

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED DISTILLERY OF CAPACITY 150.0 KLPD TO PRODUCE RECTIFIED SPIRIT/EXTRA NEUTRAL ALCOHOL/ ETHANOL BASED ON SUGARCANE JUICE /SYRUP/"C"/"B"HEAVY MOLASSES / GRAINS, PROPOSED BY PROJECT PROPONENT M/S MALHAR SAKHAR KARKHANA LTD., GAT NO.174 & 175, VILLAGE- CHANDAPURI, TAL-MALSHIRAS, DIST – SOLAPUR, MAHARASHTRA**

The Public Hearing for proposed Distillery of capacity 150.0 KLPD to produce Rectified Spirit/Extra Neutral Alcohol/Ethanol Based on Sugar Cane Juice/Syrup/" C"/"B" Heavy Molasses/Grains proposed by Project Proponent M/s Malhar Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., Gat No.174 & 175, Village-Chandapuri, Tal – Malshiras, Dist -Solapur, Maharashtra was conducted on Tuesday, the 05<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 at the site of the said industry at 12.30 a.m.

District Collector, Solapur approved the date of public hearing on Tuesday , the 05<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 and as per the Notification dated 14-09-2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (MoEF & CC, Gol), New Delhi and subsequent amendment on 01-12-2019, Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai has constituted Public Hearing Panel vide Board's Office Order No. E- 85 of 2021 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B- 210930-FTS-0129, , dated 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021:-

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| 1) District Magistrate-Solapur<br>or his representative not below<br>the rank of an Additional District<br>Magistrate | <b>Chairman</b> |
| 2) Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune<br>(Representative of Maharashtra<br>Pollution Control Board)                         | <b>Member</b>   |
| 3) Sub Regional Officer,<br>MPCB, Solapur   | <b>Convener</b> |

Shri Ajit Vasantrya Patil, Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Solapur, Member, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee welcomed Ms. Shama Pawar, Additional District Magistrate, Solapur and Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee; Environmentalists, NGOs, Journalists and Company Officials and local people/participants who were present and informed that as per the Environment Impact Assessment Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEF & CC, Gol) dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 as amended on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior public consultation to certain projects which are covered in the schedule of the said Notification.

Member, Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed all and informed that the meeting is called in the prevailing situation of Covid-19 pandemic. Hence, it is requested all the participants to follow strict guidelines as issued by Govt. of India and Govt. of Maharashtra from time to time. As per the guidelines, only 100 persons/participants are allowed in a session. If the participants are more, then remaining will be allowed in next session. The sessions will continue till all the participants are given opportunity to attend the meeting. The thermal checking and use of sanitizer is kept at the entrance of the pandol and now it is compulsory to wear a mask and follow the social distancing amongst the persons in the meeting hall. He informed that Maharashtra Pollution Control Board was in receipt of application from Project Proponent M/s Malhar Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., Gat No.174 & 175, Village-Chandapuri, Tal – Malshiras, Dist - Solapur, Maharashtra for their proposed Distillery of capacity 150.0 KLPD to produce Rectified Spirit/Extra Neutral Alcohol/Ethanol Based on Sugar Cane Juice/Syrup/" C"/"B" Heavy Molasses/Grains.

The Convener further informed that as per EIA Notification, 2006 the category of project falls under Category A 5 (g), which requires to obtain prior Environmental Clearance from the Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department, Govt of India, New Delhi for which prior environmental consultation is mandatory. Convener informed that the aim of conducting prior public consultation is to make aware, local people who can be participant in the hearing and they should know the developmental activities and Environment Management Plan of the unit.

Project Proponent had submitted online prescribed application on 08-05-2021 alongwith pre-feasibility report to Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi for Terms of Reference (TOR) for conduct of EIA studies and it has been considered and given online approval on 11-05-2021. As per said Notification, 30 days' advance public notice was published by Sub Regional Office, MPCB Solapur in the Local Newspaper in Daily Sanchar for Marathi and in National Newspaper daily The Indian for English on 05<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. The public were appealed to send their suggestions, views, doubts or objections regarding the proposed unit.

