

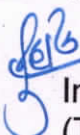
**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED EXPANSION OF DOLOMITE & LIMESTONE MINE FROM 5,94,712 TPA TO 6,00,000 TPA (DOLOMITE – 4,54,460 TPA + LIMESTONE – 1,40,252 TPA) TO 12,00,000 TPA (DOLOMITE – 8,40,000 TPA + LIMESTONE – 3,60,000 TPA) AND PROJECT AREA 30.0 HECTOR AT EXISTING SITE OF M/S ADEGAON LIMESTONE & DOLOMITE MINING, KHASRA NO. 795, VILLAGE ADEGAON, TAL. ZARI JAMANI, DIST. YAVATMAL, MAHARASHTRA BY PROJECT PROPONENT MS. DIPALI GOPAL GUNDAWAR, NAGPUR, MAHARASHTRA**

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Date : 22-06-2022  
Time : 11.00 A.M,  
Place : At Project Site, M/s Adegaon Limestone & Dolomite Mining, Khasra No.795, Village Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yavatmal, Maharashtra

**Preamble:-**

Project Proponent Ms. Dipali Gopal Gundawar, Nagpur, Maharashtra of M/s Adegaon Limestone & Dolomite Mining, Khasra No.795, Village Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yavatmal, Maharashtra has applied to SEIAA, Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai for permission of carrying out the study in the radius of 10 k.m. of project and preparation of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for obtaining Environmental Clearance for the Proposed expansion of Dolomite & Limestone Mine from 5,94,712 TPA TO 6,00,000 TPA (Dolomite - 4,54,460 TPA + Limestone - 1,40,252 TPA) to 12,00,000 TPA (DOLOMITE – 8,40,000 TPA + LIMESTONE – 3,60,000 TPA) and Project Area 30.0 hector at existing site of M/s Adegaon Limestone & Dolomite Mining, Khasra No.795, Village Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yavatmal.

 The proposed project has been approved by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) on 07-01-2021 and Terms of Reference (ToR) was sanctioned. As per Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 2006, the environment study should be carried in the radius of 10 km from the project site before environmental public hearing and to include in the final environmental impact assessment report the environmental issues raised by the project affected people about the proposed project. As the proposed project falls under Category B1, it is mandatory to the Project Proponent to obtain prior Environment Clearance (EC) from Environment & Climate Change Department, Govt. of Maharashtra.

Project Proponent Ms. Dipali Gopal Gundawar, Nagpur, Maharashtra of M/s Adegaon Limestone & Dolomite Mining, Khasra No.795, Village Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yavatmal, Maharashtra has applied Maharashtra Pollution Control Board on 22/03/2022 for conducting Environment Public



Hearing. District Collector, Yawatmal, Maharashtra State, in co-ordination with MPCB Chandrapur Office, approved to hold a public hearing on 22/06/2022. It is directed to conduct the Online public hearing. The meeting number and password was made available.

As per EIA Notification, 2006, 30 days' advance public notice was published by Sub Regional Office, MPCB Chandrapur in the Local Newspaper in Daily Punya Nagari for Marathi and in National Newspaper daily The Times of India for English on 19/05/2022. An appeal is made to residents of the area, environmental organizations, residents to be displaced by the project or residents to be affected by the project in any other way to submit their views, comments, suggestions or objections about the proposed project in writing or by email to the local MPCB Chandrapur office till the date of public hearing.

Also copy of draft EIA report and executive summary in Marathi and English were made available at various notified offices of Government for the observation, study and comments of the local people as under :-

- 1) Zonal Office, Western-Central Zone, Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department, New Secretarial Building, Ground Floor, East Wing, Civil Line, Nagpur;
- 2) Environment & Climate Change Department, 15th Floor, New Administrative Building, Maharashtra Government, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400 032
- 3) Joint Director (Water Pollution Control), Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 3rd Floor, Opp. PVR Cinema, Near Sion Circle, Sion ( E ), Mumbai – 400 022
- 4) Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Udyog Bhavan, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Railway Station Road, Chandrapur
- 5) Sub Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Udyog Bhavan, 1st Floor, Railway Station Road, Chandrapur
- 6) District Collector, Yawatmal;
- 7) Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Yawatmal;
- 8) General Manager, District Industries Centre, Yawatmal;
- 9) Sub Divisional Officer, Sub Divisional Office-,Wani, Tal – Wani Dist – Yawatmal;
- 10) Nagar Panchayat, Zari Jamani, Tal – Zari Jamani Dist – Yawatmal;
- 11) Tahsil Office-Wani, Tal-Wani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 12) Tahsil Office- Zari Jamani, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 13) Panchayat Samiti Office, Zari Jamani, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 14) Gram Panchayat Office-Tejapur, Tal-Wani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 15) Gram Panchayat Office-Amlon, Tal-Wani, Dist – Yawatmal
- 16) Gram Panchayat Office-Chilai, Zari Jamani, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 17) Gram Panchayat Office-Ganeshpur, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 18) Gram Panchayat Office,Mukutban, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 19) Gram Panchayat Office,Pimprad, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 20) Gram Panchayat Office, Khatera, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;



