

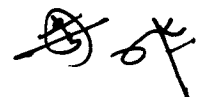
**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED PRODUCTION OF ETHANOL/ENA OF CAPACITY 105.0 KLPD (GRAIN BASED), 10.0 KLPD (MALT), CO-GENERATION POWER PLANT 4.0 MW (CAPTIVE GENERATION), 5.0 TPD CORN OIL PLANT AND BY-PRODUCT 75.0 TPD CO<sub>2</sub> & 80.0 TPD OF DDGS AT PLOT NO. E-1/5A, 1/5B, BARAMATI INDUSTRIAL AREA, TANDULWADI, TAL-BARAMATI, DIST – PUNE, MAHARASHTRA BY PROJECT PROPONENT M/S CAPOVITEZ PRIVATE LIMITED, TAL – BARAMATI, DIST – PUNE, MAHARASHTRA**

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Shri Pratap Jagtap, Sub Regional Officer, Pune-I, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Pune and Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee welcomed Shri Himmat Kharade, Additional District Magistrate, Pune and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee, Shri Nitin Shinde, In charge Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune and Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee and the persons, NGO offices from the project to present for the public hearing and with the permission of Chairman started the proceedings of the public consultation.

Convener of the Public Hearing Committee informed that the meeting is called in the background of Covid-19 by following the central as well as state govt. guidelines and requested all the participants to follow guidelines.

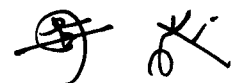
Shri Pratap Jagtap, Convener of the Environment Public Hearing informed that Project Proponent M/s Capovitez Private Limited, Plot No.E-1/5A, 1/5B, Baramati Industrial Area, Tandulwadi, Tal-Baramati, Dist-Pune, Maharashtra. Tal – Baramati, Dist – Pune, Maharashtra has proposed to establish a plant for the production of Ethanal/ENA of capacity 105.0 KLPD (Grain Based), 10.0 KLPD (Malt), Co-generation Power Plant 4.0 MW (Captive Generation), 5.0 TPD Corn Oil Plant and By-Product 75.0 TPD CO<sub>2</sub> & 80.0 TPD of DDGS. Convener of the meeting informed that State Environment Appraisal Committee, Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai in its 228<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 31-12-2019 has approved Terms of Reference (TOR) to above project. As per TOR, Project Proponent has prepared draft Environment Impact Assessment



(EIA) report and as per the Notification of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India (MoEF & CC, GOI), New Delhi dated 14 September, 2006 and applied on 08-09-2021 to conduct public hearing to MPCB for obtaining Environmental Clearance (EC). The public consultation is mandatory before obtaining EC. The public hearing for the above project is fixed on 26-10-2021 at 12.00 noon on the project site for which 30 days in advance, the public notice was published in local newspaper Loksatta for Marathi, being local language and in national newspaper Indian Express in English on 16-09-2021. The views, opinion, suggestions or objections for the proposed plant in environmental angle were invited from public, environmentalists and NGOs.

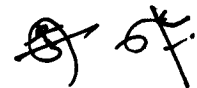
Also copy of EIA report and executive summary in Marathi and English were made available at various notified offices of Government i.e. Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Zonal Office, West Central Zone, New Secretariat Building, Ground Floor, East Wing, Civil Line, Nagpur-440 001. District Magistrate Office, Pune, Zilla Parishad Office, Pune; District Industries Centre Office, Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, New Administrative Building, Mumbai; Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board Mumbai; Regional Office, MPCB, Pune / Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune-1 and on the website of MPCB; Tahsildar, Tahsil Office- Baramati, Dist-Pune; Sub Divisional Officer, Tahsil Baramati, Dist-Pune; Chief Officer, Baramati Nagar Parishad; Block Development Officer, Panchayat Samati, Baramati, Dist – Pune; Gram Panchayat Offices – Saval, Vanjarwadi, Gojubai, Kathphal, Undavadi, Kade Pathar, Tal – Baramati, Dist – Pune. The public in general were appealed to send any suggestion or objection regarding the proposed project. After Public notices this office is in receipt of one suggestion though E-mail to MPCB office.

Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai has constituted Public Hearing Panel vide Board's Office Order No. E- 91 of 2021 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B- 211013-FTS-054, dated 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021: -



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| 1) District Magistrate-Pune<br>or his representative not below<br>the rank of an Additional District<br>Magistrate | <b>Chairman</b> |
| 2) Regional Officer, MPCB, Pune<br>(Representative of Maharashtra<br>Pollution Control Board)                      | <b>Member</b>   |
| 3) Sub Regional Officer,Pune-I<br>MPCB, Pune   | <b>Convener</b> |

Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that participants who desires to give written suggestions/objections, they may handed over it to representative of MPCB. It will be submitted to Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee. Those who desires to raise oral suggestions, they may give after the Presentation. While giving oral suggestion, objection, the name and name of the village should be informed. Project Proponent will give answers. Video recording of the public hearing will be cairned out. The minutes of the meeting will be prepared, and it will be submitted to Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai through Head Office of MPCB. This Committee is constituted to know the feelings, opinion, views of the public and this Committee has no right to sanction or to recommend the project. The suggestions, objections raised during the meeting will be included in the minutes of the meeting. Project Propend will require to paper final EIA report and submit to Environment Department taking into the condensation of the points raised during herring and minutes of the meeting. The Expert Committee takes further decision. He requested Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee to direct Project Proponent to start the Presentation. Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee directed Project Proponent to start the Presentation.



With permission of Chairman, Project Environment Consultant gave the Presentation regarding Environment Management Plan (EMP) of the proposed project. She gave proposed project's geographical location, Potential impact on the environment due to the proposed project and EMP for it.

She informed that for EMP total capital investment is Rupees 377.5 lakh and for the project recurring cost is 27.0 lakh per year.

After presentations, Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee appealed the participants to raise their views, suggestions or objections regarding propose plant in environmental angle only.

**Following persons have taken part in the discussions and the answers given by Project Environment Consultant/Project Proponent/ Environment Public Hearing Committee: -**

**1) Shri Sachin Vaste, Residence – Tandulwadi, Tal – Baramati, Dist – Pune :-**

Sr. No.	Question/Suggestion/Objection	Answer
a)	This project is Grain Based Project. What is difference between Grain Based and Molasses Based Project?	Project Consultant informed that in Molasses Based Project, the spent wash generated is in acidic nature, have a foul smell. Also, for the treatment of the same required huge cost. But in Grain based project, the generated spent wash is rich in protein and some of its components can be used as animal feed.
b)	If the smell spreads from molasses, does it come in a grain-based project?	There will be Closed Loop System due which smell nuisance will not create. Previously, there was open system, hence when the food is rotten, the smell used to

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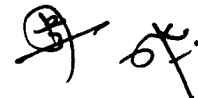
		spread, and molasses spent wash required to burnt.
c)	Will the maize required as raw material in the proposed distillery project be procured from local farmers or from outside?	Project Consultant said that this project is for local farmers only. The requirement of maize will be 250.0 MT per day. Local farmers will be given priority.

**2) Shri Abhijit Davan, Residence-Ghadge Vasti, Tal – Baramati, Dist-Pune :-**

Sr. No.	Question/Suggestion /Objection	Answer
1)	Whether tree plantation drive will be carried in the project?	Project Consultant answered that total area of the project is 7.94 hector. Green belt development will be carried on 2.62 hector. About 3,790 native species of trees will be planted on it.

**3) Shri Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist, Chairman, Dharitri Paryavaran Parirashana Sanstha, Shivajinagar, Nalgonda District, Telangana State :-**

Shri Sunanda Reddy congratulated Project Proponent for establishment of the project and support the project. He said that unemployment is the biggest social pollution. Unemployed people shall get job opportunities. Shri Reddy opined that since the project is in MIDC and grain based this project is a "farmer friendly project". Grain based ethanol project is non polluted project. I request the Public Hearing Committee to request the Central Government for immediate and unconditional approval of this project.



