

MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED METALLIC INDUSTRY (IN RESPECT OF EXPANSION OF EXISTING UNIT) PROPOSED BY M/S BHULESHWAR STEEL AND ALLOYS PVT LTD. LOCATED AT GAT NO.233,250,252, YAWAT, DAUND, DISTRICT PUNE.

The public hearing of M/s Bhuleshwar Steel and Alloys Pvt Ltd. Gat No. 233,250,252, Yawat, Daund, Dist. Pune for proposed (of expansion of existing unit and modunization) will be held on Friday, 15/12/2023 at 12.00 noon at the project site.

Shri. Jayant Doke, Field Officer Deputy Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Pune1, welcomed Jyoti Kadam, Additional District Magistrate, Pune and Chairperson, Public Hearing Committee and other members. He also welcomed project promoters, journalists, working in the field of environment M.P. of the organization and the local people present. Welcomed by the Board and Collector's Office, Pune. With the permission of the chairperson of the committee, He briefed the project procedure and purposed of public hearing on environment.

The organizers briefed the project details and stated that the Terms of Reference (TOR) was approved by the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Government of Maharashtra on 05/10/2023 for the said project. Accordingly, the project promoters have prepared a draft environmental impact assessment report as per the notification dated 14th September, 2006 of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Water Resources, Government of India, New Delhi to the project promoters M/s Bhuleshwar Steel and Alloys Pvt Ltd. Group No.233,250,252, Yawat, Tt. Application for conducting public hearing on environment of proposed metallic industry (with respect to expansion of existing unit) located in Daund, Dist. Pune MP No. Board received.

As per the letter dated 07/11/2023 from the Collector, Pune, date 15/12/2023 was fixed for public hearing. Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai vide Office Order No. E- 89/2023 vide Letter No.BO/JD(WPC)/PH/B-231211-FTS-0267, dated 11/12/2023 constituted a Public Hearing Committee on Environment as follows:-

Jyoti Kadam

Resident Deputy Collector /
Additional District Magistrate, Pune

- Chairman

Shri. Ravindra Andhale

Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune

- Member

Shri. Nitin Shinde

Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune

- Convener

30 days prior to the public hearing as per Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, public hearing of the said project will be held at the project site on Friday 15/12/2023 at 12.00 noon by publishing in local Marathi newspaper Loksatta and English national newspaper Indian Express dated 13/11/2023. had come In it, environmental suggestions, criticisms, objections about the proposed project were made to the public, organizations working in the field of environment.

Also the documents of this project i.e. English and Marathi copies of Environmental Impact Assessment and Executive Summary Report for public information and perusal at the notified offices of the Government i.e. Collector Office, Pune., District Industries Centre, Pune., District Parishad Office, Pune., Regional Office and Sub Regional Office. Pune-1, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Jog Centre, 2nd & 3rd Floor, Wakdewadi, Pune-Mumbai Road, Pune- 411003., Hon. MEMBER SECRETARY, MPRANI MANDAL (HEADQUARTERS), KALPATRU POINT, 3RD FLOOR, SION-MATUNGA SCHEME ROAD NO. 7, Opposite Cineplanet, Near Sion Circle, Sion (East), Mumbai-22, Zonal Office, West Central Zone, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Secretariat Building, Ground Floor, East Wing, Civil Line, Nagpur-440 001. , Department of Environment, New Administration Building, 15th Floor, Madam Cama Marg, Mantralaya, Mumbai- 32. Sub-Divisional Officer, Sub-Divisional Office, Daund, Daund, Dist. Pune., Tehsildar, Tehsil Office - Daund, Tt. Daud, Dist. Pune, Gram Panchayat Office, Yawat, Bhanggaon, Pondhe, Bharatgaon, Khutbav, Khor, Dhmalicha Mala, Ta. Daund, Dist. Pune. It was informed that Pollution Control Board's website is available here.

Organizers said that if any written instructions are to be given about the proposed project, they should be given to the representative of the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board. They may be submitted to the Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee. Those who wish to ask oral questions should state their name and village clearly after the presentation.

