

MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF INDUCTION FURNACE TO PRODUCE 30,000 TPM M.S. BILLETS AND ROLLING MILL TO PRODUCE 30,000 TPM TMT BARS PROPOSED BY M/S. RAJURI PAINTS PRIVATE LIMITED (FORMERLY KNOWN AS ASHVA MULTI TRADE PVA. LTD.), AT GAT NO. 58, VILLAGE DAREGAON, TQ. & DIST: JALNA MAHARASHTRA CONDUCTED ON 26/11/2018 AT 01.00 P.M. AT PROJECT SITE OF M/S. RAJURI PAINTS PRIVATE LIMITED (FORMERLY KNOWN AS ASHVA MULTI TRADE PVT. LTD.) AT GAT NO. 58, VILLAGE DAREGAON, TQ. & DIST: JALNA, MAHARASHTRA.

An environmental public hearing in respect of **Proposed Installation of Induction Furnace to Produce 30,000 TPM M.S. Billets and Rolling Mill to Produce 30,000 TPM TMT Bars** proposed by M/s. Rajuri Paints Private Limited (formerly known as Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd.), At Gat No. 58, Village Daregaon, Tq. & Dist: Jalna, Maharashtra was conducted on 26/11/2018 at 01.00 p.m. at proposed site of M/s. Rajuri Steel Paints Private Limited (formerly known as Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd.), Gat No. 58, Village Daregaon, Tq. & Dist: Jalna Maharashtra.

Following members were present during the public hearing :

1. **Shri Ravindra Binwade,**
District Magistrate, Jalna,
Dist: Jalna. Chairman.
2. **Shri Rajesh Joshi,**
Additional District Magistrate, Jalna,
Dist: Jalna.
3. **Shri A.D. Mohekar,**
Regional Officer,
MPCB, Aurangabad. Member.
4. **Shri V.P. Shelke,**
Sub-Regional Officer,
MPCB, Jalna. Convener.

A list of members and public participants present for Public Hearing is annexed herewith. All those present were given welcome by the Convener. Then, **Shri V.P. Shelke**, Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Jalna and Convener of Public Hearing Panel with the permission of the Chairman of Public Hearing Panel narrated the procedure to be followed for obtaining environmental clearance by explaining the provisions of the MoEFCC, Government of India Notification No. S.O. 1533 dated 14th September, 2006 and amended Notification No. S.O 3067 (E) dated 01/12/2009 and Summary of the proposed project right from the date of receipt of application submitted by the Project Proponent for conducting Public Hearing till fresh notice

published by MPCB in the local newspapers Daily Lokmat Times (English) and Daily Sakal (Marathi) dated 24/10/2018. He stated that the said project of **Proposed Installation of Induction Furnace to Produce 30,000 TPM M.S. Billets and Rolling Mill to Produce 30,000 TPM TMT Bars** falls under 'B' Category of the said Notification, which require Environmental Clearance from the Government of India, New Delhi, hence it is necessary to conduct the public hearing for the said project. He further stated that as per the said Notification, the copies of EIA Report and Executive Summary of the proposed project in English and Marathi were placed at various Government Offices, viz. Collector Office, Jalna, Zilla Parishad, Jalna, District Industries Centre, Jalna, Tehsil Office, Jalna, Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation, Jalna, Office of the Grampanchayat, Daregaon, Tq. & Dist: Jalna, etc. for studying and people were requested to record suggestions, objections, if any regarding the said project within 30 days from the publicity of advertisement of the said project in the newspapers, accordingly, one objection from Shri Suyog Khardikar, Journalist, Jalna and one suggestion from Shri S. Venkateshwaralu, Kurnool are received at Sub-Regional Office, MPCB, Jalna, which will be read after technical presentation of proposed project and same will be answered by the Project Proponent. Thereafter, he requested the Technical Consultant of the project with the permission of the Chairman of Public Hearing Panel to brief the technical presentation of their proposed project. He further requested the public participants that if anybody is having any objection, suggestion, etc. about the said project, same can be asked or given in writing after technical presentation.

