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Foreword

Hamirpur town, situated on Shimla-Kangra National Highway-88 amidst thickly populated region of Himachal Pradesh is an important regional centre. It had been functioning as Tehsil Headquarter since pre independence period and was upgraded as Headquarter of Hamirpur District after re-organization of Himachal Pradesh. On account of its easy accessibility and central location, town retains character of Trade/Commercial and Educational Centre of the region. Opening of National Institute of Technology, HP subordinate Services Selection Board, HP Ex-servicemen Corporation, All India Radio Station, Various Private Colleges of Education, will substantially add to its future growth.

Hamirpur has expanded in all directions along different corridors in the absence of serviced land and other infrastructural facilities. For ensuring regulated and planned development of the town, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh vide Notification No. PW (B) 15(1)-2/81 dated 30-5-1984 has extended Himachal Pradesh Town and Country Planning Act, 1977 (Act No. 12 of 1977) to Hamirpur Planning Area and approved the Development Plan for Hamirpur town vide Notification No. PW (B&R) 26-90/77 dated 1st July, 1994.

It was observed that on account of imposition of restrictive legislative measures within the Planning Area limit, the development has leap frogged and further concentrated are along the major radial roads outside the Planning Areas limit forming ribbon development. In view of the above situation, the Hamirpur Planning Area was revised and extended to include the 81 surrounding rural settlements besides Municipal Area, covering an approximate area of 3710 hect.

vide Notification NO. TCP/F (6) 24/96 dated 28-1-1997 subsequently, existing landuse of the Planning Area was prepared, adopted and frozen by the Govt. vide Notification No. HIM/TP/PJT/DP-Hamirpur/95-11-5414-94 dated 13-09-2000 published in Rajpatra on October, 9, 2000.

The Draft Development Plan of Hamirpur Planning Area contemplates increase of population from 39,683 persons in 2001 to 82,835 persons by the year 2021. Keeping in view, requirements for Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Govt. and Semi Govt. Offices, Parks and Open Spaces, Traffic and Transportations, Facilities and Services, 900.31 hectares of additional land shall be required, increasing present 436.42 hectares Developed area to 1336.73 hect. by the year 2021. Phasing, costing and implementation of development plan has been contemplated by integrating it as part of Five Year Plans and keeping in view development priorities to meet needs of growing population. Total cost of services land for urbanisable Planning Area is estimated to be Rs. 8760 lacs which will be partially shared by the public by way of selling serviced plots. Zoning and sub division regulations have been framed to achieve objective of planned and regulated growth.

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