The Environmental Consultant of the project properly surveyed the water, land, air, and suggested to survey in between the radius of 10 k.m. of the project for of health, crop yield patterns, ground water and education.

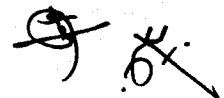
Shri Reddy said that the project has 10 acres of land. Project Proponent should carry survey of ground water in the radius of 10 k.m. of the project and reuse rainwater.

Plant trees in the surrounding villages of your project. Green belt, trees should be developed on both the sides of the road in the area. This will help to protect from dust pollution. He also suggested that while developing green belt in the villages in the project area, more fruit trees and medicinal plants should be planted.

He suggested to undertake skill development programs to enable local youth to get employment. This will help to provide employment opportunities to the local young boys and girls in your project or elsewhere.

Shri Reddy suggested that a Co-ordination Committee should be set up for the to implement the CSR scheme, which should include company officials, administration officials and local people's representatives. This will increase in trust. CSR Fund shall be utilized as per the requirement of local people. He further suggested that after specific period, health camp should be organized. Also, support rural primary education for the weaker sections.

The Environmental Consultant replied that he thanked Mr. Reddy for his good suggestions. You have rightly said that we have 20 acres of land out of which 4.6 acres will be developed as green belt. We welcome your suggestions.



**4) Shri A. Sudarshan, Prayavaran Karkyakarta, Cheyutha Rural & Environment Development Society, Wadapatti, Dharmasthala, Nalgonda District, Telangana State:-**

He said the project should be implemented without harming to the environment. Plants should be planted and nurtured. Locals should be given priority in job opportunities. Child labor should not be allowed in the project. Health camps should be organized for the employee as well as surrounding people and support this project.

The project consultant assured to implement the suggestions made by Mr. Surdashaan.

**5) Shri Krishna Murti, Hyderabad, NGO:-**

He suggested to the Project Proponent to make arrangement of drinking water in project affected area, provide medical facilities, health cards should be provided to the families of the workers. Workers should be given safety tools. 5-10% amount from the benefit of the project should be spent on community development. He supports the project and recommend that the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change to issue environmental clearance.

The Project Consultant informed that the 5% fund of the profit will be utilized on social development as per guidelines of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

**6) Shri H. Madhubabu, Social Environment Karyakarta, Rural Environment Education & Health Awareness Society, Hyderabad :-**

Shri H. Madhu Babu raised the question that what measures will be taken to prevent smell nuisance once the production activities starts at the project.

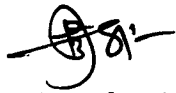
Environment Consultant informed that this project is not molasses-based project. Hence smell nuisance will not arise. This is Grained Based project and process will be carried out in closed loop, smell nuisance will not arise.

The Electrostatic Precipitator (ESP) will be installed to control air pollution.

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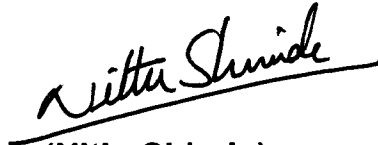
Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee appeal to raise any suggestion/objection regarding the proposed project in environmental angle only. There was no response.

While concluding the meeting, Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that in the public hearing meeting for the proposed project of M/s Capovitez Private Limited, Plot No.E-1/5A, 1/5B, Baramati Industrial Estate, Tandulwadi, Tal-Baramati, Dist-Pune, Maharashtra, seven persons raised the suggestions orally (six persons, one raise suggestions twice) and three written suggestions/objections are received by the Committee. The minutes of the meeting in English and Marathi will be prepared and it will be submitted along with written suggestions/objections to Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, New Administrative Building, Mantralaya, Mumbai through Head Office of MPCB. An Expert Committee will take further decision accordingly. He thanked all local people, project officials, government officials, journalists, NGOs for attending the meeting and declared that the meeting is concluded.



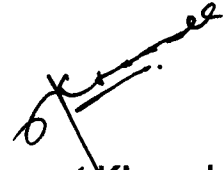
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**(Himmat Kharade)**

Chairman,  
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District Magistrate,  
Pune, Dist – Pune