

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED 150 KLPD MOLASSES/CANE JUICE/GRAIN BASED DISTILLERY ALONGWITH 3.0 MW CO-GENERATION POWER PLANT, EXPANSION OF SUGAR MILL 3,500.0 TCD TO 6,000.0 TCD & CO-GENERATION POWER PLANT 4.5 MW TO 7.5 MW WITHIN THE EXISTING PLANT PREMISES AT VILLAGE-ARALA KARUNGLI, TAL -SHIRALA, DIST – SANGLI, MAHARASHTRA BY PROJECT PROPONENT M/S DALMIA BHARAT SUGAR & INDUSTRIES LIMITED.**

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Public Hearing for proposed 150 KLPD Molasses/Cane Juice/Grain Based Distillery along with 3.0 MW Co-generation Power Plant, Expansion of Sugar Mill (3,500 TCD to 6,000 TCD) & Co-Generation Power Plant (4.5 MW to 7.5 MW) within the existing plant premises at Village Arala-Karungli, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli, Maharashtra by Project Proponent M/s Dalmia Bharat Sugar & Industries Limited was conducted on Thursday, the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 at the site of the said industry at 11.00 a.m.

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 Board's Office Order No. E-39 of 2022 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B- 220617-FTS-0071 dated 17 June 2022.

- 1) Smt. Mosammi Chougule-Barde --Chairman  
Additional District Magistrate Sangli.
- 2) Shri. Jagannath S. Salunkhe --Member  
Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Kolhapur

3) Shri. Navanath S. Awatade,

--Convener

Sub Regional Officer, M.P.C.Board, Sangli

Shri Navanath S. Awatade, Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Sangli and Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee welcomed Smt. Mosammi Chougule-Barde, Additional District Magistrate, Sangli and Chairperson of the Environment Public Hearing Committee; Shri Jagannath Salunkhe, Regional Officer, MPCB, Kolhapur and Member of the Environment Public Hearing Committee; Environmentalists, NGOs, Journalists and Company Officials and local people/participants who were present and informed that as per the Environment Impact Assessment Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEF & CC, GoI) dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 as amended on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2009, it is mandatory to conduct prior public consultation to certain projects which are covered in the schedule of the said Notification.

Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed all and informed that the hearing is called in the background of Covid-19. The thermal checking and use of sanitizer is kept at the entrance of the pendol and now it is compulsory to wear a mask and follow the social distancing amongst the persons in the hearing.

He informed that Maharashtra Pollution Control Board was in receipt of application from Project Proponent M/s Dalmia Bharat Sugar & Industries Limited., Village Arala-Karungli, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli, Maharashtra for their proposed 150 KLPD Molasses/Cane Juice/Grain Based Distillery alongwith 3.0 MW Co-generation Power Plant, Expansion

of Sugar Mill (3,500 TCD to 6,000 TCD) & Co-Generation Power Plant (4.5 MW to 7.5 MW) within the existing plant premises at Village Arala-Karungli, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli, Maharashtra.

The Convener further informed that this existing project falls under category A (1) 5 (g), 5 (j) as amended by the Environmental Notification 2006 and June 13, 2019, the project has been granted "Environmental Permission" by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi. "It is imperative to obtain and hold a public hearing on the environment in advance.

Convener informed that the aim of conducting prior public consultation is to make aware, local residents who can be participant in the hearing, and they should know the developmental activities and Environment Management Plan of the unit.

Project Proponent had submitted online prescribed application along with pre-feasibility report to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt of India, New Delhi for Terms of Reference (ToR) for conduct of EIA studies on 28-03-2021 and it has been considered and given online approval on 27-03-2021.

