

DRAFT FOR APPROVAL

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR DRAFT COASTAL ZONE
MANAGEMENT PLAN, 2019 (CZMPs) OF MUMBAI CITY DISTRICT**

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi vide G.S.R.37 (E), dated 18th January, 2019 has published new Coastal Regulation Zone – CRZ), 2019.

As per the above referred Notification, Central Government has to upgrade the existing Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) maps through its nominated Institute.

As per above Notification, Govt. of Maharashtra has allotted the work to upgrade the existing CRZ plans for its seven coastal districts to National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management – (NCSCM), Chennai, Tamil Nadu, which is nominated Institute of Govt. of India.

National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management – (NCSCM), Chennai, Tamil Nadu has completed the preparation of Draft Map of Coastal Regulation Zone – CRZ), 2019 of Mumbai City District.

As per the Notification, it is obligatory on the part of the Implementing Bodies to consider the suggestions, objections if any of local people for the proposed new CRZ, 2019 maps. Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority (MCZMA) on 16-01-2020 has made available the draft maps on their public domain (mczma.gov.in) to make the aware the public.

The Public Hearing was arranged to know the views, suggestions and objections if any for the Draft Map of Coastal Regulation Zone – CRZ), 2019 of Mumbai City District.

The public hearing was conducted on Friday, the 04th March, 2020 at 12.00 noon at District Collector Office, Mumbai City, Old Custom Office, Fort, Mumbai – 400 001, Maharashtra.

As per the Notification dated 14-09-2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (MoEFCC, GoI), New Delhi and subsequent amendment on 01-12-2019, Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution



Control Board, Mumbai has constituted Public Hearing Panel vide Office Order No. E-19 of 2020 issued under letter no.BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B-809, Dated 2nd March 2020 as below :-

- 1) District Magistrate, Mumbai City - **Chairman**
or his representative not below the
rank of an Additional District Magistrate

- 2) Regional Officer, MPCB, Mumbai - **Member**
(Representative of
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board)

- 3) Sub Regional Officer, Mumbai-I - **Convener**
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,
Kalpataru Point, 1st Floor,
Opp. PVR Theatre, Nr.Sion Circle,
Sion (East),
Mumbai – 400 022

Dr. Anant Harshvardhan, Regional Officer – Mumbai, MPCB, Mumbai and Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed Hon'ble Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee, Member of the Public Hearing Committee, Company Officials, Government 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, GoI) dated 14th 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.

He informed that Govt. of Maharashtra through its Environment Department has allotted the work to upgrade the existing CRZ plans for its seven coastal districts to National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management – (NCSCM), Chennai, Tamil Nadu, which is nominated Institute of Govt. of India.



National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management – (NCSCM), Chennai, Tamil Nadu has completed the work of Coastal Zone Management Plan, 2019 of Mumbai City. As per Appendix IV, Para 6 of CRZ, 2019 Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority (MCZMA) has published the respective map on the public domain. The maps were also published by District Collector-Mumbai City and by Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (MPCB) in their public domain. Under the guidance of Director, Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, 15th Floor, New Administrative Building, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400 032, this public hearing is arranged.

Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee 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 proposed plan and environment management plan of the CZMPs.

As per said Notification, one month advance public notice was published by District Collector Office-Mumbai in the local newspaper in Daily Loksatta for Marathi and in national newspaper The Indian Express for English on 04th February, 2020. The public were appealed to send their suggestions, objections, views regarding the Draft CZMP of Mumbai Suburb.

Member of the Public Hearing informed that MPCB office is in receipt of objections in writing. He informed that the participants are allowed to raise their suggestions, objections in writing as well as orally.

Dr. Harshvardhan, Member of the Public Hearing Committee requested Chairperson of the Public Hearing Committee to start the proceedings.

Shri Bansi Gawali, I/c Collector and District Magistrate, Mumbai City and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee welcomed all and informed representatives of the National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management – (NCSCM), Chennai, Tamil Nadu, which is nominated Institute of Govt. of India and officials of Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai to give presentation of Mumbai City CZMP in local language Marathi.

Representative of Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra gave the presentation.



After the presentation, the Public Hearing Committee appealed the participants to raise their objections or suggestions. It is informed that the answers will be given by the Committee.

