

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCTED FOR PROPOSED PROJECT OF IRON ORE BENEFICATION PLANT 6,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.6 MTPA & IRON ORE PELLET PLANT 4,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.4 MTPA. IN RESPECT OF PROJECT PROPONENT M/S. DINANATH ALLIED STEEL PVT. LTD., B-3/1, MIDC, MUL, DIST. CHANDRAPUR.**

**Date : 30/11/2021**

**Time : 11:30 PM**

**Venue : Project Site, M/s. Dinanath Allied steel Pvt. Ltd. B-3/1, MIDC, Mul, Dist. Chandrapur**

**Preamble :-**

M/s. Dinanath Allied steel Pvt. Ltd. B-3/1, MIDC, Mul, Dist. Chandrapur has applied for Environmental Clearance to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC), New Delhi for proposed project of Iron Ore Benefication Plant 6,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.6 MTPA & Iron Ore Pellet Plant 4,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.4 MTPA.

The matter regarding same was discussed in Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) in the SEAC Meeting. The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the said project has been approved and it has been mentioned in the said TOR that in public hearing the issues raised and commitments made by the project proponent on the same shall be reported separately.

Accordingly, project proponent has submitted an application to Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) for conducting Public Hearing as per the provisions of EIA Notification -2006 and TOR issued by Govt. of India. In this connection, MPC Board decided to conduct public hearing in respect of the said project on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021 with consultation of District Collector, Chandrapur. Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has published public notices in Marathi newspaper namely "Lokmat" and English newspaper "Times of India" on dated 27/10/2021. An appeal was made to the concern to submit objections, suggestions, complaints, comments, if any, in respect of the said project to concerned regulatory authorities.

Copy of draft E.I.A. report along with executive summary in respect of the said project were made available in English/ Marathi in the following offices to apprise the public.

- 1) Environment Department, 15th Floor, New Administrative Building, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032
- 2) Joint Director (Water Pollution Control), Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 3rd and 4th Floor, Opp. Cine Planet, Near Sion Circle, Sion (E), Mumbai-400022
- 3) Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, First Floor, Udyog Bhavan, Opposite Bus-Stand, Railway Station Road, Chandrapur
- 4) Sub-Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, First Floor, Udyog Bhavan, Opposite Bus-Stand, Railway Station Road, Chandrapur
- 5) Collector Office, Chandrapur
- 6) Zilha Parishad, Chandrapur
- 7) District Industries Center, Chandrapur
- 8) Sub-Divisional Office, Mul, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur
- 9) Tahsil Office, Mul, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur
- 10) Panchayat Samiti Office, Mul, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur
- 11) Municipal Council Mul, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur
- 12) Gram-Panchayat Office Chitegaon, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur.
- 13) Gram-Panchayat Office Maregaon, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur.
- 14) Gram-Panchayat Office Chimadha, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur.
- 15) Gram-Panchayat Office Tekadi, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur.
- 16) Gram-Panchayat Office Aakapur, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur.

The above authorities at Sr. No. 5 to 16 above, were also requested to arrange vide publicity within their respective jurisdiction requesting the affected persons to send their comments to the concerned regulatory authorities.

The venue for the said public hearing was decided at Project Site, M/s. Dinanath Allied Steel Pvt. Ltd. B-3/1, MIDC, Mul, Tal. Mul, Dist. Chandrapur. The said venue was finalized considering easy accessibility to local people on the site of proposed project.

A Public Hearing Panel comprising of the following members was constituted by Maharashtra Pollution Control Board on 17/11/2021 in accordance with the EIA Notification dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 and as amended thereto issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest, Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi:-

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| 1. <b>Shri Vishalkumar Meshram,</b><br>Additional District Magistrate,<br>Chandrapur | - | <b>Chairman</b> |
| 2. <b>Shri A. M. Kare</b><br>Regional Officer,<br>MPCB, Chandrapur                   | - | <b>Member</b>   |

3. **Shri U. B. Bhadule,**  
Sub-Regional Officer,  
MPCB, Chandrapur

- **Convener**

The written submissions were received and attendance sheet of Public Hearing Panel as well as the concerns participated for the said public hearing is attached herewith.

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING :-**

At the outset, on behalf of committee of the public hearing panel, Convener Shri. U. B. Bhadule, Sub-Regional Officer Chandrapur, MPCB welcomed all those present and commenced the public hearing. He apprised the people with the introductory information about the purpose of the public hearing and appealed them to come forward with suggestions, complaints, objections & comments, if any, about the environmental aspects of the proposed project. He thereafter requested Hon'ble Chairman to commence the hearing procedure.

Hon'ble Chairman briefed people about the concept of proposed project of Iron Ore Benefication Plant 6,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.6 MTPA & Iron Ore Pellet Plant 4,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.4 MTPA and about the objective of Public Hearing. He made an appeal to participants & all to attend the public hearing peacefully and place their views regarding Environmental aspects. He stated that videography of the said public hearing is being carried out by MPCB as per the procedure laid down in EIA Notification 2006. Chairman further stated that the presentation about the proposed projects will be given by the project proponent and then the questions/ objections shall be raised by participants. He made an appeal to participants to come forward with their name & address before raising any query/objections so that the name of the participant along with views will be included in the proceedings of meeting. Then Chairman requested project proponent to give the presentation of the projects along with its salient features.

