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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 05.08.2023 AT 10.00 AM AT GRAM PANCHAYAT OFFICE PREMISES, MANKIDIA UNDER JALESWAR TAHASIL IN BALASORE DISTRICT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF MANKIDIA "KA" SAND QUARRY OF SRI SUSANTA KUMAR SAHOO, PROJECT PROPONENT FOR THE PROPOSED SAND QUARRY FOR PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF SAND 60,000 CUM PER ANNUM OVER PLOT NO.1 OF KHATA NO.818 COMPRISING TOTAL AREA OF 8.093Hg/ 20.0 ACRES IN MANKIDIA MOUZA UNDER JALESWAR TAHASIL OF BALASORE DISTRICT.

The Public Hearing in respect of Mankidia "KA" Sand Bed M/s of Sri Susanta Kumar Sahoo, Project Proponent for the proposed Sand Quarry for production capacity of 60000Cum per Annum over 8.093 Ha in village- Mankidia under Jaleswar tahasil of Balasore district was held on schedule date & time at Mankidia Gram Panchayat Office premises in the district of Balasore with reference to EIA Notification S.O. 1533 (E) dated 14.09.2006 and amendment thereof.

### The Panel consisted of the following members:

- 1. Smt. Priyadarsinee Mallick, Additional District Magistrate, Balasore
- 2. Sri Manmohan Murmu, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Balasore

Smt. Priyadarsinee Mallick, Additional District Magistrate, Balasore supervised and presided over the Public Hearing process and was assisted by Sri Manmohan Murmu, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Balasore, the representative of State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

At the outset, welcoming the members participated in the meeting Sri Manmohan Murmu, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Balasore gave a brief introduction about the guidelines to be followed for the public hearing in the light of EIA Notification, 2006 and interim operational guidelines till date, in respect of Mankidia "KA" Sand Bed of Sri Susanta Kumar Sahoo (P.P), at Mankidia in Balasore District.

Welcoming the public, Smt. Mallick, Additional District Magistrate, Balasore welcomed the public and explained that the views, comments, objections and

opinions of the public are necessary while considering the environmental clearance of the project. She asked the project proponent to make a brie presentation before the public gathered in the meeting about the various aspects of the proposed project to be undertaken for better awareness of the public.

Sri Susanta Ku. Sahoo, Project Proponent of Mankidia "KA" Sand Bed briefed about the proposed mining activity and environmental impact of the mining project. He addressed the dais and assembled public and made a brief presentation about the salient features of the proposed mining project, environmental management, pollution control measures, afforestation programme and various other peripheral development activities envisaged in the proposed mining project.

Then Smt. Mallick, ADM, Balasore requested the public to give their views, comments, objections and opinions on the proposed project.

The views expressed by speakers on the proposed project are as follows:

#### 1. Sarpanch, Mankidia GP

She expressed that she will be on the side of the public views of the area without expressing anything about the mining project.

#### 2. Sri Sahadeb Das, Mankidia

Sri Das welcomed to the dignitaries and gatherings, he enquired whether the public hearing is meant for Mankidia G.P. or other gram panchayats in the surrounding area.

#### 3. Sri Dhanajaya Koila, Mankidia

Sri Koila said that he does not support the establishment of the proposed sand quarry in his village as they will suffer a lot in future due to the quarrying activity of the proposed sand bed.

### 4. Sri Jatindranath Mohanty, Ex Sarpanch, Olmara

Sri Mohanty welcomed to the dignitaries & said that though Mankidia is flood prone area, people are facing difficulty in getting sand for



construction purposes. District Administration shall think about the fulfillment of the sand requirement in their area.

# 5. Sri Ranjit Masanta, Mankidia

Sri Masanta said that he does not support the public hearing meant for the establishment of the proposed sand quarry.

### 6. Sri Brundaban Koila, Mankidia

Sri Koila did not support the establishment of the proposed Sand Quarry.

## 7. Sri Sandip Ghosh, Sarpanch Raibania G.P.

Sri Ghosh welcomed the dignitaries & gathering. He said that there is scarcity of building material i.e. sand in the area and supported the upcoming project there.

#### 8. Sri Motilal Adhikari, Olamara

Sri Adhikari welcomed to the gatherings & said that there is scarcity of sand and supported to the upcoming project and mine shall be operated to fulfill the sand requirement.

# 9. Sri Pradeep Kumar Sahu, Mankdia

Sri Sahu said that there is huge requirement of sand for various construction activities of Govt. as well as private house hold in their locality and welcomed the project proposal.

### 10. Sri Dilip Kumar Samal, Ex Sarpanch, Sardarbandh G.P

Sri Samal welcomed the gatherings & said that sand is natural resources. He also requested the district administration for supplying of sand in their areas.

# 11. Sri Sangram Pradhan, Mankidia G.P., Jaleswar

Sri Pradhan said that grazing land meant for the domestic animal of that area will be devastated due to operation of this project and informed that people of Mankidia depend solely on agriculture done with help of domestic animals. He also highlighted that there are 02 nos. of schools in the area. There is potential threat to the school going children as lots of vehicular movement will be there if sand mining project is approved. He enquired about onus of the district administration in case abduction of girls happens in the area. He objected and denied support to the proposed project.



