ আইসিআর'র আর্থিক সহায়তায় বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে, ইশ্বরদী রেলওয়ে স্টেশন থেকে জয়দেবপুর রেলওয়ে স্টেশন পর্যন্ত বিদ্যমান রেল লাইনের পাশাপাশি অপর একটি রেল লাইন নির্মাণের জন্য জয়দেবপুর-ইশ্বরদী সেকশনের ডুয়েলগেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প গ্রহণ করেছে। প্রকল্পের আওতায় নতুন লাইনটি নির্মাণকালে নির্মাণের ব্যাপক কার্যক্রমের কারণে সামাজিক অবকাঠামো ও পরিবেশের উপর বিভিন্ন রকম প্রভাব পড়তে পারে।

মতবিনিময় সভাঃ
প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব সম্পর্কিত সমীক্ষাটি বাস্তবায়নের দায়িত্ব বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর ইশ্বরদী-সেকশনের ডুয়েলগেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের বিশেষজ্ঞ দল (ENRAC) এর উপর ন্যস্ত করা হয়। এই সমীক্ষার অংশ হিসেবে বাংলাদেশ সরকারের পরিবেশ সংরক্ষণ বিধিমালা (১৯৯৭), ARIPA 2017 এবং আইসিআর'র সংশ্লিষ্ট নীতিমালা ও নির্দেশনা অনুসারে মতবিনিময় সভা নিম্নলিখিত স্থানগুলোতে অনুষ্ঠিত হবেঃ

নং	এলাকা	স্থান	তারিখ	সময়
১।	সালনা	সালনা নাসিরউদ্দিন মেমোরিয়াল স্কুল এন্ড কলেজ, সালনা বাজার, গাজীপুর।	০৫/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
২।	চন্দ্রা সফিপুর	জাতির পিতা বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিবুর রহমান হাইস্কুল। চন্দ্রা বাসট্যান্ড, সফিপুর, গাজীপুর।	০৬/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৩।	মিরজাপুর	ডাঃ আয়েশা রাসিয়া কনকর স্কুল এবং কলেজ। মিরজাপুর, টাঙ্গাইল।	১০/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৪।	করোটিয়া	মোহাম্মদিয়া সরকারী প্রাথমিক বিদ্যালয়, করোটিয়া, টাঙ্গাইল সদর, টাঙ্গাইল।	১১/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৫।	রাজাবারী	মুস্তফা রহমান মাদ্রাসা মাহিলা ডিগ্রি কলেজ, রাজাবাড়ি, এলেন্গা, জামনা, টাঙ্গাইল।	১২/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা

উক্ত মতবিনিময় সভায় সকল শ্রেণীপেশার ব্যক্তিবর্গকে আমন্ত্রণ করা হলো যেখানে প্রকল্পের প্রাথমিক ডিজাইন, সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত বিভিন্ন বিষয় ও প্রস্তাব প্রশ্নবাদের ব্যবস্থা সম্পর্কে আলোচনা করা হবে।

উক্ত সমীক্ষা সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে আগ্রহীদের কোন মতামত বা কালো আমরা সেটা শুনতে আগ্রহী। ব্যক্তিগত তথ্য বা ব্যক্তিগত মতামত পাবলিক রেকর্ডের অংশ হিসেবে বিবেচিত হবে। প্রকল্পের দ্বারা সঞ্চারিত সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাবগুলো প্রশমন ও প্রতিকারের জন্য আদানার সুপারিশ ও মতামত প্রকাশ্যে করা হবে।

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Newspaper Announcement for Joydebpur to Jamna Bridge

Notice

Public Consultation on the Social and Environmental Impacts for the Construction of the Double Line Railway Project between Joydebpur and Ishurdi Section of Bangladesh Railway

Subject:

With the funding from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Bangladesh Railway has taken a project for the construction of another dual gauge line railway at Joydebpur-Ishurdi section along with the existing railway line from Ishurdi Railway station to Joydebpur railway station. The extensive construction activities during the construction of the new rail line under this project may have impacts on the social infrastructure and environment.

Public Consultation Programme:

The social and environmental impact assessment has been entrusted to Environment and Resource Analysis Center (ENRAC) expert team for the project of Dual Gauge Double Line Construction Project of Bangladesh Railway. As part of this survey, the public consultation meeting will be held in accordance with the Bangladesh Government's Environmental Protection Rules (1997), ARIPA 2017, and related policies and guidelines of JICA at the following locations:

SL No	Location	Venue	Date	Time
1.	Salna	Salna Nasir Uddin School & College. Salna Bazaar, Gazipur	05.10.2022	3.00pm
2.	Kaliakoir	Jatir Pita Banghabondhu High School. Chandra Bus Stand, Kaliakoir, Gazipur	06.10.2022	3.00 Pm
3.	Mirzapur	Dr. Ayesha Razia Khandakar School & College. Kadim Dallah, Mirzapur, Tangail	10.10.2022	3.00 Pm
4.	Karatiya	Sonaliya Govt Ptimary School. Karatiya, Tangail, Sadar, Tangail.	11.10.2022	3.00 Pm
5.	Rajabari	Lutfur Rahaman Matin Mohila Degree College, Rajabari, Elenga Kalihati, Tangail	12.10.2022	3.00 Pm




People from all classes and occupation are invited to the public consultation meeting where the draft design of the project, various social and environmental issues and mitigation measures will be discussed.

If you have any comments regarding the survey, we are interested to hear those. All comments other than personal information will be considered part of the public record. We look forward to your suggestions and comments for mitigating and remedying the potential social and environmental impacts of the project.

Project Manager
Construction of Double Line Railway Project
between Joydebpur and Ishurdi Section of
Bangladesh Railway

Social and Environmental Expert
Construction of Double Line Railway Project
between Joydebpur and Ishurdi Section of
Bangladesh Railway

Announcement Content for Joydebpur to Jamna Bridge

বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

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মতবিনিময় সভাঃ
প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব সম্পর্কিত সমীক্ষাটি বাস্তবায়নের দায়িত্ব বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর ঈশ্বরদী-সেকশনের ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের বিশেষজ্ঞ দল (ENRAC) এর উপর ন্যস্ত করা হয়। এই সমীক্ষার অংশ হিসেবে বাংলাদেশ সরকারের পরিবেশ সংরক্ষণ বিধিমালা (১৯৯৭), ARIPA 2017 এবং জাইকা'র সংশ্লিষ্ট নীতিমালা ও নির্দেশনা অনুসারে মতবিনিময় সভা নিম্নলিখিত স্থানগুলোতে অনুষ্ঠিত হবেঃ

নং	এলাকা	স্থান	তারিখ	সময়
১।	সালনা	সালনা নাসিরউদ্দিন মেমোরিয়াল স্কুল এন্ড কলেজ, সালনা বাজার, পাজীপুর।	০৫/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
২।	চন্দ্রা সফিপুর	জাতির পিতা বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিবুর রহমান হাইস্কুল। চন্দ্রা বাসভাড়া, সফিপুর, পাজীপুর।	০৬/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৩।	মির্জাপুর	ডাঃ আরোশা রাজিয়া খন্দকার স্কুল এবং কলেজ। মির্জাপুর, টাঙ্গাইল	১০/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৪।	করোটিয়া	সোলাশিয়া সরকারী প্রাথমিক বিদ্যালয়, করোটিয়া, টাঙ্গাইল সদর, টাঙ্গাইল	১১/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা
৫।	এলোচা	পুতুখর রহমান মতিন মহিলা ডিগ্রি কলেজ, রাজাবাড়ি, এলোচা, কাসিহাতি, টাঙ্গাইল।	১২/১০/২০২২	বিকাল ৩ টা

উক্ত মতবিনিময় সভায় সকল শ্রেণীপেশার ব্যক্তি-বর্গকে আমন্ত্রণ করা হলো যেখানে প্রকল্পের প্রাথমিক ডিজাইন, সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত বিভিন্ন বিষয় ও প্রভাব প্রশমনের ব্যবস্থা সম্পর্কে আলোচনাপাত করা হবে।

উক্ত সমীক্ষা সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে আপনাদের কোন মন্তব্য থাকলে আমরা সেটা শুনতে আগ্রহী। ব্যক্তিগত তথ্য ব্যক্তিগত সর্বস্বত্ব পাবলিক রেকর্ডের অংশ হিসেবে বিবেচিত হবে। প্রকল্পের দ্বারা সৃষ্ট সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাবগুলো প্রশমন ও প্রতিকারের জন্য আপনার সুপারিশ ও মতামত প্রদান করুন।

প্রকল্প পরিচালক
বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত
ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প

সামাজিক এবং পরিবেশ বিশেষজ্ঞ
বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত
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Newspaper Announcement for Jamna Bridge to Ishrudi

Notice

Public Consultation on the Social and Environmental Impacts for the Construction of Double Line Railway Project between Joydebpur and Ishurdi Section of Bangladesh Railway

Subject:

With the funding from Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Bangladesh Railway has taken a project for the construction of another dual gauge line railway at Joydebpur-Ishurdi section along with the existing railway line from Ishurdi Railway station to Joydebpur railway station. The extensive construction activities during the construction of the new rail line under this project may have impacts on the social infrastructure and environment.