Followings have participated during the discussions and the Answers given by the Project Proponent / Project Consultant / Public Hearing Committee :-

1) Shri Mangal Prasad Lodha, MLA, Resident-Mumbai, Dist – Mumbai :-

I came here to give two suggestions. There is a plot of MSRDC at Nepean Sea Road. First land reclamation was carried in that plot. The plot was categorized as CRZ-I. Now, it is tried to convert it in the category CRZ-II illegally. As per today's news in the local paper, it came to understand that tender will be released to develop multi-store building by giving Offer to Public. Hence, on behalf of Nepean Sea Road and Bridge Candy Residents, it is requested that directives/orders be issued to constitute an Enquiry Committee for the attempts of changing the Category – I to Category-II illegally.

I am giving second suggestion that there is Chandanbala Society at Ridge Road. The Society is inside. But due to wrong marking, the construction of compound wall and parking have been given Stay orders since last three months. This is technical mistake. Hence corrective measures be initiated at the earliest. I am giving these two suggestions in writing also within two hours.

2) Shri I.C.Rao, Aapali Mumbai Nagari Sanstha, Mumbai:-

We, Members of Nagari Forum are working in various fields and our aim is to develop Port Zone. On behalf of our Forum, we have submitted writing letter on 6th May 2017 in which it is suggested that the area before Sewree be notified as "Creek" and then it should be developed. Then only need of the local people for public garden, museum and ear-marking open space for public utility can be fulfilled. The buffer zone of 500 meter at Sewree is not at all required for development of Mumbai City. We need public garden and museum in the area of Sewree Port.



He informed that the letter dated 6th May, 2017 which was given is again submitting in the meeting. We were expecting that we will be called for the discussions. Requesting to give us time for the discussions.

3) **Shri Rahul Kadri, Architect & Urban Planner :-**

In the new Rule of CRZ-I, two options are suggested, one is road and second is stilt road. We object for this and suggest that only Stilt Road be developed, as regular road will change the course of sea water while High Tide (HT) and Low Tide (LT). Hence, only Stilt Road should be constructed in CRZ-I. Second option should not be considered. All the participants support the views by clapping hands.

4) **Shri Dilip Koli, Colaba :-**

We registered our oppose for the construction of the Jetty, send several letters to Maritime Board. In spite of this, proposal of construction of Jetty was approved. Due to construction of Jetty, flow of sea water and Mumbai traffic will jam. Hence, the proposal of construction of Jetty should be cancelled.

5) **Ms. Shweta Wagh, Partner, Collector For Spastical Alternatives & Associate Professor, Kamala Raheja College Of Architecture:-**

She informed that she has also given the objections in writing. She raised objections on the three issues as under :-

- a) Due to changing of previous categorization, the protection granted to coastal environment and livelihood on sea will be perished;
- b) Due to error in the categorization, protection of coastal environment and livelihood of sea depending communities will be vanished;
- c) Environment of Coastal Zone Management;

She started to read complete letter. At this time, Member of the Public Hearing Committee informed to raise objections only. But Ms. Shweta Wagh read the complete letter. She read the total objections regarding the errors in CRZ.

While she was reading the statement, Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee directed to raise any issue for the Mumbai City only.


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Here, Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee informed all the participants to raise objections, suggestions, but please be specific about objections only. The written objections can also be given.

6) **Shri.Dilip Narhari Pagdare, Chairman, Mahim MacchimarKaryakari Society and Chairman, Mahim Reti Bunder KoliwadaGaonthanRahivashiSangh :-**

He informed that he visited the Collectorate Office-Mumbai for giving suggestions about GirgaonChaupati and Mahim.As a Member of Coastal Monitoring Committee, he has given many suggestions. He said that one suggestion is that out-zone survey of Mahim Sand Bunder for 1,470 zone is carried, but internal survey is still not done. We have sent three letters for it. Nothing is materialised.

As per today's news in Daily Sandhyanand, the Revenue Department has decided to convert the residing land of Koliwad as on the name of respective residing Koli (Fisherman). Hence, internal survey should be carried immediately.

