The Minutes of Public Hearing in respect of proposed Clinker Grinding Unit (2x2 Million ton per annum) near village Jatoda, Tehsil Shindhkheda, District Dhule of M/s Wonder Cement Ltd. conducted on 17th March 2017 at 11.00 am at Government Guest House, Nardana, Tehsil Shindhkheda, District Dhule.

Environmental Public hearing was held on 17th March 2017 at 11.00 am at Government Guest House, Nardana, Tehsil Shindhkheda, District Dhule for proposed Clinker Grinding Unit (2x2 Million ton per annum) near village Jatoda, Tehsil Shindhkheda, District Dhule of M/s Wonder Cement Ltd. under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Dr. Dilip Pandharpatte, District Magistrate, Dhule.

Shri S.D.Patil Sub-Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Dhule was the convener of the public hearing. Shri R. U. Patil, Regional Officer, MPCB, Nashik was member of the public hearing panel. Proceedings of public hearing was started at 11.00 am after seeking permission of Chairman, public hearing panel.

In the beginning, Shri S.D. Patil, Convener & Sub-Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Dhule welcomed Hon'ble District Magistrate, Dhule and all participants present in the public hearing.

He further informed that, this public hearing is scheduled as per the Notification of Ministry of Environment & Forest, New Delhi dated 14/9/2006 and amendment dated 1/12/2009. He further stated that after obtaining the ToR by the project proponent, the project proponent has submitted the application to MPCB on 9/2/2017 for conducting the public hearing.

He further informed that EIA report was made available in the offices of 1) Environment Department, New Administrative Building, 15th Floor, Mantralaya, Mumbai. 2) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment & Forest, Civil lines, Nagpur. 3) Jt. Director (Water Pollution Control), Kalpataru Point Building Sion, (E), Mumbai, 4) Regional Office, MPCB, Nashik /SRO Office Dhule. 5) District Magistrate & Collector Office, Dhule, 6) District Industry Office, Dhule. 7) Zila Parishad office, Dhule. 8) Sub Divisional Office, Shirpur, Distt. Dhule. 9) Tehsil Office, Shindkheda, Distt.Dhule. 10) Nagar Panchayat Office, Shindkheda, Distt.Dhule. 11) Gram Panchayat Office, Nardana, Tq. Shindkheda, Distt.Dhule. 12) Gram Panchayat Office, Jatoda, Tq. Shindkheda, Distt.Dhule. 13) Gram Panchayat Office, Varud Tq. Shindkheda, Distt. Dhule. 14) Gram Panchayat Office, Melane Tq. Shindkheda, Distt. Dhule for knowledge of the concerned.

The public notice for the said public hearing was published in English, daily The Times of India and Marathi, daily Lokmat dated 14/2/2017 stating date, venue and time of public hearing. In the public notice, it was ,mentioned that, the documents about proposed project are available at the above Government offices and objections/suggestions regarding the project, if any can be filed within 30 days from the date of public notice to the Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Dhule. The Member Secretary, MPCB, Mumbai has issued the office order No. E -22/2017 dated 15-3-2017 for panel formation of this public hearing.

Convener of the public hearing further informed to the participants that, two written representations were received regarding public hearing till the date of public hearing. He further appealed to the participants that, they can file their written objections /representations during public hearing and they could express their views orally after the power point presentation, that will be given by the project proponent. He further clarified to the participants that, the public hearing panel is not here to accord /recommend Environmental Clearance to the project, but for recording the objections / suggestions of the participants, which will be video graphed and will

be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Mantralaya, Mumbai, through Head office MPCB, Mumbai, along with Minutes of Public Hearing for further necessary action. During public hearing, total 58 written representations were submitted by the people, as below.

Thereafter Chairman, Public Hearing Panel Hon'ble Dr. Dilip Pandharpatte, appealed to the public to express their queries, suggestions and objections regarding the project.

The details of the questions raised by the participants during the public hearing are given below.

Shri Milind Jagtap, Sarpanch & resident of village, Ajande Bu:-

He congratulated Wonder Cement for setting up cement plant. He stated that, Wonder cement should plan to provide employment to local people and the authorities of the industry should involve Gram panchyayat located within the area in the course of development of the surrounding area.