Public Consultation Programme:

The social and environmental impact assessment has been entrusted to Environment and Resource Analysis Center (ENRAC) expert team for the project of Dual Gauge Double Line Construction Project of Bangladesh Railway. As part of this survey, the public consultation meeting will be held in accordance with the Bangladesh Government's Environmental Protection Rules (1997), ARIPA 2017 and related policies and guidelines of JICA at the following locations

SL No	Location	Venue	Date	Time
1.	Kamarkanda	JVCs Fly Over High School. Shahabazpur, Jhaweel, Chala, Kamarkanda, Sirajganj.	13.10.2022	3.00 Pm
2.	Ullapara	Khandakar Abdul Majid High School. Nayanganj Bazar, Ullapara, Sirajganj (Near south side of Ullapara Rail Station)	14.10.2022	3.00 Pm
3.	Ullapara	Mohanpur K.M. Institution. Lahiri Mohanpur, Ullapara, Sirajganj.	15.10.2022	3.00 Pm
4.	Bhangura	Hazi Goyej Uddin Mohila Fazil (Degree) Madrasa. Chowbaria Dakkin para, (Rail Line Para) south side of Baral Bridge Rail Station). Vhangura, Pabna.	16.10.2022	3.00 Pm
5.	Chatmohor	62 Amritakonda Govt. Primary School. Rail Bazar, Mulgram, Chatmohor, Pabna	17.10.2022	3.00 Pm
6.	Ishurdi	Mooladuli Union Parishad, Muladuly Bazar, Ishurdi, Pabna	18.10.2022	3.00 Pm

People from all classes and occupations are invited to the public consultation meeting where the draft design of the project, various social and environmental issues, and mitigation measures will be discussed.

If you have any comments regarding the survey, we are interested to hear those. All comments other than personal information will be considered part of the public record. We look forward to your suggestions and comments for mitigating and remedying the potential social and environmental impacts of the project.

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(2) 2nd Stakeholder Meeting Newspaper Announcement



বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব বিষয়ক ২য় দফার মতবিনিময় সভা

বিষয়ঃ
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)/ জাইকার আর্থিক সহায়তায় বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে, ঈশ্বরদী রেলওয়ে স্টেশন থেকে জয়দেবপুর রেলওয়ে স্টেশন পর্যন্ত বিনামূল্যে রেল লাইনের পাশাপাশি অপর একটি রেল লাইন নির্মাণের জন্য জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প গ্রহণ করেছে। প্রকল্পের আওতায় নতুন লাইনটি নির্মাণকালে নির্মাণের ব্যাপক কার্যক্রমের কারণে সামাজিক অবকাঠামো ও পরিবেশের উপর বিভিন্ন রকম প্রভাব পড়তে পারে। এ বিষয়ে স্থানীয় ও সংশ্লিষ্ট বাজিবর্গের সাথে অক্টোবর ২০২২ এ প্রথম দফার মত বিনিময় সভা করা হয়েছে।

মতবিনিময় সভাঃ
প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব সম্পর্কিত সমীক্ষাটি বাস্তবায়নের দায়িত্ব বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের বিশেষজ্ঞ দল (ENRAC) এর উপর ন্যস্ত করা হয়। এই সমীক্ষার অংশ হিসেবে বাংলাদেশ সরকারের পরিবেশ সংরক্ষণ বিধিমালা (১৯৯৭), ARIPA 2017 এবং জাইকার সংশ্লিষ্ট নীতিমালা ও নির্দেশনা অনুসারে ২য় দফার মতবিনিময় সভা নিম্নলিখিত স্থানগুলোতে অনুষ্ঠিত হবেঃ

ক্র.নং	সভার স্থানঃ	তারিখঃ	সময়ঃ
১.	সালনা নাসিরউদ্দিন মোমেনিয়াস্কুল জুস এন্ড কলেজ, সালনা বাজার, গাজীপুর।	০২ এপ্রিল ২০২২	দুপুর ২টা
২.	জাতির পিতা বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিবুর রহমান হাইস্কুল। চন্দ্রা বাসস্ট্যান্ড, সফিপুর, গাজীপুর।	০৩ এপ্রিল ২০২২	দুপুর ২টা
৩.	ডাঃ আশোরা রাজিয়া খন্দকার স্কুল এবং কলেজ। মির্জাপুর, টাঙ্গাইল।	০৪ এপ্রিল ২০২২	দুপুর ২টা
৪.	সোনালিয়া সরকারি প্রাথমিক বিদ্যালয়, কড়াটিয়া, সোনাগাইল সদর, টাঙ্গাইল।	০৫ এপ্রিল ২০২২	দুপুর ২টা
৫.	লুৎফুর রহমান মতিন মহিলা ডিগ্রি কলেজ, রাজবাড়ি, এলঙ্গা, কালিহাতি, টাঙ্গাইল।	০৬ এপ্রিল ২০২২	দুপুর ২টা

উক্ত মতবিনিময় সভায় সকল শ্রেণীপেশার বাজিবর্গকে আমন্ত্রণ করা হলো যেখানে প্রকল্পের প্রাথমিক ডিজাইন, সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত বিভিন্ন বিষয় ও প্রভাব প্রশ্নোত্তরে ব্যবস্থা সম্পর্কে আলোচনা করা হবে।

উক্ত সমীক্ষা সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে আপনাদের কোন মতামত থাকলে আমরা সৌা শ্রুততে আগ্রহী। বাজিবর্গ তথ্য সঠিক সকল মতামত পারস্পরিক বৈতরণ্যে অংশ হিসেবে বিবেচিত হবে। প্রকল্পের স্বাা সড়কা সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাবগুলো প্রশমন ও প্রতিকারের জন্য আপনার সুপারিশ ও সহায়তা প্রত্যাশা করছি।

প্রকল্প পরিচালক
বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ
ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প

সামাজিক ও পরিবেশ বিশেষজ্ঞ
বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ
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Notice

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Subject:

With the financial support of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Bangladesh Railway has taken a project for the construction of dual gauge double line from Joydebpur to Ishwardi section along with the existing railway line from Ishwardi Railway Station to Joydebpur Railway Station. The extensive construction activities during the construction of the new line under the project may have various impacts on the social infrastructure and environment. In this regard, an exchange meeting has been held in October 2022 with local and related individuals.

Public Consultation Programme:

The social and environmental impact assessment was entrusted to Environment and Resource Analysis Center (ENRAC) expert team for the project of Dual Gauge Double Line Construction Project of Bangladesh Railway. As part of this survey, the 2nd round of consultation meeting will be held at the following locations as per the Bangladesh Government's Environment Protection Rules (1997), ARIPA 2017 and related policies and guidelines of JICA.

Sl No	Location	Venue	Date	Time
1.	Salna	Salna Nasir Uddin School & College. Salna Bazaar, Gazipur	02.04.2023	2.00 pm
2.	Kaliakoir	Jatir Pita Banghabondhu High School. Chandra Bus Stand, Kaliakoir, Gazipur	03.04.2023	2.00 pm
3.	Mirzapur	Dr. Ayesha Razia Khandakar School & College. Kadim Dallah, Mirzapur, Tangail	04.04.2023	2.00 pm
4.	Karatiya	Sonaliya Govt Ptimary School. Karatiya, Tangail, Sadar, Tangail.	05.04.2023	2.00 pm
5.	Rajabari	Lutfur Rahaman Matin Mohila Degree College,Rajabari, Elenga Kalihati, Tangail	06.04.2023	2.00 pm

People from all classes and occupations are invited to the public consultation meeting where the draft design of the project, various social and environmental issues and mitigation measures will be discussed.

