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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF M/S GUNUPUR SAND BED I FOR EXPLOITATION OF RIVER SAND PRODUCTION OF 15050 CUM/ANNUM OVER AN AREA OF 6.070 Ha AT GUNUPUR VILLAGE, GUNUPUR TEHASIL IN THE DISTRICT OF RAYAGADA HELD ON 15.09.2021 AT 11.00 A.M. AT- TOWNHALL, GUNUPUR UNDER GUNUPUR MUNICIPALITY, RAYAGADA**

The public hearing in respect of the above project was held on 15.09.2021 as per the schedule and at the venue in accordance with the EIA Notification S. O. 1533 (E) dt. 14.09.2006. The public hearing with regard to date, place and time was announced in Public Address System in surrounding villages and Gunupur Municipality areas of proposed project site and also published in Daily News Paper. The process followed for public hearing was adequate.

Shri Bhim Ch. Marndi, Assistant Environmental Scientist, State Pollution Control Board, Rayagada welcomed the public to the hearing and briefed about the objectives, process & procedures followed for conducting such public hearing.

Shri Somanath Pradhan, OAS (S), Additional District Magistrate, Rayagada highlighted on importance of such hearing & presided over the public hearing.

Shri Amresh Ratha, Project Consultant of M/s Gunupur Sand Bed I has explained about the proposed project and briefed about the Pollution Control measures to be adopted in the Project.

The following is the summary of the public hearing proceedings, reflecting all the views and concerns expressed by the assembled public at the venue. It was recorded by the officials of the Regional Office, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Rayagada.

**1. Sri A Bhanuji Rao, Gunupur**

Sri Rao explained about the scarcity of sand for the public and informed that there is no problem for lifting of sand from up stream of bridge. He again informed that, a few days ago sand lifted near the river bank and opined that, they have no objection for lifting of sand from upstream of the bridge. He demanded compensation for houses to be lost due to flood. Again he stressed that, they have no objection for lifting of sand on up stream of the bridge.

**2. Sri Srinivas Swain, Gunupur**

Sri Swain introduced himself as Secretary, BJP of Gunupur town and expressed that lifting of sand should be done away from the Bansadhara Bridge. He informed that engagement of local labourers and tractors for sand transportation will get livelihood for their families. He further expressed on availability of sand in cheaper rate to the people of Gunupur who are constructing the house under Paradhanmantri Awas Yojona and stressed on no hike of sand price. He explained about the problem associated for construction of house due to high rate of sand with the limited amount sanctioned under Pradhanmantri Abas Yojona. He further, drew attention of the Local Administration on availability of sand in fair price and engagement of Local tractors for the livelihood of their families.

**3. Sri Ramnath Pandit, Gunupur**

Sri Pandit introduced himself as a private teacher and expressed that, there is scarcity of sand in Banshadhara River for last two years. He also informed that, earlier sand was available at cheaper

rate, but now it is high. He informed that he is unable to construct even small house, where as rich people constructing large building by using sand extracted in illegal manner.

He also expressed that administration should take action to stop illegal sand mining to prevent the environment pollution. He suggested, auction price should be low, so that, the lessee of sand mine can provide sand at cheaper price to the people of Gunupur. He again informed that local administration shall take proper decision for the benefits of poor people, labourer and public of Gunupur town. He thanked the lessee who provided sand at cheaper price earlier & also got the tender this time.

**4. Sri M. Gopal Krishna, Katur, Ward No. 17, Gunupur**

Sri Rao expressed that enquiry was done on sand bed by the Tahasildar, Padampur cum Incharge of Gunupur Tahasil on 08.02.2017, based on their complaint. He informed that, Bikrampur road and Katuru road are always crowded with workers of Gunupur & School Children of Bikrampur High School and Adarsh Vidyalaya. They are only opposing the movement of sand transportation through these roads but not for sand bed. He informed that their night sleep still getting disturbed due to noise problem of sand transportation in spite of complaining for last eight years. He requested the administration to visit their area as so many people came from Ward No16 and 17 for their problems & hoped that administration may resolve their problems.