- 21) Gram Panchayat Office, Yerad, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;
- 22) Gram Panchayat Adegaon, Tal- Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal;

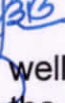
It is also informed to the notified government departments (Sr.no.10 to 22 as above) about giving wide publicity at their level regarding Environmental Public Hearing.

The public hearing was thus widely publicized following the due procedure as per the Notification, so that it would be convenient for the project affected or concerned persons to register their views, comments, suggestions or objections with the concerned department. As per the directives, the public consultation is arranged on the project site.

As per the EIA Notification as issued by the MoEF & CC, GoI, New Delhi dated 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006, Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board has constituted Environment Public Hearing Committee vide no.E-33/2022 under letter no.BO/JD(WPC) PH/B-220530-FTS-0264, dated 30/05/2022 as under:-

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

This office is in receipt 11 notices, complaints, statements, objections regarding the above project and the persons / concerned institutions have been informed to attend the public hearing and submit their views, opinion, suggestions or objections if any.

 The attendance sheets of the participants during the public hearing as well as the Order of the Environment Public Hearing Committee constituted by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board are attached herewith as **Annexure-I & II.**

#### **Minutes of the Environment Public Hearing:-**

At the beginning of the meeting, Shri Atul Saffale, Sub Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Chandrapur and Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee welcomed Shri Lalitkumar Warade,, Additional




District Magistrate, Yawatmal and Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee; Shri A. M. Kare, Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Chandrapur and Member, Environment Public Hearing Committee, Shri Girish Joshi, Tahsildar, Tal-Wani, Dist – Yawatmal, Shri Shirish Naik, District Mining Officer, Yawatmal District Collector Office, Yawatmal, Project officials, Journalists, NGOs working in the field of environment and local people who were present in large number and informed all the procedure of the public hearing. He appealed all the participants to raise views, doubts, ideas, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed project in environmental angle only. He said that the public hearing is organized only for the local people and project affected persons so that the environmental issues and doubts would be resolved.

Convener of the meeting further informed that this meeting is arranged to know the feelings, suggestions or objections of the local people for the proposed project in environmental angle only and this Committee has no right to sanction, reject or recommend the proposed project. The suggestions or objections received during the meeting will be noted and it will be included in the minutes of the meeting in Marathi and in English and it will be submitted alongwith Final EIA report, the written suggestions/objections with the approval of Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee through MPCB Head Office to Environment, Forest & Climate Change Ministry, Govt. of India, New Delhi. An Expert Committee will take further decision accordingly.

Convener of the meeting further informed that as per the provisions of the Notification, the meeting is being photographed and video is being shot and after the presentation, the participants can raise their questions, suggestions, thoughts and objections. The Project Environmental Consultant or Project Proponent will answer the same. While asking questions, first inform your full name and residence village.

With the permission of Chairman of the Environment Public Hearing Committee, Convener asked Environment Consultant to give presentation of Environment Management Plan of the proposed project.

 Project Consultant informed regarding expansion of the project and Environment Management Plan in local language Marathi. Following points were explained in the meeting:-

#### **Detailed Information of the Project -**

- Project Area, Latitude-Longitude, Map, Submerged Area, Beneficiary Area, Forest Area, Project; Features, Project Significance, Consequences, Land Use, Earthquake Stability;
- Project objectives, social status, employment opportunities, development of farmers due to the project;
- Project analysis, summary, findings;
- Analysis of social and economic status



- Information about air, water, land, sound, project affected areas etc.
- Impact and management of air, water, displacement, biodiversity due to planned project
- Information on environmental management after project implementation
- Information on other environmental management

After reading the suggestions given by Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Convener appealed to the participants to raise their environmental suggestions or objections about the proposed project. While raising questions, inform the full name, village. He also informed Project Environment Consultant and Project Proponent to give appropriate answers.