After that Dr. Pradip Tiplatkar, Environment Consultant on behalf of Project Proponent made a Power Point Presentation on the Environment aspects of the projects including salient features of EIA Report in Marathi as well as in English language. The project proponent elaborated the details of proposed project on following grounds;

- Project Description.
- Base Line Data with respect to Air, Water, Land, Noise, Ecology, Settlements, etc.
- Impact likely to occur due to the project on Air, Water, Noise, Hydrology, Settlements and Bio-diversity and forest.

- Mitigation measures and Environment management plan for the project during construction phase as well as operation.
- Other details as outlined in the EIA Report.

Thereafter, convener of Public Hearing announced that the forum is open for question answer. The summary of issues raised and reply submitted by project proponent is as below.

**STATEMENT OF ISSUES:**

**1) Shri. Sandip Karamwar Ex Sarpanch :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	1) What is this Project? What are their Products?	Project Proponent informed that, this is an Iron Ore Beneficiation Plant. Iron ore will be washed & Pellet will be made. The capacity of Iron Ore Beneficiation Plant is 6,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.6 MTPA & Iron Ore Pellet Plant is 4,00,000 Ton/A i.e. 0.4 MTPA.
2)	What is the plan to curb generated dust, waste water and noise pollution?	Project Proponent informed that, Electrostatic Precipitator will be installed for dust emissions with stack of height 55 meters due to which emissions will be negligible.
3)	Will it be negligible or will it be in some quantity?	Project Proponent informed that, it will be below the limits stipulated by Maharashtra Pollution Control Board.
4)	We welcome the project but what will be the policy regarding local skilled & unskilled labours? Will the company provide employment to skilled & unskilled labours?	Project Proponent informed that, around 140 people from local villages will get employment including skilled & unskilled labours. Company will take care of safety of labours.
5)	Company states that they will provide employment but in reality, the situation is totally opposite. We will stand for the	Convener of the public hearing said that MPCB will take necessary action against the defaulter company

	problems of local people & will ask for justice. A person named Akash is suffering from leg injury. People are suffering from other industries of MIDC. People are not able to live in the villages. If problems are not sorted out then we will not allow the project to commission.	of MIDC Mul area.
6)	What measures will the company take to protect the environment? How much expenditure towards the same is proposed?	<p>Project Proponent informed that, provision of around Rs. 180 Lakhs is made for environment protection which will include health related facilities, tarring/ concretization of roads, construction of schools, etc.</p> <p>Convener of Public Hearing informed that, M. P. C. Board will grant Consent to Establish to the proposed unit by stipulating environmental terms &amp; conditions. Also, Consent to Operate will be granted after erection of necessary pollution control systems. M. P. C. Board will also carry out visits to the proposed unit &amp; will collect ambient, stack &amp; effluent samples. If any discrepancies are observed during the visit then M. P. C. Board will take stringent action against the defaulter industry.</p>

**2) Shri. V. Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	I am the first environmentalist who is encouraging industrialism in the country. I am working towards the same since last 35 years. About 1 Crore people get employment every year in India. Out of which only 5 lakh people	Project Proponent informed that, this industry will generate employment. Job will be given to people to nearby villages. Skilled and unskilled people will get opportunity. Everything possible will be done for the safety of



<p>are in receipt of employment opportunity in Govt. sector. 35 Lakh people get employment in private sector. In my view, unemployment is biggest pollution in the society. I give unconditional support to the project. I have some suggestions to maintain ecological balance &amp; environmental safety. Only 15% of the total population of India lives in industrial areas. People are suffering due COVID-19 Pandemic. Health of the people is effected due to lifestyle &amp; food habits. Some of the industries are causing concerns to the environment but not every industry. Industry shall conduct health study &amp; collect health data within 10 km radius. Also, industry shall collect production status &amp; ground water quality status data. Industry shall install rainwater harvesting structure &amp; shall collect rainwater which will increase groundwater &amp; it can also be utilized for industrial purpose. Industry shall plant fruit bearing trees, medicinal trees along roadside. Industry shall give employment to educated people. Increase skill development. Constitute coordination committee including industry people, government official and local people. Give priority to CSR work such as village development, health camp, ecological balance and environment safety.</p>	<p>workers. Health data from 10 Km. radius area will be collected, studied and accordingly health care facilities will be provided. Also data regarding ground water will be collected. Rain water harvesting structure will be constructed to collect rain water. This Industry will – Plant bearing trees and trees of medicinal value along the road side, will promote skill development and will get priority to educated people of the area. Industry will give priority to CSR work such as village development, health camp, ecological balance and environment safety.</p>
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**3) Shri. Ayyub Khayyum:-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	I support the Industry. Control air, water and noise pollution. Give employment to local people. Support local industrial area.	Project Proponent informed that, one forty local residence will get employment in this industry whether skilled or unskilled. To control air pollution Electrostatic Precipitator will be installed with stack of height 55 meters. Also to control water pollution effluent treatment plant will be constructed.

