EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) has been prepared for Kakinada - Rajahmundry Road as part of ongoing Andhra Pradesh Road Sector Project (APRSP). The main objective of the RAP is to minimize the social impacts of proposed improvement, mitigate negative impacts and assist the Project Affected Persons (PAPs) to improve the living conditions of the project affected persons (PAPs). The RAP covers project information and its impacts, R&R Policy framework, consultations outcomes, LA schedule, and Rehabilitation plan and implementation arrangements including the budget, time table, monitoring and coordination in Implementing of LA/R&R and civil works.

This road (KR road) consists of improvement envisages 4-laning with paved shoulder (about 30 meters road) up to Samalkota (bypass) excluding first 150 meters (Ch.0+00 to 0+150), envisages 2-laning with paved shoulder (about 20 meters road) from Samalkota to Vemagiri. The improvement proposed involved improvement in geometry at sharp curves, realignment of major bridge approaches, raising of submerged stretches and provision of drains (both side and cross drains) along the entire stretches. As a result of widening of the road, a total about 80 acres of land acquisition is required and 787 families including 38 families affected due to Dwarapudi ROB will be affected losing their residential or commercial properties either fully or partially. The actual number of people affected by private land acquisition will be known once section 6 notifications are announced. Out of total 787 Project Affected Families (PAFs) 110 are titleholders (losing their private land/structures), 677 are non titleholders including 45 kiosks. Out of total 787 PAFs, 638 are being displaced including Cattle-sheds and Kiosks. The project will affect 41 CPRs. These CPRs will be replaced in consultation with the local community and forms part of scope of contractor work.

An updated census socio-economic survey was conducted in June 2012 among those who are residing within the proposed CoI. In addition, one to one meetings were also held during socio-economic survey and, 18 consultations at Tahsil level and 5 consultations at district level were carried out. These consultations have focused on compensation and R&R provisions under the project, alternative alignments, implementation arrangements, etc. The R&R entitlement
brochure was distributed among PAPs and discussed in details. Important issues raised in these consultations are local issue such as relocation of temple, further reducing the RoW width and relocation sites. The results of the social assessment established that the proposed project will not impact any tribal groups in the project area. Moreover, the assessment found that there are no tribal specific habitations present along the proposed KR road and thus the need for preparation of separate Tribal plan is not required. Based on APRRP 2005 and amendment approved for road sector project, APRDC (GoAP) has formulated an R&R policy framework. Following are the key provisions of the R&R policy framework applied for this project.

- The project will follow consent award (or mutual negotiations) and if this fails, normal course LA process under LA Act 1894 will be followed with additional top-up compensation. The urgency clause will not be used in the process of LA by bypassing the step of 5 A enquiries between the stages of DN and DD and advance possession of land.
- A one-time financial assistance equivalent to 750 days of minimum wages will be paid to a PAF who becomes landless due to loss of land for the project. For those becoming marginal farmers and small farmers, this financial assistance will be equivalent to 500 man days and 350 man days respectively.
- PAFs losing houses and/or businesses will be compensated with the replacement cost for lost structure or providing alternative resettlement sites.
- Provisions have been made in the R&R policy for one-time grant for cattle shed and subsistence allowance (minimum wages equivalent to 240 man days) to each PDF.
- Special provision of a lump sum (Rs 50,000) is available for BPL and other vulnerable among PDFs towards construction of house in the new resettlement sites and 3000 for lavatory construction.

Relocation sites will be provided to entitle displaced families. The relocation sites will be finalized by the Package Manager in consultation with R&R officer (RDO). Lay out of the site will be presented in PLMC for formal approval. There are a total of 787 PAFs. And there are 598 PDFs, as each of them is losing more than 25% of their structure. However, not all of these 598 families are being relocated. The exact number of this will be finalized during the preparation of
Besides compensation and R&R assistance, the entitled families will also be supported in rehabilitation to restore their livelihoods.

Implementation of Resettlement Action plan will be carried out by the Administrator (Joint Collector) with support from Executive Engineer (APRSP). The RAP will be approved by the MD, APRDC. The R&R implementation schedule has been synchronized with construction schedule. It is ensured that LA and R&R activities have been completed and compensation and assistance will be paid to the PAPs before the commencement of construction work. There are about 36 kilometer stretches which are encumbrance free in package which will be used for first milestone stretches and prior to handing over of the remaining stretches, all compensation and resettlement assistance will be paid. As per schedule, land free from all encumbrances will be available for civil works from August, 2013, depending upon the payment of R&R assistance and allotment of alternative sites. The concurrent monitoring will be carried out by Nodal NGOs and an impact evaluation will be carried out by independent consultants to verify whether the objectives of R&R are realized and the people have improved the living standards. The budget for this Resettlement Action Plan (including land acquisition and R&R activities) works out to Rs. 32.09 cores. The budget provides for compensating land and other assets required for the project, R&R assistance, and development of resettlement sites.