**5. Sri Muki Suresh, Katur, Ward No. 17, Gunupur**

Sri Suresh expressed that, 80% of their villagers intend to auction for the sand bed for development of their village. He informed that youth of their village going to outside and if the sand mine operated, they will be engaged in it. He further informed that; double road has been constructed from Bikrampur to their village at cost of rupees one corer seventy lakh for transportation. He apprehended that, sand mining may lead to flooding of roads, bridges and houses. He complained that, sand auction has been done without spot visit and requested same may be given by considering their problems. He also informed that, their villagers have given consent for auction of the sand bed.

**6. Sri Ballabha Bauri, Gunupur**

Sri Bauri questioned on excavation of sand in downstream of Bhuteswar temple and expressed administration will be responsible for flooding of Bauri Sahi, Katika Sahi and Bus stand. He further stressed on stoppage of sand transportation by Tractors. He requested to give auction to the person who supplied sand at cheaper rate since long, So that they can construct houses and roads. He informed, sand supply was stopped for one and half year resulting house under Indira Abas could not be constructed and asked why public hearing not done at that time. He suggested that tender should be given to eligible person and not to others.

**7. Sri Mukhi Dibakar, Ward No. 17 Gunupur**

Sri Dibakar expressed that, everybody knows about illegal transportation of sand and appealed to inform the Tahasildar. He opined that, public are responsible for hiding the illegal mining resulting delay in auction process. He questioned on lifting of sand by the auctioneer if each villagers will oppose. He suggested, Govt. Land should be identified and demarcated for the auctioneer for lifting of sand. He also suggested that if auctioneer will not lift the sand from lease area, it may be cancelled. He questioned on auction of sand bed near Katur village in spite of complained by villagers. He

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suggested for alternate site for sand mining to meet the requirements after resolving public complaint. He informed that villagers are willing for sand mining to meet their demands.

**8. Miss S. Barsha Rani, Kumbhar Sahi, Gunupur**

Miss Barsha rani informed their village is in the vicinity to river bank and requested for non excavation of sand from the river bank otherwise they will face floods.

**9. Sri Sanket Patra, Reporter Kumuti Street, Gunupur**

Sri Patra introduced himself as a reporter and complained on delay of sand supply in spite of auction of sand mines. He informed about the problem faced due to flood during last rain due to sand mining. He apprehended that, the flood may be repeated due to sand mining and questioned on the responsibility thereof. He requested to the official to visit the site & cautioned about natural disaster leading to adverse impact on people.

He informed that, present lessee had taken auction earlier and lifted excess sand and also paid penalty. He warned that, village will be washed out due to sand mining. He informed that village road has not improved & questioned on responsibility for any accident. He further questioned on fixing of responsibility for wash out of soil and bridge due to flood in river. He opined that dependence of livelihoods of Kutura villagers on sand mining is not acceptable. He also questioned on threatening of life due sand mining. He further expressed, that, administration is not giving attention for the problems faced by the villagers.

He expressed that, they are opposing sand mining near Katturu village, as it will be washed out during flood but not opposing in other areas.

**10. Sri Naba Kishore Sahu, Secretary, Bansadhara Truck Association, Gunupur**

Sri Sahu introduced himself as Secretary of Bansadhara Truck Association and informed that, some people of Bikrampur and Katuru village opposing the mines as their village is on the bank of river and they are neglected by the Government for last twenty to twenty five years. He informed that they are getting neglected after shifting of Bus stand by the Government. He explained about the procedure of lifting of sand from Katuru village before fifteen years. He expressed his apprehension about flooding of Katuru village due excess sand extraction & the problem on sand transportation from Old age home to Katuru Grama Panchayat as it has not been developed.

He expressed that, people of Jail peta, Kumbhar sahi, Kotia Sahi and Andhra street are depend on river for bathing and drinking & If water course will change, bore wells of Gunupur will dry up and flood may occur. He emphasised on interest of the public rather the sand mining.

He informed that, during lockdown about 3500 sand truck load was despatched to Visakpatnam @ 50 load/Day, but they could not be benefited from Transportation. He suggested auction may be done after construction of pucca road from Old age home to temple to avoid loss of life. He supported the concern expressed by the Private teacher on existence of UP School, Private School and Adarsh Vidyalaya on the sand transported road and requested to consider these issues for auction.

