



Tibar Bay Port PPP



Community Meeting in Tibar

June 11 2014

No 5

Information meeting about the Tibar Bay Port

The first meeting with the community of Tibar was held on June 11, 2014 with about 120 persons from Tibar attended the meeting.

The meeting was opened by the District Administrator, and welcome was also given by sub-district administrator of Bazartete. Chefe suco of Tibar and Ulmera also attended the meeting.



National Director of Aportil, Sr. Lino Barreto, representing Ministry of Transport and Communications and Co-Chair of the inter-ministerial Technical Team for Stakeholder Engagement, presented the plans for the Tibar Port to the audience, including why Tibar Bay was selected, and what the social and environmental impacts may be.

Questions asked by community member

Members of the audience had a chance to ask questions and provide comments. The most frequent issues raised were:

- How will people be compensated if they have to move?
- How will the local people benefit from the construction of the Port?
- How will the increased traffic in the bay affect the access for fishermen, particularly to the rompongs on the outer side of the reef
- How will the Port affect the livelihood of the fishermen?
- What is the environmental impact, particularly on seaweed business and the fishing?
- How will the Port affect the salt production in the bay?
- Will the Port construction impact on the sites of cultural importance?
- What are the disadvantages of the Port?
- What are the plans of the Government for the future of the fishermen affected by the Port?
- Suggestion to make a study on how to improve the future livelihoods of the people in Tibar Bay.

Some of the questions were answered by **the inter-ministerial Technical Team for Tibar Bay Port** and others will be responded to at the next community meeting or through leaflets. The team noted all the questions and these will be taken into consideration in the continued preparations of the Port.

More detailed information on how your concerns will be accommodated will be given at the next community meeting.

Posters will be displayed at the District Administrator office, the Sub-district Administrator office of Bazartete, and at the Suco office of Tibar and Ulmera.

Do you want to find out more?

<http://timorpppinvestor.wordpress.com/> or

<https://www.mof.gov.tl/tibar-bay/>

For inquiry, please contact:

Lenty Liu

Public Relations Focal Point

Ministry of Transport and Communications

Telephone: (+670) 3313755