The Project Promoter/Environmental Consultant will answer those questions. Minutes of the said meeting will be prepared and submitted to the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai by the headquarters of Maharashtra Pollution Control Board. This committee is only to record people's

opinions, suggestions, objections and this committee has no right to make any decision or recommendation. The said suggestions/objections will be recorded in the minutes. Similarly, the project promoter has to submit a revised environmental assessment report to the environment department, taking note of the video recording of the said meeting, suggestions and objections present in the meeting. The expert committee there takes further decision regarding it. He requested the President to order the project promoters to start the presentation.

The Chairman, Public Hearing Committee on Environment welcomed all the attendees and instructed the Project Officers and their technical advisors to inform about the environmental remedial plans in the government and local language Marathi and appealed to all the people to fearlessly register their objections, objections and suggestions.

The technical advisors appointed by the project presented the project on environment. In this presentation, information about the project, as well as the activities to be done by the project and its results, were given to the audience through a presentation.

After the presentation, Environment Public Hearing Coordinator, Mr. Nitin Shinde requested the public to raise questions, objections and suggestions.

The technical advisors appointed by the project with the permission of the Chairman presented the project on environment. In this presentation, the consultants stated that the present project (TMT bar) did not require environmental clearance as per EIA and instructions and subsequent amendments. But now MOEF Notification no. As per S.O.3250 (E) dated 20th July 2022, the rolling mill has become required to obtain environmental clearance.

Current production capacity extends from 11000 MT per month (TMT Bar) to 50000 MT per month (TMT Bar, MS Billets, MS Flats, MS Structural Steel, MS Pipe, Alloy Steel) planned to do. The proposed expansion will take place on the available space in the existing plant premises. 33.80% of the total area 20 cubic meters / day of which fresh water is 261.65 cubic meters / day and recycled water is 24.55 cubic meters / day (STP and DM plant). The current source of water is ground water (bore well) and permission has been obtained from the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) to use 98 cubic meters / day of water. Application process for the proposed project is underway. Also 23.08 cubic meters/day of waste water will be generated and a 25 KLD capacity waste water treatment system will be constructed on it and the treated waste water will be reused for green belt development. For air pollution control for the furnace the existing reheating furnace is fitted with a 30 m high chimney along with a wet scrubber smoke and dust abatement system. Also for the proposed project induction furnace will be installed with 2 chimneys of 32 meters height along with bag filter smoke and dust reduction system. Also, through the presentation regarding the activities to be done by the project and its results, information was given to the present public.

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The following persons participated in the discussion and the responses given by the environmental consultant and project promoter-

1 **Mr. Nilesh Partkar, Pune**- Asked that the waste water that is going to be released from the production process should be disclosed.

The project promoter said that a 25 KLD sewage treatment plant will be set up for the waste water coming out of the irrigation system and it will be used for horticulture work in the area.

2 **Mr. Aniket Malbhare, Yawat, Pune**- Can there be an increase in noise while surfing this project?

The project promoter said that the noise level may increase during the construction of the project, and after the start of the project, the workers will be provided with protective equipment for the noise level that will increase.

3 **Mr. Sandeep Yadav, Yawat, Pune** - What will the village benefit from this project?

On that, the project promoter said that employment opportunities will be available but under CSR we will implement different measures.

4. **Shri. Mahesh Barwagon, Kedgaon** How will the waste water generated by this process be disposed of?

On top of this, it was said that a 25 KLD waste water treatment plant will be set up for the waste water coming out of the treatment plant and it will be used for horticulture work in the area.

5. **Shri. Sunanda Reddy, Hyderabad** - congratulated the project and gave some suggestions, he said that to improve the environment, improve the water storage system by harvesting rainwater, so that the project will benefit, and also interact with the villagers and plant common trees and fruit trees with their help so that the area has its own It will be helpful, MOEF permission should be obtained as soon as possible, also my best wishes for this project.

6. **Mr. Chandrasekhar, Environment** also gave some suggestions to wish the project, he said that he suggested to improve the green belt around the project, also recommending to provide 100 percent employment opportunity to the villagers around the project. It was suggested that the surrounding villages should also be developed through CSR funds.

After answering these questions, the committee once again appealed to the general public to give their suggestions or objections to the proposed expansion project, particularly on environmental issues.

The public hearing committee informed that the suggestions and objections raised in the meeting will be included in the minutes of the meeting. It will be submitted to the

concerned authority along with the final Environmental Impact Assessment Report. The expert committee will take further decision.

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