Shri Chandbhai Shakur Patel, Ex Sarpanch, resident of village, Jatoda:-

He welcomed Wonder Cement industry. He stated that, there is a scarcity of water and development work of the industry has been started. The industry is taking water from the wells owned by the farmers. Therefore the villagers may be in trouble. I request company management to take necessary action.

Shri Sandeep Nikam, Sarpanch, resident of village Varud:-

He stated that, we are glad, Wonder Cement is in rural area of MIDC but they should employ local people of this region so that, they will live happy life.

Shri Devidas Atmaram Patil, resident of village Varud:-

He stated that, he has lodged objection in the Pollution Control Board office. As a resident of Varud, he welcomed the company. The cement industry will create pollution in the surrounding area. Our area is good for farming, soil is fertile. If it is damaged and becomes non fertile, then who will be responsible and who will give the compensation for the loss. The pollution in the area will affect adversely and affect the residents of villages, the animals in the villages Varud, Velhane, Jatode, Vaghode, Malich.

He further stated that, the company will use water for dust suppression however they will need water and there is scarcity of water in the surrounding 10 villages. The Tapi river is in near by the area. The wastewater from the plant will be discharged in the Tapi river which is near to the site and this will pollute the river. Water is supplied for drinking to us from the river and it will not be good for our health. The industry representative should tell us the adverse effect of the river water. They should inform us their plan in this matter. We are not against the project but the industry representative should tell us, what are the benefits to farmers.

It is mentioned in the report that, the land is not fertile in the area. But the crop of Dadar (Jawar) is standing in the area, adjacent to the boundary of the industry, where the construction work of compound wall of the industry is in progress. He further stated that, he is having

photographs of the Dadar crop. He expect that, true report should be presented to public and to do fair judgment.

Shri Dinesh Gulabrao Patil, resident of village Nardana:-

He stated that, he is delivering his personal opinion about the public hearing. He further told that, the information of the public hearing notice was not circulated among the total population of the area. Only selected people were invited in the public hearing. He said that the industry has submitted the false project report. He can give in writing about it. As per the report, there is no tourist place and water source in 15 km area. The Information given in the report is not correct. The company has mentioned the same as per their convenience. As per the report there is no historical place in 15 km area. There is Songir fort at Songir. There is also historical place at Mudawad. There are rivers within 5 to 7 km area. However in the report it is mentioned that ,there are no rivers. He further stated that, he is not agreed with the survey conducted by project authority and Pollution Control Board. The futures of the projects proposed in this area have not been considered. Railway station and industrial corridor is there, but it is not mentioned in the report. He stated that, employment in this project will be available to technical persons only. But how many technical people are available in the villages have not been considered. It is mentioned is the report that, employment will be given to 175 people. He stated that if agriculture land of about 1000 farmers will be wasted and only 175 people will get employment requirement in the project, this contradiction should be reviewed. He has submitted his objections here. The officers should have to scrutinize the project report. The MPCB should have to rectify the mistakes in the report. He stated that, he is not against the project however, the positive and negative aspects of the project report should have to be discussed among the people residing in the area and then only the public hearing should have to be conducted. The Company has invited few people in the public hearing and thought that they have to start the project. He stated that, authority has granted permission to Shirpur Power Plant on certain terms and conditions. The MPCB should conduct inspection of the industry after every three months. But it is observed that after public hearing, nobody is conducting inspection till further 10 years. As per the report, land is not agriculture in the area but he wants explanation that, how Mr. Sanjay Sisode of Nardana had been awarded with Shetinistha award by the state Govt. This area has been popularly known as fertile agriculture zone. He has objection on this project report. He stated that, as soon as the plant will be in operation, all the labors will be procured from out side area and local people will be given jobs to deliver lunch box. He requested to review the project report to know reality and facts. There are tourist places in 15 km area and that is known to you. He stated that, he is opposing the project on the ground that, the employment will be given to only 175 persons against spoiling the future of thousands of agriculturist within the area.

