**PHUENTSHOLING TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

**PROJECT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

1. **Introduction**

This terms of reference provides background information of Phuentsholing Township Development Project (PTDP) and describes the mandate, scope, roles and responsibilities of Project Advisory Committee (PAC).

1. **Project Background**

Phuentsholing Township Development Project (PTDP) will be the first commercial township developed at a cost estimate of $93.00 million. Facilitated by the Ministry of Finance, financing of the project mobilized from ADB form of loans ($47.24 million), grants ($34.26 million) and the rest has been mobilized from DHI ($11.5 million). The main objective of the PTDP is to protect the Phuentsholing from seasonal floods, soil erosion and reclaim riparian land. The reclaimed land provides space to alleviate the demand for housing as well as create new business opportunity for development of new township and improving the quality of life of Phuentsholing residents. The three main expected output of the project are:

1. Flood and erosion protection measures installed;
2. Municipal infrastructure constructed; and
3. Township management systems installed.

DHI is the owner and Executing agency of the project and responsible for ensuring that three main expected output of the projects are achieved for successful implementation of PTDP. Construction Development Corporation Ltd. (CDCL) is the Implementing agency for the project and undertakes works for the expected project output. M/s. Egis International – Egis India Joint Venture, in association with M/s. Gyaltshen Consultancy is the Project Implementation Consultant. M/s. AFCONS Infrastructure Ltd, India is the contractor for the first key works package for the flood and erosion protection work and it is expected to complete by August 2022. CDCL is in the process of confirming the other key works for common urban infrastructure works by August 2022 and may take 30 months to complete.

1. **Mandate & Scope**

As the physical components of the Project are underway and heading towards completion, policy matters are important considerations in operationalizing the Project. DHI/CDCL with the support from consultants is reviewing the existing regulatory/policy/standards to frame the documents specific to PTDP township. The following are some of the considerations;

1. Strategic spatial planning of the project area for the overall social economic development of the country.
2. Coordination between central agencies and local governments.
3. Seamless integration with the existing township
4. Sustainable management of the township

The Project Advisory Committee (PAC) constituted with relevant representations will advise and guide towards formation of a township that is modern, smart, sustainable and exemplary in Bhutan.

1. **Members**
2. Dasho Karma Y. Raydi, Chief Executive Officer, DHI
3. Mr. Karma Yonten, Head, Office of Performance Management, HMS
4. Dasho Kuenzang Dorji, Zimpon Wom
5. Mr. Chencho, Director, PMO
6. Mr. Karma Namgyel, Executive Secretary, Thimphu Thromde
7. Mr. Gelay Norbu, Director, DoLAM, National Land Commission Secretariate
8. Mr. Tashi Penjor, Director, Department of Human Settlement (DHS), MoWHS

Permanent Invitees from the Project

1. Mr. Karma Gayley, CEO, CDCL
2. Mr. Tandin Dorji, Project Director, PTDP
3. Mr. Kamal Dhakal, Project Manager, PTDP
4. Mr. Chencho T. Namgay, Director, DoI, DHI
5. Mr. Tenzin, Associate Director, DoI, DHI
6. **Roles and Responsibilities**

The Project Advisory Committee shall:

1. Provide overall guidance in achieving the vision of a dynamic and vibrant township.
2. Advice on policy matters for the operationalization of the township.
3. Review and provide advice on the Project plans and objectives.
4. Review and advice on the studies and proposals conducted internally or by the consultants.
5. Facilitate and promote inter-agency coordination on PTDP matters.
6. **Frequency of meeting**

The PAC shall at least meet bi-annually. However, the meeting may be convened additionally upon the approval of the Chairman.

1. **Meeting Fees**

The members will be paid a honorarium of Nu. 3,000 as sitting fees for every meeting attended.