

## MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED PROJECT FOR EXISTING THREE ADDITIONAL ABOVE GROUND TANKS FOR THE STORAGE CAPACITY OF 1 X 2984 KL MS (FLOATING ROOF TYPE VERTICAL TANK) 1 x 4160 KL HSD (CONE ROOF TYPE) & 1 X 50 KL ETHANOL (HORIZONTAL ABOVE GROUND) PROPOSED BY M/S INDIAN OIL CORPORATION PUNE TERMINAL, LONI KALBHOR, TAL-HAVELI, DIST – PUNE, MAHARASHTRA**

An Environmental Public Hearing for proposed project for existing Three Additional Above Ground Tanks for the Storage Capacity of 1 X 2984 KL MS (Floating Roof Type Vertical Tank) 1 X 4160 KL HSD (Cone Roof Type) & 1 X 50 KL Ethanol (Horizontal Above Ground) proposed by M/s Indian Oil Corporation Pune Terminal, Loni Kalbhor, Tal – Haveli, Dist – Pune Maharashtra, a Govt. of India Undertaking (Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas)), was conducted on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 at 11.00 a.m. on the project site.

Following were the panel members as per Board's Office Order No.E-68 of 2018 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B -3215, dated 27-08-2018 :-

- 1) Shri Jayashree Katare, - **Chairman,**  
Additional District Magistrate - Pune  
(Representative of District Magistrate,  
Pune)
- 2) Dr. H. D.Gandhe, - **Member,**  
I/C, Regional Officer, **Convener**  
MPCB, Pune

Dr. H. D. Gandhe, I/c Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune and Member, Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed all 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, GoI) dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 as amended on 1st December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior

public consultation to certain projects which are covered in the schedule of the said Notification. M.P.C. Board has received proposal from M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., a Govt. of India Undertaking (MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS) for proposed project for existing Three Additional Above Ground Tanks for the Storage Capacity of 1 X 2984 KL MS (Floating Roof Type Vertical Tank) 1 X 4160 KL HSD (Cone Roof Type) & 1 X 50 KL Ethanol (Horizontal Above Ground) proposed by M/s Indian Oil Corporation Pune Terminal, Loni Kalbhor, Tal – Haveli, Dist – Pune Maharashtra.

He informed that as per EIA Notification, 2006, the proposed project activities falls under Category 'A' Schedule No. 6 (b) [Isolated Storage & Handling of Hazardous Chemicals], which requires Environment Clearance before commencing the project for which prior public consultation is mandatory. Member, Convener further informed that the project proponent applied online for ToR which is granted by the MoEFCC, Gol in its 4<sup>th</sup> EAC meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. The ToR is approved on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.

Member, Convener of the public hearing further informed that the aim of conducting public hearing is to make aware local people who can be participant in the hearing and they should know the developmental activities and environment management plan of the unit.

He further informed that as per said Notification, one month in advance public notice was published in the newspapers in Daily 'Loksatta' for Marathi and in 'The Indian Express' for English on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018. The copies of EIA report and Executive Summery were made available at various notified offices of Government viz Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India (MoEFCC, Gol), Zonal Office, Western-Central Division, New Sachivalaya Building, Ground Floor, Eastern Block, Civil Lines, Nagpur – 440 001, District Magistrate Office, Pune; Zilla Parishad, Pune; District Industries Centre, Pune; Sub Divisional Office, Haveli, Dist-Pune; Grampanchayat offices at Loni Kalbhor, Kadam-Wak Vasti, Tal-Haveli, Dist-Pune; Sub Regional Office, Pune-II, MPCB, Pune; Regional Office, MPCB, Pune; Head Office of MPCB at Mumbai; Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai and on website of MPCB. It was appealed to send any objections / suggestions regarding the project. The Member, Convener further informed that not a single written objection is received by the M.P.C.

Board. He appealed Chairman of the Committee to start the proceedings.

