

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR DRAFT COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PLAN, 2019 OF PALGHAR 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 update the existing 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 Palghar 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 on 16-01-2020 has made available the draft maps on their public domain various government department websites 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 Palghar District.

The public hearing was conducted on Wednesday, the 30th September, 2020 at 11.00 am at Tiwari Auditorium, Sonopant Dandekar College, Palghar, Maharashtra.

Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai has constituted Public Hearing Panel vide Office Order No. E-49 of 2020 issued under letter no.BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B-200925FTS0101, Dated 25-09-2020 as below :-

- 1) District Magistrate, Palghar
or his representative not below the
rank of an Additional District Magistrate - Chairman
- 2) Regional Officer, MPCB, Thane
(Representative of
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board) - Member
- 3) Sub Regional Officer, Tarapur-2
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,
Tarapur - Convener

Sub Regional Officer, Tarapur-2 MPCB, Thane and Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed Hon'ble Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee, Member of the Public Hearing Committee, Environment Department, GOM Officers, Other Government Officials and public who were present in large number.

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. This institute has completed the work of preparation of Draft Coastal Management Plan 2019. Accordingly, this maps were publish on various Government website by Maharashtra Coastal Zonal Management Authority on 16/01/2020 for inviting suggestions, objections if any. Public hearing with regard to Draft Coastal Management Plan is conducted today under the chairmanship Hon'ble District Magistrate, Palghar, Dr. Manik Gursal (IAS). Regional Officer, M.P.C. Board, Thane Dr. Rajendra Rajput is member of the public hearing committee and its present for todays public hearing. Director, Environment Department, GOM is also present today. In the past, these public hearing was scheduled on 06/03/2020 and 21/03/2020. However, due to Covid Pandemic public hearing was postponed then. Advertisement for public hearing was published 30 days before the date of public hearing i.e. on 30/08/2020, in the Marathi daily Loksatta and English daily Indian Express. Todays public hearing is being conducted online and offline as per directives received through Environment Department letter dtd. 14/09/2020. Corrigendum regarding offline public hearing was published in the Marathi daily Loksatta and English daily Indian Express on 28/09/2020.

It was informed that, numerous objections / suggestion are received in the Board office w.r.t: draft CRZ maps. The public participating public hearing process can submit their suggestions / objections in writing or personally during process of public hearing.

He requested District Magistrate, Palghar and Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee to take charge of further proceedings. Accordingly Chairman of the committee welcomed all and requested officials of Environment Department to give presentation about Draft Maps in local language Marathi. After the presentation, the participants are allowed to raise their objections, suggestions if any.

Shri Narendra Toke, Director, Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra gave the powerpoint presentation about the draft CZMP maps prepared.

After the presentation, the Public Hearing Committee appealed the participants to raise their objections or suggestions.

Following objections / suggestion were communicated during the course of public hearing :

1) **Shri Jayendra Dubla**

He submitted the letter to Public Hearing Committee

2) **Shri Jagannath Ganu Vaze, Managing Director, Chinchani Sahakari Macchimar & Sarvodaya Sanstha, Tal-Dahanu, Dist - Palghar -**

There is misunderstanding among the local people of Palghar District regarding Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan of Palghar District. There is no information available regarding the plan. The people should know the facts. Hence, it is essential that cassettes be made available of Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan of Palghar District and it should be kept at each Macchimar Sanstha (Fishermen Societies), at each Grampanchayat office with report in Marathi. This availability will definitely clear the misunderstanding.

In most of villages, nobody knows what is CZMP. Moreover the political leaders are misguiding the innocent local people. The fishing community is in the fear that their dwelling homes will be removed. Hence, CZMP of Palghar be made in cassette and it should be made available with detailed report in local language Marathi. It should be made available in each Fishermen Societies and Grampanchayat offices immediately

Also the copies of old plans and new plans be made available in local language Marathi. It will help to clear the misunderstanding. Hence this should be done immediately. It is humble request.

Chairman of the Public hearing committee made appeal to all participants that the Public Hearing Process is started since 11.00 a.m. and many local people have submitted their suggestions, objections to the Public Hearing Committee. Some have given their suggestions, objections personally coming on the stage and handed it to Public Hearing Committee. Hence, those who desires to submit their suggestions, objections can submit it. Those who are sitting outside the hall and desires to give suggestions, objections, the cordless mike will be made available to them.

