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Date: 02/11/2023

To,  
The Principal Secretary,  
Environment Department, Govt of Maharashtra,  
Room No. 217 (Annex) New Administration Building,  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032.

**Sub:** Environmental Clearance - Proceedings of Public Hearing in respect of **Proposed Sand Ghats** of 1) Girna River at Utran A.H. Tal. Erandol, 2) Tapi River at Pimpri, Shiragad, Patharale, Thorgavan, Tal. Yawal 3) Tapi River at Jalod, Tal. Amalner, 4) Tapi River at Budhgaon, Tal. Chopda, 5) Tapi River at Nanded, and Girna River at Bambhori pra.Cha.Tal. Dharangaon, Dist. Jalgaon. **Proposed by** The Additional District Collector, Jalgaon., Maharashtra.

**Ref:** Sub-Regional Jalgaon, vide letter dtd-21.10.2023, received on 31.10.2023.

Sir,

The Public Hearing for **Proposed Sand Ghats** of 1) Girna River at Utran A.H. Tal. Erandol, 2) Tapi River at Pimpri, Shiragad, Patharale, Thorgavan, Tal. Yawal 3) Tapi River at Jalod, Tal. Amalner, 4) Tapi River at Budhgaon, Tal. Chopda, 5) Tapi River at Nanded, and Girna River at Bambhori pra.Cha.Tal. Dharangaon, Dist. Jalgaon. **Proposed by** The Additional District Collector, Jalgaon., Maharashtra.

Environmental public hearing extended on Date-17/10/2023, Time-11:00 AM for Amalner Taluka at - Sub Divisional Office, Amalner, Tal. Amalner, Dist. Jalgaon, Time- 3.00 PM For Erandol Taluka - Sub Divisional Office, Erandol, Tal. Erandol, Dist. Jalgaon. & Time- 5.00 PM for Dharangaon Taluka - Tehsil Office, Dharangaon, Tal. Dharangaon, Dist. Jalgaon, Date-18/10/2023, Time- 11:00 AM for Chopda Taluka - Tehsil Office, Chopda, Tal. Chopda, Dist. Jalgaon, Time 3:00 PM for Yaval Taluka- Tehsil Office, Yaval, Tal. Yaval, Dist. Jalgaon. The minutes of the public hearing approved and duly signed by the Public hearing panel along with the proceedings are enclosed

- Minutes of public hearing duly signed by the Chairman of public hearing panel in (English & Marathi)
- Copy of Office Order
- Video DVD and Photograph of Public Hearing.
- List of participants.
- Newspaper Notices for Environmental Public Hearing in English & Marathi.

This is submitted for further necessary action please.

Yours Sincerely,

  
Dr. J. B. Sangewar  
Joint Director (WPC)

Encl: As above

Copy submitted for Information to:

The Member Secretary, MPCB, Mumbai.

Copy for information & necessary action to:

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- 2) The Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Jalgaon.
- 3) EIC, M.P. C. Board, Mumbai - For information & display of Minutes on website.

Copy to the applicant of the project:

The Additional District Collector, Jalgaon., Maharashtra.

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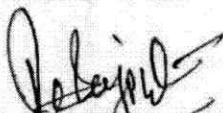
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1	<b>Mr. Vilas Sonawane, Jalod.</b> Sand Ghat is for how many years ?	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> Sand Ghat is for One Year.
2	<b>Mr. Jitendra Dilip Patil, Jalod.</b> From where the road to Sand Ghat is and what are the measures on it. Also, a question was asked about the maintenance of the road.	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> Regarding the Road the road is from the Sand Mining Location to the Sand Depot. The sand will be transported on the said road by tractors and 6-wheel dumpers and a cover will be applied on it. Also, while transporting of sand sprinkling arrangement will be provided.
3	<b>Mr. Vilas Sonawane, Jalod.</b> Where is the location of sand depot ?	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> The location of the sand depot will be decided by the Sub-Divisional Officer and Tahasildar. GPS system will be installed in the sand transportation vehicle. Also, CCTV Camera will be installed near Sand Ghat and action will be taken against illegal sand mining.