Ms. Jayashree Katare, Additional District Magistrate, Pune and Chairman of Public Hearing Committee welcomed all and informed officials of the project to explain the details of pollution control devices and environment management plan of the project in local language Marathi. She 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.

After the presentations, Public Hearing Committee appealed all to give their suggestions or objections regarding the Environment Management Plan of the proposed expansion of the project.

**Details of Questions & Querries raised by the public and answers given by project proponent/ project consultant/Public Hearing Committee is summarized as below :-**

**1. Shri Kunal Arvind Kalbhor, resident of Kadam Wak Vasti, Dist-Pune:-**

He informed that the project started since 1992. It is promised by the project proponent that within three years, project affected persons will be job opportunities. After lapse of 25 years, nothing is done.

The Public Hearing Committee informed that the objection is noted.

**2) Shri Gurudev Krishnanath Jadhav, resident of Kadam Wakvasti, Dist-Pune :-**

Since the inception of project since last 18-20 years, this is the first time that the project proponent is having open dialogue with local people. He said due to these projects i.e. IOL, HPCL, BPCL, the population of the Kadam Wak Vasti have increased to 40,000-45,000. But nothing is done by the project proponent for the project affected area under CSR Fund. Due to increase in population and urbanization, civic system is collapsed. There is no scientific treatment and disposal of Municipal Solid Waste. The project proponent

should take social responsibility for the same. He further said that domestic effluent overflows through the nalla, as drainage pipes were fitted last 20 years for meager population. The tankers which comes here to filling the petroleum products do stand anywhere on the roads , due to which there are road accidents. He informed that municipal waste is thrown into Mula Mutha river from Pune to Yewat.

3) **Shri Subhash Narsing Kalbhor, Resident of Kadam Wak Vasti, Dist – Pune**

He informed that he is land looser. The project officials promised before the Guardian Minister of Pune, Divisional Commissioner and District Collector, Pune to support financially in civic amenities and social welfare schemes. But nothing is done. Most of the places, the drainage lines chokes. The Project Proponent has not built roads at adjacent both sides of wall. They have not provided any financial help for drinking water scheme. The project proponent made promises to give jobs. There were 09 persons. Only 04 persons were given job opportunities. Five persons are still on waiting list since last 20 years. The TDS of the well water is 900-1200 mg/l. Nearly 200-300 tankers do stand on the road every day which comes here for refilling petroleum products. Comparing to Pune, the area of project vicinity observed hotter, as it is discussed that there may be vaporization of petroleum products. If project proponent would have developed green belt around the factory, this would not have happened. The sons/daughters of soil who have given their land should be given petty contracts of the project. The Lower Court has given Judgment in favour of local farmers for compensation. But the project proponent appeared before the High Court.

He further informed that Hindustan Petroleum Corporation has given compensation through whose agriculture fields the pipeline of carrying petroleum products passes. They were 32 persons. But here IOCL after acquiring the total plot for the project has not paid the compensation.

4) **Shri Uday Sudam Kalbhor, resident of Kadam Wak Vasti, Dist-Pune :-**

On behalf of Shri Uday Kalbhor, who was not able to speak to his accidental physical problem, his brother informed that since 1992, his brother's name is in the waiting list. He is not able to earn his daily bread due to his physical condition. He should be given job opportunity on humanitarian ground.

The brother of Shri Uday Kalbhor informed that before the Hon'ble District Magistrate, Pune, the project proponent do agree to give some project contract to local people, but nothing is done. It is observed that around the project site, the temperature rises more than the normal rise in the area. Also the rain fall is observed less than. There is water pollution around the project site and Kadam Wak Vasti is most affected. The request is made several times for providing filtration plant to the project proponent. Nothing is done. If there would have been any mishap, Kadam Wak Vasti will be totally devastated. Hence, Public Insurance Scheme should be made applicable to the project affected area. He further informed that oily scum/layer was observed several times on the drinking water sources.

