MINUES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSEI) EXPANSION IN PRODUCTION CAPACITY OF M.S. BILLETS FROM 23,100 TPA TO 1,45,200 TPA, TMT BARS/FINISHED PRODUCTS FROM 60,000 TPA TO 1,44,000 TPA, M.S.PIPES FROM 30,000 TPA TO 96,000 TPA AT M/S.DIWANKA ENERGY PRIVAT LIMITED, PLOT NOS. 149, 150, 151 VILLAGE LAPKA, TAHSII MOUDA, DIST-NAGPUR.

Environmental Public Hearing in respect of proposed expansion in production capacity of M.S.Billets from 23,100 TPA to 1,45,200 TPA, TMT Bars/finished products from 60,000 TPA to 1,44,000 TPA, M.S.Pipes from 30,000 TPA to 96,000 at M/s. Diwanka Energy Private Limited, Plot No. 149, 150, 151, Village-Lapka, Tah-Mouda, Dist-Nagpur under the Chairmanship of Shri. Ravindra Khajanji, Additional District Magistrate (A representative nominated by the District Collector, Nagpur) Shri. Rahul Wankhede, Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Nagpur was the member of he public hearing panel and Shri. Kiran Hasabnis, Sub-Regional Officer-II. M.P.C.Board, Nagpur act as a convener. The Public Hearing started at 11.00 A.M. on 18/05/2018 with the permission of the Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel Attendance of the people present during the Public Hearing is attached as Annexure-I.

BACKGROUND:

The Iron & Steel industry is one of the most important industries in India. During 2014 through 2015, India was the third largest producer of raw steel and the largest producer of sponge iron in the world. The industry produced 91.46 million tons of total finished steel and 9.7 million tons of pig iron. Most iron and steel in India is produced from iron ore. In 2014-2015, production for sale of total finished steel (alloy + non-alloy) was 91.46 Million Tonnes, a growth of 4.3% over 2013-2014. Production for sale of Pig Iron in 2014-2015 was 9.7 million tones, a growth of 22% over 2013-2014. India is the largest producer of sponge iron in the world with the coal-based route accounting for 90% of total sponge iron production in the country.

Diwanka Group is in involved in the business of Trading & Manufacturing of Iron & Steel Products from past two decades. Shri.Rajkumar Diwanka and Shri. Priyank Diwanka are promoters of the Group.

M/s. Diwanka Energy Pvt. Ltd. Has been promoted by well established entrepreneur namely Shri.Rajkumar Diwanka and Shri. Priyank Diwanka and successfully handling manufacturing activities of TMT rebar processing. Industrial refectories and trading in iron and steel products since last 20 years.

M/s. Diwanka Energy Pvt. Ltd. has proposed to expand the production capacity of M.S.Billets from 23,100 TPA to 1,45,200 TPA, TMT Bars/finished products from 60,000 TPA to 1,44,000 TPA, M.S.Pipes from 30,000 TPA to 96,000 at Plot No. 149, 150, 151, Village-Lapka, Tah-Mouda, Dist-Nagpur

PURPOSE OF PROCEDURE:

With the permission of Chairman of Public Hearing the Sub-Regional Officer-II, MPCB, Nagpur has started Public Hearing by welcoming the Chairman and Member of the public hearing pane, local citizens from the village and others present.

Chairman of the Public Hearing Pane stated that, this Public Hearing is for recording the views/objects/suggestions of the participants regarding the project. The same will be communicated to the Government. He also clarified that this pane is not here to take decision for accordance of any approval to the project. He then appealed the participants to express their views.

