

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED 25 NOS. OF SAND GHATS IN BHOKARDAN, JAFRABAD, PARTUR, MANTHA, GHANSAWANGI & AMBAD TALUKAS OF JALNA DISTRICT ON 12/02/2024, 11:00 AM, AT. TAHSIL OFFICE, JALNA.

The public hearing in respect of proposed 25 nos. Sand Ghats in Bhokardan, Jafrabad, Partur, Mantha, Ghansawangi & Ambad talukas of Jalna District, proposed by District Mining Officer, Collector Office, Jalna was conducted on 12/02/2024, 11:00 am, at. Tahsil Office, Jalna.

As per Board's Office Order No. E- 105 of 2024 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B -240117- FTS- 0026 dated 17-01-2024. Panel for Public Hearing was formed. Following Panel members were present during the public hearing.

1. **Shri. Avinash Kamble,**
Additional District Magistrate, Jalna,
Dist: Jalna. : Chairman.
2. **Shri. S.M. Kurmude,**
Sub-Regional Officer,
M.P.C. Board, Jalna. : Convener.

Srimati Seema Mangulkar, Field Officer, Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Jalna welcome the Hon'ble Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel, officials, public representatives and public present for the hearing and with the permission of the Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee she gave information in brief about Public Hearing on Environment.

Srimati Seema Mangulkar, informed that, as per the EIA Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEFCC, GoI) 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 Sand Ghats comes under the purview of this Notification. Sand Ghats comes under schedule 'B' of the said notification and this shall get permission from Environment department, Government of Maharashtra, and Public Hearing is a part of procedure for obtaining Environment Clearance. District Mining Officer, Collector Office, Jalna has submitted an application to the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board on 09-01-2024. The public hearing was scheduled on 12-02-2024 time 11.00 a.m. with approval of Hon'ble District Collector Jalna. Accordingly, notice was published 30 days before in Daily Times of India (English) & Daily Sakal (Marathi) on dated 12-01-2024. Also, the documents pertaining to the summary of the Environmental Assessment Report on the said Sand Ghats (in English and Marathi) was made available for study to the interested public in the respective Gram Panchayat offices and other government offices.

Accordingly, today's public hearing is being held. A copy of EIA report and executive summary was made available at various Govt. offices as under-

- 1) District Collector, Jalna.
- 2) Zilha Parishad, Jalna.
- 3) District Industries Centre, Jalna.
- 4) Tahsildar, Tahsil Office- Bhokardan, Jafrabad, Partur, Mantha, Ghansawangi & Ambad.
- 5) Grampanchayat Offices - Taluka Bhokardan-Valsa Khalsa, Valsa Davargaon, Gavhan Sangmeshwar. Taluka Jafrabad- Javkheda Theng Gokulwadi, Sawangi, Deulgaon ugle, Merkheda, Borkhede Gayki-Garkheda. Taluka Partur- Sawargaon Bu., Aamba, Nandra, Golegaon, Changatpuri. Taluka Mantha- Kandi Uswad. Taluka Ghansawangi- Gunj Bu., Chitravadgaon, Bhutegaon, Taluka Ambad- Ghungardehadgaon, Zodegaon, Sadesawangi, Revalgaon, Bathan Khu.
- 6) Sub-Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Jalna.
- 7) Regional Officer, MPCB, Plot No. A-4/1, MIDC Chikalthana, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar.
- 8) Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 2nd,3rd & 4th Floor, Sion Matunga Scheme Road No. 8, Sion (E), Mumbai – 400 022.
- 9) Environment Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.
- 10) Regional Office, Ministry Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (WCZ), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur.

Further she clarified that, Board had given 30 days period for submission of any suggestions/Objections/views etc about the project as per the notifications and Sub-Regional Office, M.P.C. Board Jalna has not received any suggestion/objection by Email. Also she informed to the public that, participants can raise their objections, comments etc. in oral or written after presentation the Public Hearing.

After that Shri. S. M. Kurmude, Sub Regional Officer, M. P. C. Board, Jalna and Convener of Environment Public hearing firstly welcomed all the public present in the surrounding villages on behalf of MPC Board. He also requested the present public, if they still have any objections/criticisms/comments, they shall ask after the presentation of the said Sand Ghats. He then requested the project proponent to make a presentation about the proposed Sand Ghats.