**4) Shri. Sadhu Vyankteshwarlu (Neta Seva Society) Environmentalist**

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<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	I support. My suggestions are that industry should conduct health camp, provide Books and Bags to poor children prominently project affected villages.	Project Proponent informed that, industry will use CSR funds for-development work, health camp, environment safety etc. Industry will provide books, school bags and promotional prizes to school students.

**5) Shri. Mangesh Potewar, Tekadi, Environmentalist :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	An affected farmer of MIDC. What will be the product? Which gas will be emitted? Will industry give written commitment that there will be no adverse effect on people? What will be done for affected villages through CSR funds? Ash from	Project Proponent informed that, this is an Iron Ore Beneficiation Plant. Iron ore will be washed & Pellet will be made. Pallet plant is the main project. From this Industry dust, So <sub>2</sub> , No <sub>x</sub> will be emitted. Electrostatic Precipitator will be installed for controlling dust

	<p>existing industry in MIDC fall in our agricultural field. Emissions from this industry will affect forest. Industry should guarantee of no adverse effect on forest, agricultural crop and health.</p>	<p>emissions with stack of height 55 meters. Also, Ash silo will be installed to store ash. In industry area water sprinkler will be installed. Quality of environmental ambient air and source emissions from stack will be checked regularly. Industry will use CSR funds for- development work, to conduct health camp regularly.</p> <p>Convener of the public hearing said that, MPCB official will visit the industry and sampling of water and air and its analysis will be done regularly. Action will be taken against the industry if found default.</p>
2)	<p>What will company do to keep environmental, ecological balance? How the budget will be made?</p>	<p>Project Proponent informed that, for maintaining environmental balance this industry will focus on following aspects- Installing air pollution control system of latest technology, constructing silo for ash storage, constructing pucca roads in premises, installing water sprinklers in premises, using high grade fuel, constructing rain water harvesting structures and under taking tree plantation. Green belt will be developed to control dust. Under CSR Rs. 180 lakh will be spent. Industry will bear the expenses on all the work and measures mention in this hearing. Out of Rs. 180 Lakh necessary amount will be spent on health, road construction and providing basic facilities in school. Effluent treatment plant will be constructed and treated effluent will be reused, recycled. Ash will be given to brick manufactures.</p>
3)	<p>Every industry commits but</p>	<p>Project Proponent informed that,</p>



	<p>don't do accordingly. We tell to government officials. What percent of people of affected 5/6 villages will get employment? While establishing MIDC area many people lost their land and will such people get employment in this industry?</p>	<p>140 local people skilled, unskilled belonging to surrounding villages will be providing employment by this industry.</p>
4)	<p>What type of air pollution will takes place?</p>	<p>Project Proponent informed that, this industry will generate dust, SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>. Electrostatic Precipitator will be installed for controlling dust emissions with stack of height 55 meters. For storage of ash silos will be constructed. Water sprinklers will be installed in premises.</p>
5)	<p>How many people of nearby villages will get job/employment in this industry? Whether People who will lose their land in this project will get job/employment in this industry?</p>	<p>Project Proponent informed that, 140 local people skilled, unskilled belonging to surrounding villages will be providing employment by this industry. Those people who will lose their land in this project will get job/employment in this industry.</p> <p>Convener said that, Convener of Public Hearing informed that, M. P. C. Board will grant Consent to Establish to the proposed unit by stipulating environmental terms &amp; conditions. Also, Consent to Operate will be granted after erection of necessary pollution control systems. M. P. C. Board will also carry out visits to the proposed unit &amp; will collect ambient, stack &amp; effluent samples. If any discrepancies are observed during the visit then M. P. C. Board will take stringent action against the defaulter industry.</p>

**6) Shri. Gaurav Gopichand Shamkule :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	Due to this industry there pollution will take place and adequate control measures shall be adapted. About 75% people from affected villages shall get employment. Even after requesting the contractors do not provide job. Village boys have done B.A. and M.A. Industry should make an agreement of employment.	Project Proponent informed that, the people of affected villages will be given job, employment in this industry.

**7) Shri. Manish Rakshamwar, Mul :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Objection/Suggestion/ Question</b>	<b>Answer/Commitment given by the Project Proponent</b>
1)	This is good that new industries are coming up. In Rajuri steel industry out of 200 about 190 local people got employment. If industry get adjoining additional 20 acre land then expansion will be done and job will be given to local people.	Project Proponent informed that, the job, employment will be given to local people of affected villages. 140 local people skilled, will get employment. Also, people who lose their land in this project will get job in this industry.

The Chairman of the Public Hearing briefed the people present if there are any other question /issues, the same may be asked. However, nobody came with any question. He announced that copy of the proceedings and CD of the public hearing will be made available in due course of time in MPCB office at Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, First Floor, Udyog Bhavan, Opposite Bus-Stand, Railway Station Road, Chandrapur.


The Chairman of the Committee while concluding the proceedings, summarized various points raised and declared that public hearing is ended, and concluded the public hearing with vote of thanks.



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