

**Proceedings of the Second meeting of Empanelment Committee held on  
27-08-2014 from 15:00 hrs in room no. 542 of M S Building, Bangalore**

No: KEA <sup>130</sup> EVN 2014

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> August 2014

**Members present:-**

1. Chief Evaluation Officer (CEO), Karnataka Evaluation Authority (KEA)- Chairperson.
2. Dr. Anjula Gurtoo, Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore- Member.
3. Dr. S.Manasi, Associate Professor, Institute for Social & Economic Change, Bangalore- Member.
4. Ms. K. Vaijayanti, Head- Research & Evaluation, Akshara Foundation, Bangalore- Member.

The CEO of KEA and chairperson of the Empanelment Committee for empanelment of Evaluation Consultants and Independent Assessors welcomed all the members of the committee to the meeting. All members were provided with a copy of the publication "Compendium of Manuals and Government Orders of Karnataka Evaluation Authority up to June 2014" which also contains the Manual for Empanelment of Evaluation Consultants and Independent Assessors and the Manual for Output Grading which are relevant to the meeting now convened. He briefed the members about the role of Independent Assessors after the draft evaluation report is received.

The Chairperson informed the members that this Committee has been constituted under paragraphs 8 and 9 of the Manual for Empanelment of Evaluation Consultants and Independent Assessors, which has been approved by the Government of Karnataka, vide order no. PD/23/PSD/2014 dated: 11-04-2014.

The Chairperson of the Committee informed that NINE applications had been received in response to the advertisement given in two newspapers calling for

applications from individuals interested in getting empanelled as Independent Assessors. The last date for receiving the applications was fixed as 05-08-2014.

The Chairperson of the Committee informed that the names, highest qualification and status details of the applicants are as follows:-

**Table-I**

SI No.	Name of the applicant	Highest Qualification	Working as/ Retired as
1	Mr. Brij Kishore Singh, IFS (retd)	M.Sc	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Karnataka.
2	Mr. Mohan Kumar Mokashi.	MS in Technological Operations	CEO of TECSOK.
3	Mr. Balaprabha Divakar Karanth.	MBA Marketing	Advisor in TECSOK
4	Dr K. Gayathri Reddy.	Ph.D	Associate Professor in VTU.
5	Mr. Vishnu R Gangal	M Pharma	Advisor in TECSOK.
6	Mr. N Bommaiah	B.E (Civil)	Retired AEE of PWD Karnataka, now working as Consultant in VIMOS Technocrats.
7	Mr. Seshadri. N.	B.Com	Retired Manager (P&IR), LIC of India.
8	Mr. Praveen. N Urs.	M.Sc in Environmental Science	CEO of Wecompli India, Auditor for CDM under UNFCCC and ISO.
9	Mr. Narayana Raj N.	Ph.D in Rural Development	Team Leader and HRD Officer in PIU, JnNURM in BBMP. (Contract basis)

The Chairperson of the Committee informed that paragraph 33 of the Manual for Empanelment of Evaluation of Consultants and Independent Assessors does not prescribe objectively any minimum eligibility criteria for Independent

Assessors, except for their having at least 8 years of experience. However, this should not be taken (in the interest of having credible and good quality of output grading) to mean that all applicants having an experience of 8 years or more need to be empanelled necessarily. The Committee can have and decide further objective and subjective criteria to ensure that the best are selected for output grading. We may even recommend these criteria to be included in the Output Grading Manual, following due procedure.

After discussions and deliberations, the Committee formed the following criteria, in addition to the one prescribed in the Manual and cited before, in making selection of Independent Assessors -

- A. The Highest degree they have should not be less than Post Graduation, with Doctorates to be preferred over Post Graduates.
- B. Those retired from government service, should have retired at a level of Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, or equivalent. In these cases only, criteria A will not be mandatory.
- C. They should have the experience of having done or written evaluation/project reports, dissertations or thesis in their academia or course of duties.
- D. An Independent Assessor should be grading the output of reports related to his/her sector of expertise/ familiarity and not across all the subjects evaluated. At most, an Assessor may be allotted two sectors.

