

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED MOLASSES BASED DISTILLERY PROJECT OF 30 KLD IN RESPECT OF M/S. SHIUR SAKHAR KARKHANA LIMITED, WAKODI, TAL. KALAMNURI, DIST. HINGOLI, MAHARASHTRA:

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The public hearing for proposed molasses-based distillery project of 30 KLD in respect of M/s. Shiur Sakhar Karkhana Limited, Wakodi, Tal. Kalamnuri, Dist. Hingoli, Maharashtra was conducted under the Chairmanship of the Additional District Magistrate, Hingoli on 07th June, 2021 at 12.00 a.m.

Following panel members were present during the environmental public hearing as per Board's Office Order No. E- 41 of 2021 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B – 210527 FTS 0044 dtd. 27th May,2021.

- 1) Addl. District Magistrate : **Chairman**
Dist. Hingoli
- 2) Regional Officer, : **Member**
MPCB, Aurangabad
- 3) Sub-Regional Officer, : **Convener**
MPCB Parnhani.

Mr. Jayant Kadam, Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Parbhani and Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcome the Hon'ble Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel, officials, public representatives and public who were online present and with the permission of the Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee he gave information in brief about the said proposed project of molasses based distillery of 30 KLD in respect of M/s. Shiur Sakhar Karkhana Limited, Wakodi, Tal. Kalamnuri, Dist. Hingoli, Maharashtra.

He informed that, as per the EIA Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEFCC, Gol) dated 14th September, 2006 as amended on 1st December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior public hearing to certain projects which are covered in the Schedule of the said Notification and this unit is also comes under the purview of this Notification.

The Project Proponent has applied to the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board for conducting the environmental public hearing for proposed project of molasses-based distillery of 30 KLD. As per the said Notification, one month advance public notice was published in the local newspapers in "Daily Sakal" for Marathi and in national newspaper "The Times of India" for English on 06th May 2021. The public were appealed to send their suggestions or objections regarding the project.

The Additional District Magistrate and Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel has directed to conduct the said public hearing through CISCO webex meeting App due to current COVID-19 situation.

The Convener further informed that, the aim of conducting public hearing is to make aware local people who can be participated in the hearing and they should know the activity to be carried out in the proposed project of molasses based distillery of 30 KLD in respect of M/s. Shiur Sakhar Karkhana Limited, Wakodi, Tal. Kalamnuri, Dist. Hingoli, Maharashtra.

Also, a copy of EIA report and executive summery were made available at various offices of Government i.e.

- * District Collector, Hingoli
- * District Industries Centre, Hingoli
- * CEO Zilha Parishad, Hingoli
- * Chief Officer, Nagar parishad, Hingoli.
- * Chief Officer, Nagar Parishad, Kalamnuri.
- * Tahasildar, Tahsil Office Kalamnuri, Dist. Hingoli.
- Grampanchayat Office of Wakodi.
- * Sub-Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Parbhani.
- * Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board Aurangabad.
- * Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, HQ, Sion, Mumbai-22.
- * Environment Deptt. Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.
- * Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (WCZ), Nagpur.

The public in general were appealed to send any objection / suggestion regarding the above project. if any?

The Convener further informed that Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Parbhani had appealed to the concerned to submit any objection / suggestion accordingly Sub-Regional Office, MPCB Parbhani has received only one representation through email from Mr. V. Sunanda Reddy. Further, he informed the participants of the hearing to give their suggestions or objections if any?

The Convener further informed that the suggestions and objections raised during the hearing will be incorporated in the minutes of the hearing.

He appealed Chairman of the Panel to allow the Environment Consultant for giving the presentation & the Chairman directed to give the presentation in this matter.

Dr. Amol Deshmane Representative of M/s. Shiur Sakhar Karkhana Limited, Wakodi, Tal. Kalamnuri, Dist. Hingoli, Maharashtra and Representative of Vasant Dada Sugar Institute, Pune, has given information in brief along with presentation on various environmental aspects i.e. Environment Impact Assessment and intention behind arranging the Public Hearing, Details about the Project, Project Plan, Environment Status, Details of local Environment and surrounding environment information, Locations of the study area, Air quality in the study area, Noise levels in the study area, Water quality in the study area, Soil quality in the study area, Bio-diversity, Socio-Economic Environment, Expected impact on the surrounding area, Environment Management Plan, Remedial measures on the various environmental impacts, Social Economic Development Plan under Environmental Responsibility Plan, Budgetary provisions for environmental management, Net gain from the project etc.,

After completion of the presentation, the Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel appealed to the participants in the said public hearing to give suggestions, views, comments etc., if any? so as to enable to take the note of the same in the proceedings. Further, he appealed to the participants to inform their name, address before raising any suggestions, views, comments etc., if any?

