

Proceedings of the public hearing conducted for proposed sand mining project 'Aurangabad Son Cluster-05'; Ghat No.- 39 (at Mauza-Shamsher Nagar, Vill.-Nanubigha, Anachal-Daudnagar, Dist-Aurangabad) & Ghat No.-40 (at Mauza & Vill.-Mohamadpur, Anachal-Daudnagar, Dist-Aurangabad) by M/s Gazala Khan & M/S Azim Enterprises respectively.

VENUE: Prakhand Sabhagaar, Daudnagar,
District- Aurangabad (Bihar)

Date & Time: 26th September, 2020; At: 02.00 PM.

The following officials attended the Public Hearing:

1. Sri Ashish Kumar Sinha, ADM, Aurangabad;
2. Sri Anil Kumar, Environmental Engineer, BSPCB, Patna, and
3. Sri Mukesh Kumar, District Mining Officer, Aurangabad.

The following proponents/officials/representatives of M/s Gazala Khan & M/S Azim Enterprises attended the public hearing:

1. Sri, Arshad Hussain Khan, representative of M/s Gazala Khan, Maner, Patna;
2. Sri, Mazhar Khan, proprietor, M/s Azim Enterprises, Mohalla, Char Hazar, Maner Patna; and
3. Sri Amir Akhtar, Sri Deepak Kumar & Sri Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Environmental Consultant of the Project.

Number of persons participated in the Public Hearing was 28 and their list is enclosed as Annexure-I.

Sri Anil Kumar, Environmental Engineer, BSPCB, Patna welcome the public, representatives of project proponent and other participants in the public hearing and initiated with introduction about the project. He stated that, we all are aware about the sand mining activities and he also highlighted the importance of public hearing for Environmental Clearance of the proposed project. Thereafter, he invited ADM, Aurangabad to address the public hearing. Then, he invited consultant of the project to explain in detail about the project from environment point of view as follows:

Sri Amir Akhtar, environmental consultant of the project delivered a presentation and highlighted the following components.



1. Explained about project background, location and its importance to the region and the State.
2. Described about the project's salient features.
3. Discussed about CSR and greenbelt development scheme of the project.
4. Explained the likely impact on environment and its mitigation measures.
5. He stated that regular water sprinkling will be done to suppress the dust emission on haul road, covered trucks and tractor will be used for transportation of minerals and PUC certified vehicle will only be used in the project to overcome the Air pollution.
6. He also stated that employment will be generated from the project and preference will be given to local people.

Response of the Public & their opinion:

In the public hearing two persons have expressed their views/opinions as given below:

1. Sri Deepak Kumar, S/o Sri Bhagwan Yadav, Vill-Daudnagar, Aurangabad; and
2. Sri Upendra Prasad, Nanubigha, Daudnagar, Aurangabad.

They asked about the benefits of project, how project can be beneficial to them and whether grazing areas for their cattle will be disturbed or not.

Explanation by the Consultant:

The project consultant replied that the project is very beneficial; it will provide employment opportunities to the local villagers. It will uplift the economic and financial status of the people living nearby. The project will generate revenue to the state, which is very essential for development of any state. He also said that under this project, plantation will be done around the lease area and social welfare activities will also be carried out under CSR program. Further, he added that present project will not affect any grazing land of the area. This is site specific project and shall not disturb any vegetation or grazing land. The area of interest is the government land and there is only deposition of sand.

Sri Mukesh Kumar, District Mining Officer, Aurangabad, expressed his views and said the proponent will plant trees along haul road and around lease boundary, covered trucks/tractors will be used and no overloading shall be done.

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No any other participant except above person, present in the public hearing expressed/raised any expected environmental problem due to the project.

Conclusion:

Overall views of the public participated in the hearing were in favor of the project with adequate water/air/noise & waste management facilities with their compliance.

The proceedings of the public hearing are recorded, photographs and video taken and the same shall be submitted to all concern authority for necessary action.

Anil Kumar

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