As per said Notification, 30 days' advance public notice was published by Sub Regional Office, MPCB Sangli in the Local Newspaper in Daily Sakal for Marathi and in National Newspaper daily The Times of India for English on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2022. The public were appealed to send their suggestions, views, doubts or objections regarding the proposed unit. Also copy of EIA report and executive summary 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, Sangli; Additional District Magistrate Office, Sangli; Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad Office, Sangli; General Manager, District Industries Centre Office, Sangli; The Chief Officer, Shirala Municipal Council, Shirala, Tal-Shirala, Dist – Sangli; Tahasildar, Tahsildar Office-Shirala, Tal-Shirala, District – Sangli; Gram Sevak, Grampanchayat office, Karungali, Arala, Mandur, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli; Gram Sevak, Grampanchayat office Sondoli, Tal-Shahuwadi, Dist – Kolhapur; Sub Regional Office, MPCB, Sangli; Regional Office, MPCB, Kolhapur and at Head Office of MPCB at Mumbai, Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, New Administrative Building, Mumbai and on the website of MPCB. The public in general were appealed to send any suggestion or objection regarding the proposed project.

Convener informed that participants can raise their views, suggestions/objections for the proposed expansion of the project in environmental angle only orally as well as in writing also.

Convener requested Chairperson of the Public Hearing Committee to start the proceedings.

With the permission of Chairperson, Project Environment Consultant gave geographical location of the proposed unit, proposed impact on the environment due to proposed project and details of Environment Management Plan of the proposed unit. Environment Consultant informed that capital cost will be 50.0 Crores and 2.50 Crores are ear-marked for the maintenance of the pollution control devices. This project ZLD i.e. Zero Liquid Discharge.

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 is as under-**

1) **Shri Balasaheb Krishna Naikwadi, Deputy Chairman, Panchayat Samiti-Shirala, Taluka-Shirala, District-Sangli: -**

The area where the project operates has been declared an "Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ)" by the Government. Similarly, considering the natural resources/conditions here, the Government has developed the Chandoli National Tiger Project at a distance of 6.0 (six) kilometer from this project. Similarly, Reserved Forest Pusarale is 10.0 km. There are many other Reserved Forests within the periphery of the project.

There are rare species of plants and animals in the Chandoli area. They are on the verge of extinction. It is being preserved/conserved there.

The current Molasses/Sugarcane juice/Grain-based Distillery Project is to be developed and although the presentation stated that there is Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) and Zero Pollution project, the Project Proponent will burn spent wash in the boiler which will be produced. Yet nowhere has such a project been as successful as Zero Pollution.

When the spent wash is burnt, the fine particles of potash and sulfur in it are mixed into the air. This has been shown to cause respiratory problems in humans and animals.

At present, the by-products i.e. spent wash produced from the factory is discharged outside the factory. It flows into the drinking water source adjacent to the factory - the Warna Left Bank Irrigation Canal.

He objected and said that it should be mentioned here that the factory is just 200 meters away from the river. If this project is set up here, the sludge coming out of the factory will be mixed with the water here, which will affect the aquatic life and the human health in the area. The Warna River further meets to Krishna River hence there should not be such a project on this bank.

The maximum distance of this project from the river is only 200-250 meters, the rules should be checked. This project will endanger the life chain of aquatic culture and will affect generations of human beings. Hence, I have a objection with this and the Government should seriously consider the water pollution.

Considering the beautiful natural resources in this area, all the citizens demand that this area be declared a "Tourist Zone". Therefore, allowing such projects in the area is detrimental to the environment as well as tourism development. However, considering the above, we the farmers, the environmentalists here are opposing this project and we have submitted our objections and it should be considered seriously.

- **Project Proponent explained that :**

Expansion will be done within the existing plant premises. Chandoli National Park is located at approx. distance of 6 KM. Application has been submitted for clearance under the wild life protection act 1972 to standing committee of NBWL vide proposal no. FP/MH/IND/5880/2021 written 30th April 2021. Proposal under process at SBWL (State Board of Wild Life). However, the Project is approximately 6.0 Km away from the boundary of the park and as per Honorable Supreme Court Judgement dated 03.06.2022, ESZ has been fixed minimum 1 Km. only in place of 10 Km. earlier.

Distillery project is envisaged as ZLD and complete effluent along with sugar effluent shall be treated with state of art latest technology CPU and ETP system which is proven and sturdy. Hence there will be no question of water pollution in future as well.

Warna River is 1 Km. from existing project site and no threat of pollution is perceived due to latest pollution abatement technology is proposed for the project.

