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MD, HMRL Mr. NVS Reddy addressed a Ministerial team from Egypt led by Er. Ahmed Kamel Ahmed El Sayed General Manager, Legal department, Government of Egypt at Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI) today (11.03.2016). The team interacted with Mr. Reddy, who explained in detail the intricacies in land acquisition, resettlement & rehabilitation and compensation process he adopted in the construction of Hyderabad Metro Rail project.

Making a Power Point presentation to the delegation, MD, HMRL explained the challenges in land acquisition, resettlement & rehabilitation and compensation policy for an urban mega project in India. Explaining in detail on various innovations that have been taken up in Hyderabad Metro Rail project, he said that HMRL is the worlds largest Metro Rail project being constructed in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode. Mr. Reddy not only gave a comprehensive picture of various stages of the project viz., bid process, technical specifications, land pooling & acquisitions, financial model, resettlement and rehabilitation process, but also told them about various strategies and engineering solutions adopted in resolving several complex issues.

Narrating the legal complexities and challenges in acquiring land and properties and ensuring proper resettlement and rehabilitation for the displaced segment of people, Mr. Reddy emphasized on the need for patient persuasion to ensure project completion and at the same time proper R&R steps. Elaborating the successful land pooling method used for acquisition of 824 acres of land from small farmers and using the land for development of plots, creation of Metro Rail depot & casting yards, sewerage treatment plant at Uppal, etc., he enlightened the delegation as to how it turned into a win-win-win situation for the stakeholders, the project and the Government.

MD, HMRL informed the delegation that Hyderabad Metro Rail is not being executed like a simple mass transit system, but it is an opportunity to transform an Indian city in a people friendly green city with low pollution levels. He also highlighted key features of the project like integration with other modes of transportation, smart ticketing, providing seamless travel facility, creation of pedestrian facilities like sidewalks & street furniture and introduction of non pollution mode of transport like bicycles and battery operated mini buses. He further added that HMR project will provide safety and security to women, children, differently abed and senior citizens.

Applauding the tact, methods, R&R efforts and strategies adopted for land pooling, acquisitions, financial & revenue models, state of art engineering methods in HMR project, the Egyptian delegation thanked Mr. Reddy.



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