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**PROCEEDING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IN RESPECT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR BENIPALLI & GIRISOLA SAND BED (UNDER CLUSTER)
OVER THE MINING LEASE AREA OF 12.4445 HA FOR PRODUCTION OF ORDINARY
SAND: 12,500 CUM/ANNUM AT BENIPALLI & GIRISOLA VILLAGE, BELLAGUNTHA
TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM, HELD ON 31.01.2023 AT 11.00 AM OVER THE
VACANT LAND ADJACENT TO GRAM PANCHAYAT OFFICE, BENIPALLI IN KHATA
NO. 858, PLOT NO. 149, UNDER BELLAGUNTHA 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, the Project Proponents have proposed to have Environmental Impact Assessment for Girisola & Benipalli Sand Bed over mining lease area of 12.4445 ha. for production of Ordinary Sand @ 12,500 cum/Annum in Girisola & Benipalli village, Bellaguntha 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 28.12.2022 and an English Daily “The New Indian Express” dated 29.12.2022 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.ospeboard.org).
- Executive summaries along with paper clippings regarding date, time, and venue of public hearing were made available to the Benipalli Gram Panchayat, Gobera Gram Panchayat, Netanga Gram Panchayat, Banka Gram Panchayat, Mangalpur Gram Panchayat, Ambapua Gram Panchayat and Block Development Office, Bellaguntha 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 Amaresh Rath, representative of project proponents presented the salient features of the proposed Girisola & Benipalli Sand Bed (under cluster), 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. More than 75 persons were present in the public hearing meeting, only 49 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 Durgamadhab Nayak, At - Madhabarada, Ganjam

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) They have no objection for this mining project.
- b) Sand will be easily available at cheaper price for local construction and development works.
- c) Business of local villagers will be enhanced.

2. Sri Kunjabihari Mohanty, At- Benipalli, Ganjam

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) Due to sand mining depth of river bed will be increase thereby chances of flood will decrease.
- b) Transporting vehicles shall be covered with tarpaulin to avoid spillage and dust pollution.

3. Sri Hrusikesh Pradhan, At- Girisola, Ganjam

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

- a) They have no objection for this mining project as it will benefit local public.
- b) Sand will be available at cheaper price.
- c) Outside village roads shall be used for transportation of sand and maintenance of these roads shall be undertaken by the lessee.
- d) The lessee shall assist for development of village temple.

4. Sri Gurunath Mohanty, Benipalli, Ganjam.

He has highlighted/ demanded the followings:

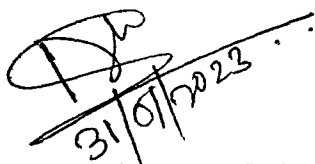
- a) Public hearing for sand mining is conducted for first time which is a welcome step taken by the Government.
- b) Sand deposition on river bed increases level of water in river, which in turn increases the chances of flood. So, they support the sand mining project.
- c) Sand should be supplied to the community development works undertaken at nearby Panchayats.

Further the 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 Proponents of Girisola & Benipalli Sand Bed to address the issues raised by the local public. Sri Santunu Kumar Behera, project proponent of Girisola Sand Bed & Sri Sunil Kumar Pradhan, project proponent of Benipalli Sand Bed 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 the 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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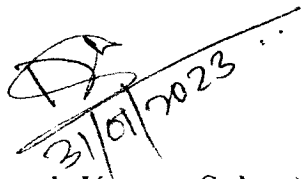
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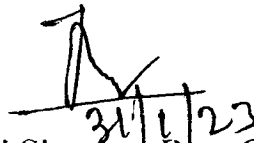
STATEMENTS ON THE ISSUES RAISED IN THE PUBLIC HEARING

SL. NO.	ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC	COMMENTS OF PROJECT PROPONENTS OF M/S. GIRISOLA & BENIPALLI SAND BED AT GIRISOLA & BENIPALLI VILLAGE, BELLAGUNTHA TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM.
1.	<p>a) Most of the public present at the public hearing supports this project.</p> <p>b) Mining of sand will reduce chances of flooding.</p> <p>c) Outside village roads should be used for transportation.</p> <p>d) Maintenance of transportation roads.</p> <p>e) Transporting vehicles should be covered with tarpaulins to avoid spillage and dust pollution.</p> <p>f) Supply of sand for community development works and construction of temple.</p>	<p>The Project Proponent of Benipalli Sand Bed has assured followings:</p> <p>a) Transporting vehicles will be covered with tarpaulin.</p> <p>b) They will assist development of temple and other community projects.</p> <p>c) They will organize health camps.</p> <p>The Project Proponent of Girisola Sand Bed has assured followings:</p> <p>a) They will take steps for local benefits.</p> <p>b) They will undertake maintenance of transporting roads.</p> <p>c) Transporting vehicles will be covered with tarpaulin.</p> <p>d) They will undertake mining by abiding Government guidelines and suggestions of villagers.</p>



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NOTICE

Public Hearing will be held on 12.29.2022 at 11:00 AM at the Regional Office, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur, Odisha. The purpose of the public hearing is to hear the views of the public on the proposed project and to provide an opportunity for the public to express their views on the proposed project.

The proposed project is the construction of a new industrial area in the village of ... The project is proposed to be located in the village of ... The project is proposed to be located in the village of ...

- For information, the following persons will be present:
- A. ...
 - B. ...
 - C. ...
 - D. ...

Persons who are interested in the proposed project may submit their views and objections in writing to the Regional Office, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur, Odisha. The deadline for submission of views and objections is 12.31.2022.

Persons desirous of participating in the public hearing may do so 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.ospcb.org free of cost.

1. District Collector's Office, Ganjam.
2. District Industries Center, Ganjam.
3. In the office of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Ganjam.
4. In the Head office of the State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Partvesh Bhawan, 111B, 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.



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