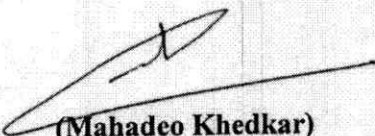
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1	<p><b>Mr. Chandrashekar Sadashiv Wagh, Budhagaon.</b> How far will the sand be lifted from the water ? Also, will sand be available free of cost to build sewers and dhables in the village? If the road is going to be damaged during traffic, what is the further provision and who will plant the trees and where ?</p>	<p><b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> The committee has proposed open ghats where there is no water. Also, sand will be excavated from the designated area. According to the government policy, free sand will not be available. While transporting sand sprinkling of water will be done on the road. Also, the contractor is going to plant trees in open places on the side of the river.</p>
2	<p><b>Mr. Anil Yuvraj Patil, Budhagaon.</b> Can sand be given outside the taluka ? Also, will the excavation close after 3300 brass sand is excavated ?</p>	<p><b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> Sand can also be provided outside the taluka. Also, Revenue Officials &amp; Gram Panchayat officials will control the sand extraction and after 3300 brass of sand the sand ghat will be closed.</p>

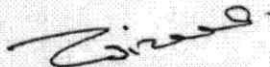


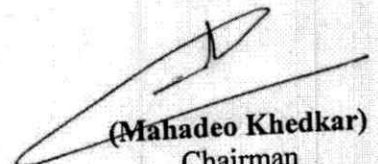
3	<b>Mr. Shivaji Vinayak Koli, Budhagaon.</b> Can the people of the village fill the tender ?	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> Yes, the people of the village can also fill the tender.
4	<b>Mr. Chandrashekhar Sadashiv Wagh, Budhagaon.</b> If the road during sand transportation is damaged, what are the measures?	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> If, the road is damaged at the said place, it will be repaired by the contractor.