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বিশেষ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ
প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব বিষয়ক ২য় দফার মতবিনিময় সভা

বিষয়ঃ
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) জাইকা'র আর্থিক সহায়তায় বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে, ঈশ্বরদী রেলওয়ে স্টেশন থেকে জয়দেবপুর রেলওয়ে স্টেশন পর্যন্ত বিদ্যমান রেল লাইনের পাশাপাশি অপর একটি রেল লাইন নির্মাণের জন্য জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্প গ্রহণ করেছে। প্রকল্পের আওতায় নতুন লাইনটি নির্মাণকালে নির্মাণের ব্যাপক কার্যক্রমের কারণে সামাজিক অবকাঠামো ও পরিবেশের উপর বিভিন্ন রকম প্রভাব পড়তে পারে। এ বিষয়ে স্থানীয় ও সংশ্লিষ্ট ব্যক্তি-গণের সাথে অক্টোবর ২০২২ এ প্রথম দফার মত বিনিময় সভা করা হয়েছে।

মতবিনিময় সভাঃ
প্রকল্পের সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাব সম্পর্কিত সমীক্ষাটি বাস্তবায়নের দায়িত্ব বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের জয়দেবপুর হতে ঈশ্বরদী পর্যন্ত ডুয়েল গেজ ডাবল লাইন নির্মাণ প্রকল্পের বিশেষজ্ঞ দল (ENRAC) এর উপর ন্যস্ত করা হয়। এই সমীক্ষার অংশ হিসেবে বাংলাদেশ সরকারের পরিবেশ সংরক্ষণ বিধিমালা (১৯৯৭), ARIPA 2017 এবং জাইকার সংশ্লিষ্ট নীতিমালা ও নির্দেশনা অনুসারে ২য় দফার মতবিনিময় সভা নিম্নলিখিত স্থানগুলোতে অনুষ্ঠিত হবেঃ

ক্র. নং	এলাকা	সভার স্থান	তারিখঃ	সময়ঃ
১.	কাসারখন্দ	জে.ডি.সি.সাই ওয়ার হাই স্কুল। শাহাবাজপুর, কাউইল, চালা, কাসারখন্দ, সিরাজগঞ্জ।	০৭ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা
২.	উল্লাপাড়া	খন্দকার আব্দুল মজিদ উচ্চ বিদ্যালয়, নয়নগঞ্জ বাজার, উল্লাপাড়া, সিরাজগঞ্জ। (উল্লাপাড়া রেলস্টেশনের দক্ষিণ পাশে)	০৮ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা
৩.	উল্লাপাড়া	মোহনপুর কে.এম. প্রতিষ্ঠান, লাহিড়ী মোহনপুর, উল্লাপাড়া, সিরাজগঞ্জ।	০৯ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা
৪.	ভাঙ্গুরা	হাজী গোয়েজ উদ্দিন মোহিলা ফাজিল (ডিগ্রি) মাদ্রাসা, চৌবাড়িয়া দক্ষিণপাড়া, (রেল লাইন পাড়া) বড়াল ব্রিজ রেলস্টেশনের দক্ষিণ পাশে। ভাঙ্গুরা, পাবনা।	১০ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা
৫.	চাটমোহর	৬২ নং অমৃতকোন্ডা সরকারি প্রাথমিক বিদ্যালয়, রেল বাজার, মুলাগ্রাম, চাটমোহর, পাবনা।	১১ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা
৬.	ঈশ্বরদী	মুলাডুলি ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ কার্যালয়, মুলাডুলি বাজার, ঈশ্বরদী, পাবনা।	১২ এপ্রিল ২০২৩	দুপুর ২টা

উক্ত মতবিনিময় সভায় সকল শ্রেণী-পেশার ব্যক্তি-বর্গকে আমন্ত্রণ করা হলো যেখানে প্রকল্পের প্রাথমিক ডিজাইন, সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত বিভিন্ন বিষয় ও প্রভাব প্রশ্নমতের ব্যবস্থা সম্পর্কে আলোচনাত করা হবে।

উক্ত সমীক্ষা সংক্রান্ত বিষয়ে আপনাদের কোন মতবা থাকলে আমরা সেটা শুনতে আগ্রহী। ব্যক্তিগত ও/বা বাতিল সকল মতবা পাবনিক রেকর্ডের অংশ হিসেবে বিবেচিত হবে। প্রকল্পের দ্বারা সম্ভাব্য সামাজিক ও পরিবেশগত প্রভাবগুলো প্রশমন ও প্রতিকারের জন্য আপনার সুপারিশ ও মতামত প্রত্যাশা করছি।

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Newspaper Announcement for Jamna Bridge to Ishrudi

Notice

Public Consultation on the Social and Environmental Impacts for the Construction of Double Line Railway Project between Joydebpur and Ishurdi Section of Bangladesh Railway

Subject:

With the financial support of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), Bangladesh Railway has taken a project for the construction of dual gauge double line from Joydevpur to Ishwardi section along with the existing railway line from Ishwardi Railway Station to Joydevpur Railway Station. The extensive construction activities during the construction of the new line under the project may have various impacts on the social infrastructure and environment. In this regard, an exchange meeting has been held in October 2022 with local and related individuals.

Public Consultation Programme:

The social and environmental impact assessment was entrusted to Environment and Resource Analysis Center (ENRAC) expert team for the project of Dual Gauge Double Line Construction Project of Bangladesh Railway. As part of this survey, the 2nd round of consultation meeting will be held at the following locations as per the Bangladesh Government's Environment Protection Rules (1997), ARIPA 2017 and related policies and guidelines of JICA.

Sl No	Location	Venue	Date	Time
1.	Khandakar	JVCs Fly Over High School. Shahabazpur, Jhaweel, Chala, Kamarkanda, Sirajganj.	07.04.2023	2.00 pm
2.	Ullapara	Khandakar Abdul Majid High School. Nayanganj Bazar, Ullapara, Sirajganj. (Near south side of Ullapara Rail Station)	08.04.2023	2.00 pm
3.	Ullapara	Mohanpur K.M. Institution. Lahiri Mohanpur, Ullapara, Sirajganj.	09.04.2023	2.00 pm
4.	Bhangura	Hazi Goyej Uddin Mohila Fazil (Degree) Madrasa. Chowbaria Dakkin para, (South side of Baral Bridge Rail Station). Bhangura, Pabna.	10.04.2023	2.00 pm
5.	Chatmohor	62 Amritakonda Govt. Primary School. Rail Bazar, Mulgram, Chatmohor, Pabna	11.04.2023	2.00 pm
6.	Ishurdi	Mooladuli Union Parishad Mooladuly Bazar, Ishurdi, Pabna	12.04.2023	2.00 pm

People from all classes and occupations are invited to the public consultation meeting where the draft design of the project, various social and environmental issues and mitigation measures will be discussed.

If you have any comments regarding the survey, we are interested to hear them. All comments other than personal information will be considered part of the public record. We look forward to your suggestions and comments for mitigating and remedying the potential social and environmental impacts of the project.

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Appendix 7: Detailed Q&A from Stakeholder Meeting

(1) 1st Stakeholder Meeting

1 st Stakeholders Meeting-1		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The Project will be beneficial to us. If the Project is put into action, we can travel very quickly. The local people of the area assist you with this project.	Thank you for your suggestion.
2.	Due to this project, agricultural land will be impacted. If the government creates employment opportunities for affected individuals, it will be an excellent option.	The government certainly considers the impacted population. The impacted individual will receive appropriate compensation and will be included in the construction activities.
3.	Long -time construction will cause dust and noise pollution; what type of action will take to reduce this pollution	Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period to minimize dust and noise pollution
4.	Fast construction is expected to avoid environmental pollution.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
5.	From the project increased traffic congestion is expected. At busy train crossings, a traffic signaling system must be created.	Traffic safety will be considered in EMP.
6.	We are hearing for a long time about this project. When will the implementation take place?	Thank you for your question. The project has been initiated and different types of surveys are being conducted now. Implementation will take about 18-24 months from now.
7.	During the land acquisition in 1998, our 18 decimal lands were acquired, but we were not compensated properly. Is there any chance of receiving that money now?	We are sorry for your loss. But as the compensations are allotted under a project, this project can compensate the people affected under this project only.
8.	Many people have sold and bought their land since 2013. Who will get compensated for the land now?	The official owner of the land will be compensated.
9.	In Salna, there is a huge difference in the price of land on the east and west sides of the Mymensingh Road. How will this issue be taken care of?	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.
10.	If someone has shops on BR land, will that person be compensated?	If your shop falls under the CROW. you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type of your shop.
11.	The land to be acquired by BR is in my father's name, but he stays abroad. How will we get the compensation?	The official owner of the land will be compensated. The papers can be submitted to the DC office by anyone. After all the processing the cheque will be ready at the DC office. The owner will be required to be physically present only to receive the cheque.
12.	How long will it take to receive the compensation money?	It will take about 12 months from now.

