

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF SHRI. BASAVARAJ S SANNASAKKARAGOUDA, SY. NO. 129/1 AND 130, JALIHAL VILLAGE, BADAMI TALUK & BAGALKOT DISTRICT HAS PROPOSED TO UNDERTAKE MINING OF ORDINARY SAND OF CAPACITY 93,361.3TPA IN AN MINE LEASE AREA OF 15-33ACRES (6.404 HA) HELD ON 21/01/2022 AT 10.30AM AT PROJECT SITE, JALIHAL VILLAGE, BADAMI TALUK & BAGALKOT DISTRICT.

<u>Public Hearing Panel Members Present</u>		
1	<b>Shri. Mahadev A. Muