

**Proceeding of the public hearing conducted on 22.04.2022 for
Arakhakuda Devi Nadi Sand Quarry, Tahasil- Naugaon in the district of
Jagatsinghpur, Odisha**

A public hearing was held on 22.04.2022 at 10.30 AM at Maa Thanapati Thakurani Mandap, Arakhakuda Village of Jagatsinghpur district for the above proposed sand quarry (6.05 Ha). Smt. Chinmayee Biswal, Additional District Magistrate, Jagatsinghpur presided over the meeting. Er. Dillip Kumar Dash, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Paradeep assisted during the public hearing. She welcomed the public, who were present at the venue for participating in the hearing. Attendance sheets of the officials present in the hearing and that of public present inside the venue are annexed as **Annexure- I and II** respectively. 51 persons were present in the meeting who have put their signature in the attendance sheet. 12 persons intended to deliver their views and their list is annexed as Annexure-III. 01 no. of written statement was received during the public hearing. Video recording of the entire proceeding of the public hearing was done and it will be forwarded to State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Government of Odisha as such along with this proceeding.

At the outset, Er. Dillip Kumar Dash, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Paradeep welcomed the public present in the meeting. He briefly described the objective of the public hearing conducted as per the provisions of EIA Notification No. S.O. 1533(E) of Dt.14th September 2006 of the Ministry of Environment and Forests & Climate Change (MOEF & CC), Government of India and its amendment No. S.O. 141 (E) of Dt.15.01.2016 and the importance of the actual views of local public regarding the project. He also informed that the date, time and venue for conducting this public hearing was duly advertised in one Odia daily newspaper; Dharitri; dtd. 18.03.2022 following due procedure for intimation of public. Further, the same information was also propagated through notices displayed at various places in the area including concerned gram panchayat office. Copies of EIA report were displayed at the office of the Tahasildar, Naugaon and gram panchayat office of Rohia G.P. Executive summary of the proposed project both in Odia & English was also displayed at the meeting venue for ready reference of public. The executive summary was also made available in the website of State pollution Control Board, Bhubaneswar (www.ospcboard.org).

ADM, Jagatsinghpur and Regional Officer, Paradeep explained briefly about the sand quarry at Arakhakuda in Devi river. They requested public to place their views about the environmental impacts of the proposed sand quarries and emphasized that their

statements should be related to environmental pollution and its control aspects. Then the Regional Officer requested Mrs. J. Kalpana, Tahasildar, Naugaon to describe before the public about the details of the project and its impact on surrounding environment.


Mrs. J. Kalpana, Tahasildar, Naugaon highlighted about the details of the sand bed spreading over an area of 6.05 Ha in Arakhakuda village of Jagatsinghpur district. Mining plan has been prepared and approved. Auctioning of the quarry has been over and highest bidder has been selected. Sand mining capacity will be 14530 m³/year as per the approved mining plan. As per the provisions of OMMC Rules, 2016, sand mines need environmental clearance and for that purpose application for public hearing was filed. On behalf of the highest bidder, Sri Saidutta Das described that baseline study has been carried out and EIA report has been prepared accordingly. All required pollution control measures will be taken as per the environment management plan. Mining will be done by manual method while transportation will be done by smaller vehicles so as to protect the roads. Plantation will be done on the river bank to protect the river bank and no tree will be cut in the surrounding area.


Regional Officer, SPCB, Odisha, Paradeep then invited public for their deliberations. Details of deliberations are annexed at **Annexure-IV**.

After the deliberations by the public was over, Regional Officer, SPCB, Paradeep summarized various issues raised by the public and invited the authorized representative of the highest bidder of the proposed sand mine to offer his views on those issues. On behalf of the highest bidder, Sri Saidutta Das placed his views on the issues raised by the public.

The summary of the views and concerns of the public and the commitments made by the representative highest bidder are annexed in Oriya language & English language as **Annexure-V &VI** respectively.

Finally the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and other participants.