Then, the Technical Consultant of the project, **Shri Mohan Rahangdale** from M/s. Pollution & Ecology Control Services, Nagpur started the power point presentation of the proposed project and stated the said project of M/s. Rajuri Paints Private Limited (formerly known as Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd.) will be established at Gat No. 58, Village Daregaon, Tq. & Dist: Jalna, Maharashtra and it has proposed to establish a new unit of **Installation of Induction Furnace to Produce 30,000 TPM M.S. Billets and Rolling Mill to Produce 30,000 TPM TMT Bars**. As per the MoEF Notification, 2006, the proposed project is categorized as 'B' Class for which Environmental Clearance is necessary from Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi. He stated that the Central Environment & Forest Ministry always works for proper use of natural resources in the country. As per the MoEF Notification 2006, every industry requires Environmental Clearance for their Enhancement in Production/Modernization/Renovation. Approval has been given for the proposed project in the 140th SEAC-I meeting held on 20/07/2017. The information about environment in the surrounding area of the proposed project has been included in the Environment Impact Assessment Report as per the SEAC norms and the information regarding adverse impact to be occurred on the environment and the mitigation measures to be taken thereof are also described in detail in the said report.

He showed the map showing the site of proposed project and briefed about the environmental study in the 10 km. radius of project site as below :

The project site is located at Gat No. 58, Village Daregaon, Tq. & Dist: Jalna, Maharashtra, Latitude - 19°50'31.96"N & Longitude - 75°50'44.89"E, Average Mean Sea Level (MSL) is 526 m. The nearest town is Jalna located at a distance of 4.0 km. There are two Reserved Forests, which are located towards North-East side at a distance of 5.5 km. & 6.5 km.

The nearest Railway Station is Jalna located at a distance of 5.0 km. There is no any archaeological monument, historical place or sanctuary located within the area of 10 km. radius. The nearest State Highway is Aurangabad-Jalna-Nagpur at a distance of 2.5 km. He further showed the satellite map of the project site and briefed the details of land use pattern within the area of 10 km. radius as Agriculture Land – 67.66%, Built up Area – 6.71%, Quarrying – 0.88%, River – 0.50%, Wasteland – 21.78% and Waterbody – 2.48%.

Shri Rahangdale briefed about the information of said project and stated that as the earlier name of the industry was M/s. Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd., the TOR has been received in the name of M/s. Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd. and after receipt of TOR, the industry has changed the name of industry from M/s. Ashva Multi Trade Pvt. Ltd. to M/s. Rajuri Paints Pvt. Ltd. The said industry is a industrial promoter in taking modern and durable production of TMT Bars and is having credit in Jalna area in Maharashtra for producing the largest Steel Bars. He stated that the required needs for the proposed project of M.S. Billets – 30,000 TPM & TMT Bars – 30,000 TPM of capacity will be as Electricity – 30 MW, Water – 166 CMD, Total Land – 50061.5 Sq.m., Built up Area – 7000 Sq.m. and Manpower – 250 – 300 Nos. The raw material required for the proposed project will be Sponge Iron, Scrap, Pig Iron, etc. The total raw material required will be 30,900 TPM, out which the waste generation will be 900 TPM and the rolled production will be 30,000 TPM.

He briefed about the Hot Billet Rolling Mill Process Flow Chart and stated that during this process the raw material, i.e. M.S. Scrap and Sponge Iron is melted into Induction Furnace, then Slag generated is separated and Flue Gases is sucked through Suction Hood and it is discharged through wet scrubber followed by stack. He stated that the total requirement of water is 166 CMD for various purposes like Domestic – 16 CMD, Industrial Process – 60 CMD, Cooling – 84 CMD and Gardening – 6 CMD.

He showed the map showing the study area of water, air and noise level. Monitoring locations within the radius of 10 km. of the project and briefed as below :

Air Environment :- Air quality is monitored at 8 places during the period from September, 2017 to December, 2017, which includes wind direction, sensitive areas and human habitation and the air quality observed in the study area is as PM₁₀ – 61.2 to 83.8 µg/m³, PM_{2.5} – 42.1 to 53.9 µg/m³, NO_x – 19.9 to 39.7 µg/m³ and SO₂ – 22.7 to 38.5 µg/m³ and there will be increase of 0.2 to 0.4 µg/m³ in PM₁₀ and 0.05 to 0.25 in PM_{2.5} µg/m³ in the project area after commissioning of the said project.

Noise Environment :- The noise level monitoring is carried out at various 8 places in the proposed project area and it is recorded as 29.1 to 60.0 dB(A) and the higher noise level is recorded during the day time.

Water Environment :- 10 Nos. of ground water samples and 4 Nos. of surface water samples, i.e. total 14 Nos. of water samples are collected and analyzed in the project area.

Shri Rahangdale briefed about the Air Pollution Control System and stated that for control of Particulate Matter below 50 µg/Nm³ dust suppression system and bag filter/wet

scrubber followed by stack 30 m. will be provided, water sprinkling system will be provided in transportation centre at goods handling sections, the green belt at road side in the project area will be increased, internal roads will be concretized to reduce the dust emission due to vehicular movement, regular water sprinkling will be carried out, stack monitoring facility will be installed as per CPCB guidelines and the stack will be monitored regularly.