Also copy of EIA report and executive summery were made available at various notified offices of Government i.e. Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Zonal Office, West Central Zone, New Secretariat Building, Ground Floor, East Wing, Civil Line, Nagpur-440 001; District Magistrate Office, Solapur; Additional District Magistrate Office, Solapur; Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad Office, Solapur; General Manager, District Industries Centre Office, Solapur; Tahsildar, Tahsil Office- Malshiras, Tal-Malshiras, Dist – Solapur; Gram Sevak/Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat Office, Mouje – Chandapuri / Nimgaon / Khudus / Kusmod / Zanjewadi / Goradwadi/Tarangfal/Garvad, Tal-Malshiras, Dist – Solapur; Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Solapur; Regional Office, MPCB, Pune and at Head Office of MPCB at Mumbai, Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, New Administrative Building, Mumbai and on the website of MPCB. The public in general were appealed to send any suggestion or objection regarding the proposed new distillery project.

Convener informed that participants can raise their views, suggestions/objections for the proposed expansion of the project in environmental angle only orally as well as in writing also.

Convener requested Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee to start the proceedings.

With the permission of Chairman, Project Environment Consultant gave geographical location of the proposed unit, proposed impact on the environment due to proposed project and details of Environment Management Plan of the proposed

unit. Environment Consultant informed that Project Proponent has ear-marked capital cost of Rupees 40.8 Crores and for maintenance of pollution control devices Rupees 305.0 lakhs.

After presentation, participants were appealed to raise their views, suggestions or objections.

Member, Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee appealed all to raise their suggestions or objections in respect of proposed project in environmental angle only briefly. While informing the views, first name and name of village/residence should be informed.

After presentations, Environment Public Hearing Committee appealed the participants to raise their views, suggestions or objections regarding propose plant in environmental angle only.

**Following persons have taken part in the discussions and the answers given by Project Environment Consultant/Project Proponent/ Environment Public Hearing Committee:-**

**1) Shri Nitin Kakasaheb Jadhav,-Chandapuri, Tal – Malshiras, Dist – Solapur :-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	He has brought the written statement also. While reading written statement in the meeting, he informed that this Request Application/Statement is we have given our land/plots in 1996-1997. My land is adjacent to the land which is given in 1996-1997. The Gat no. is 163/1. The total area is 4.0 hector 92R. The vineyard/Grape Garden is developed and it is developed through the loan of the bank. If the grapes do not grow due to pollution, how the bank loan can be paid? If the loan is not repaid, then bank can auction our agriculture fields. If our agriculture fields are auctioned, then	While giving answer on behalf of Project Proponent, Environment Consultant said that many of these issues have been clarified during the presentation. It is already informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The Project Environment Consultant informed that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary is briefly described as follows – The waste water which will be produced in the factory will be treated, recycled and reused in the project only. It is answered that Govt. of India has specified the condition to all distilleries that not a drop of water from the project should go outside the project. Also, required air

<p>the time of starvation will come upon us. There is no alternative rather than agriculture. Hence, this project should not be commissioned. He informed that at Gut no.174, there is 0.51 R area. The adjacent is 163. It is my personal property only. Malhar sugar factory has not purchased my agriculture land of 0.51 R area at Gat no. 174. Hence I am apposing this project.</p>	<p>pollution control system will be set up. Your main point is as follows- <u>The factory has not purchased 0.52 R area of Gat No.174 from you. It will be noted in the minutes that there is opposition to this project</u></p>
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2) **Shri Ganapat Mahdev Shinde, -Chandapuri, Tal-Malshiras, Dist-Solapur:-**

(On behalf of him, Shri Suresh Ganpat Shinde, Residence-Chandapuri, Tal – Malshiras, Dist -Solapur has asked the question) –

