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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR M/S. ST MINERALS PVT LTD FOR OSTAPURA-BHOLANUAGAON CLUSTER STONE QUARRY (CLUSTER AREA-10.925 HA) AT VILLAGE OSTAPURA & BHOLANUAGAON VILLAGES UNDER GHASIPURA TAHASIL OF KEONJHAR DISTRICT HELD ON 11.10.2022 AT 11.0 AM AT VILLAGE OSTAPURA (KHATA NO. 166, PLOT NO. 395, KISSAM-GHARABARI) PROPOSED AREA- AC.0.30 IN THE KEONJHAR DISTRICT.

The public hearing in respect of the above project was held on 11.10.2022 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 nearby villages of proposed project site and also published in Daily News Paper. The process followed for public hearing was adequate

Er P Kar, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar welcomed the public to the hearing and briefed about the objectives, process & procedures followed for conducting such public hearing.

Sri Jadumani Mahala, OAS (SAG), Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Keonjhar presided over and supervised the public hearing. He briefed about the importance and objectives of such hearing and invited the project proponent to highlight on proposed project.

Sri Pabitra Kumar Swain (Consultant), Representative of the Project Proponent 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, Keonjhar.

1. **Sri Pitambar Mahakud, Ostapura**

Sri Mahakud while addressing the gathering in the said public hearing said that he has no objection for this project. He requested to provide stone & sand in reasonable price so that they can do construction of their dwelling houses. At the same time, he demanded for overall development of the village, construction of a Laxmi temple and employment to the unemployed youth. In the end, he demanded to fulfil all their expectations.

2. **Sri Ranjan Kumar Mishra, Bholanuagaon**

Sri Mishra while supporting the public hearing demanded to give security and deploy their vehicles for transportation purpose at the proposed mine. He has no objection if mining is done keeping in view the environmental impact.

3. **Sri Niranjana Nayak, Ostapura**

Sri Nayak submitted a written representation regarding his demands.

4. **Sri Pradeep Kumar Chakra, Ostapura**

Sri Pradeep introduced himself as Head of Human Resource Development in Anandapur Barrage. He got opportunity to work in 9 different states. During his tenure, he gathered experience that no state is rich like Odisha for its soil, water, human resource, intelligence etc. Still this state is deprived of getting its right recognition. While supporting the public hearing he stated that whatever nature has bestowed upon Odisha state they need to utilise it. This is not a new project. Earlier also M/s. Gayatri Construction was doing mining job in this area. As such, no problem has been faced so far. They were doing regular maintenance of road, sprinkling on the road etc. He requested administration to give importance to certain aspects like all the

demands of the villagers need to be fulfilled, safety, employment, overall development like Temple etc. At the end he supported the project.

5. Sri Bijay Kumar Mohapatra, Ostapura

Sri Mohapatra while supporting the public hearing stated that due to the mining operations so far they have not faced any problem rather the lessee has been doing many developmental jobs in the village. At the same time, he requested to build Laxmi Temple, Mahaveer Temple, Mahadev Temple.

6. Ms. Nirmala Das, Ostapura

Ms. Nirmala lamented that she is a widow and earning her livelihood by begging. Nobody is listening to her requests.

7. Sri Ram Chandra Nayak, Ostapura

Sri Nayak while supporting the public hearing requested to rejuvenate one old pond. He also requested to rejuvenate one pond adjacent to the Mahadev Temple by de-silting along with other related jobs for safety and security of the pond.

8. Sri Sandeep Mohanty, Talagaon

Sri Mohanty expressed his views in favour of ST Minerals so that local unemployed youths can get employment and local people can get raw material in reasonable price.

9. Ms. Ranjita Patra, Bholanuagaon

Ms. Ranjita informed that 2 Acres of her land has been taken by the lessee M/s. Gyatri Construction 8/10 years back but so far she has not received any money from the lessee. In this regard, he ran pillar to post but still she did not get any result. She requested the administration to suggest her to solve the problem. She is a widow woman and earn her livelihood as a daily wage earner.

10. Sri Gobardhan Parida, Ostapura

Sri Parida informed that due to blasting their houses have developed cracks and the flying chips have layered on their agricultural lands. Due to which he suffered losses. He requested for assurances for road repair and other facilities.

11. Ms. Tilattama Mahakud, Ostapura


Ms. Mahakud said that she has no objection for this mining project. She requested to fulfil the demand of the villagers.

12. Ms. Sukumari Nayak, Ostapura

Ms. Sukumari informed that her land has been taken by the previous lessee and in return, no compensation she has received so far. She was assured for employment which has also not been fulfilled. Her house has developed cracks due to blasting.

