

Minutes of Environmental Public Hearing

Environmental Public Hearing of M/s. Brima Sagar Maharashtra Distillery Ltd. A/p- Shreepur, Tal. – Malshiras, Dist. Solapur for their proposed expansion of establishment of Expansion from Rectified Spirit – 35 KLPD to 65 KLPD, ENA-10 KLPD to 65 KLPD, Potable Liquor 14.4 KLPD to 36 KLPD, Malt Spirit 1.3 KLPD to 5 KLPD, Grape Spirit 2.5 KLPD to 5 KLPD of production capacity in existing distillery project. Public hearing was conducted on 02/12/2016 at 11.00 AM at Dyaneshwar Mangal Karyalaya, Mahalung Road, Shreepur, Tal. – Malshiras, Dist – Solapur, near factory site.

Following Public Hearing Panel Members were present for conducting hearing -

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| 1) Mr. Ajit Relekar,
Additional District Magistrate, Solapur | -- | Chairman. |
| 2) Mr. Suryakant Doke
Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune | -- | Member. |
| 3) Mr. N. S. Awatade
Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Solapur | -- | Convener |

Mr. N. S. Awatade, Convener of the Public Hearing welcomed all citizens, representatives, farmers, NGO's working in environmental sector, media representatives and representatives of factory. He explained the details about the project. The project management has submitted proposal to the MPC Board for expansion of existing distillery plant capacity from Rectified Spirit – 35 KLPD to 65 KLPD, ENA-10 KLPD to 65 KLPD, Potable Liquor 14.4 KLPD to 36 KLPD, Malt Spirit 1.3 KLPD to 5 KLPD, Grape Spirit 2.5 KLPD to 5 KLPD, as per the MoEF notification New Delhi vide dated 14th September 2016. As per the notification dated 14th September, 2006 of MoEF, Board has published the prior public Notice in Daily Sanchar and Daily Lokmat, on 03/11/2016 and 04/11/2016 in Marathi & English language respectively before 30 days of the proposed public hearing date and simultaneously draft EIA Report & Executive Summary Report in English and Marathi languages were kept in notified offices for public study and it was appealed to submit their objections/suggestions in writing to respective office and MPC Board on or before the public hearing date.

The Hon'ble Chairman/Additional District Magistrate, Solapur Shri Ajit Relekar has appealed to the present public to file/raise their views, written objections, suggestions, complaints if any from environmental angle about this project and

permitted the convener Shri N. S. Awatade, to processed for completion of public hearing procedure.

As per the permission of Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing Shri N. S. Awatade has instructed to the technical adviser and factory representative to start their presentation with the help of power point presentation.

The technical adviser of the project has briefly expanded the details of existing distillery and details of proposed distillery expansion project by incorporating the benefits of expansion, local employment, probability of pollution caused by proposed expansion activity with their precautionary measures to be taken, forestation program, tree conservation with social aspects implemented by the industry.

After presentation done by the technical adviser and project proponent the Convener/Sub Regional Officer, Solapur has appealed to the present peoples that, he can file/raise their objections, instructions, if any by way of verbally or in written. He also told that, the MPCB has received 4 written objection from following peoples :

- 1) Shri Nitin V. Waghmare, A/p- Shreepur, Tal. – Malshiras, Dist - Solapur
 - 2) Shri Abdul D. Sikalgar, A/p- Shreepur, Tal. – Malshiras, Dist – Solapur.
 - 3) Shri Mahesh Jaykumar Katave, A/p- Solapur, Dist – Solapur.
 - 4) Shri Udyasinh Y. Mane-Deshmukh, A/p- Boregaon, Tal. – Malshiras, Dist – Solapur,
- for that, the project proponent should submit written explanation along with final minutes.

Accordingly the technical adviser Shri Dr. Subbarao and project representative Shri Bhagwat has assured to submit the written explanation about the same.

Conversations made during the public hearing is as below :

Shri Ajit Arun Pokhare, Shreepur, - What will be the benefit we gain from proposed expansion? What will be the percentage of employment? And is there any employment for local people?

Answer - Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat explanted that, at present there are 300 workers working in the factory and after expansion more than 200 extra workers will be engaged in the factory and also indirect benefits for 1000 peoples in the residents.

Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, Shri Ajit Relekar, is there any skilled Development Program arrange by factory for the people ?

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat explanted that, company take trainee candidates in the factory for apprentice and after completion of training the candidates will be employed in the factory. Also company arranges Medical Camps, Environmental Day every year in the factory.

Shri Sandeep Ghadge, Shreepur, What is precaution taken from factory for pollution?

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat explanted that, Company will going to install spent wash RO filtration plant which costs around 2-3 Cr. Rupees. So that, after expansion spent wash quantity will be reduced and also some part of water will be recycled back in to the process.

Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, Shri Ajit Relekar asked that, Which activities company doing under CSR for surrounding local bodies?

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat explanted that, Company planted more than 10000 trees in the factory premises as well as nearby areas. In the summer season drinking water supplied to nearby villages by the factory.

Shri Arun Sandeepan Pawar, Shreepur, M/s. Pandurang SSK and M/s. Brima Sagar Maharashtra Distillery Ltd. told that, these to factory already providing us drinking water in summer season, but we want RO Water for drinking purpose. Mr. Pawar asked that, there should be employment for female in the factory.