Here this is to bring to kind notice that at present the existence of local Kolis (Fishermen) on GirgaonChaupatty have totally vanished. The proof of our staying here generation after generation is already given several times. The spaces/land is given to Bhaiyaa who sales Bhel - person who is from another State, but our generation after generation land which is in our possession is taken back. The fishing is also vanished. The livelihood of Kolis (Fishermen) is in danger.Hence internal survey of the residing places/Koliwad as should be carried immediately.

Chairman,Public Hearing Committee here appealed not to raise any personal question here. This is not the place for it.CRZ Notification is recently published in which there is categorization of CRZ-I, CRZ – II and CRZ – III. Objections and suggestions regarding it be raised.

7) **Shri Prakash Pandurang Koli, WorligaonKoliwada :-**

He informed that he is raising certain objections.

He asked as per the Notification 06-01-2018 of MoEF& CC, which properties have been protected? We object it as per CRZ. The Koliwad as which are near the sea



shore, after demarcation, whether the respective Koliwadras, Fish Drying Places, Boat Parking Spaces will be protected?

We are already surrounded by water. After CRZ, what decision will be taken by the Government to protect us?

We are not aware about which area of Worli Koliwada falls under Creek, and which area falls under Sea. If at all any adverse decision is taken, we will have our objections.

8) Shri Pralhad Warlikar, Worli, Mumbai :-


We are sole residents of Mumbai. We are sole sons of soil of Mumbai. When nothing was in Mumbai and in Maharashtra, since then our ancestors are staying in Mumbai. Then whether CRZ Rule is applicable to us? If it is applicable, then why not it is applicable to few upcoming projects like Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Memorial Statue, Coastal Road and upcoming new bridges on the sea? If at all there will be development of our village due to CRZ, then we sons of soil by our own will develop it. Others should not try to interfere in our development. We object for others interference.

9) Shri Omkar Gupta, Member, Urban Design Institute, Mumbai :-

I am Architect and Urban Planner. We have already submitted our written objections and giving few suggestions herewith.

Though it is notified that the CRZ maps should be published on cadastral scale, it is not published. The maps are published on very high scale, due to which details cannot be seen. If at all the maps are not prepared on cadastral scale, first it should be prepared, then only suggestions, objections should be called. Afterwards, the public hearing should be called. In the map, the thickness of a line is equal with plot. All the participants supported the same by clapping the hands.

He raised the second objection that not a single Koliwada is shown on the map. The CRZ which comes in existence to safeguard the interest of fishing communities. Here in the map, not a single Koliwada is shown. The Koliwadras not only in Mumbai,

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but in other areas also not shown. Present status is not shown in the map. The work of Trans Harbour Link is not shown in the map. Coastal Road is not shown in the map. If the map is not complete, asking to submit objections, suggestions is totally not useful.

Further to bring to notice that Hazard Line is not drawn appropriately. At Mumbai Port Trust (MPT), there is flat land. The Hazard Line shown there is totally wrong.

The places in Mumbai where mandatory distance of 500 meter from the sea is not shown in the map. At Worli and Dadar, the distance is 50 meters, as it is declared as Bay , whereas, it is opinion of the local people that Mumbai Port Trust (MPT) Area/Zone should be declared as Creek.

10) Ms. Radhika Sabawalla, Mumbai :-

I have to add one more objection here. If at all the maps are not completed and if public hearing not concluded and the objections, suggestions raised during the public hearing should be noted is though mandatory, irrespective of this, how permission is given for land reclamation to prepare Coastal Road? The answer for this is essential. When the World is giving priority for Environment Protection, here it is necessary to show it by action.

11) Shri Prakash Laxman Chandekar, Business-Engineer, Senior Citizen, Prabhadevi Worli East :-,

I have filed Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in Mumbai High Court for not allowing to construct Coastal Road, as there is no need of Coastal Road. Its number is 25. I have demanded that in Mumbai instead of Coastal Road, there should be Double Decker Road. I have prepared the map which is in possession of Mumbai Municipal Corporation (MMC). As MMC has not given suitable answer, I have to approach to Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. For construction of Double Decker Road 10 k.m. long, Rupees 1,200 crores per k.m. will be the expenditure, whereas there will be 12,700 crores per k.m. expenditure for Coastal Road and there will not be any Parking Space in South Mumbai.