3) **Mr. Sambhus Sankalpana Uday, and My Friend Shiva Thorat**

He informed that we have already submitted writing suggestions by email to Public Hearing Committee. We submit that any programme whether it is Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan or preservation of mangroves, it will not succeed without participation of local people. Hence, without participation of the people, awareness programme should not be taken in hand. Many adverting agencies, Media Production Houses prepare and show Environment Media as per their need/business requirements. There is no platform for public emotions/demand and no realistic situation. It is appealed here that any adverting agencies, Media Production House should not create any clips, video without public participation. We have given our suggestions by email.

Here District Magistrate - Palghar and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee gave the answer informed that the arrangement for 100 persons at a time/ batch with keeping social distance is made.

District Magistrate - Palghar and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee declared that the persons Ms. Jyoti Rajesh Meher, Shri Rajaram Shantaram Meher, Ramkrishna Jagannath Tandel, Jaykumar Ramkrishna Bhojar, Narayan Govind Patil if present, they should come before District Magistrate-Palghar and Chairman, Public Hearing Committee and can plead their objections. Their Say will be minutised and then shall be forwarded to concerned Authorities and discussions will be made accordingly.

Environment Public Hearing Committee, other offices and officials without leaving the hall took time for the lunch.

Afternoon Session

District Magistrate-Palghar and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee again announced that today on 30/09/2020 Hon'ble Mumbai High Court in the writ petition (ST) No. 93253 of 2020 has accepted the Prayer of the petitioners and they shall approach Public Hearing Committee and plead their case during the course of public hearing. He also announced the large group of people not to make any hurdles and give space to enter them. The petitioners are informed to approach Public Hearing Committee and submit their Say, Suggestions and Objections if any.

Hence, representative of Nashik Forum; Representative of Maharashtra Macchimar Kruti Samiti; Representative of Thane District Macchimar Samiti; Representative of Thane District Macchimar Central Samiti are informed to approach Public Hearing Committee. They can plead their case, Say, Suggestions, Objections.

Then, Jyoti Rajesh Meher; Rajaram Shantaram Meher; Ramkrishna Jagannath Tandel, Jaykumar Ramkrishna Bhoyar, Narayan Govind Patil can come and they can plead their grievances. He further appealed all not to make any hurdles as Hon'ble High Court has directed the same. The emotions of the petitioners will be brought to the notice of the Government. The suggestions, objection raised by them will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting and it will be forwarded to authority for consideration.

4) Shri Ramkrishna Jagannath Tandel, Chairman, Thane District Macchimar Samaj Sangh, Palghar, Dist-Palghar:-

Shri Ramkrishna Jagannath Tandel informed that National Forum, Maharashtra Macchimar Samiti, Thane District Macchimar Sangh, Thane District Central Sahakari Sangh and Walvan Virodhi Kruti Samiti, these five have given their Say on 12th of this month for canceling the Online Public Hearing for various reasons - there is no network in rural areas, technical issues, common people could not raise their voice due to lack of knowledge and facilities. Moreover, there is no provision in the Act to conduct Online public hearing. All the above points were submitted to District Magistrate-Palghar, but District Magistrate-Palghar was not positive.

Hence, we five persons Jyoti Rajesh Meher, Rajaram Shantaram Meher, Ramkrishna Jagannath Tandel, Jaykumar Ramkrishna Bhoyar, Narayan Govind Patil on behalf of our Associations have filed a writ petition in Mumbai High Court.

Thereafter with local representatives, we had meeting with District Magistrate-Palghar. In the meeting, it was informed that with Online Meeting, the virtual public hearing meeting will also be conducted following strict guidelines of Central and State Government in the background Corona pandemic. 100 persons at a time will be allowed in the meeting hall. It was informed that keeping the social distance between two persons, wearing of mask and use of sanitizer will be compulsory. If the participants are more than 100, then other sessions of 100-100 persons will be conducted. Local representatives expressed the opinion that allowing only 100 persons will deny the opportunity to many people. It is clarified that many sessions of 100 persons will be conducted, so that all will get the opportunity to express their views.

