KMDA Organization

KMDA is a parastatal – an authority functioning under the administrative control of Urban Development Department of Government of West Bengal. KMDA derives its powers and functions from the provisions of WBT&CP Act, 1979. KMDA has an 11-member Board or Authority that includes both elected peoples’ representatives and nominated officials. The Hon’ble Minister-in-charge of Urban Development in the Government of West Bengal is the ex-officio Chairman of the Board of KMDA. All the members of KMDA Board are also members of the KMPC, which has been done with a view to providing functional convergence between the two bodies. The Hon’ble Chief Minister of West Bengal is however the Chairman of KMPC. The Board or Authority of KMDA takes all major policy decisions that are needed to run the business of KMDA. However, for decisions in certain matters that may have impact across other organizations and areas outside KMA, the same are forwarded to the State Government via the Urban Development Department, after the Authority of KMDA recommends the same.

KMDA’s day-to-day administration and planning and development activities are carried out under several directorates under the leadership of a Chief Executive Officer – a senior IAS officer. The administrative functions are primarily organized under the Secretary, again an IAS officer, through a number of functional units. The technical functions of planning and project formulation and execution are performed by 11 directorates or sectors in KMDA – each usually headed by an officer in the rank of Director/Chief Engineer. In addition, KMDA has a separate directorate for finance headed by a Director. All the heads of directorates report to the CEO directly or through the Director General or Secretary or Special Secretary. A diagram showing the organizational structure of KMDA is presented in the Annexure-I.