**11. Smt. G. Bimala, Bikrampur, Gunupur**

Smt. Bimala expressed that, instead of restriction, lifting of sand from Bikrampur is being done and questioned on fixing of responsibility & told transportation of sand being allowed by inducement. She

informed that, they are living at the side of river bank and questioned that, who will be responsible if they will be inundated. She opposed the transportation of sand from Bikrampur and Katur & lifting of sand in early morning. She requested Government to take action on illegal lifting of sand.

**12. Sri Rajani Kaibarta, Bikrampur, Gunupur**

Sri Kaibarta expressed that, His family are living under open sky due to non-availability of sand. He queried about the restriction framed by Govt. to keep the environment pollution free & requested to conduct the Palli sabha as earliest for sand bed.

**13. Sri Suresh Panda, Gunupur**

Sri Panda did not deliver his speech.

**14. Miss. Asha rani Behera, KumbharSahi, Gunupur**

Miss Behera expressed that, sand should not be extracted from their river bank or else they will be washed out. She opined that, lifting of the sand should be done in upstream of the bridge.

**15. Sri CM Sai Kumar Patnaik, Bikrampur, Ward No.16,Gunupur**

Sri Patnaik expressed that, they are opposing sand transportation for last 03 years as they are facing problems but it is still continuing. He suggested tender should be given where there is no objection by public. He drew attention of problems faced by them due to sand transportation & requested for site visit. He told that many peoples attended this hearing to convey their objections. He again informed that, area is coming under municipality and problem is for all. So, if anybody filed objection, attention should be given for rectification. He again requested to visit the area and solve the problems.

**16. Sri Kalia Sabar, Chalkamba, Gunupur**

Sri Sabar demanded to auction sand bed of their village, as Govt. losing the revenue due to theft. He expressed that, tender may be given to anybody to avoid theft and conveyed thanks to the Tahasildar for preventing illegal mining. He explained about the benefit of auction and thereby Govt will earn revenue. He informed that, there is huge deposit of sand in Chalkamba village and transportation facility available having roads connected from all sides and suggested for auctioning. He requested to give patta to them on Govt. land available in their village, so that they will be benefited.

**17. Sri K. Kranti, Katur, Gunupur**

Sri Kranti expressed that, sand is required for all for construction of Indira Abas and informed that auction to be given who can provide sand in cheaper price.

**18. Sri Udaya Chandra Bauri,New Bauri Street, Gunupur**

Sri Bauri informed that, he is residing for last forty years in the river bank and nothing happened to him and informed that sand can be extracted from anywhere for construction of houses. He further expressed that, Govt. sanctioning one or one lakh fifty thousand for house and if sand price is five thousand per load, how they construct their house. He has no objection if sand extracted from the

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river as nothing happened for forty years. He opined that sand shall be available at cheaper rate and they have no objection for auction.

Sri CM Sai Kumar Patnaik of Bikrampur opposed the statement of Sri Bauri and informed that, he has come to ventilate their problems. He urged that sand can be lifted anywhere and requested to visit old Bikrampur for the problems faced by them. He again expressed that, problems are being faced by people of ward No 16 & 17 and questioned to Sri Bauri, if embankment will be damaged due to flood, problems cannot be solved.

**19. Sri Jitendra Sahu, Katika Sahi, Gunupur**

Sri Sahu informed that, lifting of sand shall be done as per the rule as they are trading. Due to excavation pit created & requested to stop Tender & shift to another place. He further expressed that; tender can be done after considering the problems at the suitable location. He cited that, during 1980 flood came and same problem should not be happened in future. He suggested that, height of embankment be increased and work should not be substandard. He also agreed for auction of sand bed and by which revenue generated and they will be benefited. He appealed for protection of embankment to save their life. He suggested action should be taken to the stockist selling in high price and the persons who are stealing the sand. He also informed that, auction may be done in another place and drew attention for cheaper price of sand.

**20. Sri Jamesh Kumar Pantru, Chalkamba, Gunupur**

Sri Pantru expressed that, protection of sand from stealing should be done by the concerned officials. He further informed that, development may be done without affecting others and he is not opposing for auction. He explained about the need of sand and for that purpose tender is essential otherwise stealing of sand will increase. He requested that, due attention shall be given by administration for protection of crop loss of the farmers. He further requested, problems arise due to tender should be solved.