1st Stakeholders Meeting-2		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	This Project is very positive for the local people. In the near future, Bangladesh will be connected with the nearest countries through the implementation of this type of Project. It will make our economy strong.	Thank you for your good positive comments. The consultant noted the point of optimism.
2.	The current environment will become unbalanced as a direct result of the implementation of the Project.	The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e. watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution.
3.	Regarding waste management take necessary measures to keep the environment clean	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e. watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution.
4.	What is the management of railway sewage? As we reside near the rail line, our house gets very malodorous. Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities.
5.	From Mouchak to Joydebpur, half of my land might be under acquisition. How will I get compensated for half of my land?	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the amount of land acquired.
6.	My land is 10 decimals, out of that 1.5 decimals might be under acquisition. On that 1.5 decimal land, I have a kacha house (made of tin). Will be compensated for the house?	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the amount of land acquired, according to the mouza rate. You will also be compensated for the structure that will be demolished. Compensation will depend on the structure type.
7.	Which side of the existing railway track will be under acquisition?	From the North side of the existing rail line.
8.	During 1998's acquisition to receive compensation money, we were asked for bribes at every step. Please ensure proper distribution of compensation money in each step.	The consultant Noted the issue. Also suggested that do not try any illegal ways to get the compensation money sooner.
1st Stakeholders Meeting-3		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	A good drainage system will be needed. Without it, water logging/congestion will be a major problem.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
2.	The project will pollute the soil at the time of construction. What type of action will take to reduce this pollution	Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period to minimize soil pollution
3.	Heavy vehicles will cause road damage, authorities should keep that in consideration.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

4.	This Project will have an impact on agricultural land. If the government can provide affected individuals with work opportunities, that will be a very wise choice.	The government thinks about the affected people. The affected person will get proper compensation and they will be added to the construction activities based on qualification.
5.	I have a shop on BR's land. I am a disabled person. If this project takes place, I will be evacuated along with my shop. I do not have any alternative source of income. Is there any alternative for me or will I be compensated?	You will be compensated for your structure. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type. The Resettlement action plan has the Compensation Package for your livelihood and vulnerability, you will also be compensated under this program.
6.	Please take care of the open dumping of railway sewage. We reside near the railway line and now and then open dumping takes place and we are very much annoyed with this issue.	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities. So, with time, it is improving
7.	I have a Mobile phone servicing shop that falls under acquisition. Will there be any compensation for me?	You will be compensated for your structure, Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type,
8.	I have a cattle farm on BR's land. I have no alternative place to move to my farm. Will there be any compensation? On what basis?	You will be compensated for your structure.
9.	The stairs of the platforms are not up to the mark. As well as, the platforms are not at a level, which causes slipover.	Thank you for your suggestion. The consultant has noted the issue
10.	I have a high-storey building that will partially fall under the acquisition. If that part is demolished, the underground floor will lose its entrance. How will this issue be addressed?	You will be compensated for the structure type. The property Valuation Committee will discuss with you how you want the structure to be acquired.

1st Stakeholders Meeting-4

No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	We respect the decision of our Government This Project will be constructed by thinking of the loss and benefit of local people.	The government thinks about the general people. Necessary changes are included several times to respect the local people.
2.	Social forestation along with the other trees and vegetation will be affected due to the Project activities	The affected person will get proper compensation. Three trees will be planted instead of one which will be demolished during the construction period
3.	Cutting trees causes a negative impact on the environment. How it will be managed? What will be the solution for the tree owner?	If one tree will need to be cut, then three seedlings will be planted. Compensation will be given to the tree owner.
4.	What is the rate of compensation for land acquisition?	According to ARIPA 2017, the compensation value of the land will be 3 times the existing Mauza rate.
5.	During the last acquisition we were affected but not compensated properly. Please make sure proper compensation this time.	A consultant has noted the issue.

6.	How many days before the evacuation we will be notified?	You will be notified before 4 to 6 months depending on your area.
7.	What will happen to the homeless people currently residing near the railway? Is there any probation or compensation for them?	If their house falls under the CROW, then they will get compensation for their structure.
8.	The land to be acquired by BR is in my father's name, but he is currently staying abroad. Can my mother receive the money on his behalf?	The official owner of the land will be compensated. The papers can be submitted to the DC office by anyone. After all the processing the cheque will be ready at the DC office. The owner will be required to be physically present only to receive the cheque.
9.	When the surveys will be over? During the survey in 2013, the surveyors claimed money from us to assist with the compensation. Was it fair?	Sorry to hear that. It was not fair of course. Please do not engage in any unethical money transaction with anyone
1st Stakeholders Meeting-5		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The lack of underpasses and overpass accidents is increasing day by day. The new Project should add more underpasses and overpasses.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
2.	At the point of level crossing where most of the accidents happen, will a proper guard system incorporate into the proposed Project	All the existing level crossings will be improved to avoid an accident with a proper guard system.
3.	In the name of development, we should not compromise possible environmental issues.	The consultant is aware of that, and the meeting is also one of the approaches to identify the issues.
4.	There will be huge sound pollution during construction time as well as vibrations from railways.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
5.	During the last acquisitions, we were harassed, by the surveyors as well as by the administration while receiving compensation. Please make sure such injustice does not occur this time.	Thank you for your concern. The consultant has noted the issue.
6.	Due to railway acquisition, the link road is damaged, and we are unable to use that. Please take care of the issue.	The consultant has noted the issue.
7.	After the survey in 2013, I built a new house and a new tree on my land. Will I be compensated for this?	Yes, you will be compensated for the structure and the tree.
8.	For railway works, the BR authority closes the road in ward#2, but they do not provide any alternative link road.	The consultant has noted the issue.
9.	During the acquisition in 1995 authority took more land than calculated. Is there any compensation or solution available on this issue at present?	We are sorry for your loss. But as the compensations are allotted under a project, this project can compensate the people affected under this project only.
10.	There should be the provision of a side road near rail lines. In Deupur, 156 people have been killed during crossing as there is no side walkway near the line.	Thank you for your concern. The consultant has noted the issue.

1st Stakeholders Meeting-6		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	How do you manage railway sewage? The houses residing near the rail line get very malodorous from the open dumping of sewage. Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities. So, with time, it is improving
2.	Regarding waste management taking necessary measures to keep the environment clean along with the assurance of proper compensation for private land acquisition and resettlement, alternative settlement for the affected person should be included in the Project	The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e., watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution. The consultant noted the point of optimism.
3.	Due to the implementation of the Project, the number of trains will increase which will pose more accidents.	For the movement of people, there will be several underpasses and overpasses. At the point where many people cross the railway, these underpasses and overpasses will be constructed over this place.
4.	Due to the lack of underpass and overpass accident is increasing day by day. The new Project should add more underpasses and overpasses.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
5.	Long-time construction will cause dust and noise pollution; what type of action will take to reduce this pollution	Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period to minimize dust and noise pollution
6.	Wetlands should be protected from any environmental degradation due to construction facilities.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
7.	The Mouza rate does not match the market rate. It is very cheaper than the market rate. Many landowners are sufferers for this reason.	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.
8.	I have a poultry farm; I am working on leased land. What will happen to me?	The project has a Construction Right of Way (CRoW), Its distance from the central line varies in different places. If your structure falls under the CROW, then it will be under acquisition and you will get compensation for your structure. And for your leased land, if you have a proper deed document, the property assessment and valuation committee will determine compensation for your leased land
9.	Now we are staying in a joined family. But if there is any land acquisition, the lands will be divided among the successors. For which we will become poorer.	According to ARIPA 2017, the compensation value of the land will be 3 times the existing Mauza rate.
10.	I am a disabled person; I am currently residing on BR's land. What will happen to me?	You will be compensated for your structure; the Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type. The Resettlement action plan has the Compensation Package for your livelihood and vulnerability, you will also be compensated