Sanjay Sisode, resident of village Nardana:-

He stated that, There are two types of awards of the state government one Krishi Bhushan and second Shetinistha award. There is a criteria for these awards. The committee reviews all facts

and figures on aspects of work done by candidate like type of available fruit gardens, water availability, modern agriculture tools are used or not, area of irrigated/non irrigated land, availability of tractor, types of crops produced etc. Marks are given for type of agriculture methods used, whether traditional or modern techniques are applied. Data of Study report on agriculture is verified and evaluated by government agriculture officer and Head of Panchayat Samiti of Zila Parishad. They are forwarding their evaluation report to higher offices based on marks. If the marks obtained are not as per the criteria then it is not forwarded to the State Government. He stated that, in the year 1978 he has obtained the degree. At that time, the production of fruits was less in the area. However, fruit production was good during 5 to 6 years. But later on due to the climate condition there was water scarcity in the area, bore wells were dried. Even though he has kept his fruit gardens in good condition in spite of all difficulties. He stated that, he has started program for removal of Gajarghas with all community members. This is my clarification against the remarks made on me.

Shri Nandu Rao Patil, village Gorhane (President MNS Dhule):-

He stated that, he has objection that, wonder cement has given contract for construction of boundary wall to contractor from Bhusawal town and labors were also procured from outside area. Please clarify, how employment will be given to the local people. How many Gram Panchayats were informed by the company about the public hearing. whether meetings have been conducted, banners have been displayed? Whether Gram Sevak has conducted meetings or not? My objection is not that this public hearing is being conducted with few people but many people are not aware about the public hearing.

Hon'ble District Collector: He stated that, he wants to clarify so that, this issue will not be discussed again and again that, wide publicity have not been given for the public hearing. He further clarified that, wide level publicity in news paper was given as per the notification. It is not required to inform each and every person about public hearing. He stated that, he is clarifying this fact because this issue is repeated.

Shri R. U. Patil, Regional Officer, MPCB: He stated that, the earlier person has raised this issue. You have also raised the same issue. This public hearing is conducted as per the EIA Notification 2006. The public notices have been published in Marathi news paper daily Lokmat and English news paper daily Times of India before one month. It is not required to inform every person. Also the EIA, EMP report as well as executive summary have been placed in the Government officers for review to the public.

Shri Nandu Ravan Patil, resident of Village Gorhane:-

Whether meeting has been conducted by all Gram Sevak or not? Otherwise how the people will be informed about the public hearing?

Shri. R. U. Patil, Regional Officer, MPCB:-He informed that it is not necessary.

Shri. Nandu Ravan Patil, resident of Village Gorhane:-

He stated that, he has objection that, public hearing should be conducted with information to all people through banners etc and now the public hearing should be postponed.

Shri Navarkar, Vice President, Khandesh Shiv Sangram resident of village Pimprada:-

Whether people of village Pimprada are aware about public hearing or not? Have you informed all Gram panchayats within 15 km area or not?

Hon'ble District Collector: He stated that, he wants to again clarify that, the same issue should not be repeated. He further stated that he has already checked that, proper publicity has been given and the procedure of the public hearing in the other districts was same as per the procedure of the public hearing in this district also. It is not required to inform everybody and conduct meetings. He stated that, You all are here after reading and getting information about the public hearing. Now this issue shall not be discussed again. Please discuss any other issue.

Shri Navarkar, Vice President, Khandesh Shiv Sangram resident of village Pimprada:-

There is scarcity of water for drinking and agriculture to farmers. We welcome the setting up of this project but what about water Employment will be given to about 200 persons but around thousand farmers will get affected. What is the planning for drinking water? Project authority should inform us about the new technology and method of proposed pollution control measures.

Shri Dattatray Dorik, Ex. Panchayat Samitee member village Varud :-

He stated that, he welcomes Pollution Control Board officers and Hon'ble District Collector. He further stated that, he has not seen or heard regarding the public hearing of Shirpur power plant. He read that, in the presentation it was informed that, dust and ash emission will be 3.5 gm/sec. It is harmful to surrounding environment. Second issue is that, the land is not suitable for agriculture, but on behalf of all farmers He likes to inform that the land, is good for farming. In the Varud and Betawad area, 50 % of the land is useful for semi fruits cultivation. Employment will be given to only 184 persons but there are 284 persons required to work in the plot area of your plant today only. Therefore he is not in favor of the project. He requested to create more jobs for local people. He is not opposing Wonder Cement project, but he requested, that the district authority should take decision carefully.

Shri Sidharth Sanjay Sisode, resident of village Nardana:-

He welcomed Wonder Cement project. He stated that, instead of using chemicals in cooling tower, only organic products should be used, and if the outlet of the discharge is in the river then pollution in river will be less. If organic chemicals are used in various processes then pollution in surrounding environment will be less. We are thankful to Hon'ble Collector Dhule for visiting our place for this public hearing. If you have earlier visited for Shirpur power Plant

then the problem today the people are facing, would have been less. Today the pollution aspect have been discussed. Similarly the issue of employment should be discussed. The presentation in respect of how many jobs will be given to technical persons and non technical and ITI persons should be given.