**21. Smt. K. Anita, Katur, Ward No.17, Gunupur**

Smt Anita informed that, there village road is narrow & sand transportation should not be allowed. She expressed that, the children are going to Primary School and Adarsh Vidyalaya through the narrow road and questioned on responsibility if any accident happens by movement of numbers of transportation vehicles. Further, she questioned on responsibility for accident to be occurred due to sand pits in River as they depends on River for which they are opposing

**22. Sri K. Santosh Kumar, Ward No.16, Gunupur**

Sri Kumar supported the version of previous speakers. He requested the Administration to take steps for benefits of people of Gunupur, Bikramapur and Katuru village.

**23. Smt. S. Manga, Katur, Gunupur**

Smt. Manga informed that, their village is near to river bank and house may collapse at any moments. She further expressed that, at their village road, the Primary School and High School exist and informed that they depend on agriculture. She again expressed that, due to spillage of sand during transportation, they will face problems and children may fall while playing.

**24. Sri Y. Ganapati Rao, Gunupur**

Sri Rao expressed that, the objective of public hearing being conducted today is whether Environmental clearance to be accorded or not, so, anybody can deliver his opinion. He informed that, speech deliberated by him is own opinion and nobody should take it other way. He explained that, Political person, Bureaucrats, Administration and Police are for the protection of people. He further expressed that, hearing is being done for the interest of people. He informed that, for environmental clearance decision is done by technical committee considering the impact on environment and problem of common public. He further requested to administration that, auction may be given keeping on above and observing genuineness, because last two years, people of Gunupur city facing problems for sand and transporters, labours lost their jobs and construction work also has been stopped. Therefore, he requested sand shall be provided in fair price to the people of Gunupur. He requested tender process shall be started without affecting any body and agricultural lands.

**25. Sri Dileswar Choudhury, Gunupur**

Sri Choudhury informed that, at present scarcity sand being observed and they want to lift the sand from Banshadhra River from their area. He regretted for scarcity of sand during construction work. He expressed that, they do not like to use the sand supplied by stealing. He further informed that, auction may be given any where, but they will use the sand by paying the tax to the Government. He also informed that, everybody knows demand of sand in the area and state, so requested, permission may be given for auction of sand at Katur and all will be benefited.

**26. Sri R. M. Gomango, Ex MLA, Gunupur**

Sri Gomango introduced himself as Ex MLA and informed that, problems being really faced by people due to lifting of sand in downwards and embankment may be damaged. He also informed that, there is huge deposit of sand at Banshadhara river course and suggested to extract from that area considering environmental issues. He further stressed that; auction may be given with direction to safeguard the environment. He also informed that, sand should be supplied in cheaper price to the public. He again informed that, illegal sand being transported to Andhara but they could not restrict and he welcomed the auction of sand with requesting that, sand should be supplied in cheaper price to the public.

**27. Sri Gopal Krishna Sabat, Ward No. 17, Nuagaon, Gunupur**

Sri Sabat introduced himself as Ex- Councillor and informed that, if auction will be given at Katuru and Bikrampur, they will not allow for transportation of sand. He questioned on responsibility, if they will face the problem. He further expressed that, auction may be given in another area but not at Katuru, Ward No.17 and they will stop auction at their ward.

**28. Smt. K Swarna, Nuagaon, Gunupur**

Smt Swarna expressed that, they all are willing to give auction for the sand bed.

**29. Sri Krushna Chandra Jogi, Saura Pradhani Guda, Gunupur**

Sri Jogi informed that, there is need of sand for construction but they cannot afford for high price of the sand. He narrated that, Bricks, Stones are cheaper but sand is high. So, he requested that, sand

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price should be cheaper, so that they will construct the house. He again informed that, all labours like him will be benefited if sand price will be cheaper.

**30. Smt. B. Chandra Kala, Gunupur**

Smt. Kala expressed that, they may be allowed for survival and informed that, price of sand be decreased, so that, all can construct the house. She further requested, price of sand should not be hiked by stealing and appealed to supply the sand in fair price.

**31. Smt. Laxmi Bauri, Mutya Nagar, Gunupur**

Smt. Bauri informed that, sand is required for all.

**32. Smt. K. Sunita, Ukumba, Gunupur**

Smt Sunita requested that, sand should be available at cheaper price.

