

MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF DEEP WATER JETTY FACILITY
ON KUNDALIKA RIVER, VILLAGE-KORLAI, TAL-MURUD , DIST -
RAIGAD PROPOSED BY M/S INDO ENERGY INTERNATIONAL
LTD.

The environmental public hearing for proposed project of development of Deep Water Jetty Facility on Kundalika River, Village-Korlai, Tal-Murud, Dist-Raigad proposed by M/s Indo Energy International Ltd. was conducted on 19th November, 2016 at 12.00 noon at Mount Carmel High School, Korlai, Tal-Murud, Dist - Raigad.

Following panel members were present for public hearing as per the Board's Office Order E-101 of 2016 under letter no.BO/JD(WPC)/PH/B-4467, dated 11th November, 2016 :-

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| 1) Shri Kiran Panbude
Additional District Magistrate, Raigad
(Representative of District Magistrate,
Raigad) | - Chairman, |
| 2) Dr. A. N. Harshawardhan
Regional Officer, MPCB, Raigad | - Member |
| 3) Dr. H. D. Gandhe
Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Raigad-II, | -Convener |

At the onset, Dr. Gandhe, Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Raigad-II and Convener of the public hearing welcomed all and informed that,

as per EIA Notification of MoEF & CC, Gol, dated 14th September, 2006, it is mandatory for certain projects to obtain Environmental Clearance and for the same to conduct prior environmental public hearing. The MPC Board has received proposal for conducting Environmental Public Hearing from M/s Indo Energy International Ltd., for their proposed project of development of "Deep Water Jetty Facility" on Kundalika River, Village-Korlai, Tal- Murud, Dist-Raigad.

The aim of conducting public hearing is to make aware, local people who can be participant in the hearing and they should know the developmental activities and environment management plan of the proposed unit. As per said Notification, one month advance public notices were published in the local newspapers on 17-10-2016 in daily 'Raigad Times' for Marathi and in daily 'Indian Express' for English. He informed that copies of draft EIA report and executive summary were made available at MoEF & CC, Zonal Office, Bhopal and at various offices of Govt. of Maharashtra i.e. Environment Department, Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai, District Magistrate Office, Raigad, Zilla Parishad, Raigad, District Industries Centre, Raigad, Tahsil Office, Murud, Grampanchayat office at Korlai, Dist-Raigad, Sub Regional Office, Raigad-II & Regional Office, MPCB, Raigad, and at Head Office of MPCB, Sion, Mumbai. The public in general were appealed to send any objections / suggestions regarding the said project. The

office of Sub Regional Officer, MPCB, Raigad-II, is in receipt of written suggestions/objections.

With the permission of dias the Convener of Public Hearing informed the Project Representatives to appraise the public about their proposed project.

The Project Consultant with the help of audio video projector explained about the proposed project. He informed about project location, aim of project, possibilities of water & air pollution, control measures, green belt development, environment management plan, employment opportunities etc.

After presentation, the Chairman of Public Hearing Panel requested the participants to ask their doubts, suggestions & objections if any about the project. The details of queries/views expressed by the participants is as below-

1) **Shri Surendra Mhatre, Chaul, Dist-Raigad** –

The contents of the presentation are not correct. Local people are suffering due to nuisance of coal dust. As mentioned in the presentation, if 200 trucks are required for material transportation; the connecting roads are inadequate. The

adjacent eco-friendly village Chaul, is at a distance of 400 mtrs. Government has planned to develop Alibag and Murud as "Tourist Spots." In the project, coal and other mineral material will be handled. Due to contamination of sea water with liquid material of project, the fishes may die. The livelihood of local families is solely dependent on fishing. The project proponent has not implemented any scheme under CSR activities at Sanegaon. The project proponent was not willing to provide financial assistance to the family of deceased employee. The Reserved Forest Phanasad is near to the proposed project site. Due to the project, fishing activities, ecology of the area and Reserved Forest will be ruined.

Korlai Fort of Archaeological Department and Phansad Reserved Forest having area of 6979 hector are nearby the project site. There is one Light House near the proposed project. All these will be affected due to the proposed project. About sixteen types of minerals will be handled in the project. People may suffer from Cancer, Skin diseases and various other diseases due to handling of coal. There are possibilities of noise pollution during cargo handling. The ill-effects of pollution are observed in the vicinity of Sanegaon project. The proposed project may degrade surrounding environment, the eco-friendly Chaul village will also be affected. Coconut and Arecanut

cultivation will be burnt. The health and livelihood of people will be in danger. Facilities for material storage and transportation are not available in the project. As the project will affect environment, we are opposing it.

Project representative tried to explain about programmes about corporate social responsibility, fund allotted for the same, employment generation due to proposed project. However Mr. Surendra Mhatre objected & told that they do not want to listen the explanation from project representatives.