**Views, questions, suggestions/objections raised during the Environment Public Hearing and the answers/promises given by the Project Proponent**

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**1) Shri Dinkar Baburao Panghate, Residence – Adegaon, Tal -Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal:-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	The project has been in operation since 1998 and has not taken any measures to protect the environment.	The Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tankers. We have proposed to set aside Rs 11,50,000/- for green belt development.
2)	As mentioned in the presentation, intimation of public hearing meeting was given to all the Gram Panchayats in the project area, but no advance notice was given to the Adegaon Gram Panchayat within the limits of which the project falls. There was no oral announcement with beating of drums (Davandi) in the village.	Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that the letter of intimation of public hearing has been handed over to Sarpanch Madam on 21-5-2022 and its acknowledgment is in the office of MPCB. Convener said that Gram Panchayat offices are informed regularly to make public awareness and davandi.
3)	The Project Proponent gets crores of rupees from the mines. But nothing is done in respect of paying of taxes to the Gram Panchayat, implementation of social activities in the Gram Panchayat area. This project has put our village in a trap. The problems have increased.	Control delay blasting will be done in the project. For this, a delay detonator will be used and even a difference of milliseconds will be made, so that vibrations will not go away. A permanent system will be set up to check the vibrations.



	Local farmers have no open space to watch the night sky. The company's lease is upto our settlements. Blasting will affect the villagers who resides in the settlement.	
4)	Shri Panghate said that we have no objection to increase the production. However, the project has not provided much help for environmental protection and development of the village where the lease (mine) is located, for roads, for educational facilities. However, the Government is requested to reduce the lease period of the project and provide cattle fields in the village. New houses cannot be built here due to E class. However, the company should be leased keeping distance from the residential area. Project Management should be instructed to give job opportunities to local people only. The Development Fund should be given to Gram Panchayat. The company should be the Gram Panchayat taxes regularly.	The environmental consultant said project management does not increase or decrease the lease. We will increase production capacity only on existing areas
5)	He said that there is a big problem of animal feed in the area. Therefore, the lease space should be fixed and the duration should be reduced. The dust from the project is causing severe damage to the surrounding fields. Farmers are not compensated for the loss due to dust at a fair price. The farmers here are extremely poor. However, the Government Administration should give justice on this issue as well.	The Environmental Consultant said agriculture is a matter of compensation. As the production will increase, the company administration intends to increase the compensation as well. The Environmental Consultant further stated that Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tankers. We have proposed the budget of Rs 11,50,000/- for green belt development. It is proposed for avenue plantation and for green belt development in the village. 2, 300 trees will be planted.
6)	Also, these companies should make the Wadaki-Adegaon road as cement road.	The Environmental Consultant said that Shri Panghade has demanded that the company should make the Wadaki-Adegaon road as cement road. A katcha



		road will be developed by the Project Proponent, but the District Administration can develop paved road from the District Mineral Fund, as our increase in production is not as much to develop the cement road. But the project proponent will definitely co-operate with it.
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**2) Shri Sandeep Aasudkar, Residence – Adegaon, Tal-Zari Jamani,  
Dist – Yavatmal :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	The project produces large piles of ash. It flies so much in the wind that it is causing a lot of trouble to the people in the area. Many residents have serious respiratory illnesses. Similarly, various diseases are occurring.	The Environmental Consultant said that Shri Sandeep Asodkar asked about dust pollution. The Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tankers. We have proposed to set aside Rs 11,50,000/- for green belt development. It is proposed to plant trees on both sides of the road and in the village. 2300 trees will be planted
2)	The passers-by suffers due to ash. The rate of accidents has increased. Many people were injured, some fell and were injured due to ash. The company does not take responsibility for it.	The suggestion is noted.
3)	In the presentation, it was stated that the project proponent will encourage and support to the fishery business. The Bhoi community in the area used to fish. There are two lakes in the area. The fishing societies are closed. The Project Proponent did not promote the local fishing business in good faith. It was stated in the presentation that fishing can be done in the pits which have been created due to mining.	The answer to the question asked Shri Asodkar for the Bhoi community is that provision is being made in the budget for fisheries. If fishery cannot done in the mine pit, they will be encouraged in the village lakes. The project management will only bear the financial burden, but all other administrative matters are to be done by the Bhoi Samaj Society only.