ESP/Bag Filter will be installed to take care of air pollution.

2) **Shri Bajirao Balwant Shedge, Residence -Shedgewadi, Taluka-Shirala, District-Sangli: -**

After commissioning of this project, many development works have been undertaken in the area. Educational materials and sports materials are provided to the schools in the area. Also, during the Corona period, the factory has undertaken various social activities for the needy people. If the factory continues like this, it

will not take long time for this whole area to be transformed. Project Proponent informed here that the Ethanol project will provide additional income to the factory which will enable factory manager to give fair compensation to the farmers in the area for their sugarcane crop. The factory will be more financially viable. So, local farmers are requested to support the project.

- Project Proponent said that during the meeting Shri Naikwade raised certain doubts about the Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ). He directed Environment Consultant working in this field of ESZ, to clarify the doubts.
- The Environmental Consultant of the project informed that prior approval is to be obtained from National Board of Wild Life (NBWL), Govt. of India along with Environment, Forest & Climate Change Ministry, Govt. of India, New Delhi for initiating precautionary measures to ensure that the wildlife in the nearby Chandoli Sanctuary is not affected. Both NBWL and MoEF & CC allow only after thorough consideration and study of the project area.

As per the recent judgment as delivered by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 03-06-2022, if the project is one km away from the sanctuary, it will not have any effect on wildlife. These organizations make decisions only after studying all the aspects. However, as per the rules, we have to seek permission from the National Board of Wildlife and the process is in the final stage.

- The Project Proponent while replying to Shri. Naikwade said that project will not be started without prior permission of the National Board of Wildlife.



He further said that a state-of-the-art plant - Condensate Polishing Unit (CPU) will be commissioned for the project. Therefore, excess water from sugarcane and wastewater generated during the production process will be processed and will be recycled and reused in the project itself. Not a single drop of treated waste water will flow out of the project. This project is a ZLD-Zero Liquid Discharge project.

- The Project Proponent said that as per the instructions of the Central Government, a state-of-the-art boiler will be commissioned for the project and 100% potash ash will be recovered from the burning of spent wash, this ash is rich in Potash and Government of India recommends subsidy for the use. It is our intention to operate this state-of-the-art plant here. He promised that Dalmia Bharat Sugar would cause zero harm to the citizens of the area.

Similarly, the need for fresh water for the project will be much less as the air-cooled condenser will be operational in the project.

3) **Shri Shankar Ananda Patil, Raharna-Karungali, Taluka-Shirala, District-Sangli: -**

He requested Chairperson of the meeting that we live in this area and the problem with villagers is they suffer a lot from soot. Similarly, the effluent generated in the project gets mix into the river from the stream. Therefore, aquatic life in the water is definitely suffering. Similarly, the dairy business is the livelihood of the farmer. It is true that even the animals of the farmers do not drink water. It was stated here that there will be zero pollution. But the

reality is different. You must know this truth. There is a problem of drinking water in the village east of this Karungali village. All of this needs to be addressed.

Shri Shankar Patil further said that after the expansion, the project needs a total of 450 manpower. Local people should be given priority in it. Many local people have donated their lands for this project. They or their heirs should be considered for the job.

Many farmers have come here and they have also given their written statements, that due to unemployment, the youths have to go to Mumbai for low-paid jobs. This is a request to consider them for a job in the project.

- Here Convener of the Environment Public Hearing Committee clarified to the participants that this public hearing is for the proposed project and if you have any questions about the present working project regarding pollution, they may contact the local Sub-Regional Office-Sangli, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board by email or in person. After verifying the same MPCB will definitely take further action as usual.

Shri Shankar Patil further said that I am a school teacher. Trade effluent goes from the parking lot here. I have taken photos of him. I am a farmer. I am a teacher at the school and have come here for hours. The villagers demanded that I should come and talk about effluent. I have nothing to do with politics.

- At that time, the Chairperson assured him that he has the right to rise any objection regarding environmental issue without fear. Those

who want to register their suggestions and objections should do so without any hesitation. This is a platform for this and this meeting is only for the local people to register their environmental suggestions and objections to the proposed project.

