

**PROCEEDING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING IN RESPECT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR KESHAPUR A & B STONE QUARRIES OVER THE MINING LEASE AREA OF 8.8443 HA (SUBMITTING UNDER CLUSTER APPROACH WITH TOTAL CLUSTER AREA 8.8443 HA. CONSISTING OF 02 STONE QUARRIES) BEARING PLOT NOS. 863, 864, 866 UNDER KHATA NO. 119 FOR PRODUCTION OF ORDINARY STONE: 12,060 CUM/ ANNUM IN SANAKHEMUNDI TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM, HELD ON 04.11.2023 AT 11.00 AM OVER THE VACANT LAND PLOT NO. 289 UNDER KHATA NO. 55/34, IN VILLAGE KHARIGUDA UNDER SANAKHEMUNDI TAHASIL OF GANJAM DISTRICT**

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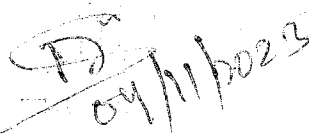
At the outset, Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur welcomed all the persons assembled in the hearing. He briefed about the EIA Notification, 2006 and the objectives of the public hearing. He stated that Sri Santosh Kumar Parida & Others have proposed to have Environmental Impact Assessment for Keshapur A & B Stone Quarries over mining lease area of 8.8443 ha. ( under cluster approach with total cluster Area 8.8443 ha. consisting of 02 Stone Quarries ) bearing Plot Nos. 863, 864, 866 under Khata No. 119 for production of Ordinary Stone @ 12,060 Cum/Annum in Keshapur village under Sanakhemundi 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 Odia Dailies “The Samaj” dated 30.09.2023 “The Pragatibadi” dated 30.09.2023 and an English Daily “The Sunday Times” dated 01.10.2023 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 & Department of Forest & Environment (Environment) Govt. of Odisha and also in the website of State Pollution Control Board, Bhubaneswar ([www.ospcboard.org](http://www.ospcboard.org)).
- Executive summaries along with paper clippings regarding date, time, and venue of public hearing were made available to the S. Gopalpur Gram Panchayat, Kumarapani Gram Panchayat, Karadakana Gram Panchayat, and the Block Development Office, Sanakhemundi, 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, Berhampur, Ganjam to kindly preside and supervise in the public hearing.

The Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Berhampur, Ganjam, 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.

  
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Sri Amaresh Rath, representative of Lessees presented the salient features of the proposed Keshapur A & B Stone Quarries, 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 lessees to reduce the impact while executing the project in Odia language.

The Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Berhampur, Ganjam, invited the public to offer their views, objections, opinions, comments and suggestions regarding the proposed project, specifically relating to environmental issues. About 50 persons were present in the public hearing meeting, only 39 nos. of persons signed in the attendance sheet, out of which 03 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. Smt. Sumitra Nayak, Sarpanch, S. Gopalpur, Ganjam**

She supports the proposed mining activity and welcomed the participants of the public hearing to give their views related to the proposed project.

**2. Sri Sudhir Kumar Patra, At/PO- S. Gopalpur , Ganjam**

He highlighted the benefits of development and stressed upon to carry out mining as per stipulated rules and regulations of Government. He apprehended that employment opportunities will be generated and developmental work will be undertaken for local people. Hence, he supports the proposed quarrying activity.

**3. Sri Rama Krushna Padhi, At/PO- Purunagada, Ganjam**

He highlighted about non availability of water for irrigation from Khairabandha reservoir to his Gram Panchayat. He also added that due to establishment of crusher people were getting employed. He further anticipated that due to mining local villages will be developed.


Further the Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Berhampur, Ganjam and Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur also discussed on issues raised by the public and requested to the Project Proponent of Keshapur A & B Stone Quarries to address the issues raised by the local public. Sri Santosh Kumar Parida, Lessee of Keshapur A & B Stone Quarries 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, Berhampur, Ganjam with the views and concerns of the deliberators. The video recording of the entire public hearing is enclosed herewith for ready reference.



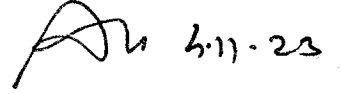
The statement of issues and concerns of public with the comments of the project proponent, prepared in Odia and English Language are annexed as **Annexure-III** and **Annexure-IV** separately.

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

  
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**(Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo)**

Regional Officer,  
State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur  
(Assisted as representative of  
State Pollution Control Board)


  
4.11.23


**(Sri Kulkarni Asutosh C, I.A.S)**

Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate,  
Berhampur,  
(Presided and Supervised  
the public Hearing meeting)

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**STATEMENTS ON THE ISSUES RAISED IN THE PUBLIC HEARING**

SL. NO.	ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC	COMMENTS OF SRI SANTOSH KUMAR PARIDA , LESSEE OF KESHAPUR A & B STONE QUARRIES UNDER SANAKHEMUNDI TAHASIL OF DISTRICT GANJAM.
1.	a) Mining should be carried out as per stipulated rules and regulations of Government. b) Local employment. c) Local development.	Sri Santosh Kumar Parida has assured that they will undertake development and other works as demanded by the local public as per rules and regulations of Government.

  
(Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo)

Regional Officer,  
State Pollution Control Board, Berhampur  
(Assisted as representative of  
State Pollution Control Board)

  
( Sri Kulkarni Asutosh C, I.A.S)

Sub-Collector-cum-Sub-Divisional Magistrate,  
Berhampur  
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**STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, ODISHA**  
 (Department of Forest, Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Odisha)  
 Parivesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakanthnagar, Unit-VIII, Bhubaneswar-751012

No. 15918/IND-II-PH-1170

Date : 26.09.2023

**NOTICE**

It is brought to the notice of all concerned that Sri Santosh Kumar Parida has proposed to have Environmental Assessment for proposed for Keshapur A & B Stone Quarries Cluster over an area of 8.8443 ha. (Submitting under cluster approach with total cluster area 8.8443 ha. consisting of 2 stone quarries) bearing Khata No. 119, Plot No.863, 864 & 866 in village Keshapur under Sanakhemundi in tehsil of Ganjam 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 mining project in writing or orally may also do so during the public hearing to be conducted on 04.11.2023 at 11.00 A.M at over the vacant land in village Khariguda (Plot No.289, Khata No.55/34, area Ac 0.494) under Sanakhemundi 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 is also available in the following offices & the same can also be downloaded from the website [www.ospcbboard.org](http://www.ospcbboard.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, Parivesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakanthnagar, 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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The proposed project is situated in the village of Keshapur, under Sanakhemundi Tehsil, Ganjam District, Odisha. The project area is approximately 8.8443 ha. The project is proposed to be carried out in two phases. The first phase is the construction of two stone quarries. The second phase is the extraction of stone from the quarries. The project is expected to create employment opportunities for the local population. The project is also expected to contribute to the local economy. The project is also expected to have a positive impact on the environment. The project is also expected to have a positive impact on the community. The project is also expected to have a positive impact on the environment. The project is also expected to have a positive impact on the community.

The proposed hearing will be held on 04.11.2023 at 11:00 A.M. at the vacant land in village Keshapur (P.O. No.209, Gram No.8574, area Ad 0.494) under Sanakhemundi 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 is also available in the following offices & the same can also be downloaded from the website [www.spcboard.org](http://www.spcboard.org) free of cost.

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