MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED EXPANSION OF EXISTING PRODUCT CAPACITIES AND ADDITION OF NEW PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING OF API, API/CHEMICAL INTERMEDIATE- 700 TPM (GUANINE- 80 TPM, ACYCLOVIR- 30 TPM, N-2-AMINO-4, DICHLORO-5-PYRIMIDINY- FORMAMIDE (FADCP)-20 TPM, GUANIDINE CARBONATE-30 TPM, GUANIDINE HYDROCHLORIDE-20 TPM, DODECYL GUANIDINE ACETATE CRUDE 95%-20 TPM) AND COVID API- 13 TPM (FAVIPIRAVIR-5 TPM, DEXAMETHASONE-3 TPM, MOLNUPIRAVIR-5 TPM) & BY PRODUCT- 87.40 TPM (METHANOL-62.20 TPM, FORMIC ACID-25.20 TPM) PROJECT LOCATED AT. SURVEY NO. 155, AMBHORA VILLAGE, TAL. ASHTI, DIST. BEED, BY PROJECT PROPONENT M/S. CANPEX CHEMICALS PVT. LTD., SURVEY NO. 155, AMBHORA VILLAGE, TAL. ASHTI, DIST. BEED.

The Environment Public Hearing Meeting for the pproposed expansion of existing Product capacities and addition of new Products manufacturing of API, API/Chemical Intermediate- 700 TPM (Guanine- 80 TPM, Acyclovir- 30 TPM, N-2-Amino-4, Dichloro-5-Pyrimidiny- Formamide (FADCP)-20 TPM, Guanidine Carbonate-30 TPM, Guanidine Hydrochloride-20 TPM, Dodecyl Guanidine Acetate Crude 95%-20 TPM) and COVID API- 13 TPM (Favipiravir-5 TPM, Dexamethasone-3 TPM, Molnupiravir-5 TPM) & By Product- 87.40 TPM (Methanol-62.20 TPM, Formic Acid-25.20 TPM) project located at. Survey No. 155, Ambhora Village, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed by project proponent M/s. Canpex Chemicals Pvt. Ltd., Survey No. 155, Ambhora Village, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed was conducted on 29-08-2023 at 11.00 am at the project site.

As per Board's Office Order No. E- 52 of 2023 under letter no. BO/JD (WPC)/PH/B - 230728- FTS- 0005 dated 28-07-2023. Panel for Public Hearing was formed. Following Panel members were present during the public hearing:

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1. Shri. Shivkumar Swami,

Additional District Magistrate, Beed,

Dist: Beed.

Chairman.

2. Shri. Sujit Dholam,

Regional Officer,

M.P.C. Board, Aurangabad.

Member

3. Shri. S.M. Kurmude,

Sub-Regional Officer,

M.P.C. Board, Jalna.

Convener.

Shri. S. M. Kurmude, Sub Regional Officer, M. P. C. Board, Jalna and Convener of Environment Public hearing welcome the Hon'ble Chairman of the Public Hearing Panel, officials, public representatives and public present for the hearing and with the permission of the Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee he gave information in brief about Public Hearing on Environment Subject. He informed that, as per the EIA Notification of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, (i.e. MoEFCC, GoI) dated 14th September, 2006 as amended further, it is mandatory to conduct prior public hearing to certain projects which are covered in the Schedule of the said Notification and this unit comes under the purview of this Notification. The Project Proponent has submitted an application to the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board on 07-07-2023. The public hearing was scheduled on 29-08-2023 time 12.00 p.m. with approval of Hon'ble District Collector Beed. Accordingly notice was published in Daily Times of India (English) & Daily Sakal (Marathi) on dated 25-07-2023. Also the documents pertaining to the summary of the Environmental Assessment Report on the project (in English and Marathi) was made available for study to the interested public in the respective Gram Panchayat offices and other government offices. Accordingly, today's public hearing is being held. A copy of EIA report and executive summery was made available at various Govt. offices as under-

- 1) District Collector, Beed.
- 2) Zilha Parishad, Beed.
- 3) District Industries Centre, Beed.
- 4) Tahsil Office, Ashti.
- 5) Grampanchayat Office, Ambhora, Chobewadi, Nandur, Salewadgaon, Chichodi, Tq. Ashti, Dist. Beed.
- 6) Sub-Regional Office, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Jalna.
- 7) Regional Officer, Maharashtra MPCB, Plot No. A-4/1, MIDC Chikalthana Aurangabad.
- 8) Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Kalpataru Point, 2nd,3rd & 4th Floor, Sion Matunga Scheme Road No. 8, Sion (E), Mumbai 400 022.
- 9) Environment Department, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.
- 10) Regional Office, Ministry Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (WCZ), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur.