Hon'ble Collector, Dhule :-

He stated that, this presentation is for proposed project of company. There may be some error in the presentation. You may point out if there are errors, and raise only relevant questions related to projects.

Shri Babanrao Bhamre, resident of village Pimprad:-

He stated that, due to unemployment in this area, the young farmers and their dependents were going to Pune, Mumbai, Surat for employment. Instead of this, employment will be given in this project. The new project coming in this area is now started. There should be solution to pollution issues. He further stated that, he request that, Wonder cement authorities should construct new roads, toilets and drinking water facilities in Jatode and Velahane village area. Action should be taken for prosperity of farmers. Tree plantation should be done in the area where impact of pollution is more. The work of power plant could not be started since last 4 years. No jobs were given to children of local farmers. Again if this project also gets 4 years to start, then again children of farmers will go to Pune, Mumbai and Surat. Hon'ble Collector Dhule will solve all issues if new projects are set up in our area. If people will create problem for small issues then this area will also be similar to the MIDC area of Chalisgaon where many industries have acquired the land however, they have left out due to local problem. Therefore children of farmers in Chalisgaon area are still searching jobs here and there. He further requested that, similar situation should not be occurred in MIDC Nardana. He stated that, in Uttar Pradesh where the project of Bangur cement is located, the district administration have taken decision that the survey in respect of pollution aspect will be conducted within every 10 months. They have taken in writing regarding the survey from industry authority. He further requested the Hon'ble Collector, Dhule to ensure that high technology should be used so that, there will be less pollution problem.

Shri Satyajit Uday Sisode, resident of village Nardana:-

He stated that, after many years new projects are coming. The presentation made was satisfactory. Plant of reputed brand Wonder Cement is coming in this area. If there are hurdles before and after commencement of project, Hon'ble Collector, Dhule will check everything and will make necessary changes in the project. He further stated that, the Company Board directors should passed a resolution that, local people should get jobs. Employment should be given to local people through campus interview process. If capable candidates are not available, then jobs may be given to the candidates from outside area. Company should fulfill all their commitments. He stated that, he welcomed the company and requested that, employment should be given to maximum number of local people.

Shri Kailash Ganpat Shinde, resident of Nardana:-

He stated that, he welcomed Hon'ble Collector, Dhule and new projects coming in the MIDC Nardana area. Our Hon'ble Prime Minister is inviting all industrialists from out side India to set up industry in India. Proposed plant will be coming in MIDC area. Land for the project have been allotted by MIDC. The land is within Government criteria. The Company has mentioned in the project report that, the land is non fertile. However, some farmers are doing farming with water from wells. There will be pollution from the industry in future and dust emission from the industry will have adverse impact on crops and will result in negative health effect on people within 5 to 10 km. area. It is the responsibility of project authorities to make necessary corrections in the project. Another issue is that waste water from the industry will be discharged in the local river near Melane village and the same river will flow through village Varud, finally meets Tapi river. The Tapi river water is stagnated, due to the construction of barrage on the river. The polluted water from local river will discharged in Tapi river and will cause ground and river water pollution of all the wells located on the banks of Tapi river. This will have adverse effect on the health of the people. He further stated that, there will be possibility of asthma problem to the people due to this project, also due to the polluted water of this project the people may have skin disease and knee joint pain problems. Therefore rectification should be carried out in the project. He stated that, the industry authority should carry out plantation on gaothan area and open area as well as on forest land in nearby area.

He further stated that, project proponent should provide the transportation facility for their own purpose. CSR fund of Rs 8 lakhs allocated by the project proponent is less and should be more. He further requested that, job should be given to the educated people as per their qualification.

Shri Sakhram Shimpi, resident of village Varud:-

He stated that, Shri Satyajit Sisode has advised to appoint candidates through campus interview but my opinion is that, talented students will not get jobs. There should not be politics in recruitment. Jobs should be given through competitive exams.