Before this, the public hearing was declared on 6th March, 2020, but Collector Office has written as 7th March, 2020. Hence, local people have suffered a lot. Then the date was fixed on 22nd March, 2020, which was postponed due to Lock Down. It was cancelled due to Covid Pandemic and now Online public hearing is fixed though there rise in the Corona Pandemic. We have filed a Writ Petition in Mumbai High Court.

Subject to Order of Hon'ble High Court, we here brought to notice that this Public Hearing is illegal. While preparing the presentation, the emotions and need of local people and villages are not considered. The maps are totally wrong as many villages have not shown. The places of fishing communities, parking of boat places, fish drying places are not shown, which are used by generation after generation. I am resident of Kelva village, the fort of Kelva village is also not shown. Parking spaces of boats, mangroves and fish drying spaces are not shown. These places are there since eternity, but due to Draft CZMP, it is totally disrupted. The local people are in mental tense.

Secondly, these draft maps are in English, it should be made available in local language Marathi. The size of maps is also small. He further asked whether representatives of Chennai Institute are available to answer the queries? He said that he is again requesting Hon'ble Committee to cancel this public hearing meeting and with protecting our Unrestricted Rights, we will submit our Say in the writ petition also. He requested Environment Public Hearing committee to give introduction to the public.

Environment Public Hearing Committee and present government officials gave introduction.

Shri Tandel further objected that the draft maps which are prepared by the Chennai Institute, the representative of it is not available to answer our queries. Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee asked Shri Tandel to raise the suggestions, objections. All the clarifications will be informed.

Shri Tandel objected that the officials who have prepared the maps are not present. They did not come in our villages also. Now they are not present in public hearing also. Then how we will get the answers? Our objection is on this point. Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee informed that all the suggestions, objections raised during the meeting will be included in the minutes. Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee here again informed that the objections raised are noted. Shri Tandel again objected that the officials who prepared maps are not here, they have not visited our villages also and not present to give answers to public in Public Hearing also. This point should be included in the minutes of the meeting.

5) **Ms. Jyoti Rajesh Meher,**

Ms. Jyoti Rajesh Meher said that we object for Online and Offline meeting. We oppose it. When there is Corona pandemic, how the meeting is called? When there is ban to come together, how it is arranged? We are the representatives of five Associations came to visit your office previously requesting to cancel the meeting. Irrespective of this, this meeting is arranged. The maps prepared by Chennai Institute, their representative are not here. They did not visit our villages. We say here that they have prepared the maps sitting in the AC rooms. The Chennai Institute did not carry any survey. They did not meet local administration, Sarpanch of the village and Circle Officer. They have not studied local High Tide Level Zone and Low Tide Level Zone. The site for maintenance of boats are written in the report, but not shown in the maps. The size of maps are so small, it cannot be read. Nothing is mentioned for our Unrestricted Rights to stay on sea shore. The sites for habitats, thickly populated colonies are not mentioned. CRZ Notification is amended in 2008, 2011, 2018 and 2019 also. Due to which, it is tried to vanish our existence from the sea shore. The different colours for break water, village/gaon, residential colonies, open space does not visualize. All the maps are incomplete. Hence, we are opposing it. The scientific survey was essential before preparation of CZMPs. It is not carried. Hence, we oppose it.

We request that Draft CZMPs should be cancelled and this public hearing should also be cancelled. This is our wish/demand.

6) **Shri Rajendra Shantaram Meher, Maharashtra Macchimar Kruti Samiti, Palghar, Dist - Palghar :-**

Shri Meher informed that today public hearing is conducted for the Palghar District Coastal Zone Management Plans. Subject to Order of Hon'ble High Court, I am raising few objections. When Corona pandemic is rising in the Palghar District, we requested to cancel this meeting and declare another date. Our request is denied. When it was postponed by the Administration in the month of March for Corona virus, why it is arranged today? We came here to raise our objections with endangering our lives. The maps prepared by the Chennai Institute; their representatives are not here to answer the questions of the public. The Palghar seashore, where the multi-linguistic population is staying with all caste and creeds living together with happy and joy. The Satpadi village is not shown in the map. There are 6,000 house-holds. But only 3,500 house-holds are shown. If District Administrative Officer would have carried survey of Satpadi village and with protection of our unrestricted rights would have prepared the maps, then definitely local people could have supported.