4) **Shri Sunil Farate, At/Post-Kasbe Digraj, Tal-Miraj, Dist-Sangli.**

We have given a complaint to the District Collector's Office and MPCB, Sangli regarding the pollution of this factory. The ETP at present of working project often overflows and water goes to the farmers' fields. Often that water is released into the river. ETP is not maintained.

Farmers have often given complaints with the local MPCB office, Sangli. However, little action has been taken to ensure that ETP will not overflow and water will not go to the field. If a farmer's agriculture fields are damaged by the company's water, who will be the responsible for it?

He further added that the name of the factory creates skepticism. In the permission letter of the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board (2020, 2021, 2022) the name is Ninaidevi Sugar Factory, Ninaidevi, Kokrud. For environmental clearance, the name is Dalmia Bharat Sugar and Industries Limited, Sugar Unit-Ninaidevi, Kokrud. Also known as Ninai Devi Sugar Factory, Kokrud, Shirala for all types of government licenses. But there are no government letters like Ninaidevi Sugar Factory, Kokrud, Shirala. So Dalmia is the name in the Sugar Industries Code.

- At that time, Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee cleared that they have received a letter of objection from Mr. Sunil Farate on 12 issues and the letter and reply will be submitted alongwith the minutes of the meeting for further action.  
Mr. Farate has submitted written submission and duly replied in annexures.

5) **Shri Sanjay Maruti Patil, Sarpanch, Residence-Karungali, Taluka- Shirala, District-Sangli: -**

This factory is five to ten minutes away from my house. The foundation stone of this factory was laid by Late Deshmukh Saheb, the sculptor of the hill area, the sculptor of the hill area and the deity of Shirala taluka. So Dalmia made the climax. We are proud that this factory is now expanding and producing new products.

The company is run by Dalmia for four years. I am a resident of Karungali village and we are getting water from the company to irrigate our agriculture fields. We Karungali villagers have not been harmed in any way.

6) **Shri Sandeep Shamrao Chavan, Residence - Inamwadi, Post Arla, Taluka - Shirala, District - Sangli: -**

My house is very close to the factory. I would like to say that without the Sahyadri Tiger Project, Chandoli Dam and this factory, we would have remained as a tribal pada. Farmers, local people, and the unemployed should think that none of their businesses would have grown.

Before coming here, I have discussed with the local people and about 95% of the people remarked that there should have such Ethanol production projects, so that jobs would be created here and the youth would not have to go to Mumbai. However, it is the earnest request of all the people here that this project should be implemented as soon as possible. There is no politics here. We should support this project as much as possible. Unemployed people should get employment opportunities.

He further suggested that misconceptions about the project should be cleared by the factory administration. There are also solutions to pollution and sewage. But some people just spread negative assumptions. However, this project should be successful and the local farmers are fully supporting it and we will help this project with all our heart and soul.

This is a request to give an example of how social work will be done in our western region after the completion of this project.

- The Project Proponent explained that Shri. Farate and Shri Patil stated that the contaminated water from the factory is discharged into the river, but there is no such system. Continuous Online Monitoring System is installed in the project as per the instructions of the Central Pollution Control Board and Maharashtra Pollution Control Board.

It is connected to the server of CPCB, New Delhi and MPCB, Mumbai. If at all polluted water comes out, a red alert comes immediately. The goal of the Dalmia Group is to do business but

without pollution. If polluted, we will not be able to keep anything for the next generation.

Shri Sandeep Chavan asked about the activities implemented under CSR and which will be implemented in the future. So far, the Dalmia Group has spent crores of rupees on social work. If there is a need to build a compound in a local school, to fix/install the shed, to build a cemetery, or if there is a natural calamity, Dalmia Company will definitely help.

7) **Shri Jagannath Salunkhe, Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee : -**

Have you implemented any program under CSR fund to inform the local farmers about the current crop production, what to produce according to the local conditions, to provide fertilizer for crop growth by providing new seeds for crop growth, to create awareness for crop production growth, to cultivate scientifically? If not, it is necessary to do such an experiment in the future and reserve funds for it.

Member further suggested that this information be made available and recorded in the final Environmental Impact Assessment Report.