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	<p>He has submitted written application. He read it and informed that they have land in both gut numbers. 38 gunthas in 174 and Potkharab 14 gunthas. In 175, one sector 60 R and Potkharab 18. In both the areas, there are vineyards/grape garden and pomegranate gardens. Due to pollution, these gardens will be destroyed and there will be serious situation. Hence, we oppose the project. Malhar sugar factory has not purchased my agriculture land at Gat no. 174. Hence I am apposing this project.</p>	<p>On behalf of Project Proponent, Project Environment Consultant informed that Pollution control system will be installed and it is summarized as mentioned in the answer to point no.1. Also your point is mentioned as follows - Gunthe and Pot Kharab 24 Gunthe of Gat No.174 and in 175 one hector 60 R and Pot Kharab 18 Gune is there. <u>The factory has not still purchased from you.</u> It will be noted in the minutes that there is opposition to this project</p>

2	Can Board of Directors of factory belong entirely to one family? How appropriate is this?	<b>Yes.</b> the factory is completely private, so all the members of the family can be the executive / chairman and director of the factory.
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3) **Shri Jagannath Hanumant Shinde-Chandapuri, Dist – Solapur:-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	<p>He has given written application also. While reading the application, it is informed that Gut no.175 belongs to his wife Varsha Jagannath Shinde. He read the application. It is informed in the application that –</p> <p>Request from account holder is from Mauje-Chandapuri and my group no. In 175, the area is one hector 60 R, Potkharab 18 guntha, pomegranate and sugar cane crops are there. Near to the proposed project site of M/s. Malhar Sugar factory, there is existing sugar factory named as M/s. Chandapuri Sugar factory which is in operation and due to pollution of water and air from this existing Chandapuri sugar factory, our crops were damaged. We have taken loan for producing these crops. If we do not return bank loan, our difficulties will increase. The proposed project of Malhar Sugar can cause problems in our agriculture activities. Hence, we oppose the project. <u>Malhar sugar factory has not purchased my agriculture land at Gat no. 175.</u> Hence I am apposing this project.</p>	<p>On behalf of Project Proponent, Project Environment Consultant informed that Pollution control system will be installed and it is summarized as mentioned in the answer to point no.1. Also your point is mentioned as follows -</p> <p>In Gat No.175, Area 1 Hector 60 R Pot Kharab 18 Gunthe is there. The factory has not still purchased from you. It will be noted in the minutes that there is opposition to this project</p>

4) Shri Dadasaheb Chandrakant Jankar, Taranfal, Tal-Malshir, Dist-Solapur:-

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	In how many days, the project will in operation?	The answer is given to the point that after obtaining Environmental Clearance and consent from the MPCB, normally within two years the factory will be in operation.
2	Local people should be given job opportunities in the factory	It was informed that as per the Rule local people will be preference in the project.
3	We have no objection for commissioning of the factory	It will be noted in the minutes that there is no objection to the operation of the factory

5) Shri Tanaji Uttam Jagdale, -Chandapuri, Tal-Malshiras, Dist-Solapur:-

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	<p>He asked orally that at this moment, Chandapuri factory has become problem to us, as I am staying behind the factory only. Near to the proposed project site of M/s. Malhar Sugar factory, there is existing sugar factory named as M/s. Chandapuri Sugar factory which is in operation and due to pollution of water and air from this existing Chandapuri sugar factory our crops were damaged. When Chandapuri sugar factory is in operation, the bagasse falls on our body and clothes.</p> <p>Now here, we have to count how many people are local people i.e. from Chandapuri village. Here now very less area is remained for the farming activities, as most of the agriculture area is acquired by the factory.</p>	<p>While giving answer on behalf of Project Proponent, Environment Consultant said that many of these issues have been clarified during the presentation. It is already informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The Project Environment Consultant informed that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary is briefly described as follows – The waste water which will be produced in the factory will be treated, recycled and reused in the project only. It is answered that Govt. of India has specified the condition to all distilleries that not a drop of water from the project should go outside the project. Also, required</p>