Shri Sanjay Kumar Sisode, resident of village Nardana:-

He stated that, he welcomed Wonder Cement for setting up of project. However, priority should be given to less polluting industries so that, people will not face environmental issues. Khandesh is a cotton growing belt. Textile industry should be set up in the area as raw material is available in the area. So that not a single person will ask job from this project. Small scale industry will also come. He further requested that, the pollution free industries like textile zone and mechanical zone should be set up in the area so that, there will not be any pollution issue. In these projects, ITI and Engineering students will get jobs.

Shri Vijay Prakash Borse, resident of village Velhane:-

He stated that, he welcomed Hon'ble Collector Dhule and Wonder Cement. He further stated that, his village is at a distance of about 1 to 1.5 km from the proposed project site. There is

employment problem in his village. About 70 % of the young people from his village are working in the state of Gujarat. He stated that, he is requesting to give jobs at local level so that, the young people working out of the state will come back.

Shri Younus Fakira Patel, resident of village Jatode:-

He stated that, he don't want to speak against the company. The local people will get the jobs in the said company project. The land bearing survey no. 2 & 3 should be made available to the villagers. This land is required for development and requirement of the community. There is a scarcity of water in the area. In spite of this the compound wall construction works is in progress. As on today water is required to the villagers for drinking. After commencement of the industry the environment will be polluted in future. We will bear it. He further requested that, the land of Gaothan should be kept reserved for the villagers.

Shri Sachin Sonwane, resident of Dhule:-

He stated that, he belongs to the Janhit Nagri Manch organization. This organization is working for the benefits of the people. He further stated that, the development should be done with the help of the community. The development should be without loss to the environment. Otherwise the development will spoil the community in future. He stated that, he has pointed out 12 issues in the EIA report. The first issue is that, the EIA should have been available in Marathi language. The EIA report is in English language only. As per EIA report, there is no tourist place and water bodies within 15 km radius but these features are available in the area. Also the Songir fort is only 7 km away from the project site. The Thalner fort is near by the area. The river Panzara is about 3 to 4 km distance from project site. Therefore we can not trust on the contents of the report. He stated that, the project proponent has applied to the state environmental appraisal committee for Terms of reference. The committee has stipulated certain terms and conditions for the study. It is expected that the survey should be carried out in totality. He further stated that, they have carried out the survey work during 1st Oct to 31st Dec, 2016. However the meeting of the committee was held during 5th Oct to 7th Oct 2016. Therefore it is expected that the survey work should start after 10th Oct 2016. But the project proponent has showed that, the survey has been started since 1st Oct 2016. He stated that, therefore we can not trust the authenticity of the survey work. He stated that, they have carried out enquiry in the vicinity of the project about the survey work carried by the industry. However the villagers, told them that they have not seen anybody conducting the survey work. He further stated that, which survey the project proponent has conducted and where it was conducted. Whether the survey have been carried out or only copy paste of the documents on the computer has been done. This matter should be examined. He further stated that, this is a cement project. In this project, the directions are important. In the report it is mentioned that the Jatoda village is about 1.3 km away from the project site. But the fact is that , the village Jatoda is only at a distance of 100 mtr. What is base for this data. Further he stated that, the location of Betawad village is at a distance of 5.5 km from the site. However the village Betawad is not located at South East direction but it is located at North East Direction. If there are mistakes regarding the directions, then how the project will be established based on wrong information. The directions and accordingly dust pollution are related with each other. This issue should be seriously viewed. He further stated that, it has been mentioned in the report that, no small lakes, small rivers are located within the MIDC area however, they have inspected the area and found that small lakes and rivers are located in the MIDC area. Further he stated that, the topo sheet is enclosed at page no. 10 of the Marathi executive summary. In the said topo sheet the Panzara river, Dongargaon Dam, Jatode Dam are shown within 10 km radius. Also on the page no. 24, land use map and land use cover map is enclosed. In the said map, the Jatode Dam, Dongargaon Dam, Panzara river, the forest land located at west direction of the Mumbai Agra National Highway has been shown. However, these locations are avoided and not shown in the report. All these locations are sensitive locations. This is misleading information. As per the report ash emission is 2.1 gm/sec and dust emission is 1.4 gm/sec. In totality Dust emission will be 3.5 gm/second. He further stated that dust emission problem will be there. There will be continuous sources of noise pollution in the area. He stated that, my 7th point is that, it is mentioned in the report that, the noise pollution will occur due to the continuously operated machines like grinder, compressors, unloading of material from truck into the hopper. This noise pollution should be considered. It is also mentioned at page 31 of the report that, the there will be possibility of adverse effect on the health of the employees of the industry due to noise and dust pollution. Also possibility of health hazard to the workers, working in the crusher unit have been mentioned in the report. It is also mentioned in the report that employment will be available to only 184 persons. However at present employment opportunity is available in agriculture sector in the area which is about ten times of the proposed employment availability in the industry. He further stated that, due to the approval of lift irrigation project in the area, this area will be completely under irrigation. In such circumstances how we welcome the project, when only employment to 150-200 persons will be given. He further stated that, during his visit to Jatode village, he found that about 70 % of the total houses are well constructed. Also it is mentioned in the report that, the socio-economic status of people is satisfactory. This is my 9th point about the information at page no. 30 of the report. He stated that, as per the report, if the socio-economic status of the people is satisfactory then, how the project proponent will give employment to the people. He stated that these people are having their employment, then it means that, the project proponent will procure the labour from out side area. He stated that his point no. 10 is about information mentioned at page no. 6 of the report. It is mentioned in the report that the proposed site of the project is located within rain deficient area. It is also mentioned that the crop pattern in this area is seasonal and water canals are not available in the area. The per capita income of the people is less. He stated that, they have visited the area and found that many agriculturist are lifting water from Tapi river as well as Panzara river. The farmers have made arrangement regarding irrigation from Dongargaon Dam, Jamfal Dam. After completion of the lift irrigation scheme in the area, the area under irrigation will increase. Here the soil is black cotton soil and the crop of Dadar (Jawar) is taken. After completion of this project, the adverse effect on the Dadr (Jawar) crop will takes place. The Shirpur power project is near to the villages Jatode and Waghode. If the cement project is established then existence of these villages will be no more. He further stated that, the wonder cement project should be cancelled to avoid the risk to the agriculture and to save the agriculture profession. He further stated that, demand should be given to the Government to create more and more irrigation facilities in the area. Jobs will be given to only 244 persons which is very less. There will be impact on crop due to dust pollution.

