

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR EXPANSION OF MS TMT BARS FROM 77.0 MTD TO 1,000 MTD AND NEW PRODUCTION OF BILLETS – 1,000.0 MTD PROPOSED BY M/S GANRAJ ISPAT PVT. LTD., PLOT NO.A-3, MIDC SUPA, VILLAGE - SUPA, TALUKA-PARNER, DIST- AHMEDNAGAR, MAHARASHTRA**

The public hearing for expansion of MS TMT Bars from 77.0 MTD to 1,000 MTD and New Production of Billets – 1,000.0 MTD proposed by M/s Ganraj Ispat Pvt. Ltd., Plot No.A-3, MIDC Supa, Village-Supa, Taluka – Parner, Dist – Ahmednagar, Maharashtra was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at 11.00 a.m. the site of the said industry.

Following were the panel members as per Board's Office Order No. E-89 of 2018 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B-3832....., dated 16/10/2018 :-

- 1) Shri Prashant Patil, - Chairman,  
Addl. Divisional Magistrate, Ahmednagar  
(Representative of District Magistrate, Ahmednagar)
- 2) Shri P. M. Joshi - Member  
Regional Officer, MPCB  
Nashik  
(representative of MPCB, Mumbai)
- 3) Shri Ajit V. Patil, - Convener  
Sub Regional Officer,  
MPCB, Ahmednagar

Shri Ajit Patil, Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing committee, company officials and public who were present in large number and informed that as per the EIA Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of

India, (i.e. MoEFCC, Gol) dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 as amended on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior public consultation to certain projects which are covered in the Schedule of the said Notification . The Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Ahmednagar was in receipt of application of M/s Ganraj Ispat Pvt. Ltd., Plot No.A-3, MIDC Supa, Village-Supa, Taluka – Parner, Dist – Ahmednagar, Maharashtra, for their expansion of MS TMT Bars from 77.0 MTD to 1,000 MTD and New Production of Billets – 1,000.0 MTD in the existing premises of unit only. The Convener further informed that, as per EIA Notification, 2006, the project falls under Category “B1” 3 (a).

Convener of the meeting further informed that the aim of conducting prior public consultation is to make aware, local people who can be participant in the process and they should know the developmental activities and environment management plan of the unit. The project proponent had submitted prescribed application alongwith pre-feasibility report to the State Environment Appraisal Committee-I, Mumbai and SEAC-I approved the same in its 147<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 and standard ToR as specified by MOEFCC.

As per said Notification, 30 days’ advance public notice was published in the local newspapers in Daily Lokmat for Marathi and in national newspaper The Times of India in English on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2018.

He informed that a copy of EIA report and executive summery were made available at various offices of government i.e. Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Western Zone Office, Nagpur; District Magistrate

Office, Ahmednagar; Additional District Magistrate, Ahmednagar; Zilla Parishad, Ahmednagar; District Industries Centre, Ahmednagar; Tahsil Office-Parner, Dist, Ahmednagar; Grampanchayat office at Supa, Tal-Parner, Dist- Ahmednagar, at Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Ahmednagar; Regional Office, MPCB, Nashik; Head Office of MPCB at Mumbai, Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai and on the website of MPCB. The public in general were appealed to send any objection / suggestion regarding the above project. The Convener further informed that not a single objection against the project is received. He appealed Chairman of the Committee to allow to start the proceedings.

Shri Prashant Patil , Chairman of Committee welcomed all and informed officials of the project proponent to explain the details of pollution control devices and environment management plan of the project in local language Marathi. He also appealed general public to give objection / suggestion if any about the project after their technical presentation.

The Environment Consultant appointed by the company has gave the presentation of the expansion project and Environment Management Plan in detail.

Shri P. M. Joshi, Member of the Public Hearing Committee and Regional Officer, MPCB, Nashik while objecting the information given in the presentation asked about the details of monitoring carried by the project consultant. He asked in how many villages the monitoring is carried? What are the norms of the particular sampling spot. Member, Public Hearing Committee also asked Project Proponent to mention Day Time and Night Time findings for noise pollution.

Shri P. M. Joshi, Member of the Public Hearing Committee further objected for the sewage quantity shown in the presentation. He said that it is shown that after expansion, there will need of 590 souls/personnels. But the domestic effluent/sewage is shown just 6.0 M3. He asked to make corrections in the above in Final EIA report. Member, Public Hearing Committee further objected that ToR is sanctioned in 2017, but nothing is done regarding green belt development till todate. There is no saplings at the entrance. He directed the project proponent to give Action Plan for Green Belt Development. He further asked about the details of rain water storage. Shri Joshi, further objected and questioned the project proponent why the private school is given furniture by the project proponent? It could have be given to government school.

The Public Hearing Committee appealed general public to raise any objection or give suggestion regarding the proposed expansion of the project.

**FOLLOWINGS HAVE PARTICIPATED DURING THE DISCUSSIONS, QUESTIONS AND ANSWER GIVEN BY PROJECT PROPONENT /PROJECT CONSULTANT / PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE :-**

**1. Shri Amol Mokate, resident of Supa village, Dist-A'nagar :-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	How project proponent will control the air pollution which will be created during the process	Project Proponent informed that scrubber will be fitted in air pollution control equipment. The dust extraction system will be installed, which will have 45 Mtrs height of chimney.

