

**Minutes of Public Hearing Panel in respect of proposed 33 nos. of Sand Mining Projects in the Amravati District proposed by District Mining Officer, Collector Office, Amravati Maharashtra dtd. 07/10/2024 at 12.00 Noon, at Bachat Bhavan, Collector Office, Amravati.**

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The District Mining Officer, Mining Department, Collector Office Amravati has submitted the application for conducting Environmental Public Hearing for obtaining Environmental Clearance in respect of 33 sand ghats in Amravati District. The said Public Hearing has been conducted as per the provisions made in the notification dtd. 14/09/2006 issued by Ministry of Environment and Forest (Climate Change). Accordingly, the public hearing in respect of the sand mining projects has been conducted on 07/10/2024 at 12.00 Noon at Bachat Bhavan, District Collector Office, Amravati as per the provisions made in the office memorandum dtd. 09 June 2021 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change. Hon'ble Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has issued Office Order No. E-157 of 2024 vide letter no. BO/JD(WPC)/PH/B-240916-FTS-0004, dtd. 16/09/2024 for constitution of Environmental Public Hearing Committee to conduct the said Public Hearing.

The Public Hearing has been conducted in presence of following members of the Environmental Public Hearing Committee.

1. Hon'ble Dhyaneswar Ghyar, Additional District Magistrate, Amravati – Chairman.
2. Shri S. D. Patil, Regional Officer, MPCB, Amravati – Member.
3. Shri Shushilkumar Rathod, Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Amravati – Convenor.

The public notice for conducting the Environmental Public Hearing has been published in Daily "Lokmat" (Marathi) and Daily "The Times of India" (English) on 05/09/2024. Accordingly, the Environmental Public Hearing has been conducted on 07/10/2024 at 12.00 Noon at Bachat Bhavan, Collector Office, Amravati.

The Public Hearing was started with due permission of Hon'ble Chairman. The convenor of the Public Hearing Committee, Shri Shushilkumar Rathod, Sub-Regional Officer, Amravati-I welcomed the participants present in the Public Hearing. He further briefed about the requirement of conducting Environmental Public Hearing for the said project. He further stated that the District Mining Officer, Amravati has submitted Environment Management Plan, Executive Summary (English & Marathi) in respect of 33 sand ghats in Amravati District. The said documents were made available at following offices for the people residing in the project area / environmental groups in order to obtain suggestion / objections, if any, from the concerned.

1. Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalptaru Point, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> floor, in front of cineplanet theatre, near Sion Circle (East), Mumbai-400022.



2. Regional Office/Sub-Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Sahakar Surabhi, Near Vivekanand Colony, Bapatwadi, Amravati-444606.
3. Collector Office, Amravati.
4. Zilla Parishad, Amravati.
5. District Industry Centre, Amravati.
6. Sub-Divisional Office (Revenue)- Dharni/ Bhatkuli/ Daryapur/ Achalpur/ Chandur Bazar/ Morshi Dist. Amravati.
7. Tahsil Office - Dharni/ Bhatkuli/ Daryapur/ Achalpur/ Chandur Bazar/ Warud, Dist. Amravati.
8. Gram Panchayat Office- Chichghat/ Ratanapur/Kharya Tembaru Tq. Dharni, Kanphodi/Nanded Khu./ Ganoja Devi/ Dhadhi Tq. Bhatkuli, Naded Bu./ Belora/ Chandola/ Lasur/Maispur-Mocharda/ Nalwada/ Bebala Bu./ Ghada/ Karatkhed/ Ramtirth/ Wadura Tq. Daryapur, Khairi Donoda/ Savlapur/ Hiwalpurna-Yelkipurna, Tq. Achalpur, Talani Purna/ Hirulpurna/Takarkheda Tq. Chadur Bazar, Wandli / Pawani(S) / Deulwada/Waghal Tq. Warud, Dist. Amravati.
9. Nagar Panchayat- Bhatkuli, Dist- Amravati.

With the permission of Chair, Shri Shushilkumar Rathod, Sub-Regional Officer, Amravati-I and convenor of the Environmental Public Hearing Committee briefed about the procedure of Public Hearing and requested the Project Proponent to give the presentation regarding sand ghat projects.

The representative from Enviro Techno Consult Pvt. Ltd.] Nagpur (Environmental Consultant of the Project Proponent) gave the presentation regarding sand ghat projects.

Shri Shushilkumar Rathod, Sub-Regional Officer, Amravati-I and convenor of the Environmental Public Hearing Committee stated that the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has not received any objection/suggestions in respect of the sand ghats. She appealed the participants to raise their suggestions /objections.

Mr. Amol Jadhav, Sarpanch, Lasur, Ta. Daryapur said that the sand auction should be conducted as before. But the sand depot should be provided in the concerned village. In this regard, District Mining Officer, Amravati said that the Sand ghat tendering process has been planned according to the government policy. He also appealed that local interested person should participate in the tendering process.

Mr. Pradeep Alone, Morshi, Ta. Morshi suggested that the roads provided for sand ghats pass through some villages. As these roads are getting damaged due to traffic, the villagers are not allowed to transport sand on these roads. Therefore, information should be given about what kind of protection will be provided to the sand ghat owners in such places.


Representative, Enviro Techno Consult Pvt. Ltd., Nagpur said that the road has been provided from outside the village to transport sand to the above sand ghats. So there will be no problem on the road while transporting sand.





The District Mining Officer, Amravati suggested that Interested Bidder should ensure about the approach sandghat road.

District Mining Officer also suggested that even after this public hearing, if there are any suggestions, they should be given in written form to the District Mining Office, Amravati.

With the permission of Hon'ble Chairman the Public Hearing concluded with vote of thanks.

  
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&  
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MPC Board Amravati-I

  
( S. D. Patil )  
Member  
&  
Regional Officer,  
MPC Board Amravati

  
(Dhyaneswar Chyav)  
Chairman  
Public Hearing Committee  
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