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PROCEEDING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IN RESPECT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR PANKALABADI-B SAND QUARRY OVER THE MINING LEASE AREA OF 5.132 HA FOR PRODUCTION OF ORDINARY SAND: 16,000 CUM/ANNUM AT PANKALABADI VILLAGE, DHARAKOTE TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM, HELD ON 25.11.2022 AT 11.00 AM OVER THE GOVT LAND IN KHATA NO. 145, PLOT NO. 265 & 267 OF MOUZA- G-DHOUGAM, UNDER DHARAKOTE TAHASIL OF GANJAM DISTRICT

At the outset, Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur welcomed all the persons assembled in the hearing. He briefed about the EIA Notification, 2006 and the objectives of the public hearing. He stated that Project Proponent has proposed to have Environmental Impact Assessment for Pankalabadi-B Sand Quarry over mining lease area of 5.132 ha. for production of Ordinary Sand @ 16,000 cum/Annum in Pankalabadi village, Dharakote Tahasil of District Ganjam and has applied to obtain Environmental Clearance and carried out Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study.

Publicity regarding public hearing was made in the following manner –

- Advertisements through an Odia Daily “The Dharitri” dated 19.10.2022 and an English Daily “The Times of India” dated 19.10.2022 regarding the venue, date and time of the public hearing along with the places of availability of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report and Executive Summaries (Odia & English) in the office of the Collector & Dist. Magistrate, Ganjam, District Industries Centre(DIC), Ganjam, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Ganjam, Head Office of the State Pollution Control Board, Bhubaneswar, Regional Office of the State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur and Department of Forest, Environment & Climate Change Govt. of Odisha and also in the website of State Pollution Control Board, Bhubaneswar (www.ospcboard.org).
- Executive summaries along with paper clippings regarding date, time, and venue of public hearing were made available to the Dhougam Gram Panchayat, Pankalabadi Gram Panchayat, Kalasandhapur Gram Panchayat and the Block Development Office, Dharakote, in the Dist. of Ganjam.

The Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur requested the audience to give their opinions orally, written or in both, based on the Environmental aspects. Then he requested the Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhanjanagar, to kindly preside and supervise in the public hearing.

The Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhanjanagar welcomed the people for attending the hearing with a message to the audience that they should give their comments based on the Environment related aspects. He briefed about the project and elaborated the objective of conducting public hearing in respect of any project seeking Environmental Clearance. Then he asked Project Proponent to brief about the project.

Sri Deba Choudhury, representative of project proponent presented the salient features of the proposed Pankalabadi-B Sand Quarry Mining Project, the present status of the environmental conditions, possible impact on the environment due to such activities and the remedial measures to be undertaken by the lessee to reduce the impact while executing the project in Odia language.



The Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhanjanagar invited the public to offer their views, objections, opinions, comments and suggestions regarding the proposed project, specifically relating to environmental issues. About 75 persons were present in the public hearing meeting, only 60 nos. of persons signed in the attendance sheet, out of which 04 persons participated in the oral deliberation and signed in the oral deliberator's sheet. No written representations were received in the hearing. The attendance sheets and the Deliberator sheets are enclosed as **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively.

The statements recorded are as follows:

1. Sri Bipin Bihari Panigrahi, Village- Pankalabadi

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) Local people are facing problems due to sand scarcity and availability in nearby areas.
- b) Intake well located in the river shall be protected during mining.
- c) Sand shall be available to local people at subsidized rate for building houses under PM Awas Yojana and Biju Pakka Ghara Yojana.
- d) Sand shall be provided to local people on a priority basis at a cheaper rate.

2. Sri Sanjay Kumar Patra, Village- Dhougaoon

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) He welcomed the proposed sand mining activity in Pankalabadi area and stressed upon the increased use and demand of sand everywhere.
- b) Priority to local tractors for transportation of sand.
- c) Sand shall be provided to local people on a priority basis at a cheaper rate.
- d) Development of temple.
- e) Local employment.
- f) Strengthening of the river embankment to prevent erosion and construction of guard wall.
- g) Construction of dedicated roads for sand transportation.
- h) Administration should address the issues of local vehicle owners and reduce royalty on sand.

3. Sri G. Kamal Lochan Reddy, Sarpanch Village- Damodarpalli

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) Regular maintenance of roads damaged due to transportation of sand.
- b) Local employment.
- c) Development of temple.
- d) Free health camps.
- e) Supports this mining activity for easy availability of sand.

4. Sri Arsal Nayak, Village- Baharagura

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) Welcomes this proposal.
- b) Local employment.
- c) Dedicated roads for sand transportation.
- d) Plantation along roads.
- e) Regular water sprinkling to avoid air pollution.
- f) Mining shall continue with mutual co-operation with villagers.



Further Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhanjanagar and Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur also discussed on issues raised by the public and requested to the Project Proponent of Pankalabadi-B Sand Quarry to address the issues raised by the local public. Sri Biswajit Patro, Official representative of Pankalabadi-B Sand Quarry Mining Project addressed the apprehensions raised by the public.

Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur & representative of State Pollution Control Board, Odisha prepared the summary of the public hearing proceedings accurately reflecting the views and concerns, expressed by the oral deliberators. The minutes of the public hearing were prepared which has been ratified by Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Bhanjanagar with the views and concerns of the deliberators. The video recording of the entire public hearing is enclosed herewith for ready reference.

The statement of issues and concerns of public with the comments of the project proponent, prepared in Odia and English Language are annexed as **Annexure-III** and **Annexure-IV** separately.

The public hearing was ended with vote of thanks by the chair.


(Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo)

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e)	<p>କ) ବାଲିର ସହଜ ଉପଲବ୍ଧତା ପାଇଁ ଏହି ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପକୁ ସମର୍ଥନ ।</p> <p>ଖ) ପରିବହନ ଯୋଗୁଁ ବାୟୁ ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣ ।</p> <p>ଗ) ଧୂଳି ନିର୍ଗମନକୁ ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରଣ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଜଳ ଛିଞ୍ଚିବା ।</p> <p>ଘ) ନଦୀରେ ଜଳ ଯୋଗାଣ କୂପର ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଓ ବୃକ୍ଷରୋପଣ ।</p> <p>ଚ) ପରିବହନ ପାଇଁ ଉତ୍ସର୍ଗୀକୃତ ରାସ୍ତା ।</p> <p>ଛ) ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ରୋଜଗାର ।</p> <p>ଜ) ମନ୍ଦିରର ବିକାଶ ।</p> <p>ଝ) ଶସ୍ତା ହାରରେ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଜନସାଧାରଣଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ ବାଲିର ଉପଲବ୍ଧତା ।</p> <p>ଟ) ପରିବହନ ପାଇଁ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଯାନ ନିୟୋଜନ ।</p> <p>ଠ) ପରିବହନ ଯାନ ମାଲିକ ଏବଂ ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଲୋକଙ୍କ ସମସ୍ୟାକୁ ପ୍ରଶାସନ ସମାଧାନ କରିବା ଉଚିତ୍ ।</p> <p>ଡ) ନଦୀ ବନ୍ଧର ସୁରକ୍ଷା</p> <p>ଢ) ମାଗଣା ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟ ଶିବିର ।</p>	<p>ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପ ପ୍ରସ୍ତାବକଙ୍କ ଚରଫରୁ ଶ୍ରୀ ବିଶ୍ୱଜିତ ପାତ୍ର ନିମ୍ନଲିଖିତ ପ୍ରତିଶ୍ରୁତି ଦେଇଛନ୍ତି :</p> <p>କ) ପରିବହନ ଯାନଗୁଡ଼ିକ ଟର୍ପାଲିନ୍ ସହିତ ଆବୃତ ହେବ ।</p> <p>ଖ) ପ୍ରଦୂଷଣକୁ ନିୟନ୍ତ୍ରଣ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଜଳ ଛିଞ୍ଚିବା ଏବଂ ବୃକ୍ଷରୋପଣ କରାଯିବ ।</p> <p>ଗ) ଲିଫ୍ଟରୀ ମନ୍ଦିରର ବିକାଶ କରିବେ, ରକ୍ତଦାନ ଏବଂ ଚକ୍ଷୁ ଶିବିର ଆୟୋଜନ କରିବେ ।</p> <p>ଘ) ସ୍ଥାନୀୟ ଲୋକମାନେ ରୋଜଗାର ପାଇବେ ।</p> <p>ଚ) ସରକାରୀ ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ପାଇଁ ସରକାରଙ୍କ ନିୟମ ପାଳନ କରି ବାଲି ଯୋଗାଇ ଦିଆଯିବ ।</p> <p>ଛ) ଖଣି ଖନନ ସମୟରେ ଇନଟେକ୍ସଲର ସୁରକ୍ଷା ।</p> <p>ଜ) ଏହି ଜନ ଶୁଣାଣିରେ ଦାବି ଅନୁଯାୟୀ ନଦୀ ବନ୍ଧ ଏବଂ ଉତ୍ସର୍ଗୀକୃତ ରାସ୍ତା ନିର୍ମାଣ ପାଇଁ ସେମାନେ ଜିଲ୍ଲା ପ୍ରଶାସନ ସହିତ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିବେ ।</p>

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STATEMENTS ON THE ISSUES RAISED IN THE PUBLIC HEARING

SL. NO.	ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC	COMMENTS OF SRI BISWAJIT PATRO, REPRESENTATIVE OF M/S. PANKALABADI-B SAND QUARRY MINING PROJECT UNDER DHARAKOTE TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM.
1.	a) Supports this project for easy availability of sand. b) Air pollution due to transportation. c) Water sprinkling to control dust emission. d) Plantation. e) Protection of intake well. f) Dedicated roads for transportation. g) Local employment. h) Development of temples. i) Availability of sand to local public at cheaper rate. j) Deployment of local vehicles for transportation. k) Administration should address the issues of transport vehicle owners and local people. l) Protection of river embankment. m) Free health camp.	Sri Biswajit Patro has assured followings: a) Transportation vehicles will be covered with tarpaulin. b) Water sprinkling and Plantation will be carried out to control pollution. c) Lessee will undertake development of temples, organize blood donation & eye camps etc. d) Local people will be employed during mining. e) Sand will be supplied to Govt. construction works by abiding Govt. Rules. f) Protection of intake well during mining. g) They will discuss with the District Administration for construction of river embankment and dedicated roads as demanded in this public hearing.


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Date: 15.10.2022

NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of all concerned that the Tahsildar, Dharakote has proposed to have Environmental Assessment for Pankalabadi B Sand Quarry over an area of 5.132 ha. in village Pankalabadi under Dharakote (ehsil) of Ganjam district to obtain Environmental Clearance from State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SE/AA), Odisha. The proposal 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. 1.09.2006, the Board has been authorized to hold an 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 operators, 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 limit 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 25.11.2022 at 11.00 A.M over the Govt. Land in Khata No. 145, Plot No. 265 & 267, area Ac. 0.260 in Mouza G-Dhougam (Which is near to Gram Panchayat Office, G-Dhougam) under Dharakote Tehsil of Ganjam 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 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, Chatrapur, Ganjam.
2. District Industries Center, Chatrapur, Ganjam.
3. In the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Chatrapur, Ganjam.
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, Berhampur.
6. Department of Forest & Environment (Environment), Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

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

Sd/-
MEMBER SECRETARY

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