

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 25.08.2018 (AT 10.30 AM) IN MAHISARA GRAM PANCHAYAT OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF RAHADPUR HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-7) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE / ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA OF 42.40 HA (12 NOS. OF MINING LEASES) AT RAHADPUR VILLAGE, TEHSIL DHARMASALA IN THE DISTRICT OF JAJPUR, ODISHA

The public hearing in respect of the Rahadpur Hillocks (Cluster-7) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 42.40 Ha (12 nos. of Mining leases) at Rahadpur Village, Tehsil Dharmasla in Jajpur District was held on scheduled date & time in Mahisara Gram Panchayat Office 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:**

1. Sri Akshaya Kumar Mallick, Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Jajpur, Odisha
2. Sri Pramod Kumar Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Kalinganagar.

Sri Akshaya Kumar Mallick, Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Jajpur, supervised & presided over the public hearing process and 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 Rahadpur Hillocks (Cluster-7) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 42.40 Ha (12 nos. of Mining leases) at Rahadpur Village, Tehsil Dharmasla in Jajpur District.

Welcoming the public, Sri A. K. Mallick. Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Jajpur 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 reminded public that the Public Hearing meeting is being conducted following the social distancing and COVID-19 guideline. He requested the public to maintain social distance and follow the COVID guidelines during the public hearing process. He asked the Tahasildar, Dharmasala to deliberate people on the mining proposal.

Sri Saroj Kumar Panda, Tahasildar (Dharmasala) & proponent of the project, welcomed the dais and public. Sri Panda deliberated the public overall information on the proposed mining leases. Sri S. K. Panda informed that the Administration has taken all necessary steps to conduct the public hearing meeting following the social distancing protocol and COVID-19 guideline of the Government. He informed that those people who are unable to attend the public hearing meeting due to bad weather can submit their views through representation to the Administration or State Pollution control Board within next 7 days. Sri Panda requested M/s Kalyani Laboratories Private Limited (RQP) to explain on Environmental impact of the project and various environmental and CSR activity proposed to be taken during the mining project.

On behalf of Tahasildar, Sri Jagabandhu Bisoi, of M/s Kalyani Laboratories Private Limited (RQP) briefed the mining proposal and Environmental impact on Rahadpur Hillocks (Cluster-7) mine during production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 42.40 Ha (12 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 Mallick, ADM (Revenue), Jajpur, 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 Gangadhar Nayak, Rampei**

Welcoming the dais and gathering, Sri Nayak expressed his grievance on pollution caused by the crusher units in the area. He informed that trees are



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not being planted in the crusher area and suggested to plant trees to improve the local environment. He also informed that local people are not getting employed/benefit from the stone mine and crusher. He complained that outsiders are getting employed in the stone crushers and requested the administration to take necessary steps on the above issues.

2. **Sri Sankar Pratap Das, Gadamadhpur**

He greeted the chair and gathering and complained that stone chips are being illegally extracted from the hills and the hills are going to extinct within few years. Sri Das further informed that local people are not getting employed in the Stone quarry & crusher. He requested employment and peripheral development in the area.

3. **Sri Nishakar Sahani, Rahadpur**

Sri Sahani told that water sprinkling is being done regularly in the area and nearby village people are benefitted from the stone quarry.

4. **Sri Prakash Kumar Nayak, Batijoda**

He told that people are employed and benefitted from the stone quarry. He requested the chair to take necessary steps for water sprinkling in the area to suppress the dust accumulation in the area.

5. **Sri Ashok Kumar Rout, Rampei**

Sri Rout greeted the panel & gathering and welcomed the public hearing and the mining proposal. He requested the authority to take necessary action to suppress fugitive dust generated from the stone crusher and its approaching roads, plant trees in the area, construct rain water harvesting pond to check and store runoff water from the hills. He further requested the authority to check and monitor air pollution in the area and take necessary steps for suppression of dust in the area. Finally, he expressed his support for the Stone quarry mining project and demanded dust suppression, plantation and employment to the local people.

6. **Sri Ramachandra Behera, Mahisara**

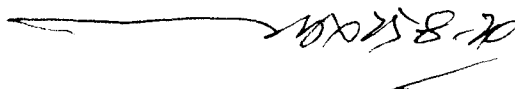
Sri Behera expressed his happiness for the public hearing of the stone quarry mining proposal. He informed that the local people are mainly laborers and demanded that necessary steps may be taken for control of pollution due to vehicular movement, road dust and operation of crushers in the area. He further demanded local employment, environment protection and plantation in the area.