Here, Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee directed to raise objection as per the subject only.

Shri Chandekar further raised the objection that there will not be any issue of CRZ for developing the Double Decker Road.

He further informed that there is 140 years' old wall at Haji Ali to Worli. Since generation after generation, there is belief that after construction of this wall only, the Creation and Progress of Mumbai is started. As it has historical importance, it should be preserved.

12) Shri Milind Vaze, Mahalaxmi, Haji Ali, Mumbai :

I stay in the Mahalaxmi area. While developing the Coastal Road, the question arises in my mind that why there is difference while developing the Coastal Road. The Coastal Road at North Mumbai will be developed as Stilt Road, while South Mumbai Coastal Road, the permission is given for Land Reclamation. If at North Mumbai side, considering the Environment, if Stilt is considered, then why not Environment is considered in South Mumbai.

At this moment, the participants demanded that due to inadequate space in the meeting hall, many people are standing outside. Hence, they should be given an opportunity to raise their opinion. Here, Member, Public Hearing Committee informed that everybody will be given an opportunity to raise their views, suggestions and objections. Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee here appealed all to give specific suggestions or objections and do not give lecture/speech.

13) Shri Gulab Mishra, Cuffe Parade, Mumbai :-

I stay at Cuffe Parade in Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Nagar. My Property Card No. is 6,58,599. The buffer zone is inside and nearly 1,000 to 1,200 huts are there. The huts are outside the buffer zone. Hence, it is requested that buffer zone should be increased upto the hutments.

14) Shri Bhushan Vishnu Nijai, Resident of Mahim Koliwada, Mumbai :-



I stay in Mahim Koliwada. Due to this CRZ policy, it seems that certain vested interest desires to totally destroy sons of soil. After reading the map, I am giving few suggestions to Public Hearing Committee: -

- a) The fishing zones and residential areas (Koliwadadas) are not shown in the map. It should be shown;
- b) Considering High Tide and Low Tide, then only fishing is carried. So High Tide and Low Tide zone should be marked on the map;
- c) The residential colonies of fishing communities are not considered in the boundary area of Taluka and Wada. It should be again included in the boundary area.

15) **Shri Prasad, Conservative Trust, Mumbai :-**

We are giving written statement and we are raising few suggestions: -

- a) The updated maps are loaded on the website of NCSC. But there is no mention of detail information of when the maps are loaded. Everybody knows that the maps are loaded on 16th January, 2020. But there is no mention what updates are made. Hence it should be loaded and after 45 days, public hearing should be conducted. It should be mentioned what changes are made.
- b) How Hazard Line is drawn? The method is not made available, which scientific principles are applied should be made available to people. NCSC, Chennai should give presentation for this.
- c) The Koliwadadas were not demarcated in 2011. Still Koliwadadas are not demarcated. It should be demarcated immediately not only of Mumbai, but for whole Region.
- d) The Coral Area/Zone is still not demarcated. They are observed on Mumbai seashore.

16) **Shri Rajesh Keni, Sion, Koliwada, Mumbai :-**

We raise objection as our Koliwadadas have not been shown. We are sole sons of soil of Mumbai. We used to stay in Sion CRZ Zone up to 1965. Afterwards some part of our Salty Land-KhajanJamin is given to Sindhi and Punjabi Deported Personnel's from Pakistan. Now 20% Sion Koliwada is destroyed. We are sole sons



of soil, then whether our remaining Koliwadas/residential areas will be destroyed? We have no other native village. Then whether we go in the sea? After Sion Koliwada, the next number for destruction is Shivadi Koliwada. Girgaon Koliwada is already destroyed. Hence Koliwadas should be Saved. Let us live. Otherwise just as we read in history book of total vanish of Mohenjo-Daro Harappa, this should not happen with Koliwadas.

17) Shri Girish Salgaonkar, Koliwada Gaonthan Kriti Samiti :-

Whether local people will give only suggestions and objections? In 2018, there was public hearing and suggestions, objections were given. What action is initiated on it be informed in this meeting. Today also the local people are unable to read the map as it is not prepared as per specified scale. On 6th September, 2013, District Level Committee Meeting was conducted. It was directed in the meeting that co-operation of local fisher communities be sought. While demarcating the Koliwadas, local fishing communities be taken into confidence. But the directives of the Government are violated. The main principal of CZMP is to protect the interest of fishing communities. It is totally by-passed.