2) **Shri Bhagirath Patil, Ex-Member, Grampanchayat Korlai**

The project will be established on 125 acres of land, it is mentioned in the report that there are neither mangroves nor mud at project site. We are here from the generations together, there are mangroves and mud; fishing of prawns and crabs is done by our fishing community. The bread and butter of the fishing community will be spoiled by the project. The project proponent has misled the Government and local people by providing wrong information. There are mangroves and mud at project site. It is mentioned in the project that there is no creek, however the creek is in existence. Fishing is carried in River Kundalika during monsoon. There are nearly 120 fishing boats owned by Korlai fishermen. Due to proposed project, Alibag and Murud talukas will be destroyed. Brinjals and vegetables

cultivated by local Christian families are very popular in this area. The project will destroy agriculture business in this area. Therefore, we are opposing the project.

Project representative explained that project will be established without disturbing the mangroves, project will not be established at fishermen's fishing area.

3) Father Edward Jesinto, Manager-Mount Karmel High School, Korlai –

Presentation given by project proponent is misleading. If the local people will be affected due to the project, we do not want the project.

4) Shri Mangesh Sheti, Salav -

There will be violation of Article 48, 51 of the Constitution of India due to proposed project. We do not want the project. There are mangroves at project site. Dust emissions from project will affect the Phansad Reserved Forest and Korlai Fort. Various species of birds and wild animals will be affected, hence we are opposing the project.

5) Shri Tulshidas Dharma Dhebare, Agrav -

Applications were submitted to various government offices under the RTI Act, 2005. It is suspected that Sanegaon jetty may be illegal. There are possibilities of Kundalika river water pollution

due to dust emissions from the proposed project. Project proposal seems to be illegal and we are opposing the project.

6) Shri Prashant Janu Misal, Deputy Sarpanch, Korlai –

During various meetings, the villagers informed that they have no objection for the proposed jetty project. In the last meeting, it was decided that if the village problems will be attended, then project should be allowed. If all are opposing, then I am with the local people.

7) Shri Suresh Sodekar, Chairman - Tulja Bhavani Fishermen's Society–

While inspection by me, member of our society, deputy Sarpanch of our village & two representatives of company we asked about project. Company representative informed that project will be developed leaving area of 500 meters near to Kasha. Afterwards area of Birla company will be left. If area of 500 meters will be leaved it is not related with our creek. Sufficient space is not available for handling of 2,000 Ton material and cargoes.

8) Shri Ganajan Padmakar Patil, Korlai -

Proper information in respect of job opportunities in the project should be given. It is informed during presentation that there will be job opportunities for 120 personnel. The proposed project will affect environment, we are opposing the project.

9) Shri Rajendra Patil, Korlai -

Information given in the presentation is inadequate. Details of land admeasuring 120 acres is not explained.

10) Shri Sagar Chordekar, Korlai -

Safety measures will not be implemented and local people will suffer due to project.

11) Shri Ramkrishna Patil, Korlai -

Our Korlai village is gifted with greenery and natural beauty. We are opposing the project.

At the end Mr. Surendra Mhatre informed the Chairman of Public Hearing Panel that they do not want to listen any explanation from project representatives. Public hearing should be concluded by noting that all are opposing the project

Finally, the Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee Shri Kiran Panbude while concluding the meeting appreciated local people for participating in the public hearing with studies views. He informed that minutes of the public hearing, video recording along with representations will be submitted to Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India. Copy of the public hearing minutes will be provided to concerned Grampanchayat and other government offices.

The public hearing was concluded with votes of thanks to the Chair.

MPC Board has received 17 written representations about the project out of this 12 representations are supporting the project & 05 representations are against the project. Details of representations is attached herewith.



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Convenor
&
Sub Regional Officer,
MPCB, Raigad-2



(Dr. A. N. Harshavardhan)
Member
&
Regional Officer,
MPCB, Raigad



(Kiran Panbude)
Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee
&
Additional District Magistrate, Dist. Raigad

Details of Written Suggestion/Comment received in respect of
proposed project of development of deep water jetty facility on
Kundalika River, Village Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist- Raigad of
M/s Indo Energy International Ltd.

Sr. No.	Name & Address of Applicant	Support/Oppose to Project
1	Surendra Moreshwar Mhatre Choul Naka, Tal. Ablibag, Dist-Raigad.	Opposing the Project
2	Shree. Aadesh M. Mahalkar	Supporting the Project
3	Shree. Rajendra Narayan Gurav Vill-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
4	Shree. Rajendra Balaram Mhatre Po-Korlari, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
5	Shree. Vinay Mahalkar Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
6	Shree. Sumit Dhananjay Mahalkar Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
7	Shree. Jayesh Dilip Mhatre Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
8	Shree. Jintendra Parshuram Rotkar Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
9	Shree. Parag Dilip Mhatre & Other Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
10	Shree. Kalpesh Mhatre Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
11	Shree. Amar Raghunath Navgharkar Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
12	Shree. Manmohan Ramkrishna Salavkar Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project
13	Shree. Naresh Hari Patil Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Opposing the Project
14	Vijay Sagar Micchimar Vividh karykari society ltd. Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Opposing the Project
15	Salav Gramastha Po-Korlai, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Opposing the Project
16	Shree. Mangesh Mahadev Shetty Vill-Salav, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Opposing the Project
17	Shree. Pratap B. Nalavde Borli, Tal. Murud, Dist-Raigad.	Supporting the Project