7. **Sri Kamakhya Prasad Nayak, Rampei**  
He told that they have no objection for the mining proposal and requested the authority to take step for environment protection.
8. **Sri Pratap Kumar Nayak, Totasingh**  
He expressed his support for the public hearing proposal.
9. **Sri Siva Prasad Jena, Ramchandrapur**  
Sri Jena greeted the public & dais and advised for water harvesting, sand filling in void quarry and green belt development. He complained that brain is also affected by stone dust and told that project should come with sustainable development and environmental protection.
10. **Sri Arup Kumar Nayak, Bhubanpur**  
He welcomed the dais and gathering and expressed his happiness on the stone quarry mining proposal. Sri Nayak complained destruction of trees by blasting, noise pollution from heavy machineries. He told that mining should be carried out but along with protection of trees and environment. He requested regular inspection and monitoring of stone crushers to control excess production and pollution. He supported the stone mining project and requested to plant trees in some part of the lease area.
11. **Sri Amrut Nayak, Talsang**  
He supported the mining proposal and requested the authority to follow the government guidelines and plant trees in the area.
12. **Sri Kailash Charan Nayak, Rampei**  
He supported the mining proposal and told that local people will get employment and local area will be developed by the stone mining project.
13. **Sri Subrat Kumar Mallick, Madhupurgarh**  
Sri Mallick complained that local people are not getting any benefit from the stone quarry operation. He demanded local peripheral development, education and solution from vehicular traffic due to heavy vehicle movement in the area.
14. **Sri Sanatan Ghadei, Mahisara**  
Sri Ghadei expressed his happiness for the public hearing proposal. He informed that local environment has been affected due to the stone quarry and crushers and the local people are facing diseases due to stone dust. He requested the district administration to take necessary steps for peripheral development in his village.



15. Sri Madhusudan Behera, Daulatpur  
He informed that, due to shut down of hills and quarry, the local area people have been affected. He expressed his support for the stone mining project and requested peripheral development and environmental protection in the area.
16. Sri Manas Ranjan Biswal, Bhubanpur  
Sri Biswal told that environment protection should be given first priority. He informed that the local area has been affected by blasting and dust pollution. He expressed his grievance on conduct of the public hearing in bad weather and during the COVID-19 period. He further expressed his unhappiness on lease grant process and excavation of stone by digging dip in the stone quarry. He complained dust issue during evening & night hours, theft of minerals from the hills during night period etc. He finally demanded priority to local people in employment.
17. Sri Ayashkanta Rout, Rampei  
Sri Rout welcomed the public hearing and the mining proposal. He told that theft of minerals from the quarry will be reduced by granting lease of quarries. He further told that local people financially depend on the stone quarry and permission should be given to the Stone quarries. Sri Rout finally requested that environmental protection be given priority during quarry operation.
18. Sri Padmalochan Biswal, Rampei  
Sri Biswal supported the mining proposal and hoped that local people will be benefitted from the grant of new leases.
19. Sri Kalandi Dehuri, Rahadpur  
He thanked the gathering and supported the public hearing proposal.
20. Sri Kedar Nayak, Rampei  
Sri Nayak expressed his support for the mining proposal and requested the authority to take necessary step for environment protection.
21. Sri Basanta Kumar Nayak, Bhubanpur  
He requested the administration to rehabilitate the broken homes in the area.
22. Sri Braja Kishore Behera, Daulatpur  
Sri Behera told that local people will be benefitted by giving permission to new leases.



23. Sri Pintu Maharana, Daulatpur  
He expressed his support for the mining proposal but requested the authority to take step on dust pollution and people affected by different diseases in the area.
24. Sri Prabodha Mishra, Gadamadhapur  
Sri Mishra told that new leases and permission be given but expressed his grievance on less attendance of people in the public hearing, theft of minerals & use of excess machineries in the quarry, unsafe and noisy blasting, no plantation activity etc. He requested local employment and peripheral development in the area. He finally requested the authority to take necessary steps for rectification of the above raised issues.
25. Sri Katikeswar Behera, Mahisara  
He supported the mining proposal and requested the authority to take necessary step for environment protection.
26. Sri Chakradhar Behera, Doulatpur  
Sri Behera greeted the dais & gathering and informed that the local people are directly or indirectly dependent on the stone quarries and requested that permission be given to the stone quarries as per Government guideline. Further, he requested the lease holders to carry out stone mining in the hill as per Government guidelines.
27. Sri Satish Kumar Biswal  
Welcoming the panel & gathering, Sri Biswal expressed his grievance for conduct of the public instead of red warning declaration by the Government of Odisha in the Jajpur district. He complained that wagon blasting is being done in the quarry violating the direction of Government of Odisha and order of Director (Environment). Further, no step has been taken by the local administration to prohibit the process. He informed that as per the revenue director's guideline the District Magistrate or Tahasildar or Revenue Inspector will be responsible for any excess production in the stone quarry. He informed that, considering his grievances, a high level committee meeting was conducted by the District Collector involving the Forest and revenue officials and decision was taken to establish check gate in the area. However, the check gate is not yet established. He raised question on the stand of the Administration on the fine imposed by the Hon'ble NGT due to illegal extraction and excess production of stone from the Quarry. He informed that as per the Government guideline, any quarry in which excess mineral is extracted, the void is to be filled with soil and fine should be imposed to the committing proponent. He opposed the project and demanded to fill the quarry



void with soil. He finally requested the District Administration to take necessary action to protect the hills.