**33. Smt. Niraj Sabar, Puttasing, Gunupur**

Smt Sabar informed that, they have got Indira Abas. So, sufficient sand may be made available for them.

**34. Sri Budu Pradhan, Ukumba, Gunupur**

Sri Pradhan expressed that, they have got Indira Abas by the sympathy of Government but price of sand hiked for six times and also not available for them. He came to know that, the reason behind hike of sand price is due to non auction of sand bed for this year. He requested that, sand may be supplied at fair price if auction is given, so that they can construct their house.

**35. Sri P. Rajesh Kumar, Jagannathpur, Gunupur**

Sri Kumar informed that, they are requesting to Govt. to give the tender as they are constructing Indira Abas at their village. Further he demanded for auction of sand be to avoid illegal mining, and Govt. will lose royalty. He requested to all that, by taking tender sand may be supplied. He further informed that, there is need of sand to all villages under their Jagannathpur Grama Panchayat. He further requested that, sand may be provided to them and auction should be done at their village.

**36. Sri S. Bharat, Katur, Gunupur**

Sri Bharat informed that, Road level has gone down due to sand transportation and flood water may enter into their village. He also expressed that, they do not want sand at the cost of their life and gave an example of flood situation during 2007.

**37. Sri Jatra Sabar, Ukumbaguda, Gunupur**

Sri Sabar informed that, due to extraction of sand by auctioneer, they will not get sand at cheaper price for construction of their Indira Abas and explained the problems due to lifting of sand. So, he appealed to come forward for justice on auction of sand. He further requested, by stopping extraction of sand, they will be saved.

**38. Smt. Ch. Rajeswari, Katur, Gunupur**

Smt. Rajeswari informed that, due to extraction of sand their village will be inundated and same was happened earlier. She also informed that, they have many times complained in this regard. She expressed that, the road will be inundated during flood and dust be deposited in their houses due to movement of transportation vehicles and Mahila mandal completely oppose for auction of sand.

**39. Sri Sridhar Sabar, Saura Pradhanguda, Gunupur**

Sri Sabar expressed that, for last six months they are facing problems for sand and narrated the requirement of sand. He also informed that, they are not able to purchase the sand at rupees two thousand five hundred. He further informed that, tender should be given to one who can understand problems of poor.

**40. Sri M. Binod, Ukumba, Gunupur**

Sri Binod informed that, they are facing problem to get sand and paying lot of money. They require sand for their Indira Abas and tender may be given for availability of sand.

**41. Smt. Bhagya Sabar, Ward No. 17, Gunupur**

Smt Sabar expressed that, lifting of sand will not be allowed and it will remain as such as it is. She further informed, if anybody takes auction, clashes may occur.

**42. Sri Manoj Kumar Dash, President of BMS, Gunupur**

Sri Dash expressed that, every problem has a solution and informed that sand is required for construction of every house. He also expressed that; if any problem arises or flood comes due to extraction administration should solve the issues. He again informed that, every year local administration removing the encroachment to protect the embankment. The steps are also being taken to prevent the illegal lifting of sand. He also informed that if tender will be given then, sand will be available at fair price otherwise there will be problem in supply. He explained that, from 2007-08 to 2011 sand was available at the cost of Seven hundred fifty and now at three thousand to four thousand rupees. He further informed that, if sand extraction done scientifically, sand deposition will be removed and water flow can pass easily so that flood can be avoided. He suggested for increasing embankment level to control flood situation. He explained about the flood happened during the year 1987 and also suggested problems can be solved through written representation to the administration. He informed that, he is not supporting or opposing the auction of sand and again informed that, the administration shall give attention for the poor people to get sand at fair price, problem with respect to river bank and construction of roads and embankment. He further expressed that, tax for sand be paid, so that revenue can be generated for Govt. and be used for development of people and construction of embankment.

He requested to administration that, right decision may be taken for auction of sand considering all angles. He further requested to Tahasilder, tender should be given for sand and stone quarry, so that, poor people will be benefited.

**43. Sri Janu Bauri, Gunupur**

Sri Bauri expressed that; auction of sand should be given.