All maps should be made available in local language Marathi only. The public hearing at each village or at each Taluka level be called separately.

7) **Shri Narayan Govind Patil, Chairman, Wadhavan Bandar Virodhi Sangharsha Samiti-**

We object for this Public Hearing Meeting, as it is totally illegal. The Institute which prepared the maps, if would have carried survey of 720 k.m. and would have taken into confidence the local fishermen, if they would have taken into confidence of Local Bodies, we would definitely co-operated them. But we object that they have prepared the maps in their office only. There are many mistakes. There is no representative of Chennai Institute to give answers to public in public hearing. Many villages, residential colonies, space for fish dry have not been shown. No site for expansion of village is shown. Gillnet Fishing Areas are not shown in the map. Hence, new maps should be given to Grampanchayat office and after detailed study only, it should be published. We are attending this Public Hearing as per the directives of Hon'ble Mumbai High Court. This illegal Public Hearing Meeting should be stopped immediately.

After complying all the suggestions, next public hearing should be called each village. First survey should be carried and then maps should be prepared. We are keeping our Unrestricted Rights, we will go in the Court against this Public Hearing Meeting.

8) **Shri Jaykumar Ramkumar Bhojar, Ex-Zilla President, Palghar, Dist - Palghar :-**

In the days of high rise in Corona pandemic cases, this Public Hearing is deliberately imposed by the Administration. Other side, the Government is directing all to stay safe, stay at home. If anybody suffers due to Corona, it will be full responsibility of the Government. Our koliwadadas are there from the British Rule and we are staying on the sea shore. We are staying there, when there was no Act. The Act came into existence in 1950. If the draft CZMPs would have prepared taking into confidence of all the Grampanchayat and Fishermen Societies, there would not have been so much eruption by the local people.

Now Big Houses are beyond who wants to finish small fishing communities. Our fishing communities/Koli communities are innocent.

9) Professor Gajanan Bhushan Bhoir -

He said that here he is talking as a Father of a son, who is helplessly trying to say the reality.

Professor Bhoir informed all about rise in temperature of our Earth, Melting of ice of Antarkica, wild fire in Syberia, increase of cyclone on the Earth.

He blamed the scientific communities who are towards their own interest. We know that the how sea in Satpadi village has encroached.

He also gave information regarding Wadhavan Port.

10) Shri Ramkrishna Tandel :-

This Public Hearing Meeting is totally illegal; hence it should be cancelled immediately. Many reasons/objections have been given by the participants. Many villages have not been shown in the map. There is need cadastral maps.

11) Shri Vaibhav Ashok Vaze, Resident of Dahanu -

This public hearing is not at all acceptable to people of Palghar District; as there is no representative of the Chennai Institute to give answers to people of Palghar District.

12) Jonn Parera, Rashtra Seva Dal, Palghar-Vasai -

We have sent our letter regarding cancellation of public hearing. There is no reply from the District Magistrate Office of Palghar.

Shri Parera demanded to cancel this Public Hearing Meeting. He said that it seems that the maps are prepared by Helicopter photo shoot and the report is submitted. The Wadhvan Port is not shown. The fort of Wadhvan is also not shown. We can say that the team was not serious while preparing the map. This may be due capitalist policies.

So this public hearing should be cancelled immediately and draft maps be rectify immediately. Afterwards the public hearing can be called.

13) Shri Manik Aarekar, Resident of Vadrai, Dist-Palgar -

The villages who are opposing Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan are purposely not shown in the map.

14) Shri Jagdish Naik, Resident of Atpati, Dist - Palghar

Almost all are opposing the project. But grievances have been submitted. Writing objection have been given, but it is not acknowledged.

15) Shri Bhupendra Raut, Resident of Dahanu, Dist - Palghar

This is improper work of the Government to prepare Draft Coastal Zone Management Plan. The common people / Janata do not want this. It is totally wrong to conduct Public Hearing, when there is threat to human life due to Corona pandemic.