	Encouragement and further action should be taken in this regard.	
4)	Cattle do not get fodder. The various industries in the area have not done avenue plantation.	A fund of Rupees 11,50,000/- has been reserved for proposed green belt development. The avenue plantation and plantation in surrounding villages will be carried. 2300 trees will be planted.
5)	The project management appoints local people, but they are mentally harassed. A temple of village is at Pokargota. It was in the space in the lease, it has been raised. This company does nothing for the public.	75% of the workers in this mine project are local people only. The Environmental Consultant said that there was a suggestion not to do blasting near Pokargota Hanuman Temple. It is "No Blasting Zone" of DGMS. Therefore, blasting is done leaving only 300 meters. Funds will be provided for the village temple required.

**3) Shri Suraj Gavande, Residence – Adegaon, Tal-Zari Jamani, Dist – Yavatmal:-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	The name of Adegaon Gram Panchayat is not mentioned in the public notice published in the newspaper. Similarly, the local people are not aware of today's public hearing. Had there been information, the majority of local people would have been present here.	Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee informed that the notice has been given to Sarpanch Madam on 21-5-2022 and its acknowledgment is in the local office of MPCB. Convener further stated that instructions are always given to Gram Panchayat offices for public awareness and Davandi.
2)	Trucks leaving the company carry overloaded goods at high speed. This has been also reported to the factory management. Many people in the village have been injured due to this traffic	Care will be taken to ensure that the trucks do not overload while carrying the company's goods.
3)	The ash from the company is causing huge inconvenience to the local people. Similarly, the mine is not fenced. So, the animals have died in the pit. Contaminated water from these mines goes	The Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, water tankers.



	underground, so contaminated water also comes to bore wells.	
4)	The company has not planted any trees.	A reserve fund of Rs. 11,50,000/- has been proposed for green belt development. It is proposed to plant trees on both sides of the road and in the village. 2300 trees will be planted.

**4) Shri Shankar Dadaji Zade, Vill. Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yevatmal :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Question / Suggestion / Objection</b>	<b>Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions</b>
1)	It should be informed immediately whether Adegaon Gram Panchayat in advance was informed about the public hearing? If yes, then administrative action should be initiated against the concerned officer of the Gram Panchayat for not giving oral announcement with beating drums (Davandi) in the village.	Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that the notice has been given to Sarpanch Madam on 21-5-2022 and its acknowledgment is in the MPCB office. Convener further stated that instructions are always given to Gram Panchayat offices for public awareness and Davandi. A demand for action against the Gram Panchayat officer has been noted.
2)	There is a temple of Hanumanji at Pokargota. However, there is no need for blasting and mining within 300 meters of the temple. But there is blasting and there is a mine. This has hurt the religious sentiments of the local people and hence we are opposing this project. The company runs day and night, so the lives of the citizens are in danger. The mining project has been going on for the last 20-25 years and not a single rupee has been given for the development of the village. So, I personally oppose this project.	The Environmental Consultant said that there was a suggestion not to carry blasting near Pokargota Hanuman Temple, it is the "No Blasting Zone" of DGMS. Therefore, blasting is done leaving only 300 meters. Funds will be provided for the village temple if required.




**5) Shri Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist, Hyderabad :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	<p>I am the first realist environmentalist in India to support the project. Unemployment is a major pollution in our India. Industrial development is needed for environmental and economic development. NGOs in India hold industries responsible for pollution and health issues. Only 15% of India's population is exposed to industrial pollution. However, the remaining 85% have health problems. Pesticides on crops also pollute. In India, 400 million young men and women are waiting for employment.</p> <p>The Government of India and various states can provide 5-6 lakh jobs every year. So every year one crore people are available for employment. Only the industrial sector provides direct and indirect employment.</p>	<p>The suggestion is noted.</p>
2)	<p>He suggested that control blasting should be implemented in the project. Materials for the project should be transported in trucks closed by tarpaulins. So there will be no pollution. Taking care of these two things will not cause pollution</p>	<p>Control delay blasting will be done in the project. For this, a delay detonator will be used and even a difference of milliseconds will be made, so that vibrations / vibrations will not go away. A permanent system will be set up to check vibrations. Similarly, the materials for the project will be transported in trucks closed by tarpaulins.</p>
3)	<p>The Project Management should form a Co-ordination Committee. This should include Project Management, Sarpanch, officials of Local Bodies, Pollution Control Officers. The Committee should implement the required Social Plan i.e. Demand Oriented Work. The Target Oriented Work should not be implemented. CSR funds should be spent on Demand Oriented Work.</p>	<p>The Environmental Consultant stated that the Co-ordinating Committee is mentioned in para 7.1 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.</p>