Shri Sham Patel, resident of village Jatode :-

He stated that, the agriculture land of residents of our village Jatode is located at a distance of few feet from the proposed project site. In the presentation of the company it has been informed that the dust emitted will be deposited on the crops and spoil the crops. He further asked that, who will take the responsibility of spoiling the crop. He further stated that, there is a lake for the drinking purpose for animals of our villages. The dust will be deposited on the water of this lake. Who will take this responsibility? The project proponent shall consider these facts and put their project accordingly.

Shri Bhimrao Patil resident of Shirpur:-

He stated that, he welcomed the Wonder Cement Company because this company is world reputed company. Every body is of the opinion that, the project should be constructed. As per information given in the presentation, it is known that dust pollution will be there affecting the process of photo synthesis and accordingly adversely affecting the growth of the crop. This will reduces yield of the crop. It is his objection that due to this the farmers will have financial difficulties. He further stated that, considering the noise pollution from power plant and Wonder cement, he is of opinion that, there is possibility that, more than 50 % of the people residing in the area will have hearing problems. He further stated that, major irrigation projects will be started for Shindkhera Taluka i.e. Jamfal Kenoli project. Due to this project the agriculture area will be under irrigation. The water will be lifted for the Wonder Cement project from the Sulwade barrage. First of all the water of the Sulwade barrage is reserved for agriculture. Secondly it is reserved for drinking purpose and then it is reserved for industrial purpose. He stated that if the cement project have lifted the water from the Sulwade barrage, then what the farmers will do? He further stated that, what is the quantity of required water to the company? Whether the industry will take water from MIDC or making their own arrangement of lifting the water directly from Tapi river through pipeline, as per provision made by power plant? The company should clarify that, whether they are purchasing water from MIDC or without purchasing the water from MIDC, they are lifting water reserved for agriculture.

Shri Dilip Patil, Ex-Speaker Panchayat Samiti, Shindkheda, resident of village Malich:

He stated that, he welcomed Wonder Cement. Since 25 years, efforts have been taken to develop the MIDC area. He welcomed that, this project will be established in the MIDC area, Nardana. He further stated that, they have conducted agitation at the established project. The employment is not given to the local people. Priority should be given to the local people for employment. The work should be given to those farmers who have lost their agriculture land. He further requested that, Hon'ble Collector, Dhule should look into the matter. Secondly employment was not given to local people in power plant. He further stated that, they are giving

priority to the cement company. They will solve the problems in the area by mutual understanding.