16) Ms. Pornima Manik Meher, Dist - Palghar -

The Palghar District has relation with both CRZ and CZMP. In Palghar District, all the caste and creeds are staying here with joy. In Palghar District, there are some places which are ear-marked for lady koli/fisher women. Many fisher women do collect shell (Shimpale fish) and Kalave Fish to earn their daily bread. The places should be kept reserved for them (fisherwomen). It is not shown in the map.

Hence, this map should not be accepted, as maps are illegal. Hence, this Public Hearing should be cancelled as –

- a) To think and work positively, there is need of awareness in the people who are doing illegal activities;
- b) This is due to policy of the Government. In other words, Sea Industrialization Process is started;
- c) It is understood that this is plan of the Government to Industrialized the sea upto 12 nautical miles.

As per the demand of local people, this public hearing should be cancelled immediately.

17) Shri Ramkrishna Tandel -

- a) In Thane, Raigad and Mumbai, public hearing meetings were cancelled and again conducted. Then why not at Palghar?
- b) Actually, calling public hearing meeting at the crucial time of spreading of Corona pandemic is not at all acceptable. Moreover, there is no representative of the Institute, who have prepared the plans to give answers to public in Public Hearing. This shows the aim of this Act is purposely set aside, as the main purpose is to know the common people regarding the projects. If this is violated, then how can this public hearing can be called as legal?

Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee informed the participants to raise issues which will be included in the minutes of the meeting.

District Magistrate, Palghar and Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee informed that the messages were sent to all local representatives on 29th. As per the guidelines, it is mandatory to publish the public notice 30 days' in advance. But public hearing was cancelled. But as per Office Memorandum as issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC), Govt. of India (Gol), New Delhi dated 14th September, 2020, it is directed that in the background of Covid pandemic, with Online meeting, Regular i.e. Virtual Public Hearing meeting also be conducted. It was directed to follow strict guidelines as issued by Central and respective State Government i.e. to avoid Corona pandemic, only 100 persons at a time be allowed in the hall. If the participants are more than 100, then in next session be arranged till all participants got the opportunity. Wearing of mask, keeping social distance among two persons and use of sanitizer is mandatory.

This public hearing is arranged to know the emotions, suggestions and objections of people of District Palghar. all the suggestions will be included in the minutes of meeting and it will submitted to MoEFCC, Gol, New Delhi for their kind consideration.

If there is any error in the report at Taluka level, it is requested to watch the presentation of 10 minutes. It is my duty to convey your feelings. Today only, Hon'ble Mumbai High Court has passed an Order to give you an opportunity of hearing. Hence, it is requested to all to raise relevant suggestions and objections. It is our duty to convey your objection and suggestion to the respective authorities.

At this moment, Shri Tandel raised the issue that if at all the representatives of the concerned agency if not available to give answers to people, how this Public Hearing Meeting can be considered as Legal? Only two days in advance i.e. on 28th September, 2020, it is informed that offline i.e. virtual public hearing meeting will be conducted on the 30th September, 2020. 30 days in advance public notice should have to be published in local and national newspaper. As people were of the opinion that due to Corona pandemic, people will no be allowed to attend the meeting. Otherwise here large number of local people would have attended. Shri Tandel said that it is necessary that two points should be clarified –

- 1) If the representatives of the concerned agency are not available to give answers to local people in the public hearing, then how this meeting can be considered as Legal?

- 2) Before two days earlier only, it is informed that with Online public hearing, offline public hearing meeting will be conducted. How can this be Legal? As per EIA Notification, 30 days advance public notice is to be published in one local newspaper for local language and in one national newspaper for English.

Here Professor **Gajanan Bhushan Bhoir** remarked if the public hearing panel is not able to give answers in offline meeting, how they will be able to give in online meeting?

Public Hearing Meeting is for people. If the representatives of the concerned agency are absent and not able to give answers, then how this public hearing can be considered a Legal?

District Magistrate-Palghar informed that it is our duty to convey the issues raised by the public in the public hearing to the Government. I have called respective petitioners to raise their issues.