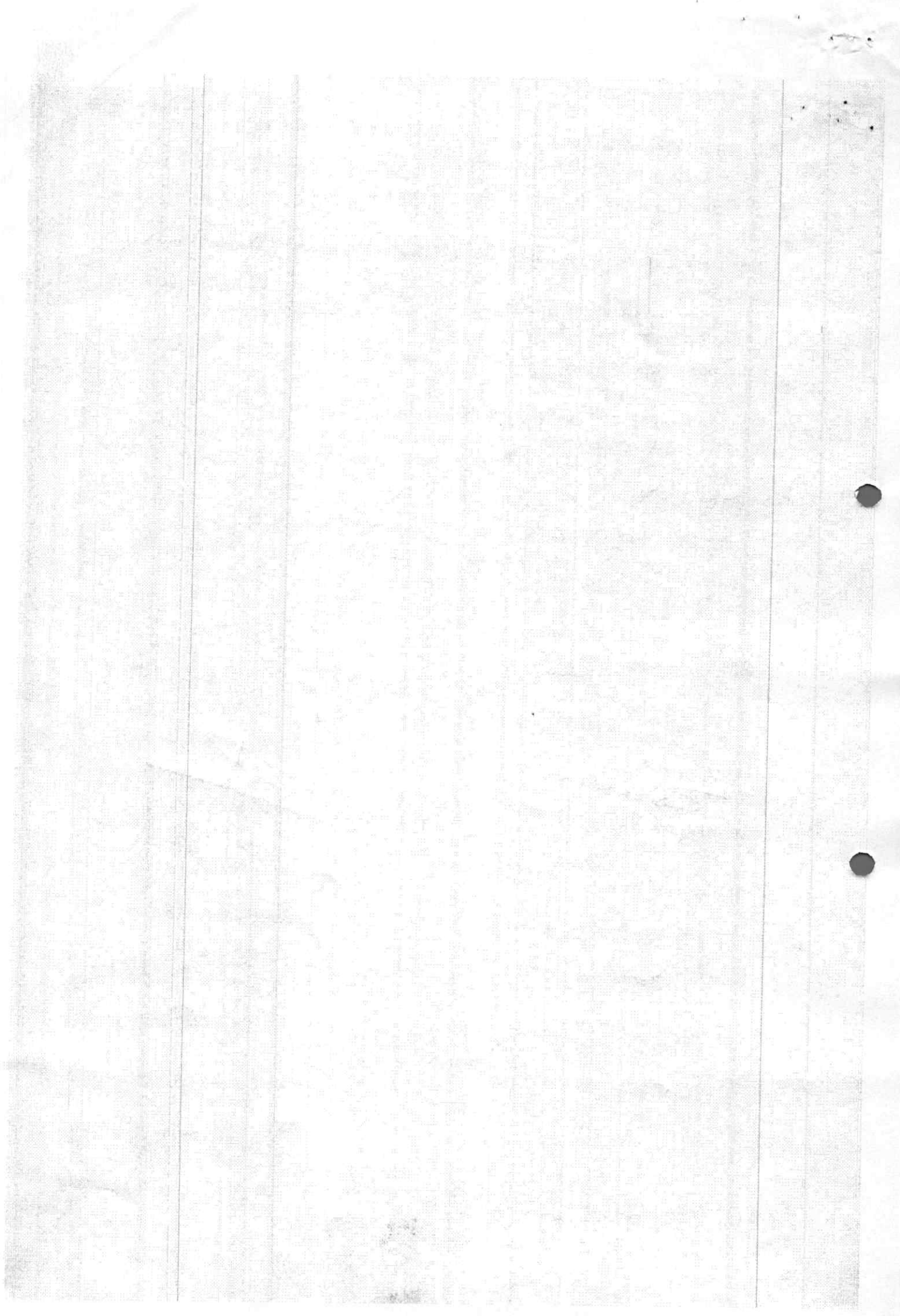
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2	<b>Mr. Sachin Birade, Bambhori.</b> Protection of the environment and excavation should be done on the sand site itself, also whether the sand depot will be kept on the riverbank. Also, what will be the time for sand extraction ?	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> Excavation of sand will be done only in the demarked area by protecting the environment. Depots will not be set up on the banks of the river. Also, regarding sand depot process will be implemented through tender. The time for sand collection and transportation will be from morning to evening. Excavation of sand will not carry out at night.
3	<b>Mr. Prashant Attarde, Nanded.</b> Will the government keep the track on excavated sand ? What will be the rate for a distance of 10 Km and will sand be provided	<b>Project Proponent – District Mining Officer</b> As per the government policy, the amount of sand extraction is finalized. Also, the government will have control

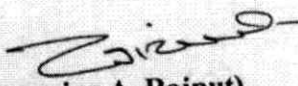


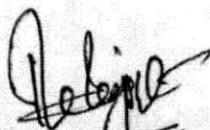
	outside the taluka ? Also, can we participate in sand auction ?	over it and if there is a fault in it, it will be worked on. The rate of sand has been fixed at Rs.600 per brass and you can give sand outside the taluk also. The sand auction is open to all.
4	<b>Mr. Sachin Birade, Bambhori.</b> What measures has the government taken regarding illegal sand excavation ? Also, will the government be able to afford the sale of sand at such a low price ?	<b>Project Proponent - District Mining Officer</b> A GPS system will be installed in the sand transport vehicle. Also, CCTV cameras will be installed near the sand ghat and sand mining will be controlled by the committee and action will be taken against illegal sand mining. According to the policy of the government, the price of sand has been fixed at Rs.600 per brass.


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**Minutes of the Public Hearing in respect of 1 No. of Proposed Sand Ghat on Girna River, Gat No. 17, Village Utran, Tal. Erandol, Dist. Jalgaon conducted on 17/10/2023 at 03:00 pm.**

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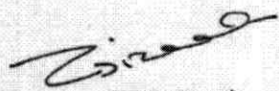
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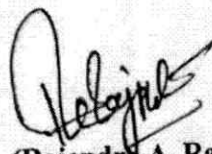
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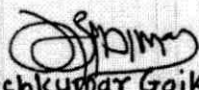
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(Not below the rank of Additional District Magistrate)
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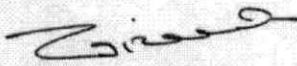
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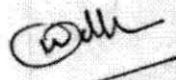
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