Further he clarified that, Board had given 30 days period for submission of any suggestions/Objections/views etc about the project as per the notifications and Sub-Regional Office, M.P.C. Board Jalna has received 2 suggestions by Email. Also he informed to the public that, participants can raise their objections, comments etc. in oral or written after presentation the Public Hearing. After that he requested the project consultant to give presentation about the proposed project.

The Representative Shri. Ajinkya Nakod of M/s. Anocon Laboratories Pvt. Ltd., Nagpur has given information in brief along with presentation on various environmental aspects i.e. Environment Impact Assessment and intention behind arranging the Public Hearing, Details about the Project, Project Plan, Environment Status, Details of local Environment and surrounding environment information, Locations of the study area, Air quality in the study area, Noise levels in the study area, Water quality in the study area, Soil quality in the study area, Bio-diversity, Socio-Economic Environment, Expected impact on the surrounding area, Environment Management Plan, Remedial measures on the various environmental impacts, Social Economic Development Plan, Budgetary provisions for environmental management, Net gain from the project etc. The information on the above is recorded in the CD and taken notes in brief in the minutes of the public hearing.

After concluding the power point presentation of said project by the Project Consultant, Shri. S. M. Kurmude, requested to present public to give their suggestions, notes, thoughts, questions, etc. He then informed that this is an environmental public hearing and the questions in the same matter shall be raised from the public.

After that, following suggestions, notes, thoughts, questions, etc. were raised and reply to the same was given by project consultant/proponent.

Sr. No.	Name and address of the person along with suggestions, views, comments etc.,	Reply given by project proponent / Consultant
1.	Shri. Atul Vitthal Khakal, Res. of	Shri. Ajinkya Nakod, Project consultant said
	Ambhora, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed firstly	that, the existing industry is using 52 CMD of
	congratulated the project proponent of	water. The proposed product is based on Zero
	the project for the new project and also	Liquid Discharge (ZLD) which means that, the
	thanked for setting up such a big project	waste water will evaporate by ZLD system and
1	in Ambhora village. He also thanked for	the wastewater generated will not be discharged.
	the existing unit for employment of 80	in the surrounding area. Also, hazardous waste is
	nos. of Local workers and for new project	disposed through CHWTSDF.
1 4	about 210 workers are required which	
	means that employment will be created.	
1 1	Also he said that, the water in the	
1 3	surrounding area has been contaminated	
	but it is not clear whether the water was	
1	contaminated by this company or not. He	
	further requested the project proponent to	
	continuously operate the ETP plant &	
	the treated water should be used for the	
1	plants in the factory premises so that, the	
	water in the surrounding area will not be	
	polluted and He also said that, industry	

should take care that there is no serious problem of drinking water in the village and further stated that, no objection to the new project.

2. Adv. Satvajeet Karhale Res. Ambhora, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed said that, as mentioned in the presentation the capacity of ETP plant is 125 CMD whether it is for new plant or existing plant. He further asked that, how the ETP plant is going to operate /monitored is not mentioned in the presentation,. On behalf of Ambhora village, he requested that, the water and soil samples should be inspected every two to three months by a private organization and the government office and the report should be submitted to the Gram Panchayat office, so that the people will know the information about the pollution after discussing the report in detail. Also the EIA draft is made after studying till the year 2022 only. He also stated that, there is no guarantee that only the people of the nearby villages will be given priority regarding employment. Regarding the water reservoir, he said that, the nearby Vaghluj Lake was not mentioned in it. And Ambhora village has its drinking water supply from this Lake. Also there is a lot of problem of drinking water in the village. The project proponent should give the opportunity of employment to the people of Ambhora & nearby villages should be given priority in equal proportion. Also we should establish a committee to discuss the CSR fund in detail with the Grampchayat offices in the surrounding villages and how the fund can be used for the development of the villages. It is also requested that, the disposal of the solid waste from the industry should be done through an authorized organization and the legal aspects should be checked.

