MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 10th JULY, 2019 FOR PROPOSED 45 KLPD MOLASSES BASED DISTILLERY - UNIT OF M/S PARAG AGRO FOODS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS PVT LTD(PAFAPPL), TAL-SHIRUR DIST- PUNE.

Public hearing for 45 KLPD Molasses Based Distillery unit proposed by Project Proponent M/s Parag Agro Foods and Allied Products Pvt Ltd, Tal-Shirur, Dist – Pune was conducted on 03rd July, 2019 at the site of the said factory at 11.00 a.m.

Following were the panel members as per Board's Office Order No. E- 39 of 2019 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B- 2246, dated 24-06-2019:-

1) Additional District Magistrate-Pune - Chairman (Representative of District Magistrate, Pune)

 Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune (Representative of Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai)

Member

 Sub Regional Officer, Pune-II MPCB, Pune

Convener

At the outset, convener of the above Committee, Upendra Kulkarni, Sub Regional Officer, Pune-2, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Pune, has welcomed the Hon'ble Chairperson of the Public Hearing committee Dr.Jayashree Katare, Member of the Public Hearing Committee Shri. Dilip Khedkar as well as participants of the public hearing. He briefed about the cause of public hearing conducted, he informed that as per the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, published by Ministry of Environment and Forest & Climate Change, Government of India (MoEFCC.) dated 14th, September, 2006 as amended on 01st December, 2009, It is mandatory to take consultation/ views of the public before commissioning the project. This project falls under said notification under category A5 (g) hence, said project is following public hearing process.

Convener of the committee there after informed that, notice of the public hearing was published in local Marathi newspaper daily Loksatta as well as English newspaper Indian Express on 1st June, 2019 that is prior to one month of the date of public hearing. Also the copies of draft EIA Report and copies of summery report of the project in English & Marathi was placed at various government offices for the public to know the details of proposed project. After taking the prior permission of the Chairperson of the committee project proponent has been requested to present the project details in environmental point of view.

Project proponent has presented the project details by showing the slides on projector giving the proposed control equipment to be installed to control the air pollution as well as water pollution. He then presented over view of the project i.e. the capacity of Distillery 45 KLPD, trade effluent generation, domestic effluent generation, control equipment and area for use of treated effluent.

After giving presentation by project proponent, Shri. Dilip Khedkar, Regional Officer MPCB has informed the public, participants that the concept of public hearing is to share or to say your views/ objection on the project so as to incorporate in draft

EIA. Also it is a stage or opportunity to you to submit your objections, views, doubts which will be forwarded for further actions. Reply to the request of member of the committee, following participants have raise their questions, successively project proponent has turned up with the reply of the question raised.

- 1. Shri. Ramdas Sadashiv Bhangare, Resident- Takli Haji, Tal-Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - What will be the methodology adopted to the trade effluent generated from the project?

Project Proponent :- Environmental Consultant of the project informed that, Multiple Effect Evaporator will be installed to treat the trade effluent. The condensate then treated and reused in process. The slurry/slop generated after treatment of waste in to Multiple Effect Evaporator will be used as a fuel to the 16 TPH boiler. There will not be any discharge of treated effluent outside company premises.

- 2. Shri. Dyandev Ganpat Jare, Resident of Kavthe- Yemai, Tal- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - What are the products will be manufactured in proposed project?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project replied that , Rectified spirit, Alcohol and Ethanol are the products will be manufactured.

- 3. Shri. Pravin Ananta Pawar, Resident Aamdabad phata, Taluka- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - The nearest village is about 6KM away from the proposed unit, what will be the precautions to control air pollution?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project replied that ,the most advanced Electrostatic Precipretator will be installed with 72 mtrs stack height to the boiler to control the dust emissions.

- 4. Shri. Shankar Baburao Gadadare, Post-Malthan, Tal-Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - How many job opportunity due to proposed project?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project informed that , about 72 personals are required out of these requirement of skilled workers will be 30 nos.

- 5. Shri. Somnath Namdev Shinde, Resident of Garkolwadi, Tal- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - What will be the date of project commissioned?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project replied that, after obtaining necessary permission from Govt. departments, 02 years required to commissioned the project.

- 6. Shri. Sandip Pandurang Narwade, Resident of Savindane, Tal- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - What are the raw materials will be used to manufacture the products?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project informed that, it is the molasses based distillery, major raw material will be molasses.