Accordingly, the Project Representative Mr. Prashil Shukla M/s. Enviro Techno Consult Pvt. Ltd., Nagpur gave presentation on various aspects about the project which includes the details of project, environmental pollution, plans, devices, control measures to be taken thereof etc. Also mentioned that Instead of drilling and blasting opencast manual method will be adopted in the said mining. The equipment's like only spade, ghamela will be used. The sand excavation will be done from dry river bed only. For control of air pollution, water will be sprinkled regularly on the katcha road used for sand transportation and transportation will be carried out through tractor trolley by covering with tarpaulin. For control of noise pollution, the mining work and sand transportation will be carried out during the daytime only. For control of water pollution, the sand excavation will be carried out in the dry river bed only, the depth of mining pit will be kept above the river water level,

the river flow will not be diverted for making the inactive ducts, vehicle washing will be prohibited in the river, care will be taken so as not to generate any effluent from the mining work, facility of mobile toilet will be provided to the workers, excavation will be avoided during the monsoon and flood due to which sand lifted can be recovered, to maintain the land environment, the mining work will not be more than the capacity to which permission is given. Tree plantation will be developed near the river bank and nearby open space, for occupational health safety management, the mining operators will be provided with personal protective equipment's, first-aids kits will be provided at the mining site, care will be taken so as not to cause damage to the environment.

He also gives details of Sand Ghats as below-

Taluka Bhokardan-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Valsa Khalsa-Girija	60, 61, 62, 63, 66, 67	500x22x1.0	1.10	3887
2	Valsa Davargaon	132, 133, 134, 135	484x21x1.0	1.02	3592
3	Valsa Khalsa Purna	47,49,52,55	520x20x1.0	1.04	3675
4	Gavhan Sangameshwar	10, 11, 229, 230, 233	5000x20x1.0	1.0	3534

Taluka Jafrabad-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Javkheda theng - Gokulwadi	Javkheda Theng- 16, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, Gokulwadi- 26	510x25x0.80	1.28	3604
2	Sawangi	255 to 261	400x30x1.0	1.20	4240
3	Geulgaon Ugle	160, 162, 163, 174	450x25x0.50	1.13	1988
4	Merkheda	26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 252, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267	500x30x0.50	1.50	2650
5	Borkhedi Gayki - Garkheda	Borkhedi Gayki- 170, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, Garkheda- 11	700x20x1.0	1.40	4947

Taluka Partur-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Sawargaon Bu.	114, 115	470x22x1.00	1.03	3654
2	Amba	78, 79, 80, 81	500x20x1.0	1.0	3534
3	Nandra	118, 126, 127, 129	785x30x1.0	2.36	8322
4	Golegaon	330, 331, 332, 333, 336, 337, 338	600x32x1.0	1.92	6784
5	Changatpuri	185, 231, 235, 236, 237, 240	1000x12x1.0	1.20	4240

Taluka Mantha-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Kanadi- Uswad	Kanadi- 255 to 258,261, 263, 264 Uswad- 229, 230, 353, 355, 356, 373	400x50x1.0	2.0	7067

Taluka Ghansawangi-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Gunj Bu.- Siraswadi	401, 403	490x45x1.0	2.21	7792
2	Gunj Bu.- Gavthan	371, 372	435x45x1.0	1.96	6917
3	Gunj Bu.- Kalunkamata Vasti	361, 362	410x50x1.0	2.05	7244
4	Chitradvadgaon	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 13	550x25x0.80	1.38	3887
5	Bhutegaon	208, 209, 210, 211, 212	675x16x0.80	1.08	3053

Taluka Ambad-

Sr. No.	Name of Sand belt	Gat No.	Area (mtrs) LxWxD	Area (Hect)	Sand (Brass)
1	Ghungarde Hadgaon	213, 214, 216, 217, 218, 232, 234, 286, 237	600x20x1.0	1.20	4240
2	Zodegaon	13, 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 30, 93, 92, 94, 95	1100x20x1.0	2.20	7774
3	Sadesawangi	2, 3	475x25x1.0	1.19	4196
4	Revalgaon	49, 47, 50, 51, 54	400x27x1.0	1.08	3816
5	Bathan Khu.	102, 104, 105, 107, 109 to 114, 119	600x17x1.0	1.02	3604

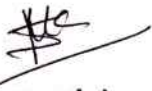
The above information is recorded and included in brief in the minutes.

Shri S. M. Kurmude, Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Jalna and Convener of the Public Hearing Committee requested to the present public to give their any views, Objections/Suggestions for which reply will be given through the project proponent. Before asking any questions requested to give their name & name of village.

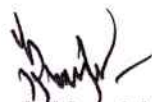
But during the said public hearing, no questions/criticisms were raised by the participants/citizens.

Shri. S. M. Kurmude, Sub Regional Officer, asked again, to audience that if anyone still has any suggestions or objections, they can ask the same, but there was no suggestion or comment from the participants. After that, the chairman of the public hearing requested the citizens present to ask them if they had any questions about the said Sand Ghats, but no question were raised by the citizens present, after which he announced that the said environment public hearing was concluded.

The Environmental Public Hearing concluded with thanks the chair.



(S.M. Kurmude)
Convener
And
Sub-Regional Officer,
MPCB, Jalna.



(Avinash Kamble)
Chairman
And
Additional District Magistrate,
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