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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT
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Sub: TTDs – Engg. Dept. – O/o Chief Engineer, Tirupati – Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetram at Venkatapalem (V), Thullur(M), Guntur (Dist.) in Amaravathi, the Capital of A.P – Approval requested – Recommendations of the Works Committee placed before the TTD Board for taking a decision – Regarding.

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NOTE:

1) As per the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act (2014), an Act of Indian Parliament, the Andhra Pradesh state was bifurcated into Telangana and the residuary Andhra Pradesh state. After Bifurcation Andhra Pradesh government has announced that its capital city will be Amaravati which is nearer to Vijayawada and on the banks of Krishna River. The planned city is located on the southern banks of the Krishna river in Guntur district, within the Andhra Pradesh Capital Region, being built on a 217 sq km riverfront. The new capital, Amaravati, is under the jurisdiction of the Andhra Pradesh Capital Region Development Authority (APCRDA).

2) The Hon'ble Chief Minister during the meeting held at Sri Padmavathi Rest House, Tirumala in September 2014 has instructed to construct Sri Venkateswara swamy Temples, in all the Capital cities of state and union territory so as to spread Sri Venkateswara vaibhavam and Mahima across the country.

3) Accordingly, TTD has requested the Commissioner APCRDA to allot land in Amaravati to the extent of Ac.25.00 for the establishment of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetram. Accordingly the commissioner, APCRDA has issued orders vide. G.O.MS. NO. 171,MAUD(CRDA-2 Dept. Dt.04-7-2016) in principle allotting Ac.25.00 of land on free hold basis at a cost of 50.00 Lakhs per Acre. Subsequently the Commissioner,APCRDA, Vijayawada has sent letter of Intent on 20.07.2018 for Provisional allotment of Acs 25.00 cents land situated in Sy.Nos 96,97 ,98 and 104 at at Venkatapalem (v), Thullur (M), Guntur (Dist.) in Amaravathi, , the Capital of A.P. and action is underway to take possession of Land.

4) Hence in order to develop suitable Temple plan befitting to the Capital City, detailed study has been made on the ancient temples constructed in south India ranging from Pallava to Vijayanagara period and also the relevant Agama principles enshrined in Kasyapa silpasastram and Vimanarchanakalpam and prepared temple plan embodying the Agama principles and the good ornamental features.

5) The Architecture and Sculptures of the proposed Temple plans have been prepared in accordance with the Kasyapa Silpasastram, and Vimanarchanakalpam etc., The Temple is oriented towards East, which is said to be the best orientation as per the Agama & Silpasastra principles.

6) Accordingly the proposed temple is located in the site allotted to TTD, such that more frontage is available on Eastern (front side) and the temple could be located towards south west corner of site as far as possible. As shown in the site plan the temple outer prakaram wall size 485'-0" X 280'-0" could be planned in the proposed site.

7) In addition to construction of temple, other provisions narrated herewith befitting to the proposed Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetramso as to enlighten the public about Sri Venkateswara Swamy legend, Spiritual convention centre to conduct spiritual discourses and for the convenience of the public to conduct marriages, Lotus Garden with music & light show displaying sankeerthanas on Sri Venkateswara Swamy songs by Ardent devotees like Annamayya, Purandaradasetc., besides other structures i.e.,Prasadam counter, Annaprasadam hall, Waiting hall complex with lockers and counters for pilgrims, Accommodation to office, Civil and Religious staff,integrating with Parking, Internal path ways and landscape. The master plan duly showing the above proposals is enclosed in the Annexure for perusal.

8) In the first instance it is proposed to take up construction of Temple. The Salient features of the Proposed Temple are as follows:

   The Temple comprises of two prakarams one outer prakaram of size 485'-0" X 280'-0" and another inner prakaram of size 250'-0" X 130'-0" . The sanctum sanctorum (Garbhalayam) resembles body of the diety in sitting posture and the sanctum sanctorum of Antaralayam, Ardhamandapam, Mahamandapam, and Mukhamandapam resembles body of the diety in lying posture. The size of garbhalayam proposed, is 18'-6" X 18'-6" (outer to outer), which is called Maanasutram based on which the size of other mandapams are proposed as per the silpasastras. The entire temple is proposed to be constructed in Hard Black Granite stone, except the portion of the Rajagopurams above Prastharam (roof level) and Salaharams above cloister mandapams which are proposed to be constructed in ornamental brick masonry. The size of prakarams, inner elements and its height are furnished in the Annexure – I enclosed.

9) The Approximate cost of the proposed temple is worked out based on the plinth area rates. The total cost of Temple including LS provision for fluctuation of rates and unforeseen items as shown below works out to 150.00 Crores(Rupees One hundred and fifty Crores only).

1.	Construction of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetram, at Venkatapalem (V), Thullur (M), Guntur Dt. (Enclosed Proforma Estimate) **<u>Inner Prakaram</u> :** Garbhalayam of outer size 18'-6" X 18'-6", Antaralam, Ardha-mandapam, Maha-Mandapam of size: 27'-9" X 27'-9", Mukha-Mandapam of size 37'-0" X 37'-0"Garudalayam, Sri VariPotu, Yagasala, inner cloister mandapam with Prakaramof size: 250'-0" X 130'-0" and East-Entrance 5 storied Rajagopuram of height 70'-0". **<u>Outer Prakaram :</u>** Dwajasthambam-Mandapam, Balipeetam, Arjitha Seva Mandapam, Utsava Mandapam, Parakamani Mandapam, Addala Mandapam, 5 storied Rajagopurams at outer Prakaram three sides & 7 storied Rajagopuram with Padikavali mandpam at Entrance of east, both sides of Cloister Mandapams to outer Prakaram of size: 485'-0" X 280'-0" **<u>Around the Outer Prakaram :</u>** Four Mada streets, Srivari Pushkarini, Vahana Mandapam, Radha Mandapam, Sri Anjaneya Swamy Temple and compound wall around the site.	Rs.143.67 Crores
	L.S. Provision for Fluctuation of rates	Rs. 3.81 crores
	L.S. Provision for Unforeseen items	Rs. 2.52 crores
	Total	**Rs.150.00 Crores**

10)The TTD board is competent to accord Administrative sanction for the works costing more than Rs 2.00 crores.

11)As per the section-111(4) (xiii) of Act 30 of 1987, TTD funds may be utilised for any other religious (or) Charitable purposesconnected with or incidental to TTD as may be prescribed.

12)Hence, the subject is placed before the Works committee to take a decision on the following as to place the same before the TTD Board, with the recommendations of the Works committee.

a) To accord approval for the proposed Masterplan to establish Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetram at Venkatapalem (V), Thullur(M), Guntur (Dist.)in Amaravathi, the Capital of A.P.

b) To grant permission to take up the construction of Sri VenkateswaraSwamy Temple in phase –I.

c) To accord administrative sanction for Rs. 150.00 Crores (Rupees One hundred and fifty Crores only) for the work of Construction of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple, at Venkatapalem (v), Thullur (M), Guntur (Dist.) in Amaravathi, the Capital of A.P. and to take up the work by inviting Tenders under splice system.

d) To accord Permission to form a Trust specifically for the Establishment and Management of Sri Venkateswara Swamy Divyakshetram at Amaravathi, the details of which may be worked out by the E.O.

13) The Works committee in its Res No. 32, Dated: 27-08-2018 has resolved as - "Proposals are recommended for approval."

14) Hence, the proposal is placed before the TTD Board for taking a decision on the recommendations of the Works committee.

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Res.No.388, dated 28.08.2018.

" Recommendations of the Works Committee are approved "

Sd/- Chairman,

TTD Board.