He further briefed about the Noise Pollution Control and stated that padding will be provided at various places to avoid the noise generated due to vibration, Noise barriers will be provided where it is not possible to control noise. If possible, the noise generating machinery operator will be provided with noise resisting room to control the noise through Remote Control, the sources generating higher noise will be provided with proper noise resisting cover, besides regular monitoring of various equipments, the persons working at the noise generating machines will be provided with ear plug/muffler, oiling will be carried out to the machineries and if possible cover will be provided to reduce the noise, Extensive Vibration Monitoring System and if possible vibration isolator will be provided to reduce the noise and vibration.

While briefing about the proposed Water Pollution Control Process, he stated that the water requirement for the proposed project is 166 CMD. Effluent will be generated from cooling process and air pollution control devices will be treated in ETP and then it will be reused in process. The domestic effluent generation will be 13.0 CMD, which will be treated in closed Sewage Treatment Plant and it will be reused after treatment.

He briefed about the Solid Waste control and stated that about 1200 TPA of solid waste of metal scrap/slag will be generated from the proposed project, which will not be hazardous for the nature and it will be used for land filling in the own premises. The tail cutting of 1050 TPA generated will be reused in the process. After melting the scrap and sponge iron in the induction furnace, slag is generated which contains SiO_2 (Silica), FeO (Iron Oxide) and Al_2O_3 (Alumina). The metal scrap/slag crushed into crusher unit and then it is used in the construction of internal roads in the villages in the project area.

He further briefed about the Disaster Management Plan and stated that information will be given to the authorized person regarding special study about disaster management, information will also be given to the Senior Officers and Employees regarding use of Personal Protective Equipments. Information about the special study will also be given to the Chief Person of various organizations during the emergency situation as per their work. The project lay-out and other information will also be given by the Company Management to the outside agencies like District Level Disaster Management Cell, District Level Fire Brigade so that the said information will be helpful during the disaster situation.

He stated that the Project Proponent has decided to develop the Green Belt on 33% of area and proposed to plant about 800 No. trees in the project area. They will reuse the water by carrying the Rain Water Harvesting programme.

He briefed about the Socio-Economic & Social Development Programme and stated that regular discussion will be carried out with the local people for making available the employment opportunity for them and employment will be given to them depending upon their educational

qualification, proper co-ordination will be kept by the Project Officer with the Local Administration, Grampanchayat, Batch Development Officer for the implementation of Social Welfare Schemes will be carried out .

While briefed about the Benefits of the Proposed Project, he stated that there will be increase in employment opportunity directly or indirectly and direct/indirect employment will be given to about 250 to 300 local people during the process stage. There will be the social and economical development due to the activities under the Corporate Social Responsibility/Corporate Environment Responsibility (CSR/CER). There will be the development of educational, social and economical sectors and improvement in the health and educational infrastructure.

He stated that under the CSR/CER activities, the Project Proponent of M/s. Rajuri Paints Private Limited as a good commercial citizen and industrialist in the area has proposed to develop as a Model Village to the certain selected villages, capital cost of Rs. 28.0 Lakh per year will be provided under the CSR/CER activities for the development of local area, the CSR/CER programmes will be decided as per the requirements observed during the survey of social area and after deciding the programmes under the CSR/CER and the implementation of the same will be started by M/s. Rajuri Paints Private Limited in co-ordination with the District Authorities. He further briefed about the provision made under CER/CSR for various purposes like Stopping Female Foeticide (*sribhrun hattya*)/Beti Bachav Beti Padhav throughout the Maharashtra – Rs. 12.00 Lakh, Drinking Water Arrangement in School – Rs. 2.00 Lakh, To provide Computer & Printer in the School – Rs. 3.00 Lakh, Management & Maintenance of Primary Health Centre – Rs. 3.00 Lakh, Annual Health Check up of people in the village – Rs. 2.00 Lakh, Funds (Dengi) for development of Grampanchayat – Rs. 2.00 Lakh and Repairing of roads in the village – Rs. 4.00 Lakh, like Rs. 28.00 Lakh per year, Rs. 1.4 Cr. will be spent during the further 5 years. He briefed about the funds required for Environment Management and stated that the total Capital Expenditure towards Environment Management will be Rs. 288.00 Lakh and Annual Recurring Expenditure for the same will be Rs. 28.50 Lakh which includes Air Pollution Control, Water Pollution Control, Solid Waste Management and Green Belt Development.

