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Date: **28** / 08 / 2024

To,
**The Principal Secretary,
Environment & Climate Change Department,
Government of Maharashtra,
Room No. 217 (Annex) New Administration Building,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032.**

Sub: Environmental Clearance - Proceedings of Public Hearing in respect of **Proposed** M/s. Parseoni Manganese Ore Block, Village-Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka-Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, State – Maharashtra proposed lease area 44 Ha. Production Capacity – 29,737 Tonnes/Annu, **Proposed By** M/s. Universal Impex, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Ref: Sub-Regional Nagpur-I submitted proceeding vide dt-26.07.2024, received on 05.08.2024.

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Sir,


The Public Hearing for Proposed Establishment of Common Biomedical Waste Treatment & Disposal facility (CBWTF). Proposed by **Proposed** M/s. Parseoni Manganese Ore Block, Village-Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka-Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, State – Maharashtra proposed lease area 44 Ha. Production Capacity – 29,737 Tonnes/Annu, **Proposed By** M/s. Universal Impex, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Environmental public hearing Conducted on- 02.07.2024, Time-11.00 A.M. at. project site, Village-Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka-Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, Maharashtra. 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. Avinash Dhakne IAS),
Member Secretary

Encl: As above

Copy for information & necessary action to:

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

Copy to the applicant of the project:

M/s. Universal Impex, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Minutes of Environmental Public hearing for proposed Manganese Ore Beneficiation Plant of M/s. PARSEONI MANGANESE ORE BLOCK, Village- Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka- Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, State – Maharashtra proposed lease area 44 Ha. Production Capacity – 29,737 Tonnes/Annum, Proposed By M/s. UNIVERSAL IMPEX, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur the proposed will be carried out within the existing premises of industry).

The Environmental Public Hearing for proposed Manganese Ore Beneficiation Plant of M/s. Parseoni Manganese Ore Block, Village- Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka- Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, State – Maharashtra Proposed Lease Area 44 Ha. Production Capacity – 29,737 Tonnes/Annum, Proposed By M/S. Universal Impex, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur.

As per Environmental Impact Assessment Notification dated 14 September 2006 and amended on 1st December 2009, Place, Date and Time of Public Hearing, was fixed with the approval of Collector, Nagpur.

As office order received from M. P. C. Board vide letter no. BO/JD(WPC)/PH/B-240628-FTS-0221 dated 28/06/2024 the said public hearing was conducted on 02/07/2024 at 11.00 PM to take at the project site. (Annexure No. 1)

Notice of proposed environmental public hearing of this project was published in Marathi newspaper Lokamat and English daily newspaper Times of India on dated 1 June 2024 (Annexure No. 2)

For environmental public hearing Hon'ble Anup Khande, Additional District Magistrate, Nagpur and Chairman, of Public Hearing panel, Smt. Hema Deshpande, Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Nagpur was Member of Public Hearing Panel, Shri. Rajendra U Patil, Sub Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Nagpur-I was convenor of Environmental Public Hearing Panel. Attendance sheet of Villagers, Sarpanch, Environmental NGO's Journalist, representatives of media channels, local people/participant who were present public hearing are attached as. (Annexure No. 3)

Purposed & procedure :-

With the permission of the Hon'ble Chairman of Public Hearing panel, Mr. Rajendra U. Patil, Sub Regional Officer, M. P. C. Board, Nagpur-I and convener of Environmental Public Hearing Panel started public hearing procedure, & warmly welcoming the villagers, sarpanch, environment working charitable organizations, channel representatives, and a large number of locals were present. Convener of Environmental Public Hearing Panel stated that under the provisions of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) notification of Ministry of Environment & Climate change Government of India i.e. (MoEF & CC, Gol) dated 14th September 2006 as amended on 1st December 2009 accordingly. The said notification the notice of the said public hearing was published before 30 days on dated 01/06/2024 in the two local widely circulated daily news paper i.e. in Marathi, Lomat & in National English News paper i.e. Times of India. In which it was appealed to registered any objections, suggestions, views, comments & objection in orally/writing within 30 days before from the date of proposed public hearing.

M/s. Parseoni Manganese Ore Block, Village-Parseoni & Pallora, Taluka-Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur, State – Maharashtra Proposed Lease Area 44 Ha. Production Capacity – 29,737 Tonnes/Annum, Proposed By M/S. Universal Impex, 15, Professor Colony, New Yerkheda, Kalmana Road, Kamptee, Dist-Nagpur the proposed will be carried out within the existing premises of industry. The copies of Draft Environmental Management Plan, Copies Of Executive Summary of proposed Environmental Public Hearing in Local Marathi Language & in English Language were made available for information/Study to the local public of near by project affected site as per Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) notification of Ministry of Environment & Climate change Government of India i.e. (MoEF & CC, Gol) dated 14th September 2006 as amended on 1st December 2009 accordingly. Copies of Draft Environmental Management Plan, Copies Of Executive Summary of proposed Environmental Public Hearing were given at following notified local offices and Gram Panchayats :-

1. District Collector, Nagpur
2. District Industries Centre, Nagpur
3. Zilla Parishad, Nagpur
4. Sub-Divisional Officer, Parshivni, Dist. Nagpur
5. Tahsil Office, Parshivni, Dist. Nagpur
6. Panchayat Samiti, Parshivni, Dist. Nagpur
7. Regional Office, M.P.C. Board, 5th Floor, Udyog Bhawan, Civil Lines, Nagpur.
8. Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32
9. MPCB (HQ), Sion (East), Mumbai-22.
10. Chief Officer, Municipal Council, Parshivni, Dist. Nagpur.
11. Nagar Panchayat, Parseoni, Tq-Parseoni, Dist-Nagpur.
12. Gram Panchayat Office, Palora, Karambhad, Dorli, Bhagemahari, Tah- Parshivni, Dist. Nagpur.

The above notified department of the government was also informed to give wide publicity regarding the proposed public hearing. In this way, public hearing was widely published per the notification. so that it would be convenient for the project affected or concerned persons to register their objections, suggestions, views, comments & objection in orally/writing to the concerned government department.

In accordance with the said proposed public hearing, Sub Regional Office, M. P. C. Board, Nagpur-1 has not received suggestions through written and email.

The said committee is only for recording the opinion of the people about the said proposed project & has no authority to take any decision. The suggestion or objection raised in the said public hearing & subsequently the reply given by the project proponent will be included in the minutes & will be submitted to State level or Central Impact Assessment Authority/committee through Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Head Quarters. Mumbai.

For proposed public hearing project regarding said project whom so ever to submit written statement, suggestion, objection, can be asked after the presentation of project proponent by stating his/her name, village name. the reporting of question - answer will be taken as it is in the minutes of meeting & will be submitted to state level of Central Impact Assessment Authority/Committee through Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, M. P. C. Board, Mumbai.

The Convenor of the Public Hearing Panel with permission of the Hon'ble chairman was requested to the project proponent to give their presentation of said public hearing about the proposed project related to the Environmental Clearance of said public hearing related. Accordingly, the project consultant give the presentation about the project & environmental management plan.

The project Environmental Consultant give presentation of project about expansion & Environment Management Plan in Marathi Language. In presentation mainly the following points were explained :-

Detailed information about the project

- Accreditation available
- Location details
- Sightseeing map
- Measles map
- Project description
- Land use details
- Land use description
- Ghost Acquisition Scheme
- 10 km study area map

- Ecological detail of the study area
- Basic information on environment
- Environmental Impact Assessment
- Environmental Management Plan
- Proposed Social Development Programme
- Appeals

Sub-Regional Officer, M.P. C. Board, Nagpur-1 and the Co-ordinating Public Hearing Panel appealed to the representatives who were present to present their views, criticisms, objections, suggestions/movements to fulfill the objectives of the public hearing on the environment.

Record of Public Hearing (Proceedings) :-

Sr. No.	Issues raised by Public	The project proponent replied	Suggestion made by Public Hearing Panel
1	<p>Shri. Gurudayal Kamble, Deputy Sarpanch, Village Palora, Taluka-Parshivani, Dist. Nagpur raised the issue that -</p> <p>This is the mine in which the water gets accumulated that accumulated water is seepages & mixed in to the well water. This well water is our daily tap water supply to the villagers & as there is no provision for the treatment of well water. The muddy water is coming to the villagers. So you should give clarification & explain what action plan has been prepared for the same in this regards.</p> <p>And further he raised the question that in this proposed mining area where the mining is to</p>	<p>The project proponent replied that –</p> <p>This area is 44 hectares, there are 7 different pits, they are already existing pits, we are not touch these pits anywhere. At present it is a 5 year project apart from the lease area. 3.5 hectare will be created in accordance with the deposit area of mining which has deposit area of magnesium in the lease area. But we will not touch this water.</p> <p>It is in our mining area since beginning of the mine & we have not done it & presently we will not touch this area.</p> <p>The water that is seepages into their well water & gets deposited for that sedimentation there is a pits.</p> <p>For that STP is proposed & ETP is proposed for workshop and its wells will be cleaned from ground</p>	<p>The committee member asked the project proponent that –</p> <p>If you can solved their problem through CSR then tell about that subject.</p> <p>So, if the water is cloudy, is it really a problem? And if so, then can you provide action plan ? See about this.</p> <p>The convenor asked the project proponent –</p> <p>The issue raised about the mining in the said area is it excavated before ? Also is it related with this existing proposed project this is my question.</p> <p>And are you going to propose any action plan ? And do you have any proposal for STP?</p>