Sub-Regional Officer-II, MPCB, Nagpur explained the purpose of conducting this public hearing that as per MoEF, GOI Notification SO 60 (E) of 27th January, 1994 and amended on 14th September, 2006. The notices for the public hearing was published in two local widely circulated news papers i.e. the 'Hitavada' (English) and 'Sakal' (Marathi) on 14/04/2018 Copies of the same are enclosed as **Annexure-II**. Copies of the executive summary / EIA containing salient features of the project & EIA both in English and in Marathi and other information/documents were made available to the public by making these documents available in various Govt. offices as well as local Gram Panchayat as per MoEF GOI Notification. Suggestions, Comments and objections of the public were called in writing til before the date of Publi Hearing from the publication of the notice. The public hearing panel was constituted vide MPC Board Office Order No. E-34/2018 vide letter No. BO/JD(WPC)/PH/B-1868 dtd. 14/05/2018 Copy of the same is enclosed as **Annexure-III**.

Thereafter, Sub-Regional Officer-II, Nagpur and Convener requested the project proponent to give their detail presentation about the project and the Environmental issues related with it. Accordingly, representative of the project proponent gave detailed power point presentation of the project in local language as under:

He has given information regarding project undertake by M/s. Diwanka Energy Private Limited, deposit has proposed expansion in production capacity of M.S.Billets from 23,100 TPA to 1,45,200 TPA, TMT Bars/finished products from 60,000 TPA to 1,44,000 TPA, M.S.Pipes from 30,000 TPA to 96,000 in the Plot No. 149, 150, 151, Village-Lapka, Tah-Mouda, Dist-Nagpur. He further explained regarding project location, benefits of proposed project, proposed facilities, fire fitting, process description, and description of environment and identification of anticipated impact, Land environment, climate and meteorology, Air environment, water consumption, biological environment, socio-economic environment, impact on local infrastructure, environment management plan, air emission, preventive maintenance / inspection.

PROCEDDINGS:

- 1. Shri. Ghanshyam Thakre, Ex. Sarpanch, G.P. Lapka
 - He welcome the project proponent for their new project.
 - Project proponent shall take due care so that there should not be any pollution problem.
 - Project proponent shall give employment to local people.

2. Shri. Sanjaykumar Yadav

 Project proponent shall take due care so that there should not be any pollution problem.

3. Shri. Madhukar Ramteke, Lapka

- Project proponent shall carryout tree plantation program under CSP fund.
- Project proponent shall conduct skill development program for local people and give employment to them.
- Project proponent shall construct reading room for school children and start school upto 7th standards.

4. Smt. Mirza Beg, Jawaharnagar

 Project proponent shall take due care of pollution so that there should not be any problems to local peoples.

PROJECT PROPONENT:

 He assured that Rs. 30 Lakhs kept under CSR for development of local villages and the suggestions made by local people during hearing.

The authority of the project proponent congratulate the people present in he hearing for their valid suggestions and questions arises in the hearing and submitted their submission w.r.t. the questions and suggestions as below;

Shri. Rahul Wankhede, Member of the panel (Regional Officer, M.P.C.B. Nagpur)

Representative of the project proponent has given full information regarding project i.e. Water, Air & Green belt, their benefits, impact and management and also provide information w.r.t. on and off site disaster management plan. Project proponent give shall details utilization of CSR fund in consultation with local villages. During this public hearing 04 no. of objection/suggestion was received and which will be sent to Government.

Shri. Ravindra Khajanji, Chairman, Public Hearing Pane (Additional District Magistrate, Nagpur).

He said in the concluding speech that, people present in the public hearing expressed their views/opinion. The project proponent has given explanation w.r.t. the point raised by people present in the public hearing. He suggested that project proponent shall utilizes there CSR fund in consultation with local villages. Project proponent shall give employment to local villages by conducting skill development program for local people. The public hearing is completed in friendly atmosphere some good points are come out i.e. provision of roads, school bus for children's and provisions of Air Pollution control devices etc. project proponent also present their views and time bound program regarding question raised in the public hearing. Thus, he decided the public hearing is ended.

(Kiran Hasabnis)
Sub-Regional Officer-II,
MPC Board, Nagpur &
Convener of the Public
Hearing Panel

(Raylu Warkhede) Regional Officer, MPC Board, Nagpur & Member of the Public Hearing Panel

(Ravindra Khajanji)
Additional District Magistrate,
Nagpur & Chairman of the
Public Hearing Panel