

Minutes of Environmental Public Hearing of Diversion weir on Wardha River Near Village Pipalgad Tq. Warud, Dist. Amravati and Dam on Shakti River located near village Pusala Tq. Warud Dist. Amravati of Pandhari Medium Project by Upper Wardha Canal Division No. 1 Amravati under Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation conducted on 19/03/2016.

Upper Wardha Canal Division No. 1 Amravati under Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation is proposing to construct Diversion weir on Wardha River Near Village Pipalgad Tq. Warud, Dist. Amravati and Dam on Shakti River located near village Pusala Tq. Warud Dist. Amravati of Pandhari Medium Project.

In accordance with the provisions of EIA Notification Dtd. 14.09.2006 & amended Dtd. 01.12.2009, issued by MoEF New Delhi, the Environmental public Hearing of said project was conducted on 19.03.2016 at **Project Site i.e. Pandhari Dam (spillway site), on Warud-Pandhurna Road, at Pusla, Ta. Warud, Dist. Amravati** under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Shri Kiran Gitte, Collector, Amravati.

Shri A.J. Kude, Regional Officer, MPC Board, Amravati assisted the Chairman during the public Hearing as a Member & Convener respectively.

A Public hearing Panel was constituted by Maharashtra Pollution Control Board vide Office Order no E-32 of 2016 Dtd. 18.03.2016.

The Member of the public hearing Panel Shri A.J. Kude, Regional Officer, MPC Board, Amravati started the proceedings of Public Hearing with the permission of the Chair. He welcomed the Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel and the public present. He briefly gave information about the necessity to obtain Environment Clearance from Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt. of India.

The Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has adopted the procedure to conduct this Public Hearing in accordance with MoEF, New Delhi, Govt. of India Notification Dtd.14.09.2006 & amendment dtd. 01/12/2009. He informed that the notices were published in News Papers Daily "Lokmat" (Marathi) & Daily "The Hitvada" English on 18.02.2016 & 17.02.2016 resp. The Executive Summary in English & Marathi and draft EIA & EMP report (hard & soft copies) submitted by the project proponent pertaining to this project were placed at the following Govt. Offices & concerned Gram Panchayats for the public for the information & the study purpose.

- 1) Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, New Administrative Bhavan, 15th floor, Madam Cama road, Mantralaya, Mumbai. -400032.
- 2) M.P.C. Board, "Kalpataru" Point, 3rd Floor, Sion-Matunga Scheme No. 8, Opp. Sion Circle, Sion (E), Mumbai.- 400022.
- 3) District Collector Office, Amravati.
- 4) Zilla Parishad, Amravati.
- 5) District Industries Centre, Amravati.
- 6) Regional Office/Sub- Regional Office, M.P.C. Board, "Sahkar Surbhi" Near Vivekanand Colony, Bapatwadi, Amravati- 444606
- 7) Sub- Divisional Officer (Revenue), Morshi, Ta. Morshi, Dist. Amravati
- 8) Tahsil Office, Warud, Ta. Warud, Dist. Amravati
- 9) Gram Panchayat Office, Wai/Urad/Pusla/Shahapur/Jarud/ Tembhurkheda/ Surali/Rajura Bazar/Amdapur/Mangruli, Tq. Warud, Dist. Amravati

Though this public notice given in the News Papers, objections / suggestions / views from the public were invited in writing at Regional Office, MPCB, Amravati / Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Amravati within 30 days from the issue of the Public Notice. Maharashtra Pollution Control Board did not receive any objection/suggestion/views in writing from the Public till the date of Public Hearing about the said project.

He further clarify that, the participants present in the public Hearing can also express their objection/suggestion/views during the course of Public Hearing. The participants can also submit their objection/suggestion/views, if any, in writing during the public Hearing. He appealed to the people that this

Public Hearing is concerned with Environmental issues, therefore the objection/ suggestion/ views shall be discussed mainly on environmental issues only.

With the permission of chair, Shri A.J. Kude, Member of Public Hearing Panel requested to the Project Proponent to give information about their project in Marathi language.

Thereafter, Shri Ritesh Tayde, representative of Irrigation Project, Nagpur has given the presentation through Power Point on the Environment impact due to this project. He explained the baseline Environmental status & Environment Impact that may cause due to the proposed project, which includes various environmental components like Air, Noise, Water, Land, Biological, Social and Economical aspects, plantation & environmental management etc.