	<p>be done there is the agriculturist class and have Palora people agricultural surrounding this mining area. Due to the discharge of mining water there will be damage of wahiwat road so what is the action plan for the same.</p>	<p>water which will seep from their pits. And also clean out the sindus in the water in which the sindus has accumulated.</p> <p>This is the area which is 44 hectares out of which 44 hectares will not be mined as we can see in a table only 3.5 hectares will be excavated and this excavation is far from highway road and far from Wahiwati and It is going to be made basic and this project is going to be made by providing that there will be no impact on the coming of the people.</p>	
<p>2</p>	<p>Villager, Parshivani, Distt. Nagpur raised the issue that –</p> <p>There is a two feet drain ahead of the road and water flows in it. Due to mud, the access road becomes muddy and we were passing through the mining area, now when the mining starts, that road will also be closed due to your work. It was disturbed when we were going through the mining area, now when the mining activity starts your vehicles movements will be start so it will be difficult to us to go through this open mining area therefore we recommended you to build up a bridge so</p>	<p>The project proponent said that –</p> <p>This project is mining lease area & the production of this mining area is 29737 Tonnes/Annum. That means the average production will be only 99 Tonnes/Day and the truck movements from this area will be only 10 number of trucks. Apart from this, in the vehicular moment, a total of 15 vehicles which are office vehicles will come daily due to this project, but if you please compare this project with the big project, this is not the case. This is a small project, only 99 Tonnes/Day of manganese will be transported and the rest of the overburden will be dumped in the mining lease area.</p>	

	that we can go through that.		
3	<p>Shri. Gurudayal Kamble, Deputy Sarpanch, Village Palora, Tt. Parshivani, Dist. Nagpur again raised the issue that -</p> <p>To solve our problem of drinking water you provide RO Filters to us. Considering the population we have, you have to provide two to three RO Filters, whatever it is possible to you before the commissioning of the mining activity.</p>	<p>The project proponent agreed & informed that -</p> <p>We will do it from the CSR fund and keep focus on it.</p> <p>The question raised by the Villagers about to construct bridge is really good question in this regards he clarify that, if we want a bridge here, how will the overburden material that comes out be a good pandan type road to fix the road and go to the farm because the farmers complaint should not be daily it will be a keep it good forever. Regarding the second question where you have demand about RO where we will definitely provide RO that place because due to well discharge the water is getting muddy there fore in view of project it is our responsibility & we will fulfil commitment.</p>	
4	<p>Shri. Gurudayal Kamble, Deputy Sarpanch, Village Palora, Taluka. Parshivani, Dist. Nagpur again raised the issue that -</p> <p>There is an agriculture land surrounding this mining area therefore will caused the dust problem to the agricultural crops.</p>	<p>The proponent of the project informed that -</p> <p>The dust suppression system will be installed to does not affect the dust on agricultural products and the vehicles will be covered with tarpaulin while transportation.</p> <p>Now the new technology that has come is the electrical depositor technology in which the blast which is not done in</p>	

	<p>The problem for blasting will be to reduce the noise as much as possible and we have that experience before 15 years before the mining started, when we were small and the sound of the blast would reach the village so there was fear of cracking of the house wall. And because the common man cannot frequently repair so otherwise have to pay the compensation and through C. S. R. fund we need plantation, trees etc. and from through you once again we have tree guard etc. Palora village should be adopted as adapt and this work should be given to it and importantly local people will get employment.</p>	<p>one shot but the hole which is the hole is done in sequence. And the distance between the mine and the village is far away.</p> <p>All that's left for those people to do is put the tanker on If there is a skill class in your area to be a cleaner on any trucks that can and really do need work, we will definitely put them in. If the local people meet here instead of bringing people from outside, it is a good thing for the project and for the interest of the project and the village. And planting of trees Planting of trees Every year we will implement this program and planting of trees Planting of trees Every year we will implement this program and said that we will order as many trees as you demand.</p>	
5	<p>Gram Panchayat Pipla, Sarpanch Parshivani, Dist. Nagpur raised the issue that –</p> <p>There should not be any nuisance to near by villagers due to your propose mining activity & you should take precautions for the same.</p>	<p>The project proponent agreed & replied that –</p> <p>The precaution will be taken .</p>	
6		<p>The project proponent informed that –</p>	<p>Convenor pointed out that –</p>

