PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 27.08.2020 AT 10.30 AM AT PURUNABAULAMALA G.P. OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF LUNIBAR HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-6) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE / ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA 22.26 HA (5 NOS. OF MINING LEASES) AT LUNIBAR VILLAGE UNDER DHARMASALA TAHSIL IN THE DISTRICT OF JAJPUR, ODISHA

The public hearing in respect of the Lunibar Hillocks (Cluster-6) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 22.26 Ha (5 nos. of mining lease) at Lunibar Village under Dharmasla Tahsil in Jajpur District was held on scheduled date & time at G.P. Office, Purunabaulamala in the District of Jajpur with reference to EIA Notification S.O 1533 (E) Dtd. 14.09.2006 and amendments made thereafter.

The Panel consisted of the following members:

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- 1. Sri Santosh Kumar Mishra, Additional District Magistrate, Kalinganagar, Jajpur, Odisha
- Sri Pramod Kumar Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board,
 Odisha, Kalinganagar.

Sri Santosh Kumar Mishra, Additional District Magistrate, Kalinganagar supervised & presided over the public hearing process assisted by Sri Pramod Kumar Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Kalinganagar, the representative of State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

At the outset, welcoming the members participated in the meeting Sri Pramod Kumar Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Kalinganagar, gave a brief introduction about the guidelines to be followed for the public hearing in the light of EIA Notification, 2006 and interim operational guidelines till date in respect of Lunibar Hillocks (Cluster-6) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 22.26 Ha (5 nos. of Mining leases) at Lunibar Village under Dharmasla Tahsil in Jajpur District.

Sri S. K. Mishra, Additional District Magistrate, Kalinganagar welcomed the public and explained that the views, comments, objections and opinions of the public are necessary while considering the environmental clearance of the project. He

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reminded the public about COVID-19 pandemic and requested all to follow guidelines contained in COVID-19 Master Circular on Social Distancing and also COVID-19 SOP issued by the Government. He requested the Tahasildar, Dharmasala to deliberate people on the mining proposal.

Sri Saroj Kumar Panda, Tahasildar Dharmalasa, Applicant of the project, deliberated the public an overall idea on the proposed mining project and requested representative of M/s Kalyani Laboratories Private Limited (RQP) to explain in detail on mining proposal, environmental impact of the project and various environmental and CSR activity to be undertaken during the mining project.

Sri Jagabandhu Bisoi, Representative of M/s Kalyani Laboratories Private Limited briefed the mining proposal on behalf of Tahasildar, Dharmasala on Lunibar Hillocks (Cluster-6) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 22.26 Ha (5 nos. of Mining leases). He addressed the committee members and assembled public and made a brief presentation about the salient features of the proposed project, environmental management, pollution control measures, waste management, plantation programme and various other peripheral development activities envisaged in the proposed project.

Then Sri Mishra, ADM, Kalinganagar, requested the public to give their views, comments, objections and opinions on the proposed project.

The views expressed by various speakers on the proposed project are as follows:

1. Sri Satish Biswal, Bhubanpur

At the outset, Sri Biswal greeted the panel and the gathering of the public hearing. Sri Biswal said that nothing is planned for development of the area. He expressed his happiness that Government will get revenue from the area, mafia will loot the mineral and construct building everywhere but local people will get nothing. He thanked the authority for informing the public about shares to be made under CSR activity. He highlighted the importance of NH-200 passed through the area and cited earlier discussion with a DFO friend about needs of greeneries of the hills exist around the NH as it the geographical identity of the area. He said that environment degradation is more dangerous

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than the current COVID-19 pandemic and demanded only PUC certified vehicle to be allowed to ply over the said NH.

Sri Biswal informed the gathering about creation of hills and forest by God and it is the responsibility of people to protect the hill, forest and environment. He also emphasized the needs of black stone for constructional activity and urged not to destroy local environment in the name of development.