13. Ms. Koili Nayak, Ostapura

Ms. Koili stated that Adivasi are always deprived of everything. There is no better road condition.



14. Sri Budhray Hansda, Ostapura

Sri Hansda said that since a long time M/s. Gayatri Construction did mining job in there locality. Due to frequent blasting, the houses built under Government schemes in surrounding villages have been damaged extensively. Local people did not get any benefits. There are no employment opportunities. So, he demanded for employment.

15. Sri Prafulla Kumar Nayak, Bholanugaon

Sri Nayak informed that many people got employment during mining operations by M/s. Gayatri Construction but now they are compelled to migrate to other states in search of job. He demanded for employment. He also stated that they are procuring stones from Dhenkanal in high price. Once stone mining starts, they will be benefited. Their tractor will also be engaged in transportation job.

16. Sri Lambodar Nayak, Ostapura

Sri Lambodar stated that due to blasting cracks have been developed in their schools & houses. Company is getting their profit and also Govt. is getting theirs, but they are not getting any compensation. Due to huge dust generation the students at nearby Ashram School are in great trouble. Nobody is paying any attention for this problem. He raised question why they will allow mining in this locality.

17. Sri Bipin Bihari Hansda, Ostapura

Sri Bihari was happy that this mining project is going to start. In their village, there are three sahis. The previous lessee gave various assurances to each sahi before commencement of the mining job but did not fulfil the assurances. The land losers have not been benefited. He wanted to know how and through whom the developmental jobs would be done. How and through whom the farmers who have given their land will be benefitted and the local people will get job.

18. Sri Satya Narayan Sahoo, Sailong

Sri Sahoo while supporting the public hearing stated that in the proposed mining project of M/s. ST Minerals, people will get employment and this area will be developed. He requested the administration to look after the problem of the people and ensure overall development of this area.

19. Sri Srikanta Mohapatra, Ostapura

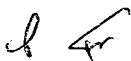
Sri Mohapatra while supporting the public hearing requested for repairing the damaged buildings after proper inspection irrespective of any village.

20. Sri Brundaban Jena, Khaliamenta

Sri Jena said whatever the representative of M/s. ST Minerals presented with regard to environment he has no problem for that. He demanded to fulfil the assurances. He demanded that poor people get raw material in reasonable price for construction of houses through Awasi Yoyona. He stated that due to the mining people are suffering from various diseases. So he demanded to stick to their assurances.

21. Sri Manoj Kumar Jena, Khaliamenta

Sri Manoj stated that his previous speaker has alleged that due to mining activities by M/s. Gayatri Constructions the house have developed cracks. But this allegation is of no use as this





company does not exist now. Further, he has observed during his movement from the road that ST Minerals is sprinkling water on the road regularly and hopes in future, the company will do this job. He said that industrialisation is a must and without industrialisation no development is possible. He gave the example of Industrial development of Kalinganagar. He also said that by operation of this mine people need not have to procure stone from distant places. He is disagreed with his previous speaker that people are suffering from various diseases. But, in reality people of this panchayat has no such issues where the mining has been proposed.

22. Sri Prasanna Kumar Patra, Talagaon

Sri Kumar in his address stated that during mining operation done by M/s. Gayatri Constructions they were not facing any problem. The benefits which was supposed to be given to the local villagers were taken by outsiders. While welcoming the proposed mining he demanded for employment according to the technical qualifications on priority to their villagers, regular water sprinkling, periphery development and construction of Shiv Temple.

23. Sri Surendra Nath Marandi, Khaliamenta

Sri Marandi voice was not clear for which his statements were not understood.

24. Sri Jadumani Hembram, Gaunighasa

Sri Mohapatra in his address stated that no compensation was given for damage to their agriculture land. With regard to the health issues, he informed that 4 persons had died of Kidney diseases and 5 persons suffered from TB. No steps have been taken by the company. Due to noise pollution, the students are badly affected to continue the study.

The Regional Officer, SPCB, Keonjhar read over the issues raised by the public in the hearing. Sri Pabitra Kumar Swain (Consultant), Representative of the Project Proponent responded to the issues raised. Sri Jadumani Mahala, OAS (SAG), Additional District Magistrate (Revenue), Keonjhar gave concluding remarks of the Hearing.

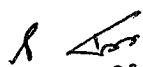
The issues raised by the public and corresponding comments of the applicant were prepared in Odia and English and it is annexed with the proceedings as Annexure I & II respectively, list of the oral deliberators and participants in the hearing is annexed as Annexure III & IV respectively. Fifteen numbers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

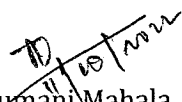
Hearing ended with thanks to the chair.