Shri Harish Patel, resident of village Jatoda:-

He stated that, the compensation has not been given to farmers whose agriculture land has been acquired. In spite of this, work is going on this land. Therefore, first of all compensation should be given to farmers then only the work of the company should be started.

Shri Amit Patel, resident of village Jatoda:-

He stated that, 60 % of land of Jatoda village was allotted to Shirpur power plant, but job is given to one person of this village. When MIDC has acquired the land, it has been mentioned that employment will be given to the children of every farmer. But only one person from my village is working in that big power plant. This Wonder Cement project, will be about 50 feet distance from village. Only 2 to 4 people will be employed in this company. Employment should be given to the local people.

Clarification given by the representative on and on behalf of the project proponent :-

He gave thanks to the people that, most of the villagers have not opposed the project. He stated that, Wonder Cement company will ensure and comply all the rules/ guidelines given by Hon'ble Collector, Dhule regarding compensation to be given for the infertility of the agriculture land. He stated that, as per the satellite map shown in the presentation maximum land shown is agriculture land. Only those land covered under MIDC area will have been shown under non agriculture land. This satellite map shown is authentic map. He further stated that, Shri Dinesh Patil told that this public hearing is not publicized widely. In this regard, the Regional Officer, MPCB has already clarification on it. Regarding the issue of employment to the local people, he clarified that, direct employment is proposed to 231 people. As per todays situation, initially indirect employment will be given to the 100 people. In this way employment will be proposed to about 331 people either directly or indirectly. As and when, the project starts employment will be proposed to increase up to 1000 persons. He further stated that, one person from Pimprad village told that no body from the Pimprad village is aware about public hearing. In this respect, the Regional Officer MPCB have already clarified on it. This cement industry is proposed in MIDC area, therefore the ELP Scheme is mentioned, in the agreement done by MIDC and the industry. ELP means Employment to Local People Scheme. He further stated that, every year the industry have to submit the affidavit and details about employment to The Director of Industries Department and MIDC. Therefore, giving employment to the local people is legally binding to the industry. Secondly the industry have to run their plant long ago therefore, they have to keep good relations with the people in the area. Without the good relations, the project will not start. He further stated that, in respect of campus interview issue, he wants to clarify that, as per the requirement of the employment, we will give advertisement in the local news paper as well as we will put up the advertisement regarding employment in the Gram panchayat offices so that the people may apply accordingly. He further stated that, they have made

proposed provisions under CSR activities in respect of road construction, water supply ,Toilets etc. This is the proposed budgetary provision and it may increase as per requirement. Also legally the company has to do expenditure of 2% of company profit towards CSR activities. He further stated that, one person asked a question regarding polluted water storage and disposal of the same in nearby nala. In this regards, he wants to clarify that this project is proposed by using latest machinery and technology. In this project, there is no generation of waste water/effluent. This is zero discharge project. Therefore there is no possibility of discharge of polluted water in the nearby water bodies. He further stated that, they are covering the aspect of water scarcity in the CSR activities. In this regard the company administration will talk with the local Gram panchayat to incorporate this issue in the CSR activities. The MIDC has already acquired the land. The company has already deposited development charges as well as revenue charges to MIDC. Hon'ble District Collector and MIDC will think over it. He further stated regarding the Songir Fort, he wants to clarify that, this fort is not incorporated in the notified list of Archaeology Department. Therefore as per the EIA Notification, it is not binding to us to incorporate it in our report. The forest area is there but it is not a reserve forest. The Dongargaon and Jamfal water reservoir are there but we have to cover information of only 8 water bodies as per EIA Notification 2006. However, we covered three surface water sources and eight ground water sources to monitor the water quality. He further stated that some body has raised the issue, that the meeting for this project was started on 5th of Oct 2016 and monitoring has been carried out since 1st Oct 2016. In this regard, he clarified that earlier the project was proposed at village Hol, Taluka Shindkheda. The location was shifted from village Hol to Nardana MIDC industrial area only to avoid use of agriculture land. Project also has a benefit of using fly ash generated from Shirpur Power plant, located in MIDC Nardana area adjacent to our site. This will reduce impact of transportation of fly ash from power plant to the grinding plant. Also we have given the information in 136th SEAC meeting about commencement of monitoring activities since 1st Oct 2016. He further stated that, dust of concentration of $8.51 \times 10^{-6} \, \text{gm/m/sec}$ is proposed. The proposed increase in dust concentration in ambient air quality will be only 3 micro gm/m3. The proposed machinery will be having in built noise pollution control measures, because the machinery required for cement plant is of modern technology. Therefore no noise pollution will be generated. He further stated that, dust generated from the crusher will have adverse effects, however it is a part of risk and hazard. In this respect we have given information of proposed measures on page no 117. Regarding the water requirement, he wants to clarify that the water will be purchased from MIDC. He stated that these are my clarifications regarding the objections raised by the people present in the public hearing.