Hence, the Koliwadas and Gaonthans (villages) be demarcated. The demarcation should be carried considering the future expansion of the Gaonthan (Village) and handing over the possession of the concerned place to the Fisherman should be made applicable. The Environment Protection should also be considered. Afterwards the line of CZMP be drawn.

The Chennai Institute has prepared the report and maps without carrying any survey. It should be prepared with taking co-operation of the local people.

18) Ms. Sirin Gandhi, Worli Gaon:-

Though only 20 hector land is required for the Nepean Sea Road to Worli Naka Coastal Road, 90 hector of land reclamation is under process. Nearly 13,000 crores

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expenditure will be incurred for this road. It means that tax paid by common people will be utilised for 2% population.

19) Advocate Madhuritai Patil, Social Worker, Mumbai

I appeal Public Hearing Committee to listen the suggestions and objections raised by my fellow-men then only the Committee Members will understand the injustice. The efforts are made to abolish our existence only. We will not allow to do it. The maps which are published are in English. It should be in local language Marathi. It is informed in the presentation that the maps are prepared as per the Notification of 2011. We Fishing Community object for it. If our existence is rejected.

If the concerned Institute do prepare the maps for coastal states, then in one State it shows all the facilities e.g. Landing Centre, Fishing Jetty, Compound Wall, then why not about Mumbai? Our names are already entered in the Revenue Archive/Record. The names of GirgaonKoliwada, Sion Koliwada and others are entered in the Revenue Archive. Our GirgaonKoliwada is already destroyed. Now attempts have started to destroy Sion Koliwada.

We, all Fishing Communities are with our fishing community of Sion Koliwada. We here request Public Hearing Committee to consider the emotions of the suffered people. The concerned agency prepared the map on even on wrong scale and even if they are preparing the maps as per the 2011 Notifications, that is objectionable. The maps should be prepared considering the present status. Each and everybody's objection should be reached to Government. The people should know the action initiated for the objections. The action should be initiated as initiated under Development Plan. If the concerned Chennai Institute can show fishing village at Div Daman, then why not here in Mumbai? We insist here that our Fishing Community, villages, Boating Parking Spaces and other facilities should be shown. The Coral Zone should be shown. Also, the city should be developed considering the Bio-diversity. As demanded, the map should be prepared and then published. The demarcation is also wrongly done. Hence further action for Sustainable Development be taken.



20) Shri Mukul, Citizen Forum :-

He informed that in a incident, CRZ-1 zone is transferred in CRZ-3. The area should be reserved as Green Belt. He informed that he has already submitted the statement in detail.

21) Shri Rajesh Khandeparkar, Mumbai :-

He informed that while demarcating the CRZ, near the Worli Sea Face at Plot No.C.S.930, there are 20 floor three buildings. These three buildings are developed after following all due procedure. Even if this, how can this have shown as No Development Zone-III. Hence survey should be carried. All the tenants have been granted O.C.

22) Shri Vishal Sancheti, Mumbai :-

He informed that he is representative of case no.83, Wadala Division. The written statement is already submitted and it is re-submitted to Public Hearing Committee.

23) Ujjawalatai Patil, Maharashtra Machhimar Kriti Samiti, Social Worker, Mumbai :-

Today, Fishing Community is attending the meeting, because there is relation of fishing community and CRZ. If the map of 1951 is read, we will find stakes in the sea of fishing communities. They are traditional spots where fishing is carried. Now, NCSCM, Chennai has prepared the maps which invites various objections.

The CRZ Notification came into existence in 1991 and afterwards 29 amendments are made since its approval. The interest of fishing community is not at all considered while amending the Rules. So, the existence and livelihood of fishing communities who are staying generation after generation came in danger, as they cannot leave seashore. An amendment is made in the Notification on 9th January, 2020 and again on 20th January, 2020. "The Blue Flag Certification" clause is inserted in it, due to which the traditional fishing spots have affected. The spots



which are given by Development Plan Authorities are also affected. The fishing spots should not be affected.