		under this program
11.	When will the construction start? Because due to possible railway acquisition, we cannot plan or do anything on our land.	It will take about 18-24 months now
12.	There are not enough gatemen in the adjacent line. We request through you (BR Personnel) to increase the number of gatemen	Thank you for your concern. The consultant has noted the issue.
13.	I work on leased land, what is the resettlement plan for me?	For your leased land, if you have a proper deed document, the property assessment and Valuation committee will determine compensation for your leased land
1st Stakeholders Meeting-7		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The Project deserves to be applauded. To progress the development of the country such kinds of Projects are very important. But special care should take in the level crossing where most railway-related accidents meet.	Thank you for your good positive comments. The consultant noted the point of optimism.
2.	Such kinds of Projects are very necessary for our economy. But a large number of trees will be cut for this Project. So, the number of planted trees should be doubled compared to cutting trees.	Thank you for your suggestion. We have a plan for tree plantation. It will be three to four times higher than cuttings trees.
3.	When will the project be implemented, for a long time we are hearing that there will be a project but nothing has started yet.	Implementing such a huge project that requires a lot of surveys, proper measurements, as well as identification of all affected people, takes a long time. All the preliminary work has started and is ongoing.
4.	I have my house on BR's land, if I am evicted what will happen to my house? Will there be any compensation for me?	You will be compensated for your structure. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type
5.	I have my house on BR's land, and I have no other assets and no place to move, if I am evicted what will happen to my family? Will there be any compensation for us?	You will be compensated for your structure. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type
6.	I have a shop on BR's land, and this is my only source of income, if the shop is demolished, how will I survive? Will I be entitled to any compensation as I am losing my earning source?	You will be compensated for your structure and the Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
7.	I have been living on BR's land for quite a long time, I have built this house with all my savings. Now if this house gets evicted, what will be my compensation?	You will be compensated for your structure. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type
8.	I have planted many trees beside my home which is on BR's land. What will happen to the trees? Are these entitled to any compensation?	You will be compensated for your structure. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the tree type
1st Stakeholders Meeting-8		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR

1.	We will get benefit from the Project. We can go to a different area very fast if the Project will be implemented.	Thank you for your suggestion.
2.	A good drainage system will be needed. Without it, water logging/congestion will be a major problem.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
3.	During the construction period, a lot of garbage will be generated. Proper action should be taken against garbage.	Our consultant noted the point of optimism and the sound barrier will be made available in the construction area. Low-noise machines will be used for construction.
4.	Wetlands should be protected from any environmental degradation due to construction facilities.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
5.	I have a small business which is my only source of income. As this is on BR's land, what will be my alternative? If there is any compensation applicable,	You will be compensated for your structure and income loss. In the Resettlement action plan, it has a program named the Livelihood Restoration program, and you also compensated under this program
6.	Is my house under acquisition? How many feet will be acquired from the existing line?	The project has a Construction Right of Way (CRoW), Its distance from the central line varies in different places. If your house falls under the CROW, then it will be under acquisition.
7.	When will project construction work start?	It will take about 18-24 months
8.	I am a small grocery shop owner, my shop is on BR's land, and this is my only source of income, if the shop is demolished, how will I survive? Will I be entitled to any compensation as I am losing my earnings source?	You will be compensated for your structure and income loss. The Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood Restoration program, and you also compensated under this program
9.	If the same person has two houses on BR's land how his compensation will be calculated?	During the survey, all the affected structures have been counted If your house falls under the CROW, you will be compensated. The household head of your family will receive the money
10.	Many small business owners like me are affected by their business as our business is on BR's land. How will they be compensated?	If your store falls under the CROW, you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type of your shop.

1st Stakeholders Meeting-9

No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The Project deserves to be applauded. To progress the development of the country such kinds of Projects are very important. But special care should take in the level crossing where most railway-related accidents meet.	Thank you for your good positive comments. The consultant noted the point of optimism.
2.	Huge sound pollution will occur during construction time.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
3.	Unnecessary land should not be acquired by railway and existing agricultural lands should be protected during construction.	The least possible, vacant, and unutilized land will be acquired.

4.	Which side of the existing line the new line will be constructed?	From the North side of the existing rail line
5.	My shop is on BR's land. If my shop is evicted what will be the compensation?	You will get compensation for the physical structure of your shop
6.	I am currently residing on BR's land, as I cannot stay anywhere else. If I am evicted, Government should provide me with alternative housing arrangements.	Okay, noted the issue
7.	What will be the notice period for the eviction? When will I be compensated? Will it be before the eviction or after?	4 to 6 months, compensated before the eviction
8.	We are joined family living in a house on BR's land. When you provide the compensation, who will receive the money from my family as we are non-titled holders according to you?	The household head of your family will receive the money
1st Stakeholders Meeting-10		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	Noise and vibration pollution will take place all the time.	The consultant suggested that modern equipment will be used so that noise impact will not arise
2.	Long-time construction will cause air pollution, soil pollution, water pollution, and sound pollution. Social forestation will be hampered.	A proper suggestion will be given to minimize the environmental effects.
3.	What is the management of railway sewage? As we reside near the rail line, our house gets very malodorous. Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities.
4.	Transportation of heavy vehicles during construction works damages existing roads, authorities should keep that in consideration.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
5.	My shop is 20ft away from the existing line. What will happen to it?	The project has a Construction Right of Way (CROW), Its distance from the central line varies in different places. If your store falls under the CROW, you will have to remove it and will be compensated.
6.	My shop is on BR's land. If my shop is evicted what will be the compensation?	If your store falls under the CROW. you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type of your shop.
7.	I have been living on BR's land for quite a long time, I have built this house with all my savings. Now if this house gets evicted, what will be my compensation?	If your house falls under the CROW, you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type of your house.
8.	I have a small business which is my only source of income. As this is on BR's land, what	If your commercial structure falls under the CROW, you will have to remove it and will be

	will be my alternative? If there is any compensation applicable, how will that be calculated?	compensated. The compensation will be paid as per the policy of the RAP before displacement from the project site. During the survey, all the affected structures have been counted and accordingly, the budget has been prepared as per the policy of the RAP
1st Stakeholders Meeting-11		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	Many shops, markets, and houses are located on the railway right of way, and if the Project is within the area what will the owner do or get compensation?	Every affected person will be compensated according to their loss category, loss of structure, land, business, etc.
2.	How to determine the value of the land?	A separate team is working on the social and resettlement issues.
3.	Such kinds of Projects are very necessary for our economy. But a large number of trees will be cut for this Project.	Thank you for your suggestion. We have a plan for tree plantation. It will be three to four times higher than cuttings trees.
4.	We will get benefit from the Project. We can go to a different area very fast if the Project will be implemented.	Thank you for your suggestion.
5.	There will be huge sound pollution during construction time as well as vibrations from railways.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
6.	My house is built on BR's land and currently, half of it will be under acquisition. How will the structure be demolished? Will be half or full? What will be my compensation?	you will have to remove it from the inside of CROW and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee
7.	One-third part of my shop will be acquired. If demolished, what will be the compensation? Can I run my shop for the non-acquired parts?	Yes, you can, in your non-acquired parts.
8.	I have planted many trees beside my home which is on BR's land. What will happen to the trees? Are these entitled to any compensation?	You will be compensated for the trees; Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the tree types
9.	I am a sweeper, I live on hand-to-mouth, and my house is built on BR's land. If I am evicted, I have no place to go or live. Will the project authority consider me for any sort of compensation?	You will be compensated for your structure; the Price will be determined by the Property Valuation Committee as per the structure type. The Resettlement action plan has the Compensation Package for your livelihood and vulnerability, you are also compensated under this program. Regarding this issue, Muladuli Upazilla Chairman added, they will request the Pabna DC authority to rehabilitate this community.
10.	I have my land which will be acquired. What will be my compensation? The mouza rate in this area is very low. If I am compensated according to the mouza rate, I will be affected badly.	According to ARIPA 2017, the compensation value of the land will be 3 times the existing Mauza rate. Also, A property assessment and valuation committee will be responsible to determine the unit price of the affected properties and land.
11.	When will the construction start? Because due to possible railway acquisition, we cannot plan or do anything on our land.	It will take about 18-24 months.

