Minutes of Environmental Public Hearing

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED PROJECT FOR EXTENSION OF KOYALI-AHMEDNAGAR PIPELINE TO SOLAPUR IOCL DEPOT, NEAR PAKANI RAILWAY STATION, SOLAPUR OF THE LENGTH OF 230 K.M. LONG OF 18" DIAMETER HAVING CAPACITY OF 5.0 MMTPA FOR TRANSPORATION OF PETROLEUM PROUDCTS PROPOSED BY M/S INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LTD., SOLAPUR DEPOT, NEAR PAKANI RAILWAY STATION, VILLAGE – PAKANI, TAL-SOLAPUR (NORTH), DIST-SOLAPUR.

The public hearing for proposed project for extension of Koyali-Ahmednagar Pipeline to Solapur IOCL Depot, Near Pakani Railway Station, Solapur of the length of 230.0 k.m. long of 18" diameter having capacity of 5.0 MMTPA for transportation of petroleum products proposed by M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Solapur Depot, Near Pakani Railwy Station, Village-Pakani, Tal-North Solapur, Dist-Solapur was conducted on 06th April, 2018 at the site of the said project on 11.00 hrs.

Following were the panel members as per Board's Office Order No. E-21 of 2018 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B-1278, dated 03-04-2018:-

 Shri Sanjay Teli, Addl. Divisional Magistrate, Solapur (Representative of District Magistrate, Solapur)

Chairman,

 Shri J. S. Salunkhe, I/c Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune (representative of MPCB, Mumbai)

Member

 Shri N. S. Awatade I/c Sub Regional Officer, MPCB Solapur

Convener

Shri N. S. Awatade, Convener of the public hearing welcomed Hon'ble Chairman of the public hearing, company officials, government officials and public who were present and informed that as per the EIA Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEFCC, Gol) dated

14th September, 2006 as amended on 1st December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior public hearing of certain projects which are covered in the schedule of the said Notification. The Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Solapur was in receipt of application of M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., Solapur Depot, Village-Pakani, Dist-Solapur for proposed project for extension of Koyali-Ahmednagar Pipeline to Solapur IOCL depot, near Pakani Railway Station, Solapur. The length of pipeline will be 230.0 km. long of 18" diameter having capacity of 5.0 MMTPA.

The Convener further informed that, as per EIA Notification, 2006 (As Amended), the proposed project is categorized as per the Schedule and as the proposed project is passing through "Eco-Sensitive Zone" of The Great Indian Bustard Wildlife Sanctuary, it requires prior Environmental Clearance from the MoEFCC, Govt of India.

The Convener of the meeting 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. The project proponent had submitted prescribed application alongwith prefeasibility report for Terms of Reference (ToR) for conduct of EIA studies to MoEFCC, Govt. of India and ToR (Terms of Reference) was granted for the proposed project vide MoEFCC, GoI vide letter no.J-11011/142/2016-IA-II(I) dated 2nd August, 2016.

As per said Notification, 30 days' advance public notice was published in the local newspapers in Daily Lokmat for English and in Daily Sakal for Marathi on 6th March, 2018. The public in general were appealed to send their suggestions or objections if any for the proposed project.

Also a copy of EIA report and executive summery were made available at various offices of government i.e. District Magistrate Office, Solapur, Additional District Magistrate, Solapur, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Solapur, General Manager, District Industries Centre, Solapur, Tahsil Offices at Barshi, Mohol and North Solapur, Dist, Solapur, Block Development Officer, Panchayat Samiti, Barshi, Mohol and North Solapur, Dist-Solapur, Grampanchayat offices at Mouje Upalai (Tho), Vangarwadi, Khandavi, Kavhe, Pangaon, Kalegaon, Manegaon, Irlewadi, Vairag, Sasure, Dahitane, Mungashi (Va), Taluka – Barshi; Mouje Valuj, Degaon, Narkhed, Bhoyare, Bhambewadi, Shirapur (So), Lamboti, Arjunsond, Savaleshwar,

Tal – Mohol & Mouje Pakani, Tal–North Solapur, Dist–Solapur, Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Solapur, Regional Office, MPCB, Pune and at Head Office of MPCB at Mumbai, Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai and at Divisional Zonal Office, MoEFCC, Nagpur. The above information is also made available 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 two written objections are received by the Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Solapur. He appealed Chairman of the Committee to allow starting the proceedings.

Shri Sanjay Teli, Chairman of Committee welcomed all and informed officials of the project to explain the details of safety measures 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 given the presentation of the proposed project for extension of Koyali-Ahmednagar Pipeline to Solapur IOCL depot, near Pakani Railway Station, Solapur for transporation of petroleum products. The length of pipeline will be 230.0 Km. long of 18" diameter having capacity of 5.0 MMTPA. He informed the safety measures to be undertaken by the Project Proponent.