PROCEEDINGS:

Sr. No.	Name, Design. and address of the person along with suggestions, views, comments etc.,	Reply given by project proponent / Consultant
1	Shri. Bapurao Jivnaji Mane r/o. Isapur, Tal. Pusad, Dist. Yawatmal has raised a point regarding steps to be taken for control of air pollution.	The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, Electrostatic precipitator will be installed to the chimney height of 45.00 mtrs. The green belt will be developed in the surrounding area. Internal asphalt roads will be constructed. The due steps will be taken to maintain the air quality at Industry location and in the surrounding area, as per the standards stipulated by the Central Pollution Control Board.
2	The Member of the Public Hearing Panel and the Regional Officer, MPCB Aurangabad has suggested to inform the steps to be taken for control of water pollution.	The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, the effluent will be generated from two sources – 1. Spent Wash – Multiple Effect Evaporator will be provided for volume reduction of spent wash. It will be mixed with coal / bagasse and same will be incinerated. 2. Cooling Tower Blow-down: The effluent will be treated in condensate polishing unit and treated effluent will be recycled in the process so as to achieve Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD).
3	Shri. Vishwanath Dhondiram Surawase r/o. Wakodi has raised points regarding benefits to the farmers and employment opportunities to the educated residents.	The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, rate of the sugarcane will be enhances and job opportunities will be given to the local lads.

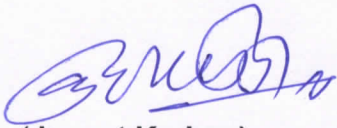
4	<p>Shri. Keshav Jadhav r/o. Shivani (Bk) has raised a point regarding number of job opportunities to be generated to the skilled / semi-skilled.</p> <p>He expressed that, this project will help to improve the lifestyle of the residents, foreign currency will be saved and requested to the Director Board of the industry to expedite the proposed project and requested Govt. authorities to give necessary sanctions.</p>	<p>The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, around 30 to 35 job opportunities to be generated for the skilled and around 20 job opportunities to be generated for the semi-skilled.</p>
5	<p>Shri. Rambhau Deshmukh r/o. Shiur has raised a point regarding benefits to the residents.</p>	<p>The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, sugarcane rate will be enhanced. The job opportunities will be given to the residents. Also, the labours, transporters, drivers and businessman in the surrounding area will be indirectly benefited.</p>
6	<p>Shri. V. Sunanda Reddy Environmentalist</p> <p>Has advised to take necessary steps for tree plantation on large scale at factory site, rainwater harvesting, collect health status of the people etc., He requested to take necessary steps for the protection of environment. He expressed satisfaction for the efforts taken by the Consultant for collection of data. He gave his best wishes to the project.</p>	<p>The factory representative assured that; the suggestions made by Shri. Reddy have been noted and compliance will be made thereof. Shri. Kadam, Convener of the public hearing panel suggested to incorporate the compliance in the final EIA.</p>

7.	<p>Dr. P.M.Joshi, the Member of the Public Hearing Panel and the Regional Officer, MPCB Aurangabad has given certain suggestions for preservation of environment i.e. Lacunas in the EIA report, contradiction in the water consumption figures in Consent and presentation, budgetary provision made for environment plan, air pollution problem due to predominant wind direction, locating AAQM station, information regarding environmental cell and TOR etc., and to include the compliance on the above in the final EIA report.</p>	<p>The Representative of the Project Proponent has replied that, based on dispersion modelling, the pre-dominant wind direction is towards Shiur village.</p> <p>All the suggestions given by the Member of the Public Hearing Panel and the Regional Officer, MPCB will be incorporated in final EIA.</p>
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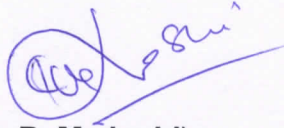
The Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel again appealed to the participants in the said public hearing to give suggestions, views, comments etc., if any? but nobody has raised any point. Further, he directed to comply the points raised by the Member of the public hearing panel and take the note of the same in EIA report and in the proceedings and same will be submitted to the Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai, for further line of action. Also, the videos, photographs and copies of the complaint / representation received, attendance sheet etc., will also be submitted along with the minutes.

The Convener of the public hearing panel thanked all the participants i.e. residents, officers / employees working in various offices who have participated in the online public hearing.

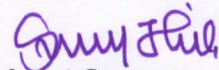
The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Jayant Kadam)
Convener
and
SRO, MPCB Parbhani



(Dr. P. M. Joshi)
Member
and
Regional Officer, MPCB A'bad



(Chandrakant Suryawanshi)
Chairman
and
Additional District Magistrate, Hingoli.