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat accepted and explanted that, Scheme of drinking RO Water will be implemented by both the factories. Also factory will take bore well where scarcity of water.

Shri Nitin Waghmare, Shreepur – I have already submitted my objection regarding spent wash pollution of the factory. I want to know, what action is taken by MPCB against the factory?

Answer – Public hearing Convener/Sub Regional Officer, Solapur told that, MPCB regularly visited the factory site, for checking compliance of consent conditions and accordingly instructed to dispose off spent wash as per consent conditions.

Project representative Shri Bhagwat, told that, spent wash is disposed off in the process of Bio-composting, no any spent wash used for land application outside the factory premises. Company strictly following MPCB/CPCB rules and regulations.

Shri Bhanudas Pisal, Shri Gautam Londhe, Shri Prakash Suravase, all Shreepur, told that, Spent wash sludge is useful for sugarcane and pomegranate and they all told that, objection taken by Shri Nitin Waghmare is not true, also he is not resident of Shreepur. They also told that, we all support for proposed expansion of the factory. Factory representative Mr. Bhagwat told that, Factory produces, Vasudha Organic Manure and Supplied to nearby farmers at normal price.

Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, Shri Ajit Relekar, told that, if there were any problems regarding pollution then, it should be solved by discussion with Factory Management.

Shri Nitin Waghmare, Shreepur- I am resident of Shreepur. I have my voter card and reshan card. My soil becomes unfertile due to factory water.

Shri Gulab Bansode, Shreepur – I have taken pomegranate and sugarcane crop with the help of spent wash sludge and observed increase in the production.

Public hearing Member/Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune Shri Suryakant Doke, told that, factory should be strictly obey all rules and regulation followed by MPCB, no any spent wash discharge outside the factory premises. Factory should take care of pollution created by spent wash disposal.

Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, Shri Ajit Relekar told that, factory should be disposed off spent wash as per consent given by the authorizes. Factory also take care that, no any ground water will polluted by the factory pollutants.

Shri Rajkumar Vijaykurmar Patil, BJP member, Boregaon Village - told that, spent wash is useful for the soil, but it should be used by scientific manner. MPCB should study about application of spent wash for land. He also told, factory should do more work under CSR for surrounding peoples. He told that, we have no any objection, for proposed expansion of the factory. Because after expansion there will be generate more employment. He also told that, existing work of factory is good, factory always supports every social work.

Shri Prataprao Patil, Boregaon, told that, we have no objection for the proposed expansion of M/s. Brima Sagar Maharashtra Distillery Ltd. after expansion there will be more works for the peoples, he also told, all the present peoples to support the factory expansion.

Shri Madansinh Vasantrao Patil, Member of Grampanchayat Boregaon, he told that, we have no objection and we strongly support to proposed expansion of the factory, he asked factory, to give drinking water nearby villages as there is water shortage since 2012.

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat, told that, factory is already providing drinking water to nearby villages by own tankers. In the future this will be continued. RO Water scheme for drinking purpose will be implemented by the factory.

Public hearing Member/Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune Shri Suryakant Doke, asked that, as per report spent wash generator will be increased, but representative told that, it will be decreased after expansion.

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat, told that, for the expansion, company going to install spent wash RO filtration plant where 50% to 60% recovery of fresh water, so after expansion spent wash quantity will be reduced.

Shri Nitin Waghmare, Shreepur- told that, I accepted, spent wash sludge is useful to farmer, but factory should not discharge any spent wash in the river.

Answer- Technical adviser and project representative Shri Bhagwat, told that, no any spent wash discharge in the river, nalla by the factory.

Public Hearing Convener/Sub Regional Officer, Solapur Shri N. S. Awatade, replied that, if MPCB will observed any spent wash disposal outside factory premises then, MPCB will take stringent action, against the factory.

Shri Ramesh Devkar and Shri Sharad Patil, Shreepur, Mahalung, - last year factory give water tankers nearby villages in the summer season, it should be continued, because this year there is water shortage.

Answer- Factory Director, Shri Bharatkumar Sethia, told that, factory will take care of each and every kind of pollution. if any questions arises due to expansion work of the factory we will be solved on top priority.

Shri Kalyan Landage, RPI, Shreepur- Company should carryout social works for the surrounding peoples. R O Water plant should be installed. He told that, RPI Support for proposed expansion work of the factory.

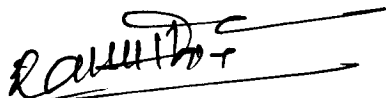
Shri Shamrao Bhosale, Grampanchayat Member Mahalung, - he told that, we have no objection for the expansion work of the project. We support it.

Shri Bharat Athavale, Shreepur- I have no objections for the proposed expansion of the factory, but I support it.

Shri Satish Landage, Shreepur – I support proposed expansion of the M/s. Brima Sagar Maharashtra Distillery Ltd.

Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, Shri Ajit Relekar, told that, proposed expansion of the distillery project, should be carried out by taking all the precautions, all the needs of the surrounding peoples there problems and there requirements. Factory carryout expansion works by implementing all equipments to control Air, Water and Noise pollution prescribed by MPCB/CPCB authorities, and told that, the detail minutes of the public hearing will be prepared & send to MoEF, Gov. of India, New Delhi.


The public hearing was concluded with vote of thanks.



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