Shri. Ajinkya Nakod, Project consultant said that, ETP plant with 125 CMD capacity is proposed for the new project. The current products are water soluble, hence use very less quantity of water and generate minimum quantity of wastewater and for that, ETP plant is installed and operational. The treated effluent is being used on land for gardening. Also, the question of water storage, he said that, according to the norms of M.P.C. Board, samples of the water bodies within the radius of 10 km are been taken.

On this Shri. S. M. Kurmude, SRO MPCB said that, the ETP plant has been installed in the existing unit and is operational.

Shri. Subhash Mutha (Director) said that when the complaint was received from Shri. Nanasaheb Amle, regarding water pollution, then M.P.C. Board has taken the water samples for analysis and the report of water sample has been given to the Complainant and Grampanchayat office. He also said that, before starting the said industry, we have installed the ETP plant first. Further we will implement the suggestions given by you.

3.	Shri. Nanasaheb Tukaram Amle, Res of Ambharo, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed, said that, there is damage to my farm & well water is polluted due to this project.	On this Shri. Shivkumar Swami, Additional District Magistrate, Beed, asked that, according to his complaint, are water samples were taken for testing.
		On this Shri. S. M. Kurmude, SRO MPCB, Jalna said that, application should be made to the M. P. C. Board, according to which the samples of the said water will be taken for analysis once again and the sample report will be communicated to you.
4.	Shri. Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist, Telangana state, wished and supported the project management. Also, the representative of the industry requested to take care of the environment.	On this Shri. S. M. Kurmude, SRO MPCB said that, his written suggestions have been recorded.
5.	Shri. Santosh Gund, Res of Vaghluj, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed, said that, my farm is adjacent to the project. My well water is contaminated but i am not sure whether it is because of this industry, therefore I request the government officials to take the water samples from my farm for testing so that according to analysis report we can know why the water is getting polluted.	On this Shri. Shivkumar Swami, Additional District Magistrate, Beed, said that, the suggestions made by you have been noted here.
6.	Shri. Rajesh Rambhau Atole, Res of Ambhora, Tal. Ashti, Dist. Beed said that, the project is nearly 500 mtrs away from the village. the people of the village are suffering due to the smell of smoke/chemicals of this company. Also, a serious problem of drinking water has been arised. He also said that there is no any objection to the said project because the people of the village have been given employment from this project. And the financial help of the village is also been done due to this project. But the project proponent of this project should take appropriate measures so that in future the Ambhora Grampanchayat as well as its peoples should be ensured that there is no	On this Shri. S. M. Kurmude, said that, you are suggestions have been noted.

natural harm and any other damages due to this project.

Shri. Shivkumar Swami, Additional District Magistrate, Beed and Chairman Environmental Public Hearing Committee addressed the audience and said that, the questions raised by them have been recorded. However, being the District Disaster management in charge I pointed out to the project consultant that, in the presentation you have not mentioned disaster management plan as per the Disaster Management plan 2005 Act, which is a serious matter. In which there is no plan for disaster management if there is an accident in the future for the surrounding agriculture, the workers currently working in the project and the workers coming in the future.

Shri. S. M. Kurmude, Sub Regional Officer, M. P. C. Board, Jalna and Convener of Environment Public hearing committee, informed the project consultant that improvements should be made as suggested by Additional District Magistrate. Also, the CSR funds should be spent on environment related matters after discussing with the concerned Gram Panchayats and taking action as per the rules. Shri. S. M. Kurmude thanks to the chairman and member of the public hearing committee as well as the peoples present during public hearing.

Lastly, Shri. Shivkumar Swami, Additional District Magistrate, District Beed and Chairman Environmental Public Hearing Committee, thanks to the peoples present in the hearing and announced that, the environmental public hearing was concluded.

(SM. Kurmude)
Convener
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Sub-Regional Officer, MPCB, Jalna. (Sujit Dholam) Member

And

Regional Officer, MPCB, Aurangabad.

(Shivkumar Swami)

Chairman

And

Additional District Magistrate,

Beed.