Shri Younus Fakira Patel, resident of village Jatode:-

He stated that, our Jatode village is about 50 mtr distance from the proposed project site.

Hon'ble Distrcit Collector:-

He stated that, his comment will be covered in the minutes of public hearing proceedings. If he has observed some mistakes in the report, then the same should be brought to the notice of project proponent for necessary corrections.

Shri Younus Fakira Patel, resident of village Jatode:-

He stated that, our village is about 50 feet distance from the project site, not at a distance of 50 mtr.

Hon'ble Distrcit Collector:-

He stated that, the village is about 50 feet distance from the proposed site, this should be recorded in the proceedings of the public hearing. He further stated that, those issues that have already been discussed should not be repeated. If any body wants to raise some new issues he will not be able to raise the new issues. He appealed the people that new issues should be discussed.

Shri Navarkar, Vice President, Khandesh Shiv Sangram village Pimprada:-

He stated that, company representative has already told that the committee had agreed that, ash will be generated, smoke/dust will be emitted. In this circumstances what the farmers will do. Also what the villagers residing within 15 km area will do.

Clarification given by the representative on and on behalf of the project proponent :-

He stated that, the ash generated at Shirpur Power Plant is waste material for them. This ash will be transported somewhere by the road. Due to the transportation, dust emission will occur. Therefore he has told that the ash will be utilized at the same location and the same will be packed and will be sent out side so that, on the road and at other places no adverse effects will occur. Therefore for utilization of ash, these measures were recommended at the same location. The raw material clinker will be transported by way of railway. Also the ash is available nearby the location. Gypsum will be utilized in a very small quantity. Maximum 6 to 7 trucks will be required for it. These trucks will be covered completely. Therefore the adverse effect of dust will not occur.

Shri Navarkar, Vice President, Khandesh Shiv Sangram village Pimprada:-

The skilled and unskilled labor should be employed by keeping proper balance. He further requested that, Hon'ble District Collector should look into the matter.

Shri Bhimrao Ramrao Aakhade resident of village Pimprad:-

He stated that, if adverse effects on the health of the people will occur then, precautionary measures should be taken by the administration. He requested that, the administration should carry out health check up of the people every two years.

Shri Jayraman Mahale, resident of village Jatoda:-

He stated that , his agriculture land of Alu leaves, is about 100 feet distance from the proposed project site. At present there is movement of tankers on the road. Due to the dust, the leaves of the Alu has been destroyed.

Shri Satish Chorardia, resident of village Nardana, Correspondent Lokmat Newspaper:-

He stated that, he has heard the opinion of all the people. There is less rainfall in this region since last three years. Therefore the yield of the crop is less. Farmers are not getting good price for their agricultural crops. Therefore the young generation is in trouble. In such circumstances, now in this region the industries are coming. Business environment is also not good, farmers are also in trouble. Also the young generation is in trouble. In the coming season, the yield of the farmers will be less. As per the information given by the representative of the Wonder cement company the employment will be given to about 184 people. But not only 184 people will get jobs, others will also get indirect jobs. Apart from the cement company, many business man will also get business/income. In this region due to the coming of the industries, jobs will be available. He further stated that, He is requesting the company to provide employment to the local people. Due to this project, cutting of trees will be there. Therefore tree plantation should be carried out on both sides of transportation roads. Also the trees should be protected. So that , the balance in the environment will be maintained.

The convener of the public hearing has stated that suggestions and opinions of all participants have been recorded and included in the minutes of the public hearing. He further stated that he is thankful to Hon'ble District Collector and all participants. He declared the completion of the public hearing.

(S. D. Patil)

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