The Committee expressed the need to have more Independent Assessors for KEA, as the present response was inadequate. It was also agreed that Independent Assessors should be subject matter specialists, as within the Sectoral details defined in the Manual for Empanelment of Evaluation Consultants and Independent Assessors too there is lot of diversity. In fact, attempt should be made to identify people capable of being taken as Independent Assessor in academic/research institutions and those retired from government service at high levels, who may have missed the advertisement calling for empanelment or may not have felt like responding, for KEA itself is a new institution about which not many people know in full about. They may be approached and requested for consent to become Independent Assessors.

It was decided that before issuing the next notification of empanelment of Independent Assessors, the advertisement may be sent to all members of the Committee for wider circulation.

Using the four criteria mentioned as A to D and recorded before in these proceedings, the list of SEVEN applicant Independent Assessors empanelled for the period 2014-15 to 2016-17 by consensus, and their sector allocations, is prepared as below.

**LIST OF INDEPENDENT ASSESSORS EMPANELLED**

SI No.	Name of the Independent Assessor	Complete address and contacts	Sectors for which empanelled
1	Mr. Brij Kishore Singh, IFS (retd)	#33, MCHS Layout, BTM 2 <sup>ND</sup> Stage, 16 <sup>th</sup> Main, Bangalore-560 076. Mobile No. 9449863501, e-mail: <a href="mailto:brijksingh@rediffmail.com">brijksingh@rediffmail.com</a>	Natural Resource Management and Social.
2	Mr. Mohan Kumar Mokashi.	# A205, Avani Amulya, Manipal Hospital Road, HV Halli, RR Nagar, Bangalore-560 098. Mobile No. 9845210087, e-mail: <a href="mailto:mohanmokashi@yahoo.co.in">mohanmokashi@yahoo.co.in</a>	Infrastructure and Development.
3	Mr. Balaprabha Divakar Karanth.	#737, Sathyajith, 11 <sup>th</sup> 'B' Cross, 26 <sup>th</sup> Main, Sector-1, HSR Layout, Agara, Bangalore-560 102. Mobile No. 9945802609, e-mail: <a href="mailto:balaprabha2911@yahoo.co.in">balaprabha2911@yahoo.co.in</a>	Infrastructure and PSU.
4	Dr K. Gayathri Reddy.	Flat no. 304, Aikya Heights, MLA Layout, RMV 2 <sup>nd</sup> Stage, Bangalore-94, Mobile no. 9480322975, e-mail: <a href="mailto:gayathrikambham@yahoo.com">gayathrikambham@yahoo.com</a>	PSU and Social.
5	Mr. Vishnu R Gangal	# 161, IV Block, Lalbahadur Shastri Nagar, Anjanapura BDA Layout, Bangalore-560	Social and Urban and Rural Local bodies.

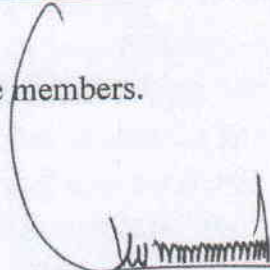
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6	Mr. Praveen. N Urs.	#180, 10 <sup>th</sup> Main, "E" Block, Vijayanagar, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Stage, Mysore-570 017. Mobile No. 9591339530, e-mail: <a href="mailto:praveennurs@rediffmail.com">praveennurs@rediffmail.com</a>	Natural Resource Management and Development.
7	Mr. Narayana Raj N.	#620, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Karnataka Housing Board High Rise Apartment, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore. Mobile No. 9845132982, e-mail: <a href="mailto:narayanarajn@yahoo.co.in">narayanarajn@yahoo.co.in</a>	Development and Urban and Rural Local bodies.

The application of Mr. N. Bommaiah could not be considered favorably as he does not meet criteria B, whereas Mr. Seshadri did not meet criteria A mentioned before.

It was reiterated that conflict of interest in the above cases may always be taken care of by KEA in referring grading of evaluation reports to the Independent Assessors empanelled. Also, the identity of Consultant Organization whose report they are to grade should always be insulated from them and vice versa for absolute transparency in grading.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the members.

  
(B K Dikshit, IFS) 27/08/14.  
Chairperson of the Committee  
and Chief Evaluation Officer  
Karnataka Evaluation Authority