

December 23, 2024

Mrs. Sujata Saunik Chief Secretary Government of Maharashtra 6th Floor, Mantralya Mumbai - 400020

Dear Mrs. Saunik,

INDIA: Maharashtra Resilience Development Project Review Meeting (December 13, 2024)

Thank you for supporting the review meeting held at the office of the Maharashtra Institution for Transformation (MITRA) on December 13, 2024, to review the preparation of the above project.

We would appreciate your support for the project implementing agencies to complete several activities to achieve the Department of Economic Affairs' project readiness criteria for loan negotiations. Prior to the pre-appraisal mission of January 27 to 31, 2025, this would include the following actions:

- Prepare and submit draft project-level environmental and social management documents by MITRA.
- Finalize the detailed Project Reports and Bid Documents for priority Storm Water Drainage works by MITRA and the Kolhapur and Sangli Municipal Corporations.
- Finalize the detailed Project Reports and Bid Documents for District Emergency Operation Centers by the Department of Relief and Rehabilitation.
- Complete the hiring of staff at the Project Management Unit of MITRA and all Project Implementation Units (PIU): Maharashtra Krishna Valley Development Corporation, Municipal Corporations, and Departments of Relief and Development.

Additionally, MITRA needs to complete the statutory audit of annual financial statements for FY20-21 to FY23-24 for all implementation agencies by March 31, 2025; and, together with the PIUs, ensure the civil works contracts for about USD 120 million are awarded by April 30, 2025.

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Yours sincerely,

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