- 18) **Miss Mani** informed that as the Notification of MoEFCC, Gol, New Delhi dated 14th September, 2016, Project Consultant of the Project Proponent should be present in the public hearing and he/she should give all the detailed information of the project to the participants. If in the Corona pandemic background, if the Online Meeting is Legal, then concerned Chennai Representatives can come online to give answers. At this moment, Director, Environment Department, Maharashtra Government and Member Secretary, MCZMA informed that the representatives are in quarantine, but available Online.

19) **Shri Tandel raised the issued as –**

- a) If non-attendance in the meeting of Chennai Institute is legal as they are Corona patient, then informing two days before the actual date of public hearing about offline meeting to public instead of 30 days' in advance, how it is legal?
- b) Hence, as Chennai Institute Representatives are Corona affected persons, this public hearing should be cancelled.

District Magistrate-Palghar here remarked that opportunity is given to public to raise their issues in public hearing.

Shri Tandel informed that each issue will be in the question form only.

- 1) Whether non-attendance of Chennai Institute Representative is legal or illegal?
- 2) Whether District Magistrate has power to cancel the meeting, postpone the meeting? The Committee is Quasi-Judicial.

20) **Shri Patil from Wadhavan village** opined that as per the provisions of Government Notification, this Public Hearing can be cancelled.

21) **Shri Rakesh Raut, resident of Wadvan village** remarked that Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee should be appointed whom knows whether meeting is legal or illegal.

22) **Shri John Parera, Palghar-Vasai** expressed the opinion that whether the people should come to conclusion that the officers sitting on chair in the Public Hearing Committee has no legal knowledge and they are not answers it means that this meeting is illegal.

Shri Tandel remarked that public hearing is for public only. The Government is spending so much money from the government exchequer which is public money. Unless and until the maps are not corrected, the public hearing should be declared as cancelled. But Public Hearing Committee is just sitting silent.

District Magistrate – Palghar expressed the opinion that Public Hearing is Statutory Process. He requested to raise issues as per the directives of Hon'ble High Court. Public Hearing can be conducted by different methods.

The participants started to shout that cancellation of this public hearing is feeling of local people. But the answers should be given to the issues raised during the meeting. For online and offline issue only, the writ is filed in the Hon'ble High Court. Government spends the public money. Here it is raised that how much money is given by the Maharashtra Government to Chennai Institute?

At this moment some of the participants opined that Public Hearing Committee is bound to give answers. Professor Gajanan Bhushan Bhoir informed that in Goa, continuous three days, the public hearing was conducted. District Magistrate has no right to leave the public hearing. The timing of starting/commencing is morning 11.00 am, but public hearing meeting concluding time is not mentioned. This meeting should be cancelled or answer the three questions raised during the meeting. It is informed that by the participants that -


As per the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India -

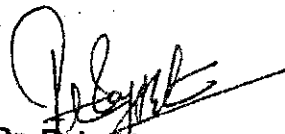
- a) three committees should be constituted to prepare the maps;
- b) A Committee consisting of three members for District level;
- c) A Committee consisting of three members for preparation of Maps


At the time of 6.00 pm in the evening, after hearing to all the participants, District Magistrate, Palghar and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that this meeting is started in morning at 11.00 am. In the meeting, District Magistrate, Additional District Magistrate, Member Secretary, MCZMA, Resident Deputy Collector Palghar, Regional Officer, MPCB, Thane as Member, Tahsildar, Collector office Palghar and Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Tarapur-2 as Convener were present. The public hearing is conducted by two methods i.e. Online and Offline. As per the directives given today by Hon'ble Mumbai High Court in the writ petition (ST) No. 93253 of 2020, petitioners were given opportunity to raise their suggestions, objections in-person before the Public Hearing Committee. Accordingly, they have communicated their suggestions / objections during the course of public hearing and same are recorded herewith. Number of writing suggestions, objections are received by email also. In this meeting also, number of suggestions, objections are received. The minutes of meeting in English and Marathi will be prepared and it will be submitted to MoEFCC, GoI along with suggestions, objections received in writing. An Expert Committee of MoEFCC, GoI will take the suitable decision.

While concluding the meeting, Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee thanks all and declared the meeting is concluded.

The meeting is ended extending thanks to the Chair.


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Committee
and
Sub Regional Officer-Tarapur-2,


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Member, Environmental Public
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