

**Minutes of Public Hearing for proposed Municipal Solid Waste Treatment Plant above 200 MT/Day at Vill – Barave, Tal – Kalyan, Dist- Thane by Kalyan Dombivali Municipal Corporation:**

A Public Hearing was held on 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017 at 02.30 pm at Acharya Atre Auditorium, Shankarrao Chowk, Kalyan (W) Dist. Thane in respect of proposed expansion of Municipal Solid Waste Treatment Plant above 200 MT/Day at Vill –Umbarde, Tal – Kalyan, Dist- Thane of Kalyan Dombivali Municipal Corporation.

Following Government officials were present for the Public Hearing.

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| 1. Mr. Anil Pawar<br>Representative of Collector<br>(Additional Collector & Additional<br>District Magistrate, Thane) | Chairman                                |
| 2. Mr. Dhananjay Patil<br>(Regional Officer Kalyan MPCB)  | Representative of Member Secretary MPCB |
| 3. Mr. Amar Durgule<br>(Sub Regional Officer Kalyan – 1<br>MPC Board)   | Member/Convener                         |

At the outset, Mr. Amar Durgule, Convener, welcomed the chairman of Public Hearing Committee and members of Public. He began the proceedings after being granted permission by the chairman.

He explained provisions of the EIA Notification 2006 as amended in 2009 by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India under which the Public Hearing is held.

He informed that the project proponent had submitted application for conducting Public Hearing on 19/08/2017 to Maharashtra Pollution Control Board. Subsequently the Hon. District Collector & District Magistrate decided to hold the Public Hearing on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017. Accordingly, a public notice of Public Hearing was advertised in "Navashakti" vernacular daily and "The Free Press Journal" in English on 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017.

The EIA and Executive Summary copies were kept at following places:

1. Office of the District Collector – Thane
2. Office of the Principal Secretary, Environment Department, Govt of Maharashtra, Mumbai
3. Additional Director (WP) Head Office, MPCB, Mumbai
4. KalyanDombivali Municipal Corporation, Kalyan
5. Regional Officer, MPCB and Sub-Regional officer, Kalyan I MPCB, SiddhivinayakSankul, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Near Oak Baugh, Station Road, Kalyan (W) Dist. Thane.

He further stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing is to give information about the proposed project, its impact on environment and planned mitigation measures to members of Public.

Shri Amar Durgule, Convener, further stated that the environmental consultant of the proponent will make detailed presentation about the proposed project and afterward the present may citizen ask for further information, make suggestions or state their objections about the project and proceeding will be recorded and communicated to the Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai. He said that the purpose of the committee is to conduct the Public Hearing and take a note of observations made by members of public. He then asked the project proponents to make a presentation on the proposed project.

Shri Chaitanya Sathe, representative of the environmental consultant made a detailed presentation about proposed project. In the presentation he gave information about the proposed project, its location, area available, layout of facility, environmental baseline data on various sectors of environment viz. Air, Water, land, Social environment etc.

He also elaborate the details about the project and informed that after receiving the solid waste at the plant, it will be segregated in biodegradable and non-biodegradable category. The biodegradable solid waste will composted by wind rows composting technology. The compost is used as manure. The non-biodegradable solid waste which is recyclable will be sold to the recycler and the non-recyclable material is disposed by scientific land filling on site. This project will have benefit like generation of manure from the waste, less greenhouse gases, generation of economical and social benefits.

The project will generate further employment for local people. Workers are given training. Health checkups are carried out periodically. Since the solid waste is managed scientifically, health & life of local population is protected. At last he said that due to increases in direct & indirect earnings, the living standard will improve.

After the presentation, the chairman invited members of public to put forth their suggestions and objections if any, about the project and said that the project proponents should address these. He further informed that a note of such questions/suggestions/objections will be taken and the same will be forwarded to Environment Department, Govt of Maharashtra in Mantralaya.

**Question 1 : Shri. Shriniwas Ghanekar, Kalyan Agra Road.**

The EIA report should be made public, it's very difficult to give suggestions / comments immediately on the said report. Many things has not incorporated in the said project report. The corporation is yet not acquired land for Ring Road development where the

proposed transportation of solid waste up to the plant will take place. They should clear whether the project will be implemented first or the road ? The report shows that the water quality of Waldhuni River is within limit where as there is a court case filed about the Waldhuni river pollution. The Ambient Air quality result i.e. SPM are shown within limit which is not the factual conditions.

