ABOUT THE EVENT

In the decades since Independence, acquisition of land, in exercise of the power of ‘Eminent domain’ by State, has been the preferred mode of arranging land for urban, industrial and infrastructure projects in India. However, The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (RFCTLARR) Act, 2013 has reshaped the land acquisition framework by substantially enhancing the cost of acquisition and incorporating stringent safeguards for Project-Affected-People. Post 2013, alternate land procurement options, including land pooling, are being explored to reduce the acquisition costs and facilitate the voluntary participation of landowners in assembly of land.

The recent trends in the realm of land aggregation for ‘public purpose’ necessitates a closer scrutiny of the experience of implementation of land acquisition and land pooling legislation in order to identify the emergent challenges and future prospects.

TERI, in collaboration with the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, is organizing a two-day international workshop to confer on the approaches and strategies to enhance the beneficial outcomes of land acquisition law and land pooling policies.

OBJECTIVES

The workshop will bring together Central Ministries, states and Union Territories, urban development Authorities, Corporates, Public sector undertakings, funding bodies, national and international experts, SIA agencies, practitioners, academicians, researchers and civil society members to:

• Identify the challenges faced by states and Union Territories in implementing The RFCTLARR Act, 2013 and suggest suitable remedies
• Gain knowledge about the experience of implementation of land pooling in India
• Deliberate on the challenges of emergent land pooling scenario in the country
• Draw lessons from the land pooling mechanisms in other nations
• Earmark the requisite components of a sustainable land pooling policy
• Advance policy and research in the subject area

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

• Compilation of policy suggestions to facilitate implementation of The RFCTLARR Act, 2013
• Preparation of outline of appropriate regulatory, institutional and benefit-sharing frameworks for land pooling
• Initiation of wide-ranging dialogue for formulation of land pooling policy
• Opportunity for experience-sharing and peer-learning on various aspects of land pooling

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