

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED EXPANSION FOR MANUFACTURING OF 1000 TONNE PER MONTH OF MANGANESE OXIDE OF M/S. NAVRATNA MANGANESE PRODUCTS LLP, PLOT NO. J-34, MIDC HINGNA, TAL-HINGNA, DIST-NAGPUR DTD. 11/04/2025.

As per Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India Notification dated 14.09.2006 amended notification dated 1.12.2009. M/S. Navratna Manganese Products LLP, Plot No. J-34, MIDC Hingna, Tal-Hingna, Dist-Nagpur has applied for Environmental Public Hearing in respect of proposed expansion for manufacturing of 1000 Tonne per month of Manganese Oxide. The Public Hearing was held at MIDC Industrial Association, MIA House, Plot No. P-26, MIDC Industrial Area, Hingna Road, Dist-Nagpur-440016 under the Chairmanship of Shri. Anup Khande, Residential Deputy Collector. Smt. Hema Deshpande, Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Nagpur attended as a member of the public hearing panel, and Shri. Sushilkumar Rathod, Sub-Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Nagpur-II as a convener. The Public Hearing started at 12.00 noon with the permission of the Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel. Attendance of the citizens present during the Public Hearing is attached as **Annexure-I**.

BACKGROUND :

M/S. Navratna Manganese Products LLP has envisaged to expand the plant to manufacture 1000 TPM of Manganese Oxide by roasting. The proposed project will be carried out in the existing project site at Plot No. J-34, MIDC Hingna, Tal-Hingna, Dist-Nagpur, Maharashtra State.

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE:

Public Hearing procedure was initiated with the permission of Chairman of Public Hearing panel. The Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Nagpur-II welcomed the Chairman and Member of the public hearing panel, local citizens and others.

The Chairman of Public Hearing Panel informed that, the Public Hearing is conducted for recording the views/objects/suggestions of the participants regarding the project, and the same will be communicated as it is to the Government. Chairman also clarified that this panel is not here to take decision regarding accordence of approval to the project and appealed the participants to express their views and suggestions orally or in writing.

Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Nagpur-II explained the purpose of conducting this public hearing and that as per MoEF&CC, GOI Notification SO 60(E) of 27th January, 1994 and amended on 14th September, 2006 notices for the public hearing were published in local widely circulated Newspapers i.e. the 'Hitavada' (English) and 'Lokmat' (Marathi) on 07/03/2025. Copies of the same are enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

Copies of the Environment Impact Assessment & executive summary containing salient features of the project in English & Marathi and other information/documents were made available to the public before 30 days in various Govt. offices as well as local Gram Panchayats as per MoEF&CC, GOI Notification. Suggestions, comments and objections of the public were called in writing during the notice period of the publication of the notice. The public hearing panel was constituted vide MPC Board Office Order No. E-19/2025 vide letter No. BO/JD/(WPC)/PH/B-250318-FTS-0046 dtd. 18/03/2025. Copy of the same is enclosed as **Annexure-III**. One online suggestion through email was received to MPCB in the notice period. Copy enclosed as **Annexure-IV**.

Thereafter, Sub-Regional Officer, Nagpur-II and Convener requested the project proponent to give the detail presentation about the project. Accordingly, representative of the project proponent gave detailed power point presentation of the project in Marathi language. Project proponent explained regarding project location, benefits of proposed project, proposed facilities, fire-fighting facilities, manufacturing process description, description of environment and identification of anticipated impact, Land environment, climate and meteorology, Air Environment, existing water quality, water consumption, biological environment, socio-economic environment, impact on local infrastructure, environment management plan, air emission, preventive maintenance / inspection etc.

After the presentation Sub-Regional Officer & Convener Shri. Sushilkumar Rathod requested the citizens to express their views, comments, concern & suggestion after mentioning their name & name of the village.

FOLLOWING MEMBERS HAVE PARTICIPATED IN PUBLIC HEARING AND RAISED QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS. THE DETAILS ARE GIVEN BELOW:

1) Shri. Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist.

Sr. No.	Objections/Suggestion/Question	Comments/ made by Project Proponent.
1	He supported the project. He expressed that, the project will generate employment. He suggested to keep pollution under control. Since this project is in an industrial area, a large number of trees should be planted in the area and rainwater harvesting should be installed, collected water should be used for ground water recharge.	The project proponent said that, a large number of trees will be planted in the area. Also, rainwater from the project area will be collected and used for ground water recharge.

2) Shri. P. Mohan, President, MIA, Dist-Nagpur.

Sr. No.	Objections/Suggestion/Question	Comments/ made by Project Proponent.
1.	Since this project is in an industrial area, the requirement of environmental clearance should be waived. He welcomed the project.	This public hearing is being conducted as per the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification dated 14.09.2006 and the amended notification dated 01.12.2009.

3) Shri. S. Chandrashekhar, Environmentalist, Hyderabad.

Sr. No.	Objections/Suggestion/Question	Comments/ made by Project Proponent.
1.	He supported the project. Green belt should be developed, employment should be provided to the locals and corporate social responsibility should be taken for the villages. Effluent treatment system should be installed and safety equipment should be provided to the workers.	The project proponent said that the existing factory is operational. The expansion project will give priority for employment to locals. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) will be implemented keeping in mind the basic needs of the locals.

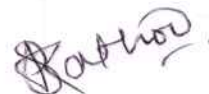
Smt. Hema Deshpande, Member of Environment public hearing panel and Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Nagpur advised the project proponent to make necessary amendments regarding social impact and other aspects in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.

Shri. Sushilkumar Rathod, Convener of Environment public hearing panel and Sub-Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Nagpur-II called upon the present citizens to express their objections, suggestions and comments if they had any. Also, if anyone wants to record their views in writing they are advised to submit them to the committee or submit them to the MPC Board, Office, Nagpur/Collector Office, Nagpur by 09/04/2025. It was also reiterated that the issues suggested by the citizens both orally and in writing as well as the responses given by the project proponent have been recorded and the same will be communicated to the Government.

Shri. Anup Khande, Chairman of Environment public hearing panel and Residential Deputy Collector, Nagpur reviewed the questions of the present citizens regarding the project and the answers given by the project proponent. He also suggested that maximum employment should be provided to locals, tree plantation should be done on a large scale in the area, and best in class pollution control systems shall be installed. He also thanked the public present for the public hearing. After that, it was declared that the public hearing was over.



(Hema Deshpande)
Member of the Public Hearing Panel
and
Regional Officer, MPC Board, Nagpur



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Convener of the Public Hearing Panel
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