The queries raised by the people and answers of the clarifications given to them are enumerated as under alongwith the suggestions given by the participants. Queries raised & answered as follows:

Q.1 Shri Shivnarayan Adhau, Shendurjana Ghat village :-

Is there any provision for tree plantation in and around the catchment area of dam to obstruct the mud into the dam?

Tree plantation is comes under the Agriculture and Forest Department. Rs. 1.75 lacs is reserved for tree plantation. However, this office will be issued a letter regarding the same to the concerned department.

Q.2 Shri Kiran Chimote, Pusla village :-

The construction work of the dam should be good quality. Is there any effect due to discharge of Shakti River water to nearby villages? Is there any provision of excavation of Shakti River? Maximum benefit should be given to those farmers who have affected from Left and Right Canal.

The construct work of dam will be done by good quality. To check the construction work of dam, official of irrigation department is visited regularly. However, officials from Quality Control, Department of Irrigation is visited

regularly. Discharge of river water will be done as per study of flow capacity of river. This project is only for farmers, hence the compensation will be given to affected farmers as per New Land Acquisition Rules.

Q.3 Shri Gangadhar Dongare, Pusla village :-

Is there any provision for affected people whose land is already acquired by project proponent for additional compensation and employment?

As per New Land Acquisition Rules, affected farmers had already given compensation, but additional compensation could not be given.

Q.4 Shri Vijay Shrirao, Pusla village :-

Myself is also project affected person. Compensation given by the Government is very less. When remaining land will be acquired by government from affected farmers? There is no any provision for Ganeshpur Village for irrigation purpose. Is any provision to bring Left Canal up to village Ganeshpur? This year 20% storage of water should be done, due to which approach road of Khaparkheda will be disturbed. The people of Khaparkheda village got less compensation of houses. Is there any provision for additional compensation? When will be completed the work of alternate road for Khaparkheda village? Right canal of the dam will be passing through Dhanodi village, due to which there is no any for farmers to reach upto their farm. What is alternate arrangement done for the same? Due to construction of canal, so many farmers underground pipeline is affected, what is alternate arrangement done for the same? When will be this project completed? We learnt that this project will be completed up to June, 2017. But during hearing we heard that this project will be completed up to June, 2018. Please, complete this Dam Project one year before. There is no any objection of the nearby farmers to this project.

This office had sent the proposal for the construction of Molvi Road to Hon'ble Divisional Commissioner Office for approval. After approval the said road will be completed. It was decided that construction work of dam will be completed in June, 2017 but due to some technical problems it will be completed upto June, 2018. After rehabilitation of Khaparkheda village, water will be stored

in the dam. For water supply to Pusla village, proposal alongwith grant is submitted to Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran. Budgetary provision for distribution of water is already made, so water supply for irrigation purpose to Ganeshpur village could not be done now. Society of farmers will be constitute and irrigate the fields. If water will be balanced in the dam, after approval scheme will be made for Ganeshpur village. As per letter received from Hon'ble MLA for additional compensation, the proposal of the same submitted to government. After approval from government additional compensation will be given. If there is any default construction work of dame found, please call or SMS regarding the same to the irrigation authority.

Q.5 Shri Vijay Shrirao, Pusla village :-

Some people have started the work of construction of houses. For this purpose electricity and water supply will be provided.

If the peoples are doing the construction of houses, then the arrangement of electricity and water supply will be done. The first priority will be given to rehabilitation.

Q.6 Smt. Sarika Chimote, Sarpanch, Pusla village :-

There is scarcity of water in this area. So, please complete this project earlier. Is there any provision to give a water tank for Pusla village?.

For water tank, there is a provision of Rs. 2.47 crores is reserved.

Q.7 Shri Indrabhushan Sonde, Pusla village :-

Instead of the project affected certificate, please give the economic benefit to the project affecting people.

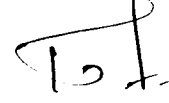
After the discussion/ question/ objection session, the Chairman summarized the proceeding of public hearing. He further stated that people should use the Government Jalyukt Shivar Yojana for irrigation purpose. He brought to the notice of the public that their views have been duly recorded and the proceedings of the Public Hearing would be forwarded to the concerned authorities for further necessary action.

The copies of the said proceeding be sent to the concerned offices for displaying for their information.

The Field Officer of M.P.C. Board has concluded the Public Hearing with vote of thanks to all present with the permission of Chair.



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