- 7. Shri. Komalsingh Bhimrao Patil, Resident of Kavathe Yemai, Tal- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - How the water requirement will be fulfilled for the project?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project informed that, the water will be lifted from the Ghod river and necessary permission will be taken from irrigation department.

- 8. Shri. Swpnil Baban Waghdare, Resident of Kawathe Yemai Tal- Shirur, Dist-Pune.
 - What will be the location of the proposed distillery plant?

Project Proponent:- Environmental Consultant of the project informed that ,the proposed distillery project will be installed on 8 acres of the land out of 40 acres available with the Project proponent..

9. Hon'ble Chairperson of the Public Hearing Committee Dr. Jayashree Katare has asked the gathered participants that how many participants are attended the hearing from nearby villages and how many are employees of the existing sugar factory which is located at same place of the Public hearing. They also requested to raise the hands.

Project Proponent:- Project proponent then asked the participants gather for public hearing to raise their hands or stand up. Some of the participant then raise their hands and also stood up , then Project proponent informed that the participants attended public hearing are comissing from 8 to 10 KM distance.

10. Dilip Khedkar Member of the Committee :- He informed to the consultant of project proponent that , he should answer the question or promises considering the Environmental aspects because the points and the ongoing public hearing is recorded. Further he asked project consultant that what was the period of rapid EIA is being carried out and it has been informed that the EIA study carried out between Oct-2018 to Dec-2018. Accordingly member of the committee placed his doubt that sugar factory was in operation and noise levels near sugar factory vicinity shows lower sound than the nearby village Nimgaon, hence he instructed to carry out noise monitoring again and necessary corrections in draft EIA. Member of the committee further brought to the notice to the Environmental consultant of project proponent that, already the existing boiler used for sugar factory is having electrostatic precipretator and stack then why the project proponent is going for additional electrostatic precipretator to the 16 TPH boiler used for proposed distillery unit when the common stack is being used. Moreover whether the existing stack is suitable for the additional 16 TPH boiler in terms of its dimensions, the flue gas flow etc which please be studied.

Project Proponent :- Environmental Consultant of the project proponent has accepted the points raised by Shri Dilip Khedkar, Member of Public Hearing committee.

11. M/s Cheyutha Rural and Enviroment Development Soc., Wadapally village, Nalgonda District, Telangana has given written letter through mail to MPCB regarding supporting the proposed Distillery unit stating not to release pollution in the environment, skilled development program should be conduct for unemployed youth, provide employment to who are eligible, CSR fund should go to village committee, conduct health camps and develop greenery surrounding company.

12. Dr. Jayashree Katare Chairperson of the Committee :-

- They asked about the proposed utilization of CSR funds.

Project Proponent :- Environmental Consultant of the project is informed that under the CSR funds , they carried out green belt development , providing computers to schools.

Hon'ble Chairperson of the Committee further asked the project proponent to provide name of schools to whome computers are donated, which area is got under green coverage.

Thereafter project proponent informed that fodder camps were arranged for 800 to 900 cattle during draught situation, wells are provided as per demand of local farmers, assembly hall is built up to the Rawadegaon Temple, fire incidence taken place in Rawadegaon village where about 50 Lakhs rupees were spent to construct the houses.

13. Shri Dilip Khedkar, Member of the Committee :-

After hearing the work done under CSR fund by the project proponent shri Dilip Khedkar placed his view to use CSR fund for various Environmental programs such as to lay down underground drainage system to carry sewage, also installed common sewage treatment plant comprising of 2 to 3 villages, start advertising on ban on plastic bags and undertake to supply the cotton bags or paper bags.

Project Proponent :- Project proponent accepted the part of utilization of CSR funds to various environmental programs.

Looking after no response of participant to raise the suggestion and views of the project, Chairperson of the committee to informed that the proceedings of minutes will be forwarded to the expert committee of the MoEF & CC Govt. of India for further decision and concluded the public hearing.

The public hearing is ended with vote of thanks to the Chairperson.

(Upendra Kulkarni)

Convener and Sub-Regional Officer, Pune-II (Dilip Khedkar)

Member of committee, Regional Officer, Pune. (Dr. Jayshree Katare)

Chairperson of the committee and Addl. District Magistrate, Pune.