Shri Rahangdale stated that the Environment Management Plan is the prime thing (*Gabha*) of this project for which primary starting to get Environmental Clearance is started. It is a thinking of company to use the experience and guidance of the Government, Non-Government Experts and local people for the safety of environment for which required funds, manpower and machinery will be made available, project will be commissioned only after receiving all types of permissions, they will take complete care for the protection of environment, by bearing in mind that the project is impossible without participation of local people their participation will be in the project and care will be taken so as not to cause any loss to them. He stated that M/s. Rajuri Paints Private Limited is requesting the public participants to cooperate for the proposed project by giving valuable advice about the environment and then he concluded the technical presentation of the proposed project.

Then, **Shri V.P. Shelke**, Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Jalna & Convener of Public Hearing stated that in response to the documents of proposed project placed at various Govt. offices, Shri Khardikar had asked the information like to provide him the photographs of air

pollution control equipments provided by the industry, electricity bill, etc. for which **Shri Shelke** clarified that this is a proposed project, there is no construction work or installation of plant and machinery at the said project site and the Project Proponent will take further steps only after receiving the Environmental Clearance to them. He stated that they have received two suggestions which he handed over to the Project Proponent for answering the same. After that he requested the public participants that if anybody is having any suggestion/objection in writing about the said project, same may be given to them and if anybody would like to ask questions, same may be asked by telling their own name and address. He pointed out that the questions shall be related with environment only and it shall be asked in local language, because the details of the same are to be incorporated in the minutes.

During the course of public hearing, the public participants and panel members raised certain questions related to the said project and same were answered by the Project Proponent/Project Consultant, which are as below :

1. **Shri Sachin Yadav**, a resident of nearby village Nagewadi, Tq. & Dist: Jalna stated that the said project is good, but he asked whether the factory will give guarantee for giving employment to the villagers. **Shri D.B. Soni**, the Project Proponent reported that it has become compulsory for every project to generate 70% of employment and as per the said standards, they give employment to the local people and likewise the employment will also be given to the local people in the proposed project. He further reported that the employees from outside also work in their factory. There are two types of work in the factory, i.e. one is hot work and other is cold work, the works other than furnace premises are given 100% to the local people, but the local people are not having proper training in the field so the 30% workers from outside are taken for hot work and 70% employment is given to the local people in cold work area. **Shri Yadav** asked whether medical facility, etc. will be made available to such worker and any other help to the family of such worker, if in case there will be any accidental incident. **Shri Soni** reported that it is necessary to provide one ambulance by the industry, which is already provided by them, as it is steel industry, one daily visiting Doctor is necessary, which is appointed by them, one Post Graduate Doctor is necessary, which is also appointed by them and besides this, if any accidental incident happens, he stated that every year, the industry takes the Insurance policy for every workers under the Workmen Compensation Act and as per the said policy, present value from the salary to be received to the person in his remaining life after incident is calculated and accordingly the Insurance Company gives the benefits to such person. Besides this, the industry also give employment to the dependent of such person like wife/children/mother/father. He stated that such incidents are happened in MIDC Area before this, and they are solved in this way.
2. **Shri Manish B.**, a resident of Jalna town stated that the project is very good, but he asked whether the 'Swachha Bharat Yojana' will be implemented in the nearby villages. **Shri Soni** reported that they have not carried out any such work in the said sector, as they have worked for stopping the female foeticide (*stribhrun hattya*). He stated that it is their group company and their group has carried out

the work of depth and widening the nallas at Daregaon in the last year. But, he stated that particularly in the cleanliness sector, they have constructed one toilet for girls in the nearby area and further stated that they will concentrate on the cleanliness in the school in the proposed expenditure here after.