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Regional Officer

State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar


11.10.2022


Sri. Jadumani Mahala, OAS(S)

Additional District Magistrate, Keonjhar

ଓଷପୁରା ଏବଂ ଭୋଲାନୁଆଗାଁ ଗ୍ରାମ, ଘସିପୁରା ଚହସିଲ, କେନ୍ଦୁଝର ଜିଲ୍ଲା, ଓଡ଼ିଶାରେ (କୃଷ୍ଣର କ୍ଷେତ୍ର ୧୦.୯୨୫ ହେକ୍ଟର) ଅବସ୍ଥିତ ଓଷପୁରା-ଭୋଲାନୁଆଗାଁ କୃଷ୍ଣର ପଥର ଖଣି ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର, ୧୧.୧୦.୨୦୨୨ ତାରିଖ ସକାଳ ୧୧.୦୦ଟା ସମୟରେ କେନ୍ଦୁଝର ଜିଲ୍ଲା, ଓଷପୁରା ଗ୍ରାମରେ (ଖାତା ନମ୍ବର ୧୬୬, ପୁଟ ନମ୍ବର ୩୯୫, କିସମ - ଘରବାରୀ), ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବ କ୍ଷେତ୍ର - ୦.୩୦ ଏକର ରେ ହୋଇଥିବା ଜନ ଶୁଣାଣୀରେ ଜନ ସାଧାରଣଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଆଗତ ପ୍ରସଙ୍ଗ ଓ ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପର ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବକ ମେସର୍ସ ଏସ.ଟି ମିନେରାଲସ ପ୍ରାଇଭେଟ ଲିମିଟେଡ୍‌ଙ୍କ ପ୍ରତିକ୍ରିୟା ।

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ପରିବେଶ ସମସ୍ୟା:		
୧	ଖଣିରେ ବିସ୍ଫୋରଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକଳାପ ଯୋଗୁଁ ଘରଗୁଡ଼ିକର ସୁରକ୍ଷା ପାଇଁ ପଦକ୍ଷେପ	ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବିତ ଓଷପୁରା ପଥର ଖଣିର (୫୦୦ମିଟର) ପାଞ୍ଚ ଶହ ମିଟର ପରିଧି ମଧ୍ୟରେ କୌଣସି ଜନବସତି ବା ଘର ନାହିଁ । ବିସ୍ଫୋରଣ ଯୋଗୁଁ କ୍ଷତି ନହେବା ପାଇଁ ଛୋଟ ଛୋଟ ଗର୍ଭ କରି ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରିତ ଛୋଟ ଛୋଟ ଧରଣର ବିସ୍ଫୋରଣ କରାଯିବ । ଏଣୁ ଘର ପାଇଁ କୌଣସି କ୍ଷତି ହେବାର ସମ୍ଭାବନା ନାହିଁ ।
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୧	ଗ୍ରାମ ଗୁଡ଼ିକର ବେକାର ଯୁବକମାନଙ୍କୁ ରୋଜଗାରର ପ୍ରାଥମିକତା	ଖଣି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ପାଇଁ ଆବଶ୍ୟକତା ଅନୁଯାୟୀ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଯୁବକଙ୍କ ଯୋଗ୍ୟତା ଓ ଅନୁଭୂତି ଆଧାରରେ ଅଗ୍ରାଧିକାର ଦିଆଯିବ ।
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୩	ଉପଯୁକ୍ତ ମୂଲ୍ୟରେ ଗ୍ରାମବାସୀଙ୍କୁ ପଥର ଯୋଗାଣ	ଖଣିରୁ ଉତ୍ପାଦିତ ହେବାକୁ ଥିବା ପଥର ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଗ୍ରାମ ବାସୀଙ୍କୁ ଉଚିତ ମୂଲ୍ୟରେ ଯୋଗାଇ ଦିଆଯିବ ।
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୮	ଘର ଗୁଡ଼ିକରେ ଫାଟ ନହେବା ପାଇଁ	ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବିତ ଓଷ୍ଠପୁରା ପଥର ଖଣିର (୫୦୦ମିଟର) ପାଞ୍ଚ ଶହ ମିଟର ପରିଧି ମଧ୍ୟରେ କୌଣସି ଜନବସତି ବା ଘର ନାହିଁ । ବିଘ୍ନୋରଣ ଯୋଗୁଁ କ୍ଷତି ନହେବା ପାଇଁ ଛୋଟ ଛୋଟ ଗର୍ଭ କରି ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରିତ ଛୋଟ ଛୋଟ ଧରଣର ବିଘ୍ନୋରଣ କରାଯିବ । ଏଣୁ ଘର ପାଇଁ କୌଣସି କ୍ଷତି ହେବାର ସମ୍ଭାବନା ନାହିଁ ।
୯	ଜମିହରା, ଖଣି ଯୋଗୁଁ ପ୍ରଭାବିତ କୃଷି କ୍ଷେତ୍ର ଏବଂ କ୍ଷତିଗ୍ରସ୍ତ କୋଠା ପାଇଁ କ୍ଷତି ପୂରଣ	ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବିତ ପଥର ଖଣି ସରକାରଙ୍କ ଦ୍ଵାରା ଉଦ୍ଦିଷ୍ଟ ସୀମା ଭିତରେ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ କରାଯିବ, ଏଣୁ ଏତଦ୍ଵାରା କୌଣସି ଜମି, କୋଠା ବା କୃଷି କ୍ଷେତ୍ର ପ୍ରଭାବିତ ହେବାର ଆଶଙ୍କା ନାହିଁ । ଯଦି ଜମି ପ୍ରଭାବିତ ହେବ ତାହେଲେ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଲୋକ ପ୍ରତିନିଧି ଓ ପ୍ରଶାସନ କ ପରାମର୍ଶ ଅନୁସାରେ ପ୍ରତିକାର ବା କ୍ଷତି ପୂରଣ କରାଯିବ ।
୧୦	ବିଧବା ଏବଂ ଅନ୍ୟମାନଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ ସାହାଯ୍ୟ	ସି.ଏସ୍.ଆର କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକଳାପ ଅଧୀନରେ ନିକଟସ୍ଥ ଗ୍ରାମର ବିଧବା ମାନଙ୍କୁ କିଛି ଆର୍ଥିକ ସହାୟତା ଦିଆଯିବ ।