Sri Biswal opposed the data composed in EIA report and attributed it to be unbelievable as ground water quality in some of the area around proposed project is found to be polluted. He cited the same can be verified by interpreting 10 years back data on ground water quality. He questioned why hundreds of thousands of people of the area are suffering from dreaded diseases like renal and cancer. He alleged suppression of data by administration and demanded ground water quality assessment, depth of excavation by the lessee in the area before according Environmental Clearance. He did not oppose the project proposal but demanded the area to be surveyed for any illegal mining and excavation beyond permissible limit by the present lessees. He requested the proposal like water sprinkling over hauling road, plantation and greenbelt development and other as highlighted in the report to be implemented in letter and spirit.

He highlighted that the marginal debt ridden businessmen are not allowed to participate and are harassed by the administration by imposing overloading fines again and again though the outside companies overloaded trucks are allowed to move freely. He questioned on operation of quarry without any laborer as there is no such registration of them at any level. He requested the panel about registration of laborer engaged in mining activity with district administration so as to facilitate the members of their families to get welfare benefit in case of mishap. He also demanded enquiry to be made about the damage caused by blasting in the area and opposed the wagon drill blasting.

2. Sri Ananda Chandra Sahoo, Purunabaulamala

Sri Sahoo expressed his support to the views placed by Sri Satish Biswal. Sri Sahoo requested the authority to verify the allegation of mining excavation beyond permissible limits of depth by the incumbent lessee in the area. He opined that mining to be carried out in accordance with laws, rules & regulation and safety methods laid down by the concerned departments.

3. Sri Dinabandhu Patra, Chadheidhara

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Sri Patra agreed with the genuine issues placed by his previous speakers. He is of the opinion that the maximum people of the area are poor and unskilled laborers. They depend on stone mining for their livelihood. He suggested the mining depth to be limited to permissible limit.

4. Sri Arup Kumar Nayak, Bhubanpur

Sri Nayak expressed his happiness that public hearing/consultation is organized by following the environmental safeguard process. He demanded the agriculture sector to be given importance by the district administration. He said that now a day people have opted stone mining as alternate livelihood as agriculture in the area is neglected. He expressed his willingness the project to be permitted and operated but within permissible depth limit. He also requested the overload to be stopped by the authority as these leads many fatal accidents in the area.

5. Sri Dillip Parida, Garhamadhupur

Sri Parida said that the area is agricultural area. But people chose to work in stone mining to support their family. He opined the stone mining to be operated in the area to support the people in their livelihood.

6. Sri Shankar Prasad Das, Garhamadhupur

Sri Das alleged that the district administration is just maintaining the formality. He informed the richness of Jajpur District in Black Stone minor mineral deposits. He said the black stone is being extracted since last 20 years and alleged the administration globe in hand with the mining mafias. He also informed that private big companies are favored instead of local marginal entrepreneurs. He alleged engagement of companies in black stone quarry to loot the revenue instead of local area development contribution. He expressed the unfortunate collaboration of lessee and mafias. He opined that the road constructed between Kusunpur to Baghua is not meant for local people. He demanded the lease to be granted to the local people for sustainable development of the area. He also demanded ESI medical facility to be extended to the people of the area and leasers to be made compulsory contribution for the benefit of the area.

7. Smt. Rekhalata Sahoo, Sarapanch, Purunabaulamala G.P.

Smt. Sahoo greeted the gathering and thanked the organizer for conducting public consultation for consideration of environmental clearance. She emphasized the mining of black stone to be carried out in accordance of plan

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and following all norms and guidelines keeping the environment of the area above the all.

8. Sri Dillip Biswal, Chadheidhara

Sri Biswal informed that blasting is carried out at a distance of 100 m away from college area. Tremors cause by blasting develop crack in the building wall and damages kaccha houses. People are unable to sleep during night and there is no peace and security in the locality. He alleged the administration turned deaf ear though the matter has been brought to the knowledge of the authority concerned. He said nothing about the proposed project.

9. Sri Santosh Prusty, Chadheidhara

Sri Prusty greeted and thanked the organizers for such public hearing. He demanded lease to be granted considering all applicable rules and regulations. He said that blasting in the area creates havoc and the tremor damages the building and houses.