After completion of the presentation, Chairman of the Committee and Convener of the Committee appealed general public to ask any question to project officials.

Followings have participated in the meeting:

1) Shri Dattatraya Maruti Shirvaskar, resident and Dy. Sarpanch of Pakani village objected that the project proponent does not inform which Gut Number and Survey Numbers will be affected due to proposed project. After knowing the exact gat numbers only, the local people who will be affected will come and can raise their objections if any. He further asked whether the proposed pipeline project will be near the Highway and further blamed that the project proponent here informs that the local farmers will not be affected due to the proposed project. But the local people who have given their land for Hindustan Petroleum Pipeline are not allowed to take bore, constructing small

house near the pipeline, though the land is their ancestral/own property. Hence it is experience of local people that the promises of project proponent are just to take permission and after that it will not be fulfilled.

The project proponent informed that the proposed project will not be built near the High Way. The laying of pipeline project will not disturb the local farming activities. The 18 Meters of the patch will be acquired for the proposed project and for the safety purposes, the digging of well and pucca construction near the pipeline is not allowed. All the strict guidelines of the Competent-Authority of the Govt. of Maharashtra for the compensation where the patch of 18 Meters of land will be acquired for the project will be followed.

- 2) <u>Shri Murari Sarang Shinde</u>, resident of Pakani asked about the period of completion of the project. The officials of the project proponent informed that after starting the project, the laying of pipeline will be completed in a year.
- 3) Shri Sagar Raje Pandhare, Dy. Sarpanch of Shirapur village has given his objection is writing. He informed that the written objection is given for sanctioning the reasonable compensation. Here again the project officials informed that the compensation will be paid as per the directives of the State Government.
- 4) Shri Hanumant Shahaji Jadhav, resident of Dahitanegaon, Taluka-Barshi informed that his wife is Sarpanch of Dahitanegaon. He blamed that the local people have not been made aware the exact location of the proposed project and through which gut number the pipes will be installed, how many religious places of the all religions will be affected. Then only local people can raise objections and it can be given in writing.

Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee Shri Sanjay Teli informed that letter for acquisition of land will be sent to the respect landowner/holder of respective Gut No. and then only the concerned local people will be able to know the exact gut numbers. The project affected people can demand the compensation.

The Project Proponent informed that a agency is appointed to complete the procedure of sending the letter for acquisition of land and concerned gut

number holder should register his views within 21 days after receipt of the letter.

5) Shri Bharat Naik, resident of the Mohol remarked that the compensation will be given to the PAPs (Project Affected Persons) as per the policy. But while laying the pipelines, the trees will have to cut hence what are the plans to prevent the cutting of trees and if it is cut, then what compensation will be given.

All the Committee Members have appreciated the question.

It is informed by the project officials that at the planning stage only, the project is designed to avoid destruction of green belt and crops. The local farming activities will not be affected. The local farmer can cultivate the land as it is previously done. If at all it is required to cut the trees, the No Objection Certificate from the Forest Department is mandatory. It is obligatory to the any person who desires NOC of Forest Department to follow the CAMPA guidelines and as per the guidelines, it is mandatory to the project proponent to sow ten saplings for cutting of one tree.

Convener of the Public Hearing Committee informed that two objections have been received by the Sub Regional Office, Solapur, one is from Grampanchayat Office, Pangaon and Grampanchayat office, Shirapur. It is directed to Project Proponent to inform the concerned grampanchayat in writing with a copy to local MPCB office. The above explanation will be attached with the minutes of the public hearing for the New Delhi.

The Committee again appealed the local people to give their suggestions or objections if any for the proposed project.

Chairman of the Committee while concluding the meeting informed that the people of Solapur District have co-operated and given their land for the National Projects like Construction of Highway, HPCL (Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.), NTPC (National Thermal Power Corporation) and IOCL (Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.). Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee further opined that without co-operation of local people, any project cannot be succeeded. He further said that compensation will be given as per the policy

of Government of Maharashtra. The project of installation of the pipeline will be underground project and the project is for the welfare of the Society.

Chairman of the Committee while concluding the meeting informed that Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. has installed advanced safety system and follows the strict safety parameters. He thanked local people who came and raised objections and gave suggestions. Chairman of the committee informed that the suggestions, comments made in this meeting will be incorporated in the proceedings and the report will be submitted to the MoEFCC, Govt. of India.

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

The meeting ended extending thanks to the Chair. The CD of the proceedings is enclosed.

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Chairman of the Committee and
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Solapur

(N. S. Awatade)

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