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STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND DEMANDS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AND RESPONSE OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT OF M/S. ST MINERALS PVT LTD FOR OSTAPURA-BHOLANUAGAON CLUSTER STONE QUARRY (CLUSTER AREA-10.925 HA) AT VILLAGE OSTAPURA & BHOLANUAGAON VILLAGES UNDER GHASIPURA TAHASIL OF KEONJHAR DISTRICT HELD ON 11.10.2022 AT 11.0 AM AT VILLAGE OSTAPURA (KHATA NO. 166, PLOT NO. 395, KISSAM- GHARABARI) PROPOSED AREA- AC.0.30 IN THE KEONJHAR DISTRICT.

SI No.	Issues raised	Response of Project Proponent
Environmental Issues:		
1.	Measures for protection of house premises from blasting operations in mines	There is no human settlement or house within five hundred meters (500 meters) radius of the proposed Ostapura stone quarry. Controlled explosions will be practiced by making small holes to avoid damage due to explosions. So there is no possibility of any damage to the house.
2.	Dust emission causing problem to school children.	The school is located far away from the mine. Regular sprinkling of water will be done to avoid dust and plenty of trees will be planted around the area.
Peripheral Issues:		
1.	Priority of employment to the unemployed youth of the villagers.	Preference will be given on the basis of qualification and experience of local youth as per requirement for mining operation.
2.	Overall development of villages.	For development of village necessary activity will be carried out after due discussion with local administration to develop the Road Condition, Street Light Provision, Water Supply Facility and Medicine supply to local villagers.
3.	Supply of stone to the villagers at reasonable price.	The stone to be produce from the quarry will be provided to local villagers in reasonable price.
4.	Deployment of villager's vehicles for transportation of stone.	For transportation local villager's vehicles will be utilized as far as possible.
5.	Development of Roads.	Road development work will be carried out after due discussion with local administration as far as possible.
6.	Construction of Laxmi Temple, Mahaveer temple and Mahadev temple.	Necessary financial assistance will be made for construction of Laxmi Temple, Mahaveer temple and Mahadev temple.
7.	Rejuvenation of village ponds & Mahadev temple.	Rejuvenation of village ponds & Mahadev temple will be done as per the direction of local administration.
8.	For, no cracks in the houses	There is no human settlement or house within five hundred meters (500 meters) radius of the proposed Ostapura stone quarry. Controlled explosions will be practiced by making small holes to avoid damage due to explosions. So there is no possibility of any damage to the house.
9.	Compensation for land losers, agriculture fields affected due to mines & damaged building.	The proposed quarrying will be carried out within the limits prescribed by the government, so that there is no risk of affecting any land, buildings or agricultural areas. If the land is affected then remedial measures or compensation will be given as per the advice of representatives of local people and local administration.
10.	Help for widows & others.	Under CSR activity some financial help will be given to the widows of the nearby villages.

Signature with seal
of Project Proponent

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