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REF. NO. MPCB/SRO/ANR/ 460 /2022.

DATE : 09 / 12 /2022.

To,  
The Joint Director (WPC),  
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,  
Mumbai.

**Sub –** Submission of Minutes of Public Hearing in respect of proposed 122 Sand Ghats in Tahasil Newasa, Shrigonda, Parner, Shevgaon, Sangamner, Shrirampur, Rahuri, Karjat, Jamkhed, Rahata & Kopargaon in 88 Villages of Ahmednagar District.


**Ref –** Office Order No. E – 88 of 2022 dated. 10/11/2022.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith minutes of Public hearing in respect of proposed 122 Sand Ghats in Tahasil Newasa, Shrigonda, Parner, Shevgaon, Sangamner, Shrirampur, Rahuri, Karjat, Jamkhed, Rahata & Kopargaon in 88 Villages of Ahmednagar District alongwith all relevant documents, videography and photographs for information & onward submission to the competent authority.

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D.A. :- As above

  
(Chandrakant Shinde)  
Sub Regional Officer  
MPC Board, Ahmednagar.

**Copy submitted to :-**

- 1) The District Collector, Ahmednagar.
- 2) The Regional Officer, MPC Board, Nashik.

**Copy to :-** The District Mining Officer, Ahmednagar.

**Minutes of Public Hearing in respect of Proposed 122 Sand Ghats in Tahasil  
Newasa, Shrigonda, Parner, Shevgaon, Sangamner, Shrirampur, Rahuri,  
Karjat, Jamkhed, Rahata & Kopargaon in 88 Villages of Ahmednagar District.**

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The public hearing in respect of proposed 122 Sand Ghats in Tahasil Newasa, Shrigonda, Parner, Shevgaon, Sangamner, Shrirampur, Rahuri, Karjat, Jamkhed, Rahata & Kopargaon in 88 Villages of Ahmednagar District was conducted on 29 November 2022, 11.00 am at Pandit Jawaharlal Neharu Sabhagruh Collector Office Ahmednagar, Maharashtra.

As per the Notification dated 14-09-2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (MoEFCC, GoI), New Delhi and subsequent amendment therein Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai has constituted Public Hearing Panel vide Office Order No. E – 88 of 2022 dated. 10/11/2022 as below :-

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

Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Ahmednagar and Convener of the Public Hearing Committee welcomed all and given the information about Public Hearing. He also informed about procedure adopted for conducting the Public Hearing. He requested the project proposal for presentation about the project with the permission of Chairman Public Hearing panel.





The project proponent and their Environmental Consultant presented the information about the proposed project and Environmental Management Plan to be adopted during Sand Mining Activity. Convener requested to the participant for raising their objections, suggestions etc. regarding the proposed project.

**Following points were raised during Public Hearing :-**

**1) Mr. Karim Jahangir Shaikh A/p. Shrigonda Factory, Tal. Shrigonda, Dist. Ahmednagar :-**

Mr. Karim Sheikh asked that the backwaters of the Bhima River are coming up to Daund, the proposed Sand Ghats which are under water and sand cannot be mined with Ghamele & Khore. Also Mr. Karim Shaikh asked that what I can do as a common citizen if JCB, Poklane is used for sand mining in the future after the auction & there is violation of rules.

**➤ Project Proponent and District Mining Officer, Ahmednagar.**

The project proponent stated that the proposed sand Ghats which are under water cannot be mined, the sand will be mined only when the proposed sand Ghats will be open due to decrease in level of Dam. Also all sand Ghats under control of District Collector & Tahasildar & any violation of rules is found you can report to the Collector & Tahasildar.

**2) Mr. Sachin Pachpute, A/p. Kashti, Tal. Shrigonda, Dist. Ahmednagar :-**

Mr. Sachin Pachpute asked that the Complaints filed last year to the District Administrations regarding the auctioneer not follow the rules for sand mining but District Administrations not taken any action against the auctioneer.

**➤ Project Proponent and District Mining Officer, Ahmednagar.**

The project proponent stated that the said complaint has been taken into consideration and enquiry is under process and action will be taken as per rules & same will be communicated to you.

**3) Mr. Santosh Arjun Dhumal, A/p. Kashti, Tal. Srigonda, Dist. Ahmednagar.**

Mr. Santosh Arjun Dhumal asked that last year the sand mining was done on agriculture land and not in Riverbed. The Videography was made and same



Videography was send to District Administration. The auctioneer has destroyed the evidence. The District Administration not taken any action against the auctioneer.

➤ **Project Proponent and District Mining Officer, Ahmednagar.**

The project proponent said that the Complaint has taken in to consideration & enquiry is under process and action will be taken and same will be communicated to you.

Chairman, Public Hearing Committee appealed all to raise any suggestions, objections and no response was obtained from the participants.

Chairman, Public Hearing Panel stated that the minutes of Public Hearing will be submitted to Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra and decision on Environmental Clearance will be taken by the authority accordingly.


The Public Hearing was ended with thanks to Chair.

  
(Chandrakant Shinde)

Convener,  
Environment Public Hearing Committee  
And  
Sub Regional Officer,  
MPCB, Ahmednagar

  
(Hemant Kulkarni)

Representative, Regional Officer, MPC  
Board, Nashik. Member  
Environment Public Hearing Committee  
And  
Field Officer,  
MPCB, Nashik

  
(Rajendrakumar Patil)

Chairman,  
Environment Public Hearing Committee  
And  
Resident Deputy Collector,  
Ahmednagar,