### 12. Sri Girija Samal, Sarpanch, Shyamnagar G.P.

Sri Samal told that sand is required for infrastructure development and supported the project. He also requested to ensure re-pairing & maintenance of the haulage road passing through the Mankidia village shall be done by the project proponent during operation of the quarry.

### 13. Sri Sasanka Sekhar Ghadei, Ex PS Member, Olamara

Sri Ghadei said that there is a severe scarcity of sand and he welcomed the project. He further expressed that there shall be restricted vehicular movement on the village road for safety of the school going children.

#### 14. Sri Ganesh Soren, PS Member, Sardar Bandh

Sri Soren said that they are facing problem for getting sand and requested to the district administration of Balasore to supply sand to them. He informed the gathering about incompleteness of govt. project in the locality due to lack of sand.

#### 15. Sri Sonu Das, Kaliko GP

Sri Das said that he supported the project.

#### 16. Sri Sunil Kumar Ghosh, Raibania.

Sri Ghosh said that there is huge requirement of sand in Mankidia and also said that sand shall be lifted with protection of the Environment.

#### 17. Sri Deepak Kumar Kapudi, Mankidia

Sri Kapudi said that sand is a natural element & stone protection wall shall be provided at the embankment over Subarnarekha River at Mankidia. He also requested to the district administration for protection of their village environment. He ended his speech supporting the proposed sand mining project.

#### 18. Sri Radhakanta Ghosh, Mankidia G.P.

Sri Ghosh said that sand shall be lifted abiding applicable rules & regulations.

# 19. Sri Khitish Chandra Dey, K.M.Sahi

Sri Dey said that he supported to the project. He also told that for succeeding the Govt. project work sand is required. He again said that Indira Awas holders are keen interested about this Public Hearing and the

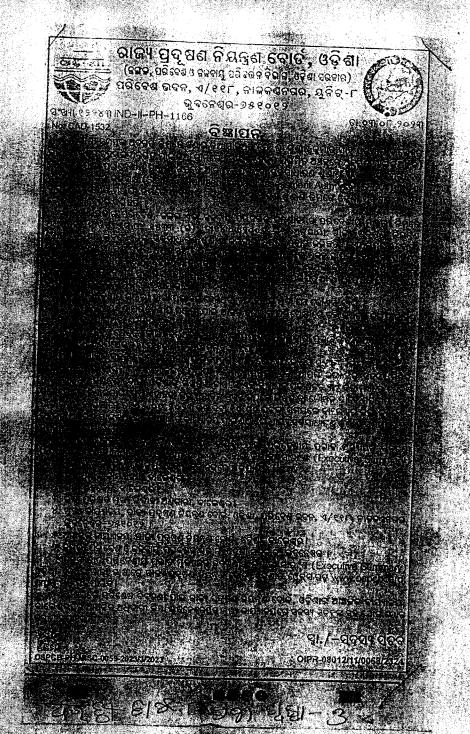
sand mining project. Further, he said that protection of all the embankment over the Subarnarekha River at Mankidia shall be provided by the district administration.

In the Public Hearing meeting 19 persons registered their name to deliver their speech. All have delivered their speech. The Panel has also received 02 nos. of written representations during the hearing. Smt. Priyadarsinee Mallick, ADM, Balasore asked the project proponent to present their comments to the people with respect to the demand and issues raised by the public in the public hearing meeting. Sri Susanta Kumar Sahoo, Project Proponent made the commitment on the issues raised by the public. The statement of the issues and concern of the public with comments of the applicant are prepared in Engilish and Odia language and annexed separately. The public hearing meeting was ended with thanks to the Chair.

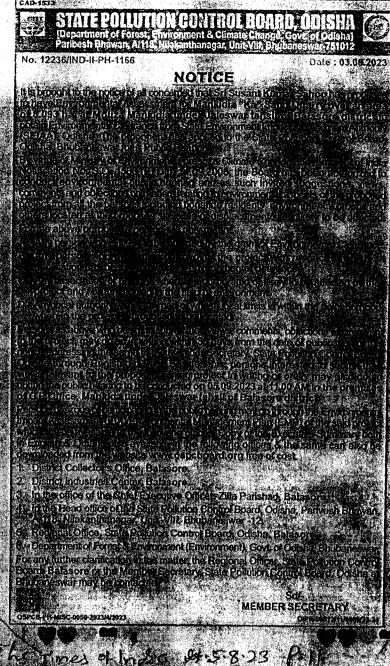
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Sri Manmohan Murmu Regional Officer, Balasore State Pollution Control Board, Odisha (Assisted as representative of the State Pollution Control Board, Odisha) 05/09/23

Smt. Priyadarsinee Mallick
Additional District Magistrate,
Balasore, Odisha
(Presided and supervised the
Public Hearing meeting)



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