- The project proponent said that of course the farmers will welcome the scheme. Last year, the project undertook a cane development program. An agreement has been signed with Dalmia International to maximize production in the area due to low land holding. The project selected 200 plots to reduce the production cost of the

farmers by halving their production cost by 30-40% and the result of those 200 plots is very optimistic.

- Project proponent said that rice grows in this area, it often rots, and so we will buy that rotten rice and produce ethanol from it. He added that a seed plant has been developed at the back end of the company.

8) **Shri Ram Patil, General Secretary, Maharashtra Nav Nirman Sena -**

Last year our Maharashtra Nav Nirman Sena office bearers presented the issues of water pollution by giving water samples. Also, issues /suggestions are given in the statement. I have objections.

9) **Shri Anandrao Balku Patil, Residence - Kalundre, Taluka-Shirala, District-Sangli: -**

The questions asked by the participants about pollution are true. Also for development, to reduce unemployment, we need industries. Therefore, the factory will have to operate a pollution control plant.

Now the Dalmia administration should start a free medical treatment center for the staff and the farmers who supply sugarcane. In the future, hospitals should be set up to provide affordable medical treatment to all.

- Project Proponent said the hospital is inside for staff. Similarly, we will implement a health insurance scheme for employees and their families.

10) **Shri Hanamantrao Namdeo Patil (Ex-Sabhapati, Panchayat Samiti- Shirala) Residence – Panunbre, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli :-**

The area is home to the world heritage Sahyadri Tiger Reserve. Nearby is Chandoli Dam. The Chandoli dam has crystal clear water than Bisleri bottled water. Many people are coming for clean tourism to enjoy nature. Here is the splendor of nature. This glory should endure in any situation.

But when 360.0 lakh Metric Tons of sugarcane will be produced at the national level. Shirala taluka is a hilly taluka in Maharashtra. In the past, people lived here by hunting and fishing. Due to Chandoli dam, fishing is banned there, hunters are not allowed due to the sanctuary. So there were plenty of unemployed here. As the splendor of nature here should be maintained,

Similarly, projects are needed to provide employment. Many people go to Pune-Mumbai for employment. Now thousands of acres of sugarcane are being grown here. The canal area of 0-26 km is completely covered with sugarcane.

Now that the expansion of the factory is planned, they should do so in compliance with the terms and conditions. But if the terms and conditions are violated and the natural splendor here is disturbed, we will not remain silent under any circumstances. We will go against the project.

Similarly, all our farmers demand that this project should take place here.



Similarly, the factory should provide facilities here. Recently, the project officer said that the health insurance scheme will be approved for the workers. Also health facilities should be provided for the local people.

Educational, social responsibility should be taken by the project. But it is everyone's responsibility to see that the project should run with the proper the pollution control system and complies with all the terms and conditions. But we will all take care of the progress here. However, you should start this project by following all the terms and conditions. Everyone should take responsibility for health.

- Project Proponent thanked Shri. Hanamantrao Patil and promised that the project would be implemented subject to the terms and conditions imposed by the Government.

11) **Shri Sampatrao Gulabrao Deshmukh, Zilla Parishad Member, Sangli, Residene – Kokrud, Tal-Shirala, Dist-Sangli:-**

Shri Sampatrao Deshmukh said that "We are of the view that the project should not cause any pollution to the people of the area,". This project should be a "pollution free project". For this, the project management should pay attention. Dalmia management has given rates to sugarcane. However, project managers are requested to be careful about the weight of sugarcane.

We have taken care of weight in the past, the same should be taken in the future. Do not lose even one gram of weight. Similarly, the Tiger Project should be helped. Sugar should be made available at cheaper rate.

He further said that many people in the area have donated land for this project. Warna River has pure water. However, the company should take care that it is not polluted by the factory. Various schemes should be implemented for the benefit of the farmers, hence the name of the factory.

