AT PURUNABAULAMALA G.P. OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF SAHANIDIHA HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-8) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE / ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA 20.08 HA (2 NOS. OF MINING LEASE) AT SAHANIDIHA VILLAGE UNDER DHARMASALA TAHSIL IN THE DISTRICT OF JAJPUR, ODISHA

The public hearing in respect of the Sahanidiha Hillocks (Cluster-8) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 20.08 Ha (2 nos. of mining leases) at Sahanidiha 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 amendment made thereafter.

## The Panel consisted of the following members:

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

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 Sahanidiha Hillocks (Cluster-8) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 20.08 Ha (2 nos. of mining lease) at Sahanidiha 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 reminded the public about COVID-19 pandemic and requested all to follow guidelines contained in COVID-19 Master Circular on Social Distancing and also

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COVID-19 SOP issued by the Government. He asked 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 Sahanidiha Hillocks (Cluster-8) mine for production of Building Stone/Road Metal over an area of 20.08 Ha (2 nos. of mining lease). 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 Amar Kumar Barik, Ramachandrapur

Sri Barik said that 80% people of the area depend on agriculture. However, they don't get work during offseason and at this time they have chosen to work in black stone quarry for their additional income. He opined that operation of quarry will give additional income support to the farmers and people as a whole of the area.

# 2. Sri Abhaya Kumar Ojha, Charagotha

Sri Ojha emphasized that stone quarries of the area are additional lifeline of the local people and needs to be operated.

# 3. Sri Duryadhan Mallick, Charagotha

At the outset Sri Patra greeted the chair and the gathering. He said that the mining project will help people to get work and supported the project proposal.

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# 4. Sri Sanatan Swain, Krushnachandrapur

Sri Swain greeting the chair expressed his willingness the mining project to be operated in the area.

# 5. Sri Bijay Kumar Dalei, Baramunduli

Sri Dalei supported the project proposal and requested to create job opportunity for the local people.

# 6. Sri Ananda Dalei, Baramunduli

Sri Dalei supported the project proposal as they depend of stone quarry.

### 7. Sri Akshaya Kumar Barik, Ramachandrapur

Sri Barik welcomed the project.

## 8. Sri Rabindra Kumar Sahu, Charagotha

Sri Sahu said that people of the project area were relying mainly on agriculture income. But due to climate change the area became draught hit and depending only on agriculture is not sustainable at the present time for which people opted to working in black stone quarry. In light of the above he requested the authority to grant lease.

# 9. Sri Sanatan Rout, Ramachandrapur

Sri Rout expressed that people will definitely get benefit if lease is granted and guarries are operated.

## 10. Sri Abhina Mallick, Charagotha

Sri Parida welcomed the project proposal.

#### 11. Sri Satish Biswal, Bhubanpur

Sri Biswal informed that same allegation and issues (made during public hearing of Lunibar Hillocks) are applicable in this case also. He pointed out that large section of people remained silent without raising any issues as they are not accustomed to public speaking. He appreciated the administration for highlighting the employment opportunity and also pointed the need of presence of official from Labour Department in public hearing since employment has been given importance. He requested the administration to take up laborer issues proactively and laborers to be informed their eligibility towards different welfare schemes.

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Sri Biswal requested to assess the quantum of trees planted in the area since operation of stone mines. He thanked the district administration for their initiation to curb illegal mining in the area though it has not been stopped completely. He request the administration with folded hand not to take otherwise the genuine issues raised by him as he has some responsibility towards upliftment of people of economically backwards classes. He further requested the matter of loot happened due to illegal mining to be enquired by high level committee involving the local people. He suggested the interest of laborers to be protected and mining to be carried out with all safety and precautionary measures.

He further requested the administration to communicate the matter theft of the black stone from the area and revenue losses to the Forest Department and fix accountability to the local forest authority i.e. Forest Ranger in case theft has taken place.

# 12. Sri Manas Ranjan Biswal, Garhmadhupur

Sri Biswal said that he is agreed with the people who have said about scope employment opportunity to the people of area. He demanded minimum benefit to be given to the laborers. The workers shall be enrolled with the administration for their welfare and they should be given benefit of ESI/PF also. He expressed his dissatisfaction over non implementation of safety and labour norms by the lessee. He demanded all the lease holders to be instructed to follow safety norms as well as labour laws strictly and laborers interest to be prioritized.

#### 13. Sri Giridhar Jena

Sri Jena said that people of the area depend on stone quarry for their additional income. Hence, he has no objection if the quarries areas are given clearance and operated.

## 14. Sri Akshaya Kumar Rout, Krushnachandrapur

Sri Rout informed that all mines are operated using machines. He requested the concerned authority to take appropriate action so that people can get opportunity to work in mines.

#### 15. Sri Makardhaj Samal, Purunabaulamala

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Sri Samal said that houses are getting damaged due to stone blasting which is the major problem of the people. He demanded the administration to look into matter seriously.

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#### 16. Sri Gouranga Pradhan, Lunibar

Sri Pradhan informed that uncontrolled blasting is happening in the area and depths of the pits in some quarries are more than 300 ft. He placed his grievances that tremors due to blasting damages the houses of poor people constructed with Government Aid.

18 people had registered their name to express their views, comments, objections etc. out of which 16 people deliberated.

The Panel has received 05 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)

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 02.30 PM) AT G.P. OFFICE, PURUNABAULAMALA G.P., JAJPUR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF SAHANIDIHA HILLOCKS (CLUSTER-8) MINE FOR PRODUCTION OF BUILDING STONE/ROAD METAL OVER AN AREA OF 20.08 HA (2 NOS. OF MINING LEASE) AT SAHANIDIHA VILLAGE UNDER DHARMASALA TAHASIL OF JAJPUR DISTRICT

ISSUES RAISED BY PUBLIC	COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT
public hearing meeting are as follows:  1. Greenbelt development 2. Water quality reassessment 3. Labour issues 4. Blasting and associated problems	Sri Saroj Panda, Tahasildar, Dharmasala (Applicant) made following comments with respect to certain issues raised by the public.  Sri Panda informed that greenbelt will be developed by planting trees and water conservation will also be done. He also informed that 102 nos. of people will be engaged in the mining. He further informed that 2% of project cost will be accorded for Corporate Environment Responsibility under which pollution control measures, plantation, water conservation and peripheral development such as road development, local employment of priority basis, solar light installation and distribution of educational material in primary schools 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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