**Ans :- Shri Amar Durgule, Conveyer of the public hearing**

The Board has given wide publicity of the said public hearing by the advertisement in the local Marathi daily Newspaper "Lokmat" and English daily Newspaper " The Free press Journal" on dtd 04.10.2017. The EIA report is also available one month before on Boards web sites, Environment Department, Mantralaya, MPC Board, Head office, Sion, Regional Office, MPCB, Kalyan, Collector Office, Thane, Municipal Coporation Office, Kalyan for Public study and submission of there views, comments, suggestions on the said report.

**Question 2 : Shri Arvind Budhkar**

The Waldhuni River is polluted but no action has been taken. The road situation in the area is very bad. Basic Infrastructures facilities are not provided by corporation.

**Question 3 : Shri Dhiraj patil, Shri Complex, Umbarde**

I agree with the above views. The EIA report prepared by the project proponent has many lacuna. They have not considered the CRZ and RRZ location. The location of the plant is in flood prone area. There are Historical monuments in the surrounding 10 Km of plant area which is not shown in the EIA report.

**Question 4 and 5 : Ashlesha Thorat / Mrs. Kunda Jadhav Godrej Hil, Khadakpada**

The Khadakpada area adjacent to the Barve plant is under progress of development and you are bringing the project near to this. Presently the corporation is collecting the solid waste from our area, people do not know the segregation of waste, there are school, colleges, residential zone around the proposed plant. So how such plant can be allowed in this area ?

**Question 6 : Mrs. Ashwini Purohit, Godrej Hill**

Before giving permission to the said plant the existing solid waste dumped at Madhavsrushti shall be cleared. The basic infrastructures facilities are not provided by the corporation. The people should be given proper training about the segregation of solid waste and their own waste treatment at their society.

**Question 7 : Mrs. Upeksha Bhoir, Corporator, Titwala**

As the coporation has issued tender and order of the said plant why the public hearing is being conducted?

**Ans: - Shri Amar Durgule**

The project proponent submitted their EIA report and proposal to the SEAC committee Govt. of Maharashtra for the approval of environmental clearance. The SEAC committee has issued TOR and one of the conditions of TOR is of public consultation. Therefore this public hearing has been conducted as per EIA notification 2006 and amended thereto.

**Question 8 : Shri Ashok Mandale**

The proposal is false and in the 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016 Gazette published by Govt. of India has mentioned various conditions about the secured land filling process. The proposed project is located in residential as well as flood-prone area. The statistical data is misleading.

**Question 9 : Shri Sunil Ghadge**

Near the proposed project there is residential BSUP project of 21 buildings of the municipal corporation. What will happen about these residential? The EIA report shows residential area 3 to 4 Km from the project site. The site is located in flood-prone area.

**Question 10 : Shri Manoj Patil**

There is a court order about the closing of Adharwadi dumping ground immediately? Hence these two projects (Umbarde and Barve) are being implemented. We are opposing these projects.

**Public Representative:**

Whether it is Umbarde or Barve project the EIA report submitted is misleading. Therefore, we are opposing the project.

**Question 11 : Shri Devanand Bhoir, Wadeghar**

The village Wadeghar has historical importance. There is a fort of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj era. The existing Adharwadi dumping ground shall be immediately shifted.

**Ans :-**

The project technical consultant Shri Chaitanya Sathe informed that we have mentioned all the details in the Barve presentation that the Waldhuni River water is not drinkable. The historical monuments are mentioned as per Govt. declaration. The facilities provided in the project area are being incorporated in the presentation. The samples of air, water and soil are taken as per norms of Minister of Environment. We have also mentioned the facilities like rain water harvesting, storm water drainage, leachate treatment plant etc.

They will be beneficial for the city. There will be generation of manure from the municipal solid waste scientifically.

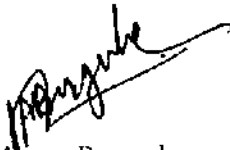
**Shri Torskar, Deputy Commissioner :**

The SEAC committee has already visited the sites hence the decision will be taken by considering all the views. The said committee has also raised the same questions as you all are raising.

**Shri Anil Pawar, Chairman of the public hearing committee:**

The suggestions, comments, complaints raised by the public will be taken into account and recorded and further communicated to the Environment Department committee for further decision. The project of Bio-Methanation of municipal solid waste 10 MT treatment is different than the existing plant. The Methane Gas is generated by Bio-Methanation of municipal solid waste at the site.

In the end, the chairman stated that all observations/questions raised by the present citizens have been noted and proceedings of today's Public Hearing along with CD will be sent to Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra. Afterward, the chairman thanked all present and declared that the Public Hearing has been concluded.



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