- The Project Proponent thanked Shri Sampatrao Deshmukh and said that according to his views, the project will be pollution free. "The Tiger project has no electricity, but we have given solar lights," he said. The factory will also be run with social commitment.
- Convener of the meeting appealed to the participants to ask any questions other than the ones asked. Convener said that seven suggestions / objections have been received so far after the public notice of the public hearing was given in the newspaper. Some of them have been received in the office and some here.
- Convener read out the names of the objectors. It is as follows -
  - a) Shri.Balasaheb Naikwade, Dy.Chairman Panchayat Samiti, Shirala;
  - b) Shri Sunil Farate, President Swatantra Bharat Party Sangli.
  - c) Shri Samrat Vijaysigh Shinde, At/Post-Shirala.
  - d) Sangli District Central Co-operarive Bank, Sangli.
  - e) Shri Ram Patil, Maharashtra Navnirman Sena,
  - f) Shri. Kisan Dadu Sutar and other Karunguli and Arala villagers And Farmers.

Project Officer and the Project's Technical Advisor are advised to respond to the objections accordingly. It will be sent to the Central Government along with the final environmental report. He requested the

Member of the Environment Public Hearing Committee to speak two words.

Member, Environmental Public Hearing Committee said that since the project is in a hilly area, we should implement the pollution control mechanism efficiently. He further said that some attendees objected that the ETP in the working project was over-flowing. In that sense, it remains to be seen whether the ETP will improve. ETP should be properly maintained. Convener, Environmental Public Hearing Committee requested the Chairperson of the Public Hearing Committee to speak express to opinion.

Chairperson, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that today we have gathered to conduct the public hearing of M/s Dalmia Bharat Sugar and Industries Limited (DBSIL) Maharashtra, At Post-Arda Karungali, Taluka-Shirala, District-Sangli, Maharashtra for proposed 150 KLPD Molasses/Cane Juice/Grain Based Distillery alongwith 3.0 MW Co-generation Power Plant, Expansion of Sugar Mill (3,500 TCD to 6,000 TCD) & Co-Generation Power Plant (4.5 MW to 7.5 MW) within the existing plant premises at Village Arda-Karungli, Tal – Shirala, Dist – Sangli, Maharashtra

She said that balanced views were put forward on the need for industry along with pollution. With progress, development you have to think about avoiding pollution.

Chairperson said that all environmental issues have been taken up in the presentation. It was about rich potash. So how do you make rich potash available to local farmers? You said it would be a Zero Liquid Discharge Project. That's fine, but the issues raised at the next meeting

should be studied to see if the wastewater from the project is sufficient for the soil? Citizens should also make personal efforts for pollution control.

Chairperson said that three issues were specially discussed in the meeting, water pollution, natural resources here and the Tiger Project here.

Chairperson suggested that the hazardous solid waste in the project should be explained in the final environmental impact assessment report. She said that while developing the green belt, such trees should be planted that they absorb pollution and maintain soil fertility.

She said that while developing green belts those trees should be planted which absorb pollution and improve soil quality. There is a museum at Mandur which mentions the natural elements of this place. Similarly, while developing 33% green belt, 1% of it should be planted with pollution removal trees approved by international research organization. That means some trees accepted by international research should be planted along with Indian traditional trees. The truth must be realized that sustainable development takes place only when nature conservation and development go hand in hand. Pollution occurs at the organizational level as well as at the individual level. i.e. The use of plastics in this nature, bottled water despite having clean drinking water, use of plastic plates for meals, excessive use of vehicles etc. should be utilized minimal by the citizens themselves to reduce pollution at both levels and conserve and sustain the environment.

Concluding the meeting, Convener said that Hon. Chairperson of the meeting has made some suggestions, it must be strictly observed.

Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee thanked all the local residents, project affected people, government officials and

employees, Police Administration, all the management of the project. And on behalf of Hon'ble Chairperson of the meeting declared that the public hearing is concluded.

The procedure of public hearing has started at 11.00 am, and ended with to 02.30 pm. Meeting ended extending the thanks to the Chair.

In this context of this public hearing the written objections/suggestions received on 13-06-2022, 27-06-2022, 29-06-2022 and 30-06-2022 through by post/by hand/by email to this office, and details information of these Suggestions/Objections along with written answer/explanation are received from industry/technical consultants which is enclosed herewith.

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