4)	Although there are some limitations to green belt development in the mining industry, there is a need for tree planting in both, the villages and the roads in the area. Fruit trees and herbs should be planted in it. The dust will be prevented and fruits would be also available to the villagers.	The development of green belt on both sides of the road has been explained in detail. 2300 trees will be planted
5)	Mining will be done in 75 hectares. However, rainwater harvesting and storage should be done in the project. This will increase the ground water level in the area.	Recharge shafts and two pits have been constructed for rainwater harvesting. CGWB (Central Ground Water Board) has approved the recharge proposal
6)	The health status of 10 km of the periphery of the project area, survey of local crop samples, current status of ground water level should be surveyed. It should be included in the final environmental impact assessment report by the management.	The suggestions are welcomed.
7)	Mining comes under the jurisdiction of the Government of India. Similarly, health and environment are also important factors. The health and safety of the villagers is also important, so the opinion of the local villagers should be taken into consideration in setting up the project.	The suggestion is noted.

**6) Shri Mangesh Pachabhai, Residence – Adegaon, Tal-Zari Jamani, Dist – Yavatmal:-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1) 	So much money goes through our area through minerals, the local people repeatedly request, the Collector is the Secretary of the Mineral Development Committee, while we do not get the royalty money from the village.	The Environmental Consultant replied that Shri Mangesh Pachbhai had a question about royalty. As per the rules, the royalty per ton is being deposited in the District Mining Fund.



2)	You have held a public hearing of the mine. The Project Proponent is doubling the production. While doubling, the compensation of the surrounding farmers should also be doubled, their views should be taken into consideration.	The Project Management intends to increase the production as well as the compensation.
3)	None of the companies in the area take health camps. About 40-45% of the locals suffer from skin rashes, kidney stones and other diseases caused by the project.	Health camps will be planned. Provision will be made for this in the budget and that information will be presented in the final environmental impact assessment report
4)	While supporting the project expansion, concrete action should be taken regarding the problems of local farmers, rural development schemes, employment opportunities for the local people.	The suggestion is noted.

**7) Shri Dnyaneshwar Motiram Chatap, Residence – Adegaon, Tal -Zari Jamani, Dist – Yavatmal :-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Question / Suggestion / Objection</b>	<b>Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions</b>
1)	My farm is at sr.no.642 and it is adjacent to the project. They built the road, it is completely damaged by the rain. It should be corrected.	The road will be repaired and paved.
2)	Project management should operate the mines from the company compound. Do not do outside the compound.	The project is working in the compound.
3)	No compensation was paid this year, but an agreement was reached. As production increases, so should compensation. Because if ten thousand rupees a year is given to the farmers, what will be the benefit to the farmers? Already this district is a farmer suicide prone district. This project will not benefit the farmers at all. If the farmer survives, then the country will survive. However, farmers should be considered in all cases	The Environmental Consultant said agriculture is a matter of compensation. As the production will increase, the company administration intends to increase the compensation as well.



4)	We have a borewell in our field. Its water level can also go down. So how do we water the field. However, all farmers should be satisfied.	Recharge shafts and two pits have been constructed for rainwater harvesting. CGWB (Central Ground Water Board) has approved the recharge proposal
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Convener, Environment Public Hearing Committee appealed all the participants to raise any question, suggestion or objections if any regarding the proposed project in environmental angle.

**8) Shri Sitaram Pinge, Vill. Adegaon, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yavatmal:-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	So far, local people and villagers from other villages have only mentioned the problems of the project. So, the company management should give us detailed information about the benefits of this company.	The Environmental Consultant said Shri. Pinge's question was whether the company should state the benefits. So, the benefits are many, such as the State Government getting royalties on the product. The government will get 10% in DMF. As per the Notification, 40% of the affected areas get funding. There will be an increase in green belt and employment. Similarly, there will be a huge increase in indirect business in the area.