**44. Sri Gauri Sankar Sahukar, Gunupur**

Sri Sahukar questioned on extraction of river sand and explained advantage & disadvantage of it. He further informed that, they depend on Banshadhara river water. He also urged that, they can construct their house by the sand of Banshadhara River. He further questioned, on stealing of sand and urged that matter should be placed in parliament. He appealed to audience to understand the problems faced by them.

**45. Sri Rajesh Sairam, Gandhi Nagar, Gunupur**

Sri Sairam informed that, they are here for the problems of sand and alleged that administration is responsible for this. He also expressed that; tender should be done by understanding the problems of people. He further informed that, lease holder is defaulter and creating problems for people. When he was going for lifting sand people are opposing. He requested to administration that, understanding the problems of people auction may be done. He further informed that, administration should pay attention how auctioneer will get sand smoothly and poor people will get easily.

**46. Sri Saroj Mishra, Gunupur**

Sri Mishra expressed that, he agreed with the former speakers regarding increase of sand price. He informed that, whatever sand extracted, all transported to Andhra but subsequently stopped by Sub-Collector. All the sand available was lifted, so that scarcity of the sand was felt in the locality. Further he informed that, there is three numbers of Schools such as Adarsha Vidyalaya. He also informed that, there is a single road, & apprehended that the total road will wash out with Bansdhara River. He assured that, sand will be sufficiently available at twelve hundred to fifteen hundred rupees and for that you have to keep patience. He questioned that, hearing is being done for Gumuda or for this area.

**47. Sri Hrushikesh Rath, Gunupur**

Sri Rath expressed that who are miscreants will get the auction. He informed that they do not say anything if villagers of Katuru oppose. He informed that Govt is giving all such as Biju Pucca House and questioned that, how can it be built, if there is no sand. He urged that, they are paying revenue, so they are Government. He also informed that, there is Govt. for them and also helped them during lockdown, so they are not worried for flood. He demanded that, sand should be supplied at cheaper price.

**48. Sri Alok Kumar Mohanty, Gunupur**

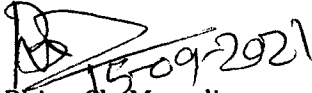
Sri Mohanty did not deliver his speech.

Assistant Environmental Scientist, SPCB, Rayagada read over the issues raised by the public in the hearing and Shri Amresh Ratha, Project Consultant of M/s Gunupur Sand Bed 1 responded to the issues raised on behalf of the project proponent.

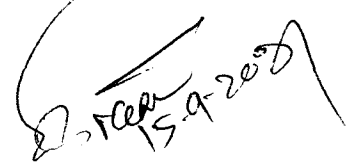
Shri Somanath Pradhan, OAS (S), ADM, Rayagada has given concluding remarks on the hearing and elaborated the process to be followed for submission of the proceeding to the SEIAA, Bhubaneswar for further action. He extended thanks to the public participated in the hearing and for offering their views, suggestions and objections.

The issues raised by the public and corresponding comments of the applicant were prepared in Odia and English and it is annexed with the proceedings as Annexure-I & II respectively, list of the oral deliberators and participants in the hearing is annexed as Annexure-III & IV respectively. Seventeen numbers of written representations were received during public hearing are annexed as Annexure- V (a to q). The videography of proceedings are recorded and submitted as DVD (Three numbers).

Hearing ended with thanks to the chair.



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Shri Somanath Pradhan, OAS (S)  
Additional District Magistrate, Rayagada





# Annexure-II

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**STATEMENT OF ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENTS OF THE PROPONENT OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF M/S GUNUPUR SAND BED 1 FOR EXPLOITATION OF RIVER SAND PRODUCTION OF 15050 CUM/ANNUM OVER AN AREA OF 6.070 HA. AT GUNUPUR VILLAGE, GUNUPUR TEHASIL IN THE DISTRICT OF RAYAGADA HELD ON 15.09.2021 AT 11.00A.M. AT TOWNHALL, GUNUPUR UNDER GUNUPUR MUNICIPALITY, RAYAGADA**