10. Smt. Gitanjali Parida, Chadheidhara

Smt. Parida greeted the chair and informed the need of mining activity in the hills which support local livelihood.

11. Sri Benudhar Parida, Chadheidhara

Sri Parida requested to give importance to the people of the area. He informed that the past analysis of the mining activity indicates mining is being carried out without following the plan. He further informed about unsustainable mining in the area. He requested the contribution of the leasers to be made public and demanded the administration to supervise the development activity associated with mining of the area. He suggested the blasting to be undertaken in a controlled manner by implementing best available technology and overall mines to be operated following all safety measures. He further suggested the area where there is maximum affect due to mining needs to be surveyed and redressed accordingly. He demanded minimization of machine engagement in mining which helps creation of employment opportunity of the manual unskilled laborers of the area.

12. Sri Meghnath Jena, Kamagarh

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Sri Jena expressed his witness the way how government obtains clearance and handover the area to the mafias in the name of lease. He demanded to administration to take action to curb illegal mining and overloading of trucks in the area. He also demanded mining activity including blasting to be carried out as per approved plan.

13. Sri Siva Prasad Jena, Ramachandrapur

Sri Jena expressed his views that Bikash (Development) and Binash (Destruction) are two sides of coin. He said that there is a possibility of tremor like 7 magnitude Richter scale if the extent of blasting being carried out in the area and the seismic zone of the area are considered. He has seen that excavated depth of the quarry pits which are more that 100 ft. in some stone mines. Since the area turned draught hit, stone quarry is the only alternate livelihood of the people and needs to be permitted with strict implementation of SOP.

14. Sri Deepak Kumar Gochhayat, Garhmadhupur

Sri Gochhayat welcomed the proposal with a view that the stone mining in the area will help to stop laborer migration.

15. Sri Rabindra Kumar Sahoo, Chanagotha

Sri Sahoo demanded local bidders to be awarded lease instead of outsiders. Since people depend of stone quarry, it needs to be allowed.

16. Sri Kailash Das, Ragadiposi

Sri Das expressed his displeasure that blasting in the area creates tremor of sufficient intensity which damages kacha house at maximum. He further expressed his grievances that mine pits are excavated more than 500 ft. which is threat to the human, domestic animals & others of the area.

17. Sri Tapan Parida, Chadheidhara

Sri Parida apprehended loss of jobs of thousands of people if stone quarry in the area is not permitted.

18. Sri Anil Kumar Bala, Garhmadhupur

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Sri Bala viewed that blasting and use of earth moving machines limits employment opportunity which needs to be stopped for upliftment of the local people.

19. Sri Satyendra Mallick, Ragadiposi

Sri Mallick informed that blasting is being carried out in a haphazard and uncontrolled manner. Such blasting creates havoc and tremor which ultimately damages the kaccha houses and buildings. He demanded the mines to be operated following all rules and regulation. He also demanded road development in the area and stoppage of overloading of vehicles carrying minor minerals from the quarries.

20. Sri Aenthei Pradhan, Chadheidhara

Sri Pradhan requested the authority to allow mining in the area.

21. Smt. Rebati Behera, Ragadiposi

Smt. Behera apprehended death of people in starvation if quarries are not allowed to operate in the area and requested to allow as it is the only source of their income.

22. Sri Prabadh Mishra, Garhmadhupur

Sri Mishra said he don't oppose the proposal but requested the measures highlighted in the report to be implemented effectively. He suggested the agriculture sector to be strengthened for practical economic development of the area and also massive plantation needs to be undertaken. He requested the mine quarry to be operated in controlled way. He also requested the issued like greenery development, water conservation and noise pollution to be addressed by the administration. He opined that mining to be operated since livelihood of the people of the area is associated with it. He demanded the Tahasildar to register the laborers who are engaged in outside private companies for their benefit.

23. Smt. Nikina Behera, Ragadiposi

Smt. Behera, belonging to poor lobaour class people, opined the quarry to be operated since people of the area depends on it.