**9) Shri Vinod Tated, Residence – Adegaon, Tal-Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	My request is that this is a Dolomite company with a Gatti Mine company attached to it. As per the rules of the company, there are working hours, but here the trucks of the company carry goods 24 hours a day. If you come on the road in the evening, you will not see the road, so much ash lies on the road. However, the continuous traffic of this company should be brought under control. The company's goods are	The Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tank. We have proposed to set aside Rs. 11,50,000/- for green belt development. He further said that the transport will be done from closed trucks only.



	constantly lying on the road, a tough decision should be taken. The company should take responsibility for the accidents that are happening due to falling of goods and ashes of the company. However, the company should be operated and closed as per the rules, the transport should be done as per the rules and in case of an accident, the company should pay the compensation.	
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**10) Shri Ashish Fulsange, Former Zilla Parishad Member, Yawatmal:-**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Question / Suggestion / Objection</b>	<b>Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions</b>
1)	This company is working in Adegaoon Gram Panchayat. The people of Adegaoon should be given employment opportunities in the company.	75% of the workers in the working project are local people.
2)	Although there are other mines here, the trucks that go from Adegaoon Wadakupur are overloaded. This road comes under the jurisdiction of Zilla Parishad and has a traffic limit of 15 ton. However, the Environment Public Hearing Committee and the Government are requested to expedite the process of transferring the road to the State Highways Department to increase its capacity.	Care will be taken to ensure that the company's vehicles are not overloaded. The matter of handing over the road to the Highways Department falls under the jurisdiction of the District Administration.
3)	The dust from the company damages the crops of the farmers in the area. Here the farmers said that only ten thousand rupees is paid annually. Hence, it should be increased immediately, There is a lot of question about these hooligan mines. Considering the future industrial progress here, the problem of pollution may become more serious than it is now. For this, action should be taken to spray	The Dust Pollution Control Plan is shown in the presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tankers. We have proposed to set aside Rs. 11,50,000/- amount reserves for green belt development. The Environmental Consultant said that along with the increase in production, the compensation will also be increased.



	water on the road and not to spill goods.	
4)	The dust that comes out from the mines in this area is detrimental to people's health and crops. However, company must strictly abide by all the instructions, terms and conditions passed by the MPCB and other government departments. MPCB should take strict action against the polluting industries in the area.	The suggestions are noted
5)	The company's dust has increased the incidence of asthma and skin diseases in the area. However, the company should conduct health camps from time to time and provide medical treatment to the affected persons.	Health camps will be planned for a specific period of time. Financial provision will be made for this.

Convener appealed the participants to raise suggestions, objections.

**11) Sau. Seema Datta Lalsare, Sarpanch, Adegaon Gram Panchayat, Tal. Zari Jamani, Dist. Yawatmal :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	Company do helps in development works from time to time. from the company. However, the company should organize health camps after a certain period of time.	The Environmental Consultant replied that the proposal would be made to organize health camps twice a year.
2)	Pollution has increased in the area. This should be monitored by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board	The suggestions are noted.
3)	There are many honest and hardworking youths in the area. They should be helped to develop their talents	We have done this previously for students. It will be continued.
4)	Compensation should be increased in case of loss to local farmers.	We have planned to increase the compensation of the farmers.



**12) Shri Sagar Mashilkar, Adegaon, Tal-Zari Jamani, Dist – Yawatmal :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	All the local people here are eager to hear how much you will pay compensation. However, information about this should be given. Here all the local people have come to hear about the amount of compensation	Chairman said that in the meeting while discussing it is asked about how much and how to get the compensation. Although the issue is not a matter of this public hearing, it is a matter of common concern, he said, adding that as per the Rules, project management has to compensate the farmers. If they do not get, they can apply to the Collector's Office. A hearing will be given to the and if the project management does not pay as per the rules, they will be forced to pay.

**13) Shri Sumit Navnath Kshirsagar, Adegaon, Tal – Zari Zamani, Dist – Yawatmal :-**

Sr. No.	Question / Suggestion / Objection	Answers / Assurances given by the Project Proponent / Environment Consultant / Public Hearing Committee following the discussions
1)	75% employment will be increased. The students from the village come and meet like. So clear instructions should be given in this regard.	The environmental consultant said that 75% of the employment in the project is local. As many as 75% of the additional workers will be local due to increased productivity.