The local people have given their request letter for the street lights to the project proponent and management is ready to co-operate for the same. But it should be materialized at the earliest.

5) **Professor D. N. Kalbhor, resident of Kadamwak vasti, Dist-Pune –**

He informed the problems faced by Grampanchayat and local people. The land acquisition is carried for the project. But the local people have been deprived from the promises. Neither job opportunities in the project, nor contract is given to land losers. It is informed in the presentation that there is no smell to the river water Mula and Mutha. But local people are observing that there is smell to the river water. The project proponent does carry periodical medical health checkups of their employees. The scheme be made applicable to Kadam Wak Vasti and other projected affected area.

Professor D. N. Kalbhor further objected about the non-use of ear-marked amount from CER Fund i.e. Corporate Environment Responsibility Fund (previously called as Corporate Social Responsibility Fund). There are various Non-Agriculture Reserved plots in the nearby villages. They have been reserved for gardens. If the plots are developed for green belt/gardens by the project proponent, it will change the scenario of the villages.

6) **Shri Nivrutti Kalbhor, local resident of Kadamwak vasti, Dist-Pune -**

He informed that he is land looser. He used to grow guava fruit vegetation in his agriculture field. The local people have been cheated and not paid reasonable compensation. The tall promises proved futile.

Shri Nivrutti Kalbhor further suggested that the proposed construction of tanks in the project should not be towards the side of Bastis/residential areas, but should be built at the other side. He informed that project affected persons have not been given job opportunities. There were 11 needy persons. Only five persons got the job. While developing the project, the trees were cut on the project. No compensation is given for it.

7) **Shri Shivaji Kalbhor, resident of Kadamwak vasti, Dist-Pune-**

He informed that he is land looser. The main Iron Gate is built in his agriculture land and wall is built at backside. The project proponent left 15 feet space, but as promised has not built the road. Hence he cannot go in his agriculture field.

Shri Shivaji Kalbhor further informed that most of the project affected persons have been kept on waiting list for the job more than 20 years. Now they have age barred. How they will get the job opportunities in the project?

8) **Shri Chitaranjan Trimbak Gaikwad, resident of Kadam Wak Vasti, Dist-Pune -**

He informed that the project is running since last 25 years. The project is running in the area of Kadam Wak Vasti area and not in Loni Kalbhor area. If at all there is mishap, the

threat is to Kadam Wak Vasti. Hence ear-marked amount from Corporate Environment Responsibility Fund i.e. CER should be spend on various social welfare schemes. Moreover, additional amount should be spent to cover the back log.

He further informed that the Grampanchayat officials have measured the proposed tanks, which will be commissioned in the project. It was informed by the project proponent that the tanks will be rotated and there no provision to pay local tax on the rotating tanks. Hence project proponent will not pay local tax for the tanks. He asked whether tanks will be rotated or fix. It is informed by the project proponent that the tanks will be fixed at a place. Shri Chitaranjan Gaikwad here opined that then project proponent has to pay local tax i.e. Grampanchayat Tax.

Shri Gaikwad further informed that for the use of water in the project, the project proponent has changed the directions of lift irrigation. Due to which, the pipeline breaks several times. Hence the pipeline should be converted in iron pipe line. He informed that if the contracts are given to local people as guided by Grampanchayat, the benefit will be extended to the below poverty line persons of the village. If the local people are not given the compensation as promised, there will be public cry/agitation.

He further informed that the cleaning contract of Pune Terminal is given to the Manmad person. It should be given to local person.

9) **Ms. Vandana Prashant Kalbhor, Sarpanch, Loni Kalbhor Grampanchayat, Tal-Haveli, Dist-Pune -**

She informed that the local people have raised their objections regarding job opportunities, contract and non-spending of ear-marked money for social development. We support their objections.