(2) 2nd Stakeholder Meeting

2 nd Stakeholders Meeting-1		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	<p>My question is regarding the commercial structures that will be acquired under the project, what will happen to the people who are working in those institutions, as they will be losing their income and livelihood? I think there should be compensation and income restoration for the business institution owners as well as the labors.</p> <p>From the environmental perspective, I believe the authority will keep the environment in mind and follow DoE guidelines while construction and afterward.</p> <p>I believe as JICA is involved with this project every compensation and regulation will be followed strictly.</p>	<p>The consultant noted the point of optimism.</p> <p>Commercial structures will be affected by the structure value and employees working on those structures will receive 3 months' average salary as compensation.</p>
2.	<p>During the last land acquisition in the year 1998, receiving the compensation was cumbersome. We had to visit the DC and LA offices quite often. We know that these government processes take a long time as well as the processes are hectic. I believe all acquisition and compensation processes will be maintained with honesty.</p> <p>Please let us know, when the project may start so that we can shift our affected home ahead of time.</p>	<p>The project has been initiated, and different types of surveys have been conducted in this regard. Implementation will take about 18-24 months from now.</p>
3.	<p>During the last acquisition, we could not receive any compensation without providing any percentage to the authority, some of my compensations are still pending for this reason. Please make sure this type of hassle does not occur this time.</p> <p>Also, revise the mouza rate from our south Salna mouza as mouza rates are different for the adjacent lands.</p>	<p>Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.</p>
4.	<p>Mouza rate is different in different areas. Why is this discrepancy? What will be my compensation?</p>	
5.	<p>My land is in my grandfather's name. for this issue we could not collect the pervious compensation. How the compensation will be calculated? Who will receive the compensation?</p>	<p>The household head of your family will receive the compensation money, and you will receive the compensation under this project.</p>
6.	<p>The dag number for my lands are 318 and 319. The Surveyor did not count the trees on my land. How would the trees be evaluated?</p>	<p>You will be compensated for the trees. Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the tree type.</p>
7.	<p>We are hearing for a long time about this project. When will the implementation take place?</p> <p>Fast construction is expected to avoid environmental pollution.</p>	<p>The project has been initiated, and different types of surveys have been conducted in this regard. Implementation will take about 18-24 months from now.</p>

8.	Construction that takes place over an extended period will result in dust and noise pollution; what kinds of measures will be taken to mitigate this pollution?	Proper mitigation measures as described in the presentation will be taken during the construction period to minimize dust and noise pollution
9.	From the project, it is expected that traffic congestion will be increased. At busy train crossings, a traffic signaling system must be created.	Traffic safety will be considered in EMP.
10.	I would like to request through this meeting the distribution of compensation should be made directly to the PAPs and should avoid any media like the counselor. I would like to also mention that this project is part of government development projects, and we must consider our loss for the greater benefit of the country. I request to the project authority through this meeting that every PAP should get proper and just compensation.	Thank you for your comments and suggestions.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-2		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	I would like to know about the Land Acquisition status in the Joydebpur area.	As you could see from our presentations, in the Joydebpur area, section 4 was declared already and preparation for section 7 is ongoing.
2.	During the last land acquisition in the year 1998, receiving the compensation was cumbersome. We did not receive any compensation.	Do not try any illegal ways to get the compensation money sooner. You will receive compensation under this project.
3.	How far will the present land acquisition go from the existing rail line, especially in the south direction?	The land acquisition will be mainly in the north direction from the existing line. However, in some areas, if there is any acquisition in the south, you will be notified by the DC office.
4.	When will the implementation take place? We are hearing for a long time about this project.	The project has been initiated, and different types of surveys have been conducted in this regard. Implementation will take about 18-24 months from now.
5.	I have 70ft of land the position is just beside the existing rail line. I want to know how much land will be acquired.	The project has a Construction Right of Way (CROW), its distance from the central line varies in different places. If your house falls under the CROW then it will be under acquisition, and you will be notified from the DC office.
6.	I have 10 decimal lands from which 15ft will be under land acquisition of this project. How much compensation would I get? Is there any provision for partial compensation for partial land acquisition?	You will be compensated for the affected area. The property Evaluation Committee will discuss with you how you want it to be acquired.
7.	Some ill-intentioned people have filed a case so that there is a dispute on our land, and we do not get proper compensation. What can we do in this regard?	Do not try any illegal ways to get the compensation money sooner. If as per the legal documents you are the owner, then you will receive the compensation. But all sort of dispute needs to be solved for that.
8.	Regarding waste management take necessary measures to keep the environment clean.	The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e. watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution.

9.	I am from Ratanpur. The house where we reside belongs to my paternal uncle. Who will receive the compensation money after the land acquisition?	The legal owner will receive the money. But if you are a tenant in that house, then you will also receive a compensation as House Transfer Grant.
10.	We reside near the rail line; our house gets very malodorous after a train stops because of the open dumped toilets. What is the management of dumped railway sewage? Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities.
11.	I would like to request through this meeting the distribution of compensation should be provided as soon as available after all official procedures and directly to the project-affected people. I request to the project authority through this meeting that every project affected people should get proper and just compensation.	Thank you for the comments and suggestions.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-3		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	<p>The land compensation should be 5 times instead of 3 times.</p> <p>Compensation for Structures should be 4 times instead of 2 times.</p> <p>Please let us know about the compensation by providing a date.</p> <p>In the property valuation committee add someone from the PAP.</p> <p>Compensation for employees should be 3 or 6 months instead of 45 days.</p> <p>Collecting compensation bills from the DC office is a hectic process. Please deposit the bill in individual bank accounts.</p> <p>I have a shop which is on rent, but how do I know if proper measurements have been done?</p> <p>Mouza rates are different at different places. Please make sure no one faces loss in this regard.</p>	<p>The compensation for land is 3 times the mouza rate based on ARIPA-2017. If the 3 times mouza rate is less than the market price, then there will be top-up compensation to come to an equivalency to the market price.</p> <p>Compensation for structures is also decided based on the ARIPA-2017, as well as the schedule of rates determined by PWD. The PVAC will have local leaders, honorable people from the community, and PAP. They will make the measurements in your presence.</p> <p>Compensation will be provided before the acquisition of the land.</p> <p>Each eligible person will receive their proper compensation from the DC office through their bank account.</p>
11.	There are two lands located side by side; one is categorized as Nama and the other as Kanda. But both lands have the same selling price. My request through you to the government is that this pricing should be revised.	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.
12.	Long-time construction will cause dust and noise pollution; what type of action will take to reduce this pollution	Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period to minimize dust and noise pollution
13.	During the land acquisition in 1997, my land was in a commercial area. But the compensation against the mouza rate was very insignificant. Please help us receive proper compensation this time. Additionally, receiving compensation from the DC office was harassment last time. This issue should be taken care of at this time.	<p>Do not try any illegal ways to get the compensation money sooner.</p> <p>Thank you for your suggestion. Overpass and underpass will be suggested as per the requirement.</p>

	<p>The Mirzapur Bongshai rail crossing is accident-prone. We would like to propose an overpass and an underpass in that area.</p> <p>There is no primary school in the Mirzapur- Bongshai area, we would like to propose a primary school there.</p>	
14.	Will there be any new acquisitions in this area? If there is any vulnerable structure outside the acquired land, what will be the compensation for that?	Yes, a land survey is ongoing in this area. Detailed information will be available after the LAP survey.
15.	<p>The Doklahati-Karail primary school is located near the Lal Bridge crossing. The crossing does not have a gate or a gateman. Children from 4 adjacent villages come to this school, and they are vulnerable to accidents.</p> <p>Also, we are aware of corruption regarding compensations, thus requesting easier payment terms, considering the situation of the illiterate people.</p> <p>Moreover, the property valuation committee should have bottom-level representatives as well as affected people representatives.</p>	<p>We are identifying the busy crossings and stations that are prone to accidents. There will be mitigation measures prescribed in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP).</p> <p>Also, do not try any illegal ways to get the compensation money sooner.</p>
16.	Please take care of the open dumping of railway sewage. We reside near the railway line and now and then open dumping takes place, and we are very much annoyed with this issue.	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities. So, with time it is improving
17.	I would like to request the distribution of compensation should be made directly to the project-affected people, without any hassle. The payment terms should be easier considering the local people, who do not have the proper knowledge. Additionally, the authorities should consider the price hike in the current market for everything, thus making an inflation adjustment.	Thank you for the suggestions.
18.	<p>Implementing this project will improve communication as well as ease our day-to-day life.</p> <p>As this is a government project and JICA is involved with it, I am sure all affected people will receive proper compensation.</p>	Thank you for the comments and suggestions.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-4		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	What will be the compensation for both my structure and the land that will be acquired?	<p>As you could see from our presentations, according to ARIPA 2017, the compensation value of the land will be 3 times the existing Mauza rate.</p> <p>You will also be compensated for the structure that will be demolished. Compensation will depend on the structure type. According to ARIPA-2017, it will be 2 times the present value.</p>