Convener again appealed all the participants to raise any suggestions, objections regarding the proposed project in environmental angle only. There was no response from the participant. Convener asked Project Proponent to answer on the points raised during the meeting by the participant.



Project Environment Consultant while replying informed that he will answer on technical and scientific points and if there are administrative issues, the company management will give the answers.

- 1) Only control delay blasting will be done in the project. For this, a delay detonator will be used and even a difference of milliseconds will be made,



so that vibrations will not go away. A permanent system will be set up to check vibrations.

- 2) Project Management does not increase or decrease the lease. We will increase production capacity only on existing areas.
- 3) Agriculture is subject to compensation. As the production will increase, the company administration intends to increase the compensation as well.
- 4) Shri Sandeep Asodekar asked about the Dust Pollution. Dust Pollution Plan is already shown in the Presentation. We are going to increase the sprinklers, the water tankers. We have proposed to set aside Rs. 11,50,000/- reserves for green belt development. It is proposed to plant trees on both sides of the road and in the village. 2300 trees will be planted.
- 5) The answer to the question asked by Mr. Asodkar for the Bhoi community is that provision is being made in the budget for fisheries. If they do not do fishing activities in the mine pit here, they will be encouraged in the village lakes. The project management will only bear the financial burden, but all other administrative matters are to be dealt by the Bhoi Samaj Society.
- 6) 75% more workers in this mine project are local people only.
- 7) Shri Panghate demanded that the company should develop the Wadaki-Adegaon road as cement road. A katcha road will be constructed, but the District Administration should consider developing a paved road from the District Mineral Fund, as our increase in production is not that much to develop a cement road. But the project will definitely co-operate with it.
- 8) Care will be taken to ensure that the trucks do not overload while carrying the goods of the company;
- 9) There was a suggestion not to do blasting near Hanuman Temple, it is No Blasting Zone of DGMS. Therefore, blasting is done leaving only 300 meters. Funds will be provided for the village temple if required.
- 10) The Project Consultant thanked Shri Sunanda Reddy for supporting the project. He said only control delay blasting would be done in the project. Transport trucks will be tied up. The development of green belt on both sides of the road has been explained in detail. 2300 trees will be planted. The Co-ordinating Committee is mentioned in para 7.1 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report. Recharge shafts and two pits have been constructed for rainwater harvesting. CGWB has approved the recharge proposal.
- 11) Shri Mangesh Pachbhai had a question about royalty. As per the rules, the royalty per ton is being deposited in the District Mining Fund. The project management intends to increase the production as well as the compensation.
- 12) Shri Pinge's question was that the company should state the benefits. So, the benefits are many, such as the state government will get royalties on



the product. The Government will get 10% in DMF. As per the Notification, 40% of the affected areas get funding. There will be an increase in green belt and employment. Similarly, there will be a huge increase in indirect business in the area.

- 13) Shri Ashish Fulsange asked a question about the road, it has been answered. All the measures regarding pollution have been stated. Local employment is 75%. The project management will send a strict message to the concerned trucking organization regarding overloading.

Sarpanch, Adegaoon Mrs. Lalsare Madam suggested to organise medical camp twice in a year.

We have done this before for students. It will continue. It is our intention to increase the compensation to the farmers.


Convener informed that on 21-5-2022, the letter regarding public hearing alongwith environmental documents were made available and receipt of the same available at MPCB office.

The Environmental Consultant said that 75% of the employment in the project is local. As many as 75% of the additional workers will be local due to increased productivity.

Some participants asked for an explanation of how much and where the CSR funds have been spent for Adegawa.

The environmental consultant informed that the village had been given some funding. A kabaddi competition was held in the village, which was awarded a prize.

Beds, water tankers, sanitizers were provided during the Corona period. The cricket festival was funded. Students from the village who passed first class were invited to the factory and felicitated. Trees have been planted on the incoming road.

 What has been done for the local development of the village since 1998? At this time, Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that even if the relevant subject is not of this meeting, it will be instructed to submit the report.