As per the Development Plan, the colonies of Fishing Communities are demarcated, but its demarcation for expansion is not carried still to date. Former Chief Minister of Maharashtra promised our Fishing Community that Fishing Colonies (Koliwadass) along with the land which are in use and will be required in the future for allied business will be developed accordingly. When action is in process, the concerned Chennai Institute is not showing our entity also. Hence, it is demanded that the maps should be modified accordingly.

24) Shri Suren Koli, Koliwada :-

He remarked that in this meeting the objections, suggestions which are taken down for preparation of minutes is ridiculous as two years back there was public hearing and most of the local people have taken leave and attended the meeting. Nobody knows what happened about the suggestions and objections.

Since British era, the Government has issued various GRs. All should be studied first. The fishing spots and Gaonthan Spots (Village boundaries) should be studied first. Then the decision should be taken.

25) Shri Digambar Koli, Dharavi Koliwada, Mumbai:-

Here my Fishing Fellowmen raised the objections for Coastal Zone Management of Mumbai City. Tomorrow, they will talk about Mumbai District. I stay in Dharavi Koliwada. Coastal Zone was started to implement in our area since 1984, hence the fishing activities already stopped from 1984 only. In the map, sea shore is shown, ONGC (Oil & Natural Gas Commission), BASF is shown, but Koliwadass are not shown. Hence, after demarcation of all Koliwadass, it should be marked in the map and then only decision on Coastal Zone Management issue should be taken.

26) Shri Suhas Kolabkar, Colaba Koliwada, Mumbai :-



Here we are discussing on CRZ. But whether CRZ is beneficial to fishing communities. The answer is no. The prosperity of Mumbai is due to trade and commerce. But if there would have no small boats, machinery for various mills and industries could not have been brought on islands. Mumbai is group of seven islands. The Koliwadass are there since islands. The map prepared under British Regime in 1906, which is available in Collector Office, Mumbai on Sheet No.22 in which five Koliwadass are shown in the Colaba. In the map, the name of local Kolis/fishermen are on the plots. At that time, Koliwadass are demarcated and fishing points are given. The fishing activities used to carry at Girgaon Chowpatty, Dadar, Other places also, there were Koliwadass. They were given permissions for fishing. Fishing Rights are given since British Raj. If High Tide is at night, then also fisherman has to go on sea shore. The Koliwadass should be demarcated and fishermen should be given land for drying the fish and for parking of boats.

He further informed that in 1997, the Government has planned to park Vikrant in our Colaba Koliwada area. We opposed it as our business will affect. Now there is attempt of parking of Virat. The policy should not be adopted which will affect the interest of fishing community.

27) Shri Rajeshree Vijay Nakhava, Mumbai :-

The objections are raised by the participants. We, Kolis/Fishermen has established this Mumbai City. But attempts are made to deport the sole habitants of Mumbai i.e. Kolis from Mumbai. We Koli community (Fishing Community) have no native place. Fishing on sea shore is our traditional business and we have to carry the same until our last day. We, fishermen go on seashore for fishing as and when their High Tide and Low Tide.

Now there is water transport/ferry boating from Gate of India to Mandava. Our whole life and death is on seashore only. Now as per new Notifications, our traditional fishing spots will be taken back. We request the Authorities to Let Us Live.

28) Miss Tara, Representative of Ritu Desai, Mahalaxmi :


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She informed that she is representing Ms. Ritu Desai who stays adjacent building at Mahalaxmi Temple. The migratory birds and Dolphins do come in the sea. The Haji Ali Darga is near the Mahalaxmi Mandir. Both the places are historical. Though CRZ is for development, the development should not be blindly followed. The protection of Environment and Nature is indispensable. The fishing activities should be allowed. The Right of Livelihood of Fishing Community should not be deprived of. She has given written objections also.

29) Shri Bhushan Keni, Sion Koliwada, Mumbai :-

When Mumbai Plan was made, at that time seven Koliwadass were demarcated. The boundaries were fixed. After demarcation of Sion Koliwada, the promises were made by Government that we will get 7/12 of our homes. Koliwadass are there since last 200-300 years. The land of Koliwadass were acquired for railway project and for Army. The demolition notices are sent to us though, our homes are there since last 200-300 years. Hence it is requested to issue us 7/12. There is goddess temple in our Koliwada which is recently demolished. Second temple is of village goddess/gramdevi. Third temple is of Lord Hanuman. Whatever requires for Koliwadass as per our traditional culture is available at Sion Koliwada. But it is not called as Koliwada, the question is always in our mind.