		<p>The full information in this regards is given in the EIA EMP report & has full in the presentation.</p> <p>EIA is fully explained in the EMP and fully demonstrated in the presentation.</p> <p>80% we have to procure and remaining 20% is our planning for the next 5 years we are going to plan slowly.</p>	<p>In the EIA /EMP gat number is not mention. And in Topography, Toposheet no., mentioned but the copy of the same is not given.</p> <p>And further asked whether the government/private and self-owned agriculture land is acquired or is to be done.</p> <p>Show the presentation in which it is mentioned and rectify detail about it.</p>
7	<p>The villager of Palora, raised the following issue that -</p> <p>Have you given notice to the villagers for those proposed land which has yet to be acquired ? have you approval for that ?</p> <p>How could it be possible to without land acquisition to executing the project.</p> <p>It means that your land acquisition has not yet been completed. So, are you going to do mining in the same area as you have acquired land ?</p> <p>And further raised the question that the work of Pandan road from Palora to Ghogra Mahadev is stopped at some places and is going on at some places while that Pandan road is going to your land. So is that road going to be closed? Because most</p>	<p>The project proponent informed that –</p> <p>The issue of Land acquisition comes later, the first is going to as per the NAR Act rather than negotiations.</p> <p>To execute the project it is possible if they willing person to holding the land & it is ready to sale the land directly.</p> <p>Land Acquisition 2003 L.A.R. Act Which Is An Act For expedite the negotiation If An Acquisition Or A Person Does Not Agree With It, The Land Acquisition Plan Will Have To Go Ahead But The Minimum Is The Acquisition Act We Will Accept And as per the criteria we will agree & further would also like to say that this project, was seen at the time when the meeting was held when the same acquisition rate was fixed, not it has been almost 4 years since this thing has come to take many types of NOC. And among them</p>	

of the people have agriculture in that area.

NOC is taken at different levels. We have not gone to the owners of the land for the acquisition of the land in the time required or before this because the reason is that some of the negotiations that took place in the last 4 years may not be accepted if we speak today, until we get the full approval of the entire project. Until then, we are still holding the discussion related to this project i.e. LAND acquisition or LAND. Even now, after getting the approval, which we are almost at the final stage, two things are important in that we get the consent from the Pollution Control Board and for LAND acquisition, we have now completed almost 54% of the entire process. In the last 4 years and unfortunately during that period we faced 1 year of Korana period so there was a slight delay. The whole Land acquisition has not been completed. That process is going on slowly. Yes, I will do as much as the acquisition has been done. We do not hand over or take any place which is sanctioned at that place and whatever Government Pandan has its number, it will remain as it is and the Government Pandan which is under continuous construction, we will give them on that Pandan. All casters will be relaxed, again if we can help them

		from time to time we will try to make a good pandan if we get space or stone.	
8	<p>Shri. Sanjay Satyakar, Journalist, Village Kanhan, Dist-Nagpur suggests that -</p> <p>The proposed project have no objection. however he request the project proponent that the proposed plantation of 12-13 thousand trees could be done through Mahila Bachat Gat.</p> <p>Also, during the mining activity the overburden released should be disposed of by means of utilizing on kachha road which leading to the agricultural land in the village.</p> <p>It should be stated how deep the mine is to be dug and there should be no objection to use the water from the mine for irrigation and use of the farmers in the area.</p> <p>Local villagers should be given employment, training and priority.</p>	<p>The project proponent informed that –</p> <p>Which is our new team, the team has every intention to do good work somewhere. He expressed his support for the promotion. According to the instructions given, the importance of water, for the water to be dug, we will conduct a joint survey with the villager to see if there is a canal etc. on the side of the farm take the help of the department. Sanjayji gave a good suggestion at this place from the point of view that we have to put dewatering water in the river somewhere, it will become waste water only if it is useful to the farmers and they are getting two or three crops from their orchard land. Really good demand for the interest of the village was made at this place. The second topic was that we will take the Mahila Bachat group along with us to plant trees and we say that which small or big canteen will be here or which canteen will be available, if we know the labour or the driver, we will give that work to the Bachat group for the success of two or three Mahila Bachat group groups of that village. He will get employment and help and comfort his children and family. We are</p>	