While concluding the meeting, Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee said that today we gathered to attend the environmental public hearing of Project Pponent Smt. Dipali Gopal Gundawar's Adegaoon Limestone & Dolomite Mine, Gut no.795, Adegaoon, Tal- Zari Jamani, District – Yavatmal for their expansion in production capacity 5,94,712-6,00,000 Ton/Year (Dolomite – 4,54,460.0 Ton/Year + Limestone – 1,40,252.0 Ton/Year) to 12,00,000 Ton/Year (Dolomite -8,40,000.0 Ton/Year + Lime Stone



- 3,60,000 Ton/Year) and Project Area of 30.0 hector. Here, first citizen of Village i.e. Sarpanch, villagers of the project surrounding area, farmers were present.

Chairman reviewed all suggestions and objections. He said that some written suggestions and objections have also been received here and at local MPCB Office. Chairman said that -

- 1) **Shri Dinkar Panghate, Adegaon** gave detailed information. In it, he explained all the problems in the lease since 1998, from the threat of blasting. From animal feed, he informed the job opportunity to local people and development fund for the village. He demanded that the project officials should make the Wadaki to Adegaon road of cement.
- 2) Shri Sandeep Asudkar, Adegaon has mentioned about respiratory disease caused by dust, fish seed in the pond, encouragement to Bhoi community. He also gave suggestions about the road from Wadaki to Adgaon.
- 3) Shri Suraj Gavande, Adegaon also raised the issues of animal accidents, non-planting of trees, job opportunities to local people, contamination of borewell water.
- 4) Shri Dinkar Dadaji Zade, Adegaon demanded that the environmental document of the project is not made available in time, so he demanded administrative action against the Gram Panchayat Secretary. It has been noted. There is also a temple of Hanumanji at Pokargota, where blasting is not allowed up to 300 meters.
- 5) Mr. Sunanda Reddy has expressed support for the project. He has suggested ways to address environmental and employment issues. Suggestions have been made about health camps, green belt development, blasting.
- 6) Shri Mangesh Pachbhai, Adegaon demanded that the royalty money should be given to the Gram Panchayat. Compensation should be increased, health camps suggested;
- 7) Shri Dnyaneshwar Motiram Chatap, Adegaon raised the issue that if the production is doubled, the compensation should also be doubled, the local people have mentioned the issues of employment.
- 8) **Shri Sitaram Pinge, Adegaon** sought information about the benefits of the project.
- 9) **Shri Vinod Tated, Adegaon** instructed the truck transport as per the mining period.



10) **Shri Ashish Fulsunge** also demanded that Wadaki Adegaon road should be given the status of state highway. He has made this good suggestion. He suggested compensation, pollution, local employment.

11) **Sarpanch, Adegaon, Lalsare Sarpanch, Adegaon, Lalsare**, while supporting the company as a villager, demanded to promote health camps and encouragement to young boys and girls.

12) **Mr. Sagar Mashilkar** asked how the compensation will be given to the local farmers.

13) **Shri Sumit Kshirsagar** demanded that employment should be increased,

Chairman said that the participants were given an opportunity to register their suggestions and objections. Written instructions received at the meeting have been transferred to the Convener. After receiving the answers, the final environmental impact assessment report and minutes of the meeting should be submitted to the Government.

Chairman read out the names who have submitted their written instructions / objections:-

- 1) Green Circle Society,
- 2) Save Animal Environment Society,
- 3) Adegaon Resident Ashish Zade
- 4) Power of Nature Development Society,
- 5) True Vision For Environment & Rura; Development Society;
- 6) Earth Green Development Society,
- 7) Earth Green Development Society,
- 8) Sankalp Swachata Samata
- 9) Matharu Shri Charitable Trust & Old Age Home,
- 10) Earth Green Development Society,
- 11) Sankalp, Environment Society

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Chairman said that in the meeting, the issue is raised about the amount of compensation and how it would be paid. Although the issue was not the subject of a public hearing, it was a matter of concern to all, he said, adding that as per the rules, the project management would have to compensate the farmers.

If you didn't get, you can apply to the Collector's Office. You will be heard and if the project management does not pay as per the rules, they will be forced to pay. Believe this.

Chairman asked Project Management to keep Harmony at the local level.



Chairman thanks all and declared that the public hearing meeting is concluded.

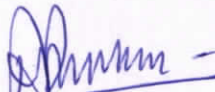
Meeting ended extending thanks to the Chair.

Enclosed 11 suggestions/objections received by the office.



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