30) Ms. Riyaz Sud :-

Here many objections have been raised. The land reclamation is under process for construction of Coastal Road. The objections raised may be right, but in the name of development, the Koliwadass will be destroyed. Due to land reclamation, the migratory birds and coral will vanish. Then the stage will come that we will not be able to do anything for the Clean Environment. Hence, the work of Coastal Road be stopped immediately. All should work in co-operation for the Environment Protection.

31) Ms Shefali :-

She suggested that the present status of Wadala Plot is CRZ-I and it should be kept accordingly.



32) Shri Sanket Za, Conservation Action Trust:-

He raised the objection that what will be status of Thane Creek as if Thane Creek is declared and notified as Thane Bay, there will be increase in commercialization, an additional FSI will be allotted. Due to this, the environment will be in danger. Hence, it is most important that whether Thane Creek or Thane Bay. Recent flood report which is just published reveals that sea water level will increase thrice. The plot near the sea will encroached by sea water.

Hence, the Thane Bay should not be declared. The Government should take decision at the earliest.

33) Shri Dhanesh Shah, Addl.Secretary, Chandanbala Society, MalbarHill :-

Our local representative has just given the statement regarding our problems. In our society, there is one Stilt garage. It is collapsed in 2016. We have decided to construct the same. But the concerned department has remarked that it is CRZ affected. As per our knowledge, CRZ goes outside of our plot. We are not at all affected. Hence, co-operation is required.

34) Shri DilipShekhdar, Mumbai Port Trust:-

He has submitted the suggestion that —

- a) The Eastern Water Front of Mumbai to be declared and notified as Bay, because —
- b) As per the study done by IIT, Chennai, the support gets for declaration of Eastern Water Front of Mumbai as Bay,
- c) As per United Nations Law of Sea, 1982, many factors support to Eastern Water Front of Mumbai as Bay.
- d) Mumbai Old Gazette gives support for the above;



He further requested that keeping the distance of 500 meters under CRZ should be again reviewed again.

35) Dhanish Shah, Mumbai :-

He remarked that he is asking the concerned Chennai Institute that while preparing the maps, how many local Koliwadadas have been visited, whom the Institute officials met? This information be made available. Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee informed the concerned person to raise any suggestion or objection. But Shri Dhanish Shah was pressing hard to give answers to his questions.

He objected that though it is mandatory to concerned Chennai Institute to make available the report in local language Marathi and to make available advance copy of the report to local and affected persons is not made available.

The migratory birds and coral come as per the season on Mumbai sea shore. This Chennai Institute has carried field survey of the area. They have not visited the various Koliwadadas and Fishing Spots and carried the survey. By showing incomplete maps and appealing the local people to raise objections or remarks is totally wrong. The illiterate poor Koli/Fisherman doesn't know what is CRZ-I,II,III,IV. On the faulty map of 2011, the map of 2019 is made. For this, concerned officials of the Institute is not giving answers.

Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed the participants that the concerned officials/representative of the Chennai Institute will tell all information in English and their other representative will inform in Marathi.

In the meeting, the demand is made that there is monthly meeting of CRZ. Three representatives of Fishing Community be appointed in the Committee.

Here Shri Dhanish Shah demanded that the objections raised by the participants and the action-initiated information be made available on public domain. Member, Public Hearing Committee informed that all the maps were made available on 16th January, 2020 on public domain – mczma.gov.in. Hence anybody can give suggestion or objection on a particular map. But vague comments are not allowed. In other



words, one to one objection on each map is expected. Here Shri Dhanish Shah remarked that due incomplete information, it is difficult to raise objection.

The participants informed that the Fishing Fellowmen from Worli Koliwada came to attend this meeting. They object that Coastal Zone Management Plan is not prepared properly. There is no mention of Worli Fishing Zone. No mapping is carried. They were expecting to know the ill-effects land reclamation.