**2. Shri Sandip Magar, resident of Wakhande Kurd, Dist-A'nagar :-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	He said that due to this project, there should not be any threat to the environment. The project proponent should follow the Environmental Rules. He remarked that under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Fund, the project proponent should spend certain amount for skill development and for providing medical facilities in the project affected area and surrounding areas. The local people should be given priority for job opportunities.	<p>1) Shri P.M. Joshi, Member, Public Hearing Committee while asking Project Proponent to give answer informed that it is mandatory to project proponent to spend 2% of profit in each financial year under Corporate Social Responsibility Fund for the various social welfare schemes in the area.</p> <p>2) The Project Proponent informed that they are committed to follow Environmental Laws;</p> <p>3) The Project Proponent informed that under Corporate Social Responsibility Fund, the project proponent is carrying various social welfare activities. Certain fund is made available to local school.</p>

**3. Shri Bhausaheb Gavali, Dy.Sarpanch, Apdhup village, Dist-A'nagar :-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	He informed that there is lake in the village, which is called Apdhup Lake. It provides drinking water to all villagers. Due to sewage and trade effluent of the project, there should not be any water pollution of the lake as lake is drinking water source.	<p>1) The Project Proponent informed that Effluent Treatment Plant will be provided in the plant. The slag waste will be treated in the project premises only. Hence there will not be any water pollution.</p> <p>2) As promised, the green belt of 33% will be developed.</p>

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**4. Shri Sanchit Magar, resident of -----, Dist-A'nagar:-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	He said that which social welfare schemes are undertaken by the project proponent and which social welfare schemes have been have been planned after proposed expansion. He further suggested that local people should be given priority in job opportunities.	The project proponent informed that under Corporate Social Responsibility Fund (CSR Fund), various social activities are carried in local areas only. On 26 <sup>th</sup> January, the sweets were distributed to a local school. Also certain fund is made available to local school.

**5. Shri Jaydeep Fand, resident of Baburni village, Dist-A'nagar:-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	He suggested that the project proponent under Corporate Social Responsibility Fund, make available certain fund to local education institutions so as to make educated the local students. If it is not possible, the fund should be made available to local NGOs who are working in the education fields. Funds can also be made available to local schools also.	The Project Proponent informed that local people residing in the 10 k.m. radius will be given priority in job opportunities.

**6) Shri Rajendra Magar, resident of Waghunde, Dist-A'nagar:-**

Sr.No.	Issue/Question Raised	Comments/Commitments made by Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee
1	He informed that there is garden, which is now totally destroyed. The project proponent now promises for pollution control. But if the pollution control devices	Member of the Public Hearing Committee informed that MPCB do keep vigil. The periodical inspection and visits are carried as per the directives. The action against the polluters is taken as per the Law.

	develops problems, then the incidences of pollution will happen. If the pollution happens, who will be responsible?	
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Shri Pravin Joshi, Member of the Public Hearing Committee informed that certain specific conditions have been specified by the SEAC in 2017 to project proponent regarding green belt development. It is observed that nothing is done. There are no saplings at parking lot. Hence project proponent should give Action Plan regarding Green Belt Development.

The Project Proponent informed that they are committed for the green development and 33% green belt development of the total plot will be carried within three months. The green belt/sapling programme will be carried near the parking slot also.

He said that Onsite Disaster Management Plan, Lightening Arrestors, Risk Management Plan will be made. The structural certificate will be gained within three months.

The Project Proponent further informed that a local doctor is on the pay-roll of the industry. The medical help is taken as required. One vehicle is exclusively reserved to take the casualties to the local hospital. It will be converted into ambulance.

Shri P. M. Joshi, Member of the Public Hearing Committee expressed the opinion that in the presentation, the CSR Fund is shown for proposed project, but project proponent informs about the amount spent under CSR Fund. He

appealed the local people to raise any objection or suggestion regarding the environmental angle of the project.

Member of the Public Hearing Committee further asked Project Proponent to take care of primary and secondary devices should be installed. It is directed that Project Proponent should take utmost care while secondary emissions will be produced.

The Public Hearing Committee appealed public to raise any objections or suggestions regarding pollution problems and environment management plan for the expansion of the proposed project. As there were no further questions, Member of the Public Hearing Committee informed that as per the EIA Notification 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, prior public consultation is mandatory to certain projects while obtaining Environmental Clearance. The suggestions and objections raised during the meeting will be included in the minutes of the meeting alongwith final EIA report which will be submitted to the Expert Committee of Environment Department, Gov. of Maharashtra, Mumbai. The Expert Committee will take further decision for the project.



Member of the Public Hearing Committee on behalf of Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee declared that the Public Hearing Meeting is concluded.

The meeting ended extending thanks to the Chair.



**(Ajit V. Patil )**

Convener of the Public Hearing Committee

and

Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Ahmednagar



**(P. M. Joshi )**

Member of the Public Hearing Committee

and

Regional Officer, MPCB, Nashik



**(Prashant Patil)**

Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee  
and

Additional District Magistrate, Ahmednagar,  
Dist-Ahmednagar