<b>Issues raised by the public in Hearing meeting</b>	<b>Response of the Project Proponent</b>
<p>i. Disturbance in sleeping due to sand transportation during night.</p> <p>ii. Protection of crops loss from sand transportation.</p> <p>iii. Apprehension of flood due to sand mining.</p>	<p>During night the transportation of sand will stopped. Only transportation will be done as per approved mining plant.</p> <p>There will be no transportation of sand the road passing through the agricultural lands. Only transportation will be done in public roads.</p> <p>Sand mining will be done as pre approved mining plan. So, sustainable management of sand mining will be followed. So thereby flood in river be avoided.</p>
<b>Peripheral Developmental Issues</b>	
<p>i. Development of village road at Bikrampur and Katuru.</p> <p>ii. Increase of river embankment height in Upstream and Downstream of Bridge.</p>	<p>The village roads are under the control of Govt. so, development of rural road will be done as per the planning of Government. The transportation of sand will be done in others road avoiding village road.</p> <p>Increase of river embankment may be done by Government as it is coming under Government. We hope some will be done by Government.</p>

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<p>iii. Fixing of Responsibility in case of road accident due to movement of transportation vehicles.</p>	<p>The speed of transportation vehicles will be within the limit. The direction will be given to remain vigilance during transportation to avoid accident.</p>
<p>iv. Auction for sand bed of Chalkamba and Jagannathpur to stop illegal sand thefting.</p>	<p>Auction of sand is done by Government. So that same will be auctioned by Government.</p>
<p>v. Problem for School children and villagers in narrow single road due to sand transportation in village road.</p>	<p>The transportation of sand in village road will be not used and other road be used for sand transportation. Due attention will be given to avoid problems to villagers and school children.</p>
<p>vi. Accident due to sand pit depth in river.</p>	<p>Sand mining will be done in lease hold area as per the approved mining plan. So, that there is no possibility depth of the Sand pit. Therefore, there will be no chances of accident.</p>
<p>vii. Supply of sand at cheaper price.</p>	<p>We assure the sand will be supplied at fair price as compared to other auctioneer.</p>

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## NOTICE

**CAD-867:** It is brought to the notice of all concerned that *Sri J. Venkata Rao* has proposed to have Environmental Assessment for **Gunupur Sand Bed - I** exploitation of River sand production of 15050 cum/year over an area of 6.070 ha. at Gunupur village, Gunupur tehsil in the district of Rayagada to obtain Environmental Clearance from State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Odisha. The proponent has applied to the State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for a Public Hearing.

By virtue of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India Notification No SO. 1533 (E) Dtd. 14.09.2006, the Board has been authorized to conduct environmental public hearing and as such invites suggestions, views, comments and objections on matters relating to environmental aspects of the proposed project from all the persons including bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at the proposed site / sites of displacement / sites likely to be affected.

For the above purpose, a person will only mean:

- A. Any person who is likely to be affected by the grant of Environmental Clearance.
- B. Any person who owns his control over the project with respect to which an application has been submitted for environmental clearance.
- C. Any association of persons whether incorporated or likely to be affected by the project and / or functioning in the field of environment.
- D. Any local authority within any part of whose local limits is within the neighborhood, wherein the project is proposed to be located.

Persons as above who desire to submit their views, comments, objections etc. relevant to the project, may do so in writing within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice addressing the same to the Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha through Registered Post. Besides this, persons interested to submit their views relevant to the proposed mining project in writing or orally may also do so during the public hearing to be conducted on **15.09.2021 at 11.00 A.M. at Townhall, Gunupur under Gunupur Municipality, Rayagada district. Public hearing shall be conducted strictly observing guidelines contained in COVID - 19 pandemic restrictions issued by the MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide OM No.22-25-IA.III, dated 09.06.2021 as well as Govt. of Odisha.**

Persons desirous of participating in the public hearing may go through the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) / Environmental Management Plan (EMP) of the said project which will be available at the following offices. Copy of the Executive Summary both in English & Odia is also available in the following offices & the same can also be downloaded from the website [www.ospcboard.org](http://www.ospcboard.org) free of cost.

1. District Collector's Office, **Rayagada.**
2. District Industries Center, **Rayagada.**
3. In the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, **Rayagada.**
4. In the Head office of the State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Parivesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakanthanagar, Unit - VIII. Bhubaneswar - 12.
5. Regional Office, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, **Rayagada.**
6. Department of Forest & Environment (Environment), Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar

For any further clarification in the matter, the Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, **Rayagada** or the Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha at Bhubaneswar may be contacted.

Sd/-

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