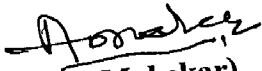
3. **Shri Yogesh Souchat**, a resident of nearby village Siraswadi, Tq. & Dist: Jalna stated that his question is for Maharashtra Pollution Control Board and not for the company. He stated that he is a son of farmer and while taking wheat crop, certain waste is generated and by burning the said waste by farmer, it causes air pollution and instead of burning if it is thrown into river, it causes water pollution, hence asked whether the Government will provide some infrastructure to the farmers or carry some programmes for the disposal of such waste. **Shri Soni** reported that there is a industry in the area, namely M/s. Bhakti Extraction which uses 100% briquettes which contains, agro waste like waste from cotton, wheat and dried press mud of which pallets are prepared by compressing it. He reported that most of the Multi-National companies use such fuel upto 50% compulsory and therefore, the Multi-National companies in Thane-Belapur area purchase such pallets as a fuel. Such project costs for Rs. 12 - 20 Lakh. He also stated that such project requires only land and shed, they receives scrap from which they can give the material at cost for a shed if any local youth or industrialist is ready for running such project. **Shri Shelke** clarified that there are two option for the disposal of waste generated from wheat crop, i.e. it can be used as manure in own agriculture land by composting within 45 days and other option is as reported by the Project Proponent. He pointed out that the industries manufacturing green fuel, briquettes purchase such waste per ton/per quintal and stated that there are so many schemes of the Government, but Maharashtra Pollution Control Board can't do any thing for individuals and suggested that if the local body is ready, a project of common facility can be established with the help of local body. **Shri Souchat** stated that as reported earlier there are so many schemes of the Government, but even today such schemes do not reach to the farmers, hence asked whether any programmes will be organized for reaching such schemes to the farmers. **Shri Shelke** stated that every department organizes the programmes for implementation of schemes and the Government always take efforts in this regard.
4. **Shri Sunanda Reddy**, the Environmentalist gave best wishes to M/s. Rajuri Paints Pvt. Ltd. and stated that he is the first Environmentalist who is feeling in his opinion that unemployment is the major pollution in the society and air pollution, water pollution, land pollution can be controlled at any stage. He stated that the Government is providing jobs to about 5 to 6 lakh people every year, but 1 Cr. people come in the market for employment. As an Environmentalist, he stated that he is supporting the project and said that he is having some suggestion. He stated that the project consultant has conducted baseline survey of water and air, which is very good. He requested to collect the data of health status of people, crop production status and ground water available status within the radius of 10 km. area, it is very useful in future and to utilize parameters to take precautionary measures so as to maintain the ecological balance, to take special efforts to collect


rain water, construct storage tanks for storing the rain water, it is very useful for the industry and it is very essential to maintain ecological balance. He stated that 33% plantation is very good and suggested to take 40 to 50%, it is very essential to control pollution and to maintain ecological balance because the Indian population increases by 10 Crs. at every 10 year, to take village and avenue plantation in the nearby villages to make the internal roads smooth for transporting material and to control dust pollution, to give priority for fruit bearing plants and medicinal value plants instead of normal plants, it is very useful to control dust pollution and also make available fruits to nearby villages. He further requested to give top priority to local educated unemployed youth for employment, to promote skill development trainings for unemployed youth to get better skill and to get employment chances in other industries also, to form a Co-ordination Committee with the villagers, Company officials, Government officials and PCB officials to take a plan of action under CSR it is very useful to take demand oriented work, to discourage the target oriented work, to take proper control measures for air, water, land pollution, which is very essential to maintain ecological balance. He stated that once again his best wishes and supporting the industrial development and suggested to maintain ecological balance and environmental safety. He said that he congratulate that the Environmental Consultant who has prepared a detail EIA Report, which is very good. He stated that finally he is requesting the MoEF to give unconditional permission to the proposed project. **Shri Mohekar** stated that **Shri Reddy** has already given his representation and its cognizance will be taken definitely.

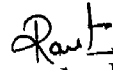
5. **Shri H. Madhubabu**, Environment Social Worker stated that he is giving a letter regarding public hearing of the proposed project for consideration and he said that is supporting the project.
6. **Shri Chenna Kesava Reddy**, the Social Worker stated that he is recommending to MoEFCC for the said project because employment will be generated, the area will be developed. He suggested to give employment compulsory to the local people, to take safety for ground water and to reduce the existing water consumption. He again stated that he recommend to MoEFCC for the said project.
7. **Shri Balu Kawale**, a resident of nearby village Golapangari, Tq. & Dist: Jalna asked whether the Project Proponent has taken efforts for some schemes for the villages in surrounding area. **Shri Soni** as reported earlier stated that it is necessary to spend the funds of Rs. 28/- Lakh per year from the proposal for works in the surrounding villages, the details of which are given and they will spend for the Education and Cleanliness Campaign. **Shri Kawale** further asked whether there are some schemes for the youth. **Shri Soni** reported that employment opportunity is available for the educated youth and they are having proposed schemes through which they will provide funds to the schools upto 10th Class.

Shri Shelke again asked that still if anybody is having any question regarding pollution, they may ask the same. However, after observing that nobody is having any question, Dr. Yogini Balankhe, Field Officer from MPCB, Jalna with the permission of the Chairman of Public Hearing Panel concluded the Public Hearing with a vote of thanks to all the public participants

Lastly, the Public Hearing ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(A.D. Mohekar)
Member.


(V.P. Shelke)
Convener.


R (Ravindra Binwade)
Chairman.
9/1/19