		<p>going to form a village level committee for environment because we are new people. If we understand a lot here and work with the villagers, then this project will definitely come forward and from time to time we will hold a meeting in two or three months and sit among ourselves and some of our staff will stay in the Gram Panchayat office. will be able Over burden needs government approval because we can't take over burden outside the working area but if there are some big stones if pandan is going on inside the work area, can the pandan be strengthened by JCB putting stones in it and it will be more convenient for more diggers to go. As one said, a bridge should be built at this place. Will it be convenient to throw stones at the place of the bridge? They have to take bullock carts to farm or bring goods and local employment which we have earlier say & we still say that without the will of the villagers the project cannot run well. it is certain that it cannot be run in calm so we will definitely follow the instructions.</p>	
9			<p>Chairman of Public Hearing Committee and the Additional District Magistrate instructed that –</p> <p>All the representatives of the Parshivani area, in fact the responsible citizens of this</p>

village and the proponent of this project, as well as all the officials, the committee of public hearing panel are doing the same thing, that during this hearing, the effect of any environment on the environment, the effect that the village is going to have after that. The feedback that they will have on the social life around them is coming from the citizens as it is being conveyed to them in our EIC. Now after coming here, we have received many suggestions that suggestion we will incorporate in this report. Apart from this it is necessary to go & speak out of committee work area.

I have a request to the first proponent of all it is a very beautiful book Vishwas Patil is the writer so you should read Zad Zadtal. When a project takes place, we realize the level of impact it has on the rural life and society. If we want to know all those things, we can build a project by reading that book. First of all, it is safe to say that the concept of sustainable development that is presented in 1976 came into being today. If development is supposed to be done, it should be sustainable, it should not result in any rural life or any village or anyone's life being ruined, hence all these concepts came into being. If we think from the angle that is today's topic, if the project is done, while the

project is being done, all those who are the proponent of the project give requirements, then these promises will be fulfilled till log time, as long as your project exists, you will be the people's representative of the people of your village, the citizens of the village. Whatever difficulties he has in keeping up with the coordination, The person who complaints should find solutions without considering whether it is really affecting his life. If this is called development, there will be no problems. We will never be the circle of any environment as it is today. But as minimum we can affect the environment. We should study that much. That is, when you are setting up a project, you should take advice from some experts who work in the environment. We should take the help of the local people of the villagers who are often more familiar with the area than us and assess all the things that will impact the environment while building the project. It has a social value. We will try to reduce as much as possible in all this process. Along with this, the social life here is the economic reason of this social life. Outside money does not come into this village. Most of the four to five people who are employed only earn money. It is my interest as an Additional District Magistrate through

this public hearing that your project will help change the economy of this village. Because you should give jobs to the small jobs that are here, drivers, cleaners, mechanics. If they do not have the skills, then your project proponent should try to develop them. Since people is not available, it is not expected to bring people here from any outside village and give him employment. Before we use these natural resources, we have a responsibility to benefit the area. All these things are expected from you. As the Chairman of the Committee asked if anyone still has anything to register or raise any doubts in this matter, this forum is open. After this you will start giving the repot for a day or two and if you think there is a letter you can write to the Collector's Office or M. P. C. B. If you make the statement available to the office, we will take it on record. Does anyone still have anything to say, otherwise I assure all of us that any small doubts you may have should be satisfied at the same time. If you are satisfied at the same time, the problems that lie ahead do not cause so much panic. Ok, they have survey no. Kindly give a print out of the slip. Thank you all for coming once again this is a suggestion to proponent that they should really set up an

			ideal example while they are doing the project.
10	<p>Villager Parshivani raised the question that -</p> <p>We did not know about the hearing. No notice or advance notice is published. Those 44 hectares land is there Can we see that area where it is ?</p>	<p>The project proponent informed that -</p> <p>This has been notified in advance and notices have been placed in all Gram Panchayats by the Pollution Control Board and all reports have been kept accordingly.</p>	

Hon'ble Chairman and Additional District Magistrate, Environmental Public Hearing Committee, in their conclusion, stated that all the points raised during the public hearing will be included in the minutes as it is, and the report will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Government of Maharashtra for further appropriate action.


After that, thanks was given to every one present and the public hearing was declared over.



(Hema Deshpande)

Member,

Environment Public Hearing Committee
Regional Officer, MPCB, Nagpur



(Mr. R. U. Patil)

Convener,

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Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Nagpur-1



(Anup Khande)

Chairperson ,

Environment Public Hearing Committee
Additional District Magistrate, Nagpur.