	air pollution control system will be set up.
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**6)Shri Bhagwan Dyanu Shinde-Chandapuri, Tal Malshiras, Dist – Solapur :-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
	<p>He informed that he has already submitted a written application. Member, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Meeting Requested him to read the application. He informed while reading the application that 1996-1997, we have sold our land for the commissioning of the factory. But the factory owner has commissioned the factory downside of the plot and promised us to give back our land orally. We have given our land in a very meagre amount. I did not get any money. But now we understood that the factory is planned here.</p> <p>At this moment, Shri Pandhare informed that two written applications have been received from Shrsi Sandhu Rama Pandare and Shri Sadashiv Sukhdev Pandhare. <u>Malhar sugar factory has not purchased my agriculture land at Gat no. 174.</u> Hence I am apposing this project.</p>	<p>On behalf of Project Proponent, Project Environment Consultant answered that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary as answered at point no.1.</p> <p>The written applications of Shri Sadhu Rame Pandhare and Sadashiv Sukhdev Pandhare will be submitted with other objections collectively to the Committee. Also your point is noted as follows – Shri Sadashiv Sukhdev Pandhare owns 0.5 in Gat no.174 and Shri Sadhu Rama Pandhare owns 1 hector 78 R in Gat No.174. <u>The factory has not purchased from your uptil now.</u> It will be noted in the minutes that there is opposition to this project.</p>

**7)Shri Dattu Ganapat Waghmode, Malshiras,Tal-Malshiras,Dist-Solapur:-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
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1	Will the raw material in the project will be procured from Malshiras or from outside?	The answer is given to the question whether grains will be taken from Malshiras is if the factory get raw material from near area, the expenses of the factory will be saved and it will be benefit. The local people will also benefit.
2	The local people should not suffer due to pollution.	Pollution will not be a problem.

**8) Shri Prashant Tanaji Waghmode, – Taranfal, Tal – Malshiras, Dist – Solapur**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	How much rate the sugar crop will be given?	While discussing the rate for sugarcane, it is informed that sugarcane rate will be as per the market rate;
2	In how many days the money will be given?	The money will be given as early as possible;
3	Whether raw material – grains from Malshiras Taluka will be taken?	The answer is given to the question whether grains will be taken from Malshiras is if the factory get raw material from near area, the expenses of the factory will be saved and it will be benefit. The local people will also benefit,

**09) Shri Satish Kakasaheb Jadhav, -Chandapuri, Tal-Malshiras, Dist-Solapur:-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	Near to the proposed project site of M/s. Malhar Sugar factory, there is existing sugar factory	While giving answer on behalf of Project Proponent, Environment Consultant said that many of these issues

<p>named as M/s. Chandapuri Sugar factory which is in operation and due to pollution of water and air from this existing Chandapuri sugar factory, our crops were damaged. Here is the vineyard. Due to present operation of the Chandapuri sugar factory, my two acres of agriculture land is totally damaged. Now if another factory is commissioned, then my whole vineyard will be totally damaged. I will loss everything. So, attention should be paid.</p>	<p>have been clarified during the presentation. It is already informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The Project Environment Consultant informed that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary is briefly described as follows – The waste water which will be produced in the factory will be treated, recycled and reused in the project only. It is answered that Govt. of India has specified the condition to all distilleries that not a drop of water from the project should go outside the project. Also, required air pollution control system will be set up.</p>
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**10) Shri Pandurang Kondiba Pandhare– Chandapuri, , Dist-Solapur:-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	My five acres of vineyard is adjacent to 174 gut no. We can see it is opposite only. I stay here only. If new project is allowed, then there will be more problems.	The question no.9 and 10 are same. Hence, answer is given as per Point no.9.

**11) Shri Bhajandas Bhagwan Chormale, Chandapuri, , Dist-Solapur:-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	In 1996-1997, our land is purchased for a very meagre amount. In 1997-1998, Shetkari sugar factory is commissioned. Until now, it is our	Pollution Control System will be installed and care will be taken for the maintenance of it. The utmost care will be taken that there will be no pollution. The approach