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Statements of the public participated in the deliberation during public hearing conducted on 22.04.2022 for Arakhakuda Devi Nadi Sand Quarry, Tahasil- Naugaon in the district of Jagatsinghpur

1. Jyoti Ranjan Nayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that agricultural land will be damaged due to transportation of sand. River embankment will be damaged as the mining site is 100 m away from it. Sand mining will cause damage to agricultural harvest and so this public hearing should be cancelled. He came once again after some time and stated that there is more soil than sand in the said lease and its mining will damage the embankment.

2. BhagabanNayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that sand mining will cause inconvenience to villagers like road accident and damage to river embankment.

3. Dhuleswar Mohanty, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project anticipating environmental threats such as damage to river embankment and sliding of the embankment due to sand mining operation as the area is flood prone and damage to village houses due to vibration of heavy vehicles during transportation.

4. Kailas Chandra Nayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that grama devi will be affected due to vehicle movement. Heavy vehicles will damage the road on the embankment and requested to stop sand mining.

5. Gangadhar Sethy, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that agricultural land will be damaged due to transportation of sand and requested stoppage of mining operation.

6. Nibarana Nayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that agricultural land will get damaged due to transportation of sand causing loss to farmers and demanded stoppage of mining activity.

7. Basudev Das, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project anticipating damage to agricultural land due to transportation of sand, road accident due to plying of vehicles engaged in mining and transportation activity in narrow village road and requested stoppage of mining operation.

8. Mithunu Nayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project and requested not to do the tendering process further for the mine so that no further mining will be carried out.

9. Laxmi Narayan Mohanty, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project stating that mining will cause loss to people as agricultural land will be damaged due to air borne dust from transportation of sand and also village houses will be damaged due to vibration caused by heavy vehicles during transportation. Government will face the loss if the bridge and river embankment gets affected due to sand mining.

10. Ganeswar Nayak, Arakhakuda

He expressed his mixed reaction of support and oppose to the project.

11. Raj Kishore Nayak, Arakhakuda

He opposed the project and requested to stop sand mining apprehending sand mining will cause flood and water logging in village.

12. Suresh Chandra Nayak

He opposed the project and requested to stop sand mining stating that agricultural land will be damaged due to transportation of sand.


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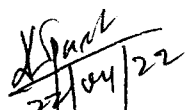
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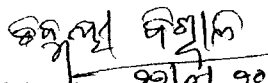
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୩) ନଦୀକୂଳ ଓ ବନ୍ଧର ସୁରକ୍ଷାପାଇଁ ପ୍ରତିବର୍ଷ ୨୦୦ ବୃକ୍ଷ ରୋପଣ କରାଯିବ ।

୪) ବାୟୁ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣକୁ ପ୍ରତିହତ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଗ୍ରାମ୍ୟ ରାସ୍ତାରେ ଜଳ ସିଞ୍ଚନ କରାଯିବ ।

୫) ରାସ୍ତାରେ ବାଲି ଉଛୁଳି ପଡିବାରୁ ନିବାରଣ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ବାଲି ପରିବହନ ଯାନକୁ ଘୋଡାଇ ବାଲି ପରିବହନ କରାଯିବ ।


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Points raised by the public during public hearing conducted on 22.04.2022 for Arakhakuda Devi Nadi Sand Quarry, Tahasil- Naugaon in the district of Jagatsinghpur

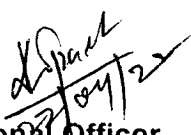
The public raised the following issues and apprehensions.

1. All the 12 participants opposed the sand mining project stating anticipated problems like flooding, damage of embankment, damage of road on the embankment and damage to agricultural land.

Views of Project Proponent on the issues raised by the public during the Public hearing.

Sri Saidatta Das, on the behalf of the highest bidder addressed the issues raised by public and committed that

1. Manual method of mining will be practiced by taking care of safety of / protecting river embankment.
2. Transportation of sand will be done by lighter vehicles like tractor and tippers only and parking won't be done on road side.
3. Plantation will be done @ 200/year at the river bank every year to protect the river bank and embankment
4. Water sprinkling will be done on village roads and haul roads to prevent air pollution
5. Sand will be transported in covered vehicles and care will be taken to prevent spillage on roads.


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