2.	You held a similar meeting 6 months ago, what is the reason for today's meeting? How would you compensate for the structures? How long will it take for the compensation?	Last year we were here for the project disclosure, and we mainly discussed the different environmental and social surveys we were planning to conduct. Whereas, this year we are discussing the survey outcomes with you. Compensation will depend on the structure type. According to ARIPA-2017, it will be 2 times the present value determined based on the schedule of rates by PWD.
3.	I have a house that will be affected by the acquisition. How will the compensation be calculated?	Compensation will depend on the structure type. According to ARIPA-2017, it will be 2 times the present value determined based on the schedule of rates by PWD.
4.	My deed for the land is very old. In that deed, the price mentioned for the land is also very negligible considering today's market. If you pay me considering the price is the deed, I will be at a complete loss.	Compensation will be based on the current mouza rate and/or current market price.
5.	Government-issued mouza rate is around 10 thousand taka and the market price for the same category of land is around 1.5 lac taka. How to get proper compensation in this regard?	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.
6.	My land is a shared land among brothers, but currently, there is a case involving the land's ownership. Who will receive the compensation in this regard?	The owner of the legal documents will receive the compensation, however, all disputes should be solved before receiving the compensation
7.	I understood from your discussion that you will provide 3 times the Mouza rate if that is not enough then a close price of the market rate. But this is not a profit for me. How can this be compensation? This kind of project is necessary for our economy. But many trees will be cut for this Project.	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR. It should be noted, the compensation is provided so that the affected people are not at a loss, but it is not for a profit purpose. We have a plan for tree plantation. It will be three times higher than cuttings trees. Also, you will be compensated for the trees, Price will be determined by the PVAC as per the tree types.
8.	My current land is low-lying land, but if I do a landfilling for the land and then sell it, the land's market price will increase. But the deeds have a different land category mentioned.	PVAC will determine based on the present category of the land.
9.	Long-time construction will cause dust and noise pollution; what type of action will take to reduce this pollution?	Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period.
10.	My house will be affected by the land acquisition. But this is the last piece of land and all I have. Where will I live after the house is demolished, as I have no other place to go?	The consultant has noted the concern. There will be cash compensation and relocation support.
11.	I have a few suggestions. Please make sure all the paperwork is up-to-date and the successors are mentioned properly in the deeds. Please follow the instruction from the DC office and do not fall for any trap and corruption.	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of

	<p>There are 30-40 villages around the Korotia station. We have come to know that despite completing the construction work, the station is not opening due to political issues. But we demand the full opening of that station.</p> <p>Additionally, my request to Bangladesh Railway would be to take care of the sewage from the railway toilets. Whenever a train stops at a station, it leaves open feces and urine on the tracks. There should be storage tanks under the toilet facilities on the trains.</p>	Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities. So, with time it is improving.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-5		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	<p>Please let us know the compensation package for the structures built on private land and Bangladesh Railway's land. Is the compensation different or the same in these cases?</p> <p>Dust generation is a major issue during construction. We request proper mitigation measures against dust impacts</p>	<p>Compensation is the same for structures, both on private and government land. A person will be compensated for his structure, Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the structure type.</p> <p>Proper mitigation measures will be taken during the construction period to minimize dust pollution</p>
2.	<p>People who have structures or trees on Khash land or Bangladesh Railway's land, will they receive any compensation?</p>	
3.	<p>Whenever there are construction works, there will be additional dust generated. But we believe these issues will be mitigated properly.</p>	The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e., watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution.
4.	<p>I have 12 shops on BR's land. I have leased the land from BR for 5 years. What will be my compensation?</p>	If your shop falls under the CROW. you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the structure type of your shop.
5.	<p>To progress the development of the country, this kind of Project is very important. But special care should take in the level crossing where most of the railway-related accidents meet.</p>	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
6.	<p>Due to railway acquisition, the link road is damaged, and we are unable to use that. Please take care of the issue.</p>	The consultant has noted the issue.
7.	<p>Many agricultural lands will be lost due to the project. Unnecessary land should not be acquired by railway and existing agricultural lands should be protected during construction.</p>	The least possible, vacant, and unutilized land will be acquired.
8.	<p>I would hope that during project implementation, the project will follow DoE guidelines and all affected people will receive proper compensation.</p>	Thank you for your positive comments.
9.	<p>Thanks to JICA for sponsoring this project, we will receive proper compensation. Everyone's cooperation is required for running the project smoothly.</p>	The consultant noted the point of optimism.

2nd Stakeholders Meeting-6		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The lands that will be acquired have different mouza rates. But market prices are different. How would you determine the compensation?	Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.
2.	<p>A few days ago, some representatives from the LA office came to our area without prior notice and broke into several houses. My request to the authority through this meeting is that officers should have a proper discussion before any evacuation.</p> <p>You have mentioned, the land will be compensated 3 times and structures will be 2 times, why is there a difference?</p> <p>The price for land and structures has increased over time; please consider providing compensation based on the latest price.</p> <p>If I have a structure that falls partially then how would you compensate?</p> <p>Three mouzas, namely Shodanondopur, Varanga, and Krishnopur fall under both projects Joydebpur-Ishurdi and Bogra-Sirajganj. Please let us know under which project we will be compensated.</p>	<p>Compensation will be based on the act ARIPA-2017, which states land compensation will be 3 times, and structure compensation will be 2 times.</p> <p>Compensation will be based on the present mouza/ market price.</p> <p>You will be compensated for the structure type. The property Evaluation Committee will discuss with you how you want the structure to be acquired.</p> <p>These 3 mouzas will go under the Bogra-Sirajganj project so they will be compensated by that project.</p>
3.	You have mentioned the effects of the land acquisition. But what about if someone is renting their shop or house? Will there be any compensation for them?	If renting, then 3 months equivalent rent will be provided as compensation.
4.	When an old structure is acquired, what will be the compensation rate? Because my house is 40 years old. If you determine the price based on the market price 40 years ago, the compensation amount will be negligible.	Compensation will be based on the present market price. You will be compensated for the structure type. The property Evaluation Committee will discuss with you how you want the structure to be acquired.
5.	<p>There are two lands side by side, but their land category is different and thus the mouza rates are different. How would you compensate? One owner will be at a loss if only mouza rates are considered.</p> <p>When will the project start? What is the tentative time for receiving compensation?</p>	<p>Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.</p> <p>Compensations will be received before acquisition. The project is currently in its survey state, and the implementation will start in 2025-2026.</p>
6.	<p>The government's project will benefit us, especially when JICA is involved with the project.</p> <p>As mouza rates differ varyingly please consider the market price while compensating.</p> <p>During the 2008 land acquisition, we received some money from the government as compensation, but we could not do anything with that money as additional money is required for buying a piece of land. So please consider compensating us with an amount that we can do something with.</p>	<p>Land Compensation will be calculated based on the Mouza rate. If three times the mouza rate is less than the market value, then according to JICA policy the remaining value to reach the market value will be paid by BR.</p> <p>Thank you for your concern. The consultant has noted the issue.</p>

	I would like to request BR for issuing a card to the people who have taken a lease on BR's land.	
7.	What does the compensation rate for a structure on BR land and private land differ from each other?	Compensation is the same for structures, both on private and government land. A person will be compensated for his structure, Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the structure type.
8.	Many people will lose their businesses because of the acquisition. How will they be compensated?	If the business unit falls under the CROW, you will have to remove it and will be compensated. Price will be determined by the PVAC as per the structure type of your shop. In the Resettlement action plan, it has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
9.	We the people of this area are affected by the 2 railway projects Joydebpur-Ishurdi and Bogra-Sirajganj. Which area comes under which project? -Many farmers work on agricultural lands on both sides of the existing rail line. This makes people and animals vulnerable to accidents.	These 3 mouzas will go under the Bogra-Sirajganj project because if that project acquires then no other acquisition from that area will be required. Thank you for your comments. The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
10.	How long can the shops remain on the BR land?	The project is currently in its survey state, and the implementation will start in 2025-2026.
11.	Many people have died since there is a rail line. There is no alternative road. There should be a side road from the main road to Jhaoil.	Thank you for your concern. The consultant has noted the issue
12.	have a poultry business on BR's land which I have taken a lease for 5 years. Is there any compensation for me?	If your structure falls under the CROW, then it will be under acquisition, and you will get compensation for your structure. And for your leased land, if you have a proper deed document, the property assessment and valuation committee will determine compensation for your leased land
13.	From Kodda to Jhaoil there should be an alternative road. If that road is constructed it will be beneficial for the local people.	The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
14.	I request that the present BR representative consider the suggestions from our people and implement those during the implementation of the project.	Thank you for your positive comments and concerns.

