

# 'Develop Mir Alam Tank islands like Singapore's 'Gardens by the Bay''

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Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy on Friday directed officials to fast-track the Musi River Rejuvenation Project, including preparations to build a new bridge at the Mir Alam Tank and the conversion of the islands in the tank into tourist attractions.

Addressing a review meeting held at the Command Control Centre, the CM said that tenders for the bridge should be invited in June and ordered a Detailed Project Report (DPR) to be finalised with designs, surveys and feasibility reports in place.

Chief Minister also reviewed the proposed Gandhi Sarovar near Bapughat and said that the bridge over Mir Alam Tank must be not only architecturally impressive but also prioritise the safety of both visitors and motorists.

Officials presented multiple consultancy designs for the 2.5-km-long bridge through a PowerPoint presentation, and Revanth called for the selection of the most aesthetic, secure option.

He also said that the three



Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy holding a review meeting in Hyderabad on Friday

islands in the Mir Alam Tank area should be transformed into an eco-tourism destination modelled on Singapore's Gardens by the Bay, featuring elements like bird paradise zones and artificial waterfalls.

The Chief Minister suggested the addition of wedding-friendly venues such as convention centres, an adventure park, a theme park and an amphitheatre. He also called for the provision of boating facilities, resorts and hotels.

Revanth emphasised that the DPR should include detailed proposals for water treatment and island development and that the project should be executed under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model. He said that all hydrological and environmental studies should be undertaken by experts or reputed organisations and permissions secured accordingly.

The Chief Minister also stressed the need to anticipate water flow

levels during floods and ensure that designs incorporate future resilience.

He suggested integrating the island zone with the adjoining Nehru Zoological Park and called for consultations with zoo authorities to explore the possibility of upgrading it in line with the overall development vision. "We must design a destination that captivates tourists while being environmentally responsible," he said.