<p>experience that farming land adjacent to factory get damaged. In 1996-1997, our land is purchased for a very meagre amount. In 1997-1998, Shetkari sugar factory is commissioned. Until now, it is our experience that farming land adjacent to factory get damaged. The area has hills and valleys and is not suitable for factory development. There is no Approach Road to the project site. All the villagers have lodged a complaint with the Gram Panchayat regarding the above issues and a copy of the complaint is being made available to you</p>	<p>road will be developed to come on the project site.</p> <p>All the villagers have given application for all points and one copy of it is given to the Committee. The respective application alongwith other objections will be submitted collectively to the Committee.</p> <p>While giving answer on behalf of Project Proponent, Environment Consultant said that many of these issues have been clarified during the presentation. It is already informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The Project Environment Consultant informed that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary is briefly described as follows –</p> <p>The waste water which will be produced in the factory will be treated, recycled and reused in the project only. It is answered that Govt. of India has specified the condition to all distilleries that not a drop of water from the project should go outside the project. Also, required air pollution control system will be set up.</p>
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Member, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee here remarked that Proposed factory is not sugar factory, but Distillery project.

12) Shri Deepak Maruti Kopnar, Water Supply Employee, Grampanchayat Chandapuri, Native Village-Chandapuri

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
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1	<p>Shri Deepak Maruti Kopnar Water Supply Employee, Grampanchayat Chandapuri, informed that complaints, objections have been received by the Grampanchayat Office – Chandapuri from various local people, local farmers regarding the proposed project i.e. commissioning of new distillery plant (M/s Malhar Sugar). For this, I have brought letter from Panchayat Samiti. Shri Kopnar has read the application sent by Panchayat Samiti to Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Solapur. While reading he informed that it is informed to Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Solapur that commissioning of M/s Malhar Sakhar Karkhana Ltd., Gut No.174 and 175, Chandapuri, Tal-Malshiras, Dist – Solapur is proposed. In this context, complaints from local farmers and damage to the vineyard, sugarcane crops, also damage to the agriculture fields should be thought seriously.</p> <p>Secondly, this is to inform that the installation of the plant is proposed at Gut no.174 and 175, Chandapuri, Tal – Malshiras, Dist-Solapur. Adjacent to the proposed plant site, Grampanchayat Chandapuri has submitted a proposal for new water supply plan i.e. Chief Minister Drinking Water Plan (मुख्यमंत्री पेयजल योजना) i.e. Mukhyamantri Peya Jal Plan), which is already approved. Hence, all the above letters, complaints, present status should be considered</p>	<p>Grampanchayat Chandapuri for all points has given letter vide no.89/2021-22 dated 05-10-2021 to the Committee. The respective application alongwith other objections will sent collectively to the Expert Committee, who takes decision.</p> <p>While giving answer on behalf of Project Proponent, Environment Consultant said that many of these issues have been clarified during the presentation. It is already informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The Project Environment Consultant informed that pollution control devices will be installed and its summary is briefly described as follows –</p> <p>The waste water which will be produced in the factory will be treated, recycled and reused in the project only. It is answered that Govt. of India has specified the condition to all distilleries that not a drop of water from the project should go outside the project. Also, required air pollution control system will be set up.</p>
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	and then further action should be taken. Grampanchyat Chandapuri, Tal- Malshiras, Dist- Solapur letter no. 89/2021 dated 05/10/2021.	
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13) **Shri Nitin Londhe, Kavathe Mahankal, Tal Kavathe Mahankal, Dist – Sangli :-**

No.	Objection/Question	Reply
1	Normally, how many people will require in this plant? How many workers will be appointed on skilled, unskilled posts.	There will be requirement of 90 workers in the project. Most of the workers will be taken locally.

Member, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee here informed that 13 participants have raised their suggestions, objections.

Written 8 objection were given as below-

1) By email 05/10/2021 by Shri. Madhubabu- Hyderabad

List of 07 farmers of Chandapuri village who have given Written representation./objection vide their letter dated 05/10/2021.

2) Shri Ganpat Mahadev Shinde;

(On behalf of him Shri Suresh Ganpat Shinde);

3) Shri Jagannath Hanumant Shinde (Varsh Jagtap Shinde);

4) Shri Bhagwan Dnyanu Shinde;

5) Shri Satiah Kakasaheb Dhondiba Jadhav;

6) Shri Pandurang Kondiba Pandhare (Mr. Sadashiv and Mr. Sadhu);

7) Letter signed by 20 farmers of Chandapuri village

8) Grampanchyat Chandapuri, Tal- Malshiras, Dist-  
Solapur letter no. 89/2021 dated 05/10/2021.