2nd Stakeholders Meeting-7

No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	My shop is on BR's land, which will be acquired. Please provide me with a house where I can live with my family, as I do not have any assets.	You will be compensated for your structure according to ARIPA-2017, twice the price of the affected structure. In the Resettlement action plan, it has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
2.	We have been residing on BR's land for a long time. We do not have any other assets or a place to live. Where will we go after the evacuation?	You will receive cash compensation and support for relocation. The Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under

		this program.
3.	I would like to request a living place from the authorities through today's meeting.	You will receive cash compensation and support for relocation. The Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
4.	How will the compensation be paid? Will it be directly, or any medium will be in between?	After all, the evaluation is done, you will receive the compensation directly in your bank account.
5.	When will the project be implemented, for a long time we are hearing that there will be a project, but nothing has started yet.	Implementing such a huge project that requires a lot of surveys, proper measurements, as well as identification of all affected people, takes a long time. We are at the survey and evaluation stage of this project. The project work may start in the year 2025-2026.
6.	I have a shop on BR's land, this is my only source of income, if the shop is demolished, how will I survive? Will I be entitled to any compensation as I am losing my earning source?	You will be compensated for your structure and the Resettlement action plan, it has a program named the Livelihood Restoration program, and you are also compensated under this program.
7.	Cutting trees causes a negative impact on the environment. How it will be managed? What will be the solution for the tree owner?	If one tree will need to be cut, then three seedlings will be planted. Compensation will be given to the tree owner.
8.	Please take the necessary measures to keep the environment clean.	The existing environment will indeed be affected but it is manageable through the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures i.e., watering twice a day to reduce dust pollution. Additionally, a proper waste management plan will be suggested in the EMP.
9.	I would like to reach out to the BR authority and request a living place for the affected people. Sometimes after the acquisition, we see that there are open spaces. I also would like to suggest to BR that they can arrange for living in those available open spaces. Our government has many resettlement initiatives, known as "Guchho Gram" or Cluster Villages. If the affected people from this project are resettled in such cluster villages that would be beneficial for the poor people. I strongly believe, as JICA is involved in this project, they will provide the compensation properly. Because all my people need is a place to live.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.

2nd Stakeholders Meeting-8

No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	The land you will acquire; how long will it take? When can we expect evacuation? I have a shop which I am renting in the bazaar area that will be acquired. But who will get the compensation, me or the shopkeeper?	The project is currently at its survey stage, and the implementation will start in 2025-2026. You will be compensated for your shop structure. As you are renting it so you will also get 3 months' average rent. Additionally, the employee in the shop will receive 45 days of compensation.
2.	I am a temporary shopkeeper and work on BR's land. I do not have any license for my	If you are an employee in the shop, you will get an average of 45 days' salary as

	shop. How will I be compensated?	compensation.
3.	Can we have land instead of compensation?	You will receive cash compensation and support for relocation. The Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
4.	My house will be affected by one foot at the corner. What will my compensation package be?	If the whole of your structure is not required you will get a partial compensation based on only the part affected, in discussion with the valuation committee.
5.	When you make the compensation, will be for the landowners only or people living on BR's land will be compensated as well?	You will be compensated for your structure/trees/ lands according to ARIPA-2017. So people living on BR's land will be compensated depending on their structure type that will be affected.
6.	At the point of level crossing where most of the accidents happen, will a proper guard system incorporate into the proposed Project	All the existing level crossings will be improved to avoid accidents with a proper guard system.
7.	On behalf of everyone today, I have only one request, we want proper compensation and on time.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
8.	I have a house on five decimal lands that will be under acquisition. The owners are my husband and his brother. Who will receive the compensation?	The legal owner will get compensation for the structure.
9.	What is the management of railway sewage? As we work near the rail line, our shops get very malodorous. Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities.
10.	Now we all know who is eligible for compensation and how much the amount will be depending on the loss criteria. Now you can calculate it for yourself and be aware while receiving the compensation. Finally, I would like to request, please make sure everyone gets proper compensation.	Thank you for your comments.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-9		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	We do not have any houses or assets anywhere. Please build a house for us to live in after the evacuation.	You will be compensated for your structure; Price will be determined by the PVAC as per the structure type
2.	I have a pond on BR's land where I cultivate fish. What will be the compensation for me?	You will receive compensation for the fishing business determined by the property valuation committee
3.	I work on a leased land, what is the resettlement plan for me?	For leased land, if you have a proper deed document, the property assessment and evaluation committee will determine compensation for your leased land

4.	What will be the notice period for the eviction? When will I be compensated? Will it be before the eviction or after?	The notice period will be 4 to 6 months, compensation will be provided before the eviction.
5.	I have planted many trees beside my home which is on BR's land. What will happen to the trees? Are these entitled to any compensation? What will be the environmental mitigation for the trees?	You will be compensated for the trees; the Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the tree types. There will be a tree plantation and replacement program under the project. for every affected tree 3 trees will be planted.
6.	The level crossings are the place where most of the accidents happen, will a proper guard system incorporate into the proposed Project	All the existing level crossing will be improved to avoid accidents with a proper guard system. as suggested in the EMP
7.	We have the Boral Bridge Mosque; will it be acquired for the project? As you can see from the gathered people, they are poor people, some are beggars. What will be the compensation for the extremely poor people?	The consultant will check. Vulnerable people will get compensated under the livelihood restoration program.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-10		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	I have planted many trees beside my home which is on BR's land. Are these entitled to any compensation?	You will be compensated for the trees; the Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the tree types.
2.	I reside on the north side of the existing rail line. When do I need to evacuate?	The project is currently at its survey stage, and the implementation will start in 2025-2026.
3.	I was also present during your FGD. Please make an alternative livelihood for us and let us work on the nearby empty lands.	The consultant noted the point of optimism.
4.	I live on my land. Representatives from the DC office visited my place and took measurements. How will I be compensated?	You will be compensated for your land and structure; the Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the structure type.
5.	Due to Ramadan, some of the affected people I know could not join today's meeting. What will happen to their compensation?	Every affected people will receive compensation based on their loss. This meeting is for informing you of your rights and taking suggestions from you. Being absent from this meeting will not affect being compensated for the project.
6.	How will we get compensation, will be in our bank account?	You will receive the compensation in your bank account.
7.	What is the management of railway sewage? As we live and work near the rail line, our it gets very malodorous. Who will take care of the issue?	The train line in Bangladesh was constructed during the British period, and the lines were constructed through areas that had no settlement at all. With time population has increased and habitation has come closer to railway tracks. We agree that the sewage system of Bangladeshi trains needs to be upgraded. You will be happy to hear that some new Trains have better sewage facilities.
8.	Noise and vibration pollution will take place all the time.	The consultant suggested that modern equipment will be used so that noise impact will not arise

9.	I work on a leased land, what is the resettlement plan for me?	For your leased land, if you have a proper deed document, the property assessment and evaluation committee will determine compensation.
10.	Due to this project, many people will be affected but most of them belong to poor communities. After the acquisition and implementation of the project, there will be some empty spaces that might be made available for the landless people to live in.	People will be compensated for their structure; the Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the structure type. Also, vulnerable people will be eligible for the Livelihood restoration program.
2nd Stakeholders Meeting-11		
No.	Issue Raised	Reply from /Consultants/BR
1.	What is the difference in the compensation rate for trees on private land and BR's land?	You will be compensated for your trees; the Price will be determined by the Property Evaluation Committee as per the tree type. The rate for trees on BR land and private land is the same.
2.	For the last 5 years, we are hearing about this project. When will it take place?	The project is currently in its survey state, and the implementation will start in 2025-2026.
3.	We have lived on BR's land since 1818. We belong to the Harijon community, we are very poor, and have no other alternative place to live. We expect proper compensation for us considering our extremely poor social status.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. You will be compensated for your structure and the Resettlement action plan has a program named the Livelihood restoration program, you are also compensated under this program.
4.	Transportation of heavy vehicles during construction works damages existing roads, authorities should keep that in consideration.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
5.	We have received the notice from the DC office stating the next section-7 notice will be after 15 days. What can we do now?	Your next steps will be mentioned in the notices.
6.	I have five katha lands. The government will take four katha from that. What will I do with the remaining one Katha? What will be my compensation?	You will be compensated for the land type. The property valuation Committee will discuss with you how you want the land to be acquired.
7.	There will be huge sound pollution during construction time as well as vibrations from railways.	The consultant noted the point of optimism. The solution will be prescribed in Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
8.	The level crossings are prone to accidents each year due to a lack of a proper guard system.	All the existing level crossings will be improved to avoid accidents with a proper guard system.
9.	Remember today's discussion and do not get deceived. Please help each other.	Thank you for your comments.