36) Shri Gangapur Tukaram Thakar, Mumbai :-

He registered the objection that CRZ Rule made applicable to Bandra to Dahisar Coastal Road. But without applicability of CRZ, the work of Worli to Colaba is in process.

Shri Thakar objected that as there is no CRZ, the land reclamation is carried. Hence, total fishing activities of the area is finished. The fishing zone should be shown on the map. Our fishing community residing there is totally crashed.

The Fishermen who are using Varai Port since last 100 years and small boats are using it. Now that passage is also going to close. The Varai Port is not shown in the map. It should be shown.

37) Shri Arvind Saigawal, Mumbai :-

If Thane Creek Demarcation is seen through Satellite Image, it's too beautiful. Where the sea is deep, there it looks. At present, it is seen up to Mahul. But previously it was seen up to CBD. The reason should be studied.

38) Shri Hiren Daphatardar, Dy. Chief Planner, Mumbai Port Trust :-

He informed that DP 2034 and DCPR 2034 have been prepared as per guidelines under MRTP Rule, 1966.

Hence approval for DP 2034 and DCPR 2034 and Notification DP 2034 be sanctioned.

39) Ms. Prachi Mhaskar :-



She informed that already objections are registered. As per decision of Mumbai High Court, if the Mangroves Forest is on 1,000 sq.mtr. of government land, then 50-meter distance is mandatory.

She further given suggestion that Eastern Sea Shore of Mumbai be declared and notified as Bay. She further suggested that distance criteria for mangroves forest on private land should be decided case by case only.

Here, Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee appealed participants to raise any objections.

National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management, Chennai officials appealed that if there are discrepancies in the report, it should be brought to the notice. Hence, it will be included in the final report. He informed that this report is prepared as per the guidelines as issued by MoEF & CC. He informed the method adopted for CRZ-I, II and III classification. He further said that specific objection be raised.

He further informed that as per the guidelines of MoEF & CC, Hazard Line is only for Disaster Management Plans.

After detailed information given by the NCSCM, Chennai, the local participants discussed in between and remarked that concerned institute has studied only geographically but not studied demographically. The people and traditional communities' residence are not considered. The land, space for rehabilitation is not mentioned in the report and in the map.

40) Ms. Ujjawaltai Patil here remarked that there is no place for rehabilitation in Mumbai.

41) Shri Warlikar here asked whether Press is Investor in this project.

42) Shri Danesh Shah while informing

importance of Hazard Line said that Hazard Line is important for people residing on the /near the sea shore. Because, as per the Flood Report, in 2030, Mumbai will go in water. It is experienced that in rainy season, thesea water breaks



the wall and comes inside. Now Erosion is National Disaster. The Hazard Line is to know the danger in rainy season to sea shore residents.

He further remarked that after ten years also, there is no mention of coral in the map. As per 2019 Notifications, showing Fishing Zone is mandatory. It is not shown. The participants blame that it is purposefully not shown.

43) **Ms. Ujjawaltai Patil informed that** UNO has passed certain guidelines for Sustainable Development.

Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that suggestions, objections, views raised during the meeting are noted and it will be included in the minutes of the meeting. It is noted that many Koliwadadas are not mentioned. The issue regarding Disaster Management Plan is noted.

Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that suggestions, objections, views raised during the meeting and sent to MPCB office will be submitted along with Minutes of Meeting to the Expert Committee, Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra. The Committee will take further decision. Hence, those who desire to send their objections can still sent to MPCB office.

While concluding the meeting, Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that he is holding



additional charge of District Collector – Mumbai. It is observed that Collector Office receives minimum 5-6 complaints regarding various Koliwadadas. In this meeting, various objections, suggestions are raised wholeheartedly. These shows the difficulties faced by Kolis (Fisherman) and Fishing Communities.

He thanked all government officials, local people for attending the meeting and declared that the meeting is concluded.

MPCB office has received 86 objections/suggestions. All are enclosed herewith.

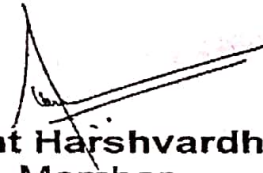
The meeting ended with extending thanks to the Chair.



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