28. Sri Sarbeswar Behura, Saroi

Welcoming the dais & gathering, Sri Behura told that he is opposing the mining proposal. He informed that no information has been received by him on penalty imposed for excess production by the District Administration and a case has been filed by him in the Hon'ble High Court and information on excess production by stone quarry need to be provided by the Administration. He complained that the public hearing has been conducted even after identification of COVID-19 patients in the Dankari area recently. He further told that money has been allocated for construction of a dam but that has been chocked by illegal stone traders/mafias. He urged that public hearing should not be conducted and stopped till the order of the Hon'ble High Court comes out.

The Panel has received 3 nos. of written representations during the hearing. Sri Akshaya Kumar Mallick, ADM (Revenue), Jajpur 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 Debasis Biswal made commitment on issues raised by the public on behalf of Sri S. K. Panda, Tahasildar (Dharmasala) and proponent of Rahadpur Hillocks (Cluster-7) mine. The statement of issues and concern of the public with comments of the applicant prepared in English & Odia language are annexed separately. Finally, Sri Narayan Chandra Dhal (Sub collector, Jajpur) expressed vote of thanks to the chair.



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**STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND DEMANDS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AND COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 25.08.2020 (AT 10.30 AM) IN MAHISARA GRAM PANCHAYAT OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF RAHADPUR HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-7) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE / ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA OF 42.40 HA (12 NOS. OF MINING LEASES) AT RAHADPUR VILLAGE, TEHSIL DHARMASALA IN THE DISTRICT OF JAJPUR, ODISHA**

ISSUES RAISED BY PUBLIC	COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT
<p>The issues raised at the public hearing meeting are as follows:</p> <p>Environment Employment Plantation Other Local Area Development activity</p>	<p>Sri Debasis Biswal of M/s Kalyani Laboratories Private Limited on behalf of Sri Saroj Kumar Panda, Proponent of Rahadpur Hillocks (Cluster-7) mine committed to certain issues raised by the public are as follows:</p> <p>Sri Biswal thanked public for expressing their and told that excess production is not coming under the EIA study. He told that detail step to be taken for plantation and area development is given in the Environment Management plan. He further informed that proposal is there to construct siltation ponds to collect the runoff water from the hill area and after proper settling; the clean water shall be discharged to the nearby agricultural land.</p>

  
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<p>ଜନଶୁଣାଣିରେ ଜନସାଧାରଣଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଉତ୍ତାପିତ ପ୍ରସଙ୍ଗମାନ ନିମ୍ନରେ ପ୍ରଦତ୍ତ କରାଗଲା ।</p> <p>୧. ପରିବେଶ ୨. ରୋଜଗାରକ୍ଷମ ୩. ବୃକ୍ଷରୋପଣ ୪. ଅନ୍ୟ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ବିକାଶ</p>	<p>ଆବେଦକ - ଶ୍ରୀ ସରୋଜ ପଣ୍ଡାଙ୍କ ତରଫରୁ ଶ୍ରୀ ଦେବୀଶିଷୁ ବିଶ୍ୱାଳ (ମେସର୍ସ କଲ୍ୟାଣୀ ଲାବୋରେଟୋରିଜ୍ ପ୍ରାଇଭେଟ୍ ଲିମିଟେଡ୍ ର) ପ୍ରବନ୍ଧ ସଂଚାଳକ ।</p> <p>ସର୍ବସାଧାରଣଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଉଠାଯାଇଥିବା କିଛି ପ୍ରସଙ୍ଗର ସଂବନ୍ଧରେ ନିମ୍ନଲିଖିତ ବିବରଣୀ କରିଛନ୍ତି ।</p> <p>ଶ୍ରୀ ବିଶ୍ୱାଳ, ସାର୍ବଜନିକ ରୂପରେ ଜନତାଙ୍କୁ ଧନ୍ୟବାଦ ଦେଲେ ଏବଂ କହିଲେ, ଅତିରିକ୍ତ ଖଣିଜ ଉତ୍ପାଦନ EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) ପର୍ଯ୍ୟବରଣ ପ୍ରଭାବ ଆକଳନ ଅଧିକାରରେ ଆସୁନାହିଁ ।</p> <p>ସେ କହିଲେ ପର୍ଯ୍ୟବରଣ ପ୍ରବନ୍ଧ ଯୋଜନାରେ ବୃକ୍ଷରୋପଣ ଏବଂ କ୍ଷେତ୍ରର ବିକାଶ ପାଇଁ ବିସ୍ତାର ପଦକ୍ଷେପ ଉଠିଯାଇଛି ।</p> <p>ସେ କହିଲେ କି ପାହାଡ଼ି କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ପାଣିକୁ ଏକାଠି କରିବାକୁ ସମ୍ପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ ଗାତ କରାଯିବାର ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବ ଅଛି ସଫା ପାଣିକୁ ଆଖପାଖ କୃଷି ଭୂମିରେ ଉପଯୋଗ କରାଯିବ ।</p>

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