**The 8 suggestions/objections received are enclosed herewith enclosed as annexure. Attendance sheet of 31 participants is enclosed as annexure.**

Member, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that written applications and its reading is done by 07 people and 06 people have raised oral suggestions/objections. He directed Environment Consultant to give answer on the points of suggestions/objections.

Environment Consultant while giving answers informed that all the points have already been explained while giving the presentation. She informed that this project is ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge. The treated effluent which will be produced during the manufacturing activities will be recycled and reused in the process. Govt. of India has Not a drop of water will go outside the factory.

The Government of India has laid the condition to all the distilleries that not a single drop of water/treated effluent would flow outside the project

It is informed by Project Consultant that as this is private factory, all the family members can be on the panel of Board of Directors. The answer for how many days the distillery unit will be in operation is given that after obtaining MPCB permission, normally within two years the plant will be in operation. The question regarding job opportunities to local people is given that local people will be given priority for job opportunities.

At this moment, some participants while raising the objections informed that we have given 11 acres of land to the project. We are not allowed to enter in the factory site. Then how we can believe that they will give job opportunities to local people? The question was raised that whether raw material ie. grains will be purchased from Malshiras. It is answered that if project management get the raw material from near area, naturally the cost of the factory will be saved and the profit will be made. It will be benefit to local people also. It is answered that rate for sugarcane crop will as per market price.

The participants have raised doubts that this factory, like other factories, would cause pollution. The answer is given that each factory is different.

Most of the participants have informed that they oppose the factory. One participant informed that he has spent 40 lakhs for the development of vineyard and

sugarcane crop. It is totally wasted due to pollution. We have given land for free of cost for setting up a sugar factory.

The Environmental Consultant while giving information about the written objections, stated all the names and their objections and the damage done to the grape and sugarcane crop.

Most of the participants were of the view/opinion that let us allow to cultivate our fields, we do not want the project. They have also remarked that when one project is in operation, we do not want another.

Most of the local farmers objected that we have given our land for the sugar factory and not to distillery unit. They said that since last 22 years, we have given our land for the factory. One is in operation. Now we do not want another. We have given our land since last 22. Moreover, it was decided that our land will be return back to us. The answer to the question raised by Shri Nitin Londhe is given that the requirement of manpower in the plant is about 90.

Member, Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that all the views/suggestions or objections raised by the participants are noted. The minutes of the meeting, the suggestions/objections received and Final Environment Impact Assessment report will be submitted to Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department, Govt. of India, New Delhi. An Expert Committee of MoEF & CC will take further necessary action.

Member, Convener Environment Public Hearing Committee here informed that if local persons demands, the video recording and copy of the minutes of the meeting will be made available to them.

At this moment, most of the participants informed that if an attempt is made to inaugurate the project by hurting our feelings. We all have taped the total proceedings/discussions of the meeting.

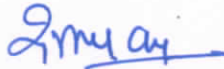
While concluding the meeting, Chairperson of the Environment Public Hearing Committee remarked that it is already informed by Member, Convener of the meeting that the suggestions or objections raised during the meeting by the participants are noted and total video recording is carried. This is public hearing. Just as factory management through their environment consultant has presented their views, so also

the local people have expressed their views, suggestions and also objections. We heard both sides. It is already informed by the Member, Convener of the meeting that in this meeting no decision is taken. This meeting is called to convey your views regarding the proposed project in environmental angle to Govt. of India. The procedure of the public hearing is completed. The final decision is taken by the Government. Chairperson, Environment Public Hearing Committee declared that this meeting is concluded.

The meeting ended extending thanks to the Chair.



**(Ajit Vasantryao Patil)**  
Member, Convener,  
Environment Public Hearing Committee  
And  
Sub Regional Officer,  
MPCB, Solapur



**(Shama Pawar)**  
Chairperson,  
Environment Public Hearing Committee  
And  
Additional District Magistrate, Solapur  
Dist – Solapur