

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROJECT PROPOSED BY M/S. SUMI TRADING CO. FOR SALESINGH STONE QUARRY- A OVER AN AREA OF 5.24 HA (UNDER CLUSTER TOTAL LEASE AREA 8.583 HA) BEARING KHATA NO.229, PLOT NO.529,634 & 605 IN VILLAGE SALESING UNDER MANESWAR TEHSIL OF SAMBALPUR DISTRICT HELD ON 18.10.2022 AT: 11.00 A.M. AT: SALESINGH COLONY PADA FOOTBALL FIELD, MOUZA: SALESINGH, G.P. BARGAON OF SAMBALPUR DISTRICT.

Sri Umakant Raj, OAS(SAG), Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Sambalpur presided over the meeting along with Er. Ramesh Kumar Ekka, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Sambalpur, Odisha.

At the outset, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Sambalpur welcomed all 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. He also informed that the date, time and venue for conducting the public hearing meeting for M/s. Sumi Trading Co. for Salesingh Stone Quarry- A over an area of 5.24 Ha (under cluster total lease area 8.583 Ha) duly advertised in Odia daily "**Dharitri**" dtd.**07.09.2022** and English daily "**The New Indian Express**" dtd.**07.09.2022**. (Paper clipping are enclosed as **Annexure-I**).

The Addl. District Magistrate has also briefed about the proposed project and requested the public who were present during the public hearing meeting to express their opinions and views on the proposed project. He also requested the representative of the proposed project to highlight about their proposed project before the public.

On behalf of the Salesingh Stone Quarry- A, Sri Jayakrushna Pradhan, Manager of M/s. Sumi Trading Co, Rengali addressed the public during the public hearing meeting. He briefly explained about the proposed project.

The Regional Officer invited the public to offer their views on environmental related issues of the proposed project.

About 40-50 participants have attended the public hearing meeting and out of them 21 participants have put their signature in the attendance sheet whose list is annexed as **Annexure-II**. 08 persons have registered their name to deliver their views during public hearing and list is annexed as **Annexure-III**.

The public agitated at the beginning of the meeting, they strongly demanded before the district administration to stop the meeting and cancel the permission of stone quarry in their village and vehemently objected the public hearing meeting. They stated that, the nearby villagers are not aware and no one has informed them about the public hearing meeting. They narrated the various problems which will cause to them due to operation of

stone quarry, if permission is granted to the proposed project. However, after several request, finally few villagers agreed to express their views and opinion in the meeting.

Statements of the public participated in the deliberation during public hearing meeting is as follow;

| Sl. No. | Name of the Participants and their deliberation on the proposed project. |
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| 1. | <p><u>Sri Purandhar Bhoi, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He strongly opposed against the proposed project. He expressed his dissatisfaction for conducting the public hearing meeting without the knowledge of villagers and he asked the reason for conducting the public hearing meeting in their village. |
| 2. | <p><u>Smt. Basanti Hati, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She informed that she is a poor woman and no home to live. The Government has provided her an Indira Awaas which is located adjacent to the Dunguri Mountains of quarries and on operation of this quarries the Indira Awaas will break and she will be homeless. She expressed her dissatisfaction and stated that, the owner of the quarry will get every profit whereas she doesn't get a place to live. Finally, she asked the district administration to decide whether it will be a justice to give permission for the operation of this quarry or not. |
| 3. | <p><u>Sri Sumanta Behera, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He expressed his dissatisfaction and stated that the owner of the quarry doesn't give any benefits to the local people however they get all profit from our village quarries and we are affected from pollution. Finally, he strongly opposed against the proposed project. |
| 4. | <p><u>Sri Chandrabhanu Bhoi, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He stated that the quarry should be stopped. He vehemently opposed and is against the proposed project. |
| 5. | <p><u>Sri Bhagirathi Badhei, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He stated that the villagers will not allow any stone quarries to operate in the village. He further informed that one stone quarry has already been in operation in the village for which the villagers are facing many difficulties. Finally, he opposed the proposed project. |
| 6. | <p><u>Sri Kaldar Bag, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He stated that if the quarry will be allowed to operate, then there will be no safe walking pathway for the school children to go to school. For the sake of student, he requested the Government to cancel the permission for operation of stone quarry in his village. He strongly opposed the proposed project. |
| 7. | <p><u>Sri Kshirod Badhei, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He stated that in Salesingh village no stone quarry will be allowed to operate. He strongly opposed the proposed project. |
| 8. | <p><u>Smt. Jayashree Patra, Salesingh:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She expressed her dissatisfaction and stated that previously villagers have faced many problems like they were not able to sleep |

at night due to noise pollution caused from blasting in the stone quarry.

- She informed that the proposed stone quarry is situated at a distance of less than 500 meter from the human habitation. Hence, it is totally unsafe to live if the quarry will be permitted to operate in their village.
- She said that, due to blasting of existing stone quarry, heavy vibration taking place inside their homes, thereby kitchen utensils and other items are falling on the ground, many houses have developed cracks and getting damaged.
- She expressed her dissatisfaction and stated that the villagers were not informed in advance regarding the public hearing meeting.
- Finally, she opposed the proposed project.

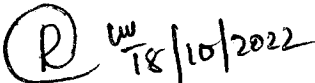
Summary of the points raised by the participants in the public hearing are being read out by Dr. Satya Narayan Nanda, Deputy Environmental Scientist, Regional Office, State Pollution Control Board, Sambalpur and same in English and Odiya (vernacular language) is enclosed as **Annexure-IV (A & B)**.

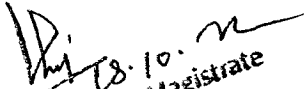
After the completion of the deliberation process the Regional Officer invited the representative of the project proponent to reply the point raised by the participants in the public hearing meeting.

On behalf of the project proponent, Sri Jaykrushna Pradhan, Manager of M/s. Sumi Trading Co. gave a brief note on the issues related to the demand and grievances raised by the participants which are given in English and Odiya (vernacular language) in **Annexure-V (A & B)**. The video recording of the entire proceeding of the public hearing is enclosed as **Compact Disc (CD)**. During the public hearing meeting 01 no. of written statement was received and is enclosed in **Annexure-VI**.

After the above-mentioned deliberation, the Addl. District Magistrate has announced the completion of public hearing meeting of the proposed project and Regional Officer has proposed the vote of thanks to the Chair as well as to the Participants present in the public hearing meeting.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


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Regional Officer
State Pollution Control Board, Odisha,
Sambalpur
(Assisted as representative of SPCB,
Odisha)
Regional Officer
State Pollution Control Board
Regional Office, Sambalpur


Sri Umakant Raj, OAS (SAG)
Addl. District Magistrate, Sambalpur
(Presided and supervised over the Public
Hearing meeting)

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NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of all concerned that M/s Sumb Trading Co. has proposed to have Environmental Assessment for Salesingh Stone Quarry-A over an area of 5.24 ha. (under cluster total lease area 8.583 Ha.) bearing Khata No.229, Plot No.529,634 & 605 in village Salesingh under Maneswar tehsil of Sambalpur district 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. S.O. 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 project in writing or orally may also do so during the public hearing to be conducted on 18-10-2022 at 11.00 A.M at Salesingh Colony Pada Football Field, Mouza - Salesingh, G.P. Bargaon, RI Circle Bargaon in Sambalpur district.

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 free of cost.

- 1. District Collector's Office, Sambalpur.
- 2. District Industries Center, Sambalpur.
- 3. In the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Sambalpur.
- 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, Sambalpur.
- 6. Department of Forest & Environment (Environment), Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar

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

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