24. Smt. Geeta Dehuri, Ragadiposi

Smt. Dehuri expressed her support for the proposal.

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25. Smt. Kuni Pradhan, Chadheidhara

Smt. Pradhan welcomed the proposal.

26. Smt. Guluri Patra, Chadheidhara

Smt. Patra expressed her consent for the proposal.

27. Smt. Nalini Pradhan, Chadheidhara

Smt. Pradhan welcomed the project proposal.

28. Smt. Jyoti Pradhan, Chadheidhara

Smt. Pradhan expressed that people will die of hunger if stone quarry will be stopped.

29. Miss Gita Gagarai, Gayasahi

Miss Gagarai expressed her support for the project proposal.

30. Miss Kandhei, Chadheidhara

She viewed that people of the locality will be benefitted if proposed quarries are operated.

31. Miss Minati Munda, Gayasahi

Miss Munda informed that she belong to landless, poor and unskilled labour class people and supported the project proposal with a hope to get job locally for livelihood.

32. Sashi Dei, Uttaraposi

Sashi Dei expressed her support for the project proposal.

33. Phula Behera, Sukutijhara

Phula Behera welcomed the project proposal.

34. Mrs. Khulana Pradhan, Sukutijhara

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Mrs. Pradhan questioned how she will support her family if stone guarry in the area is stopped. She demanded the quarry to be operated.

35. Miss Puja Pingua, Purunabaulamala

Miss Puja said that they depend on stone hill for their bread and butter for which she expressed her support.

36. Mrs. Sombari Pingua, Gayasahi

Mrs. Pingua said that she earn her livelihood in exchange of hard labour and will be affected if quarry is not operated.

40 people had registered their name to express their views, comments, objections etc. out of which 36 people deliberated.

The Panel has received 06 nos. of written representations during the hearing which are enclosed herewith in original. Sri Santosh Kumar Mishra, ADM, Kalinganagar asked the project proponent to present their comments to the people with respect to the demands raised by the public in the public hearing meeting. Sri Saroj Panda, Tahasildar, Dharmasala made comments on the issues raised by the public. The statement of the issues and concerns of the public with comments of the applicant is prepared in Odiya and English language and annexed separately. The meeting was

ended with thanks to the chair.

Sri Pramod Kumar Behera Regional Officer, Kalinganagar State Pollution Control Board, Odisha

(Assisted as representative of State Pollution Control Board)

Sri Santosh Kumar Mishra **Additional District Magistrate** Kalinganagar, Jajpur, Odisha (Presided and Supervised the Public Hearing Meeting)

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STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND DEMANDS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AND COMMITTMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 27.08.2020 (AT 10.30 AM) AT G.P. OFFICE, PURUNABAULAMALA G.P., JAJPUR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF LUNIBAR HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-6) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE/ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA OF 22.26 HA (5 NOS. OF MINING LEASE) AT LUNIBAR VILLAGE UNDER DHARMASALA TAHASIL OF JAJPUR DISTRICT

ISSUES RAISED BY PUBLIC	COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT
	Sri Saroj Panda, Tahasildar, Dharmasala (Applicant) made following comments with respect to certain issues raised by the public: Sri Panda accepted all the issues raised by the public and appreciated for their participation. He said mining will be done in a systematic way so as to control pollution. Tree plantation, health care facility, road development, noise pollution control and peripheral development will be done as envisaged in the project. He informed that a total of 282 workers will be employed during mining operation and 2% project cost will be accorded for Corporate Environment
	Responsibility under which pollution control measures and peripheral development will be done. He also
	informed that all the norms of the government will be
	fulfilled and finally thanked the public for supporting the
	project.

Sri Pramod Kumar Behera Regional Officer, Kalinganagar State Pollution Control Board, Odisha

(Assisted as representative of State Pollution Control Board) Sri Santosh Kumar Mishra Additional District Magistrate Kalinganagar, Jajpur, Odisha (Presided and Supervised the Public Hearing Meeting)

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