Further she informed that the burning problem in the area is of municipal solid wastes. Hence, the Grampanchayat has planned the scientific treatment and disposal of wet waste. Earth worm project / Vermi-composting project has been taken in hand. But the Loni Kalbhor Grampanchayat has not enough money. If financial help is extended by the project proponent,

it can be commissioned. Hence amount for commissioning and operation of the project be given by the project proponent. The project proponent should give in writing regarding the same.

10) **Ms. Gauri Gaikwad, Sarpanch, Kadam Wak Vasti, Tal-Haveli, Dist-Pune.**

Mrs. Gauri Gaikwad, Sarpanch of Kadam Wak Vasti informed that the major problems faced by the village Kadam Wak Vasti is of municipal solid waste and failure of sanitation system. There is no scientific treatment and disposal of municipal scientific waste. Also the untreated domestic effluent is generated. The drainage pipes are installed back last 20 years for the small portion of population. Now due to these petroleum projects i.e. Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.,; Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., there is fast urbanization and fast growth in population of Kadam Wak Vasti.

Ms. Gaikwad, Sarpanch of Kadam Wakvasti informed that we are committed to keep our village clean and green. There is no enough money to complete these projects of sanitation and municipal solid waste. Hence project proponent should give financial help through Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) Fund.

She further informed that Kadam Vak Vasti is separate grampanchayat. Hence name of grampanchayat Kadam Vak Vasti should be mentioned instead of Loni Kalbhor. The local farmers who have given their land for the project should be given enough compensation and job opportunities to their sons/daughters.

The Public Hearing Committee appealed the general public to raise their suggestions or objections regarding the proposed project in environmental angle only. As there was no response, Member, Convener of the Public Hearing Committee requested Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee to conclude the meeting.

As there was no response, Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee while concluding the meeting reviewed the suggestions, objections raised during the meeting.



Ms. Jayashree Katare, Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee informed that as per the presentation Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) is India's largest commercial enterprise, with a sales turnover of Rupees 3,99,601 Crore and the profits of Rupees 10,399.00 crores for the year 2015-2016. The Indian Oil is ranked 161<sup>st</sup> among the world's largest corporate in the prestigious Fortune "Global 500" for the year 2016. It is first among Indian enterprises.

She said that the project proponent has proposed modern high tech. facilities conforming to International Standards for fighting and safety measures alongwith Oil Industry Safety Directorate Standards. As per the guidelines, the Disaster Management Plan is prepared by the project. It promises to implement Environment Management Plan.

Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee said that the various suggestions are made during the meeting regarding the Environment Protection. She said that suggestion received to extend financial support for scientific treatment and disposal of municipal solid waste, earth-worm project / vermi-composting project and scientific treatment and disposal of domestic effluent, development of gardens on the reserved plots for gardens are welcomed. She directed project proponent to consider the issues.

Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee further directed project proponent to start dialogue with local people, local civic authorities and prioritize the issues. Ear-mark the amount for the respective issue. She said that without development of local people, there will be no progress. Development of the local people is long term benefit. She appealed project officials to implement various social welfare programmes for our social commitment. The thorough study for the suggestion received regarding issuance of Public Insurance Scheme to Kadam Wak Vasti residents should be taken with Government Insurance Companies and follow up should be taken with Competent-Authority of State Government and if required with Central Government also.

The suggestions regarding compensation to project affected persons for acquisition of their land and job opportunities be solved amicably.

Chairman of the Committee promised that District Administration is open and ready to discuss regarding Environment Management Plan and various social welfare schemes to be implemented under Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) Fund with the top officials of the project proponent at Mumbai. The project officials may fix the meeting accordingly.

Chairman of the Committee while concluding the meeting thanked all for attending the meeting in large numbers and raised the questions. She informed that the objections raised during the meeting as well as objections received in writing will be sent alongwith report/minutes of the public hearing with final EIA Report and Executive Summary to the Expert Committee of MoEFCC, Gol for their consideration.

Chairman of the Committee thanked all government officials, company officials and general public who attended the public hearing/meeting and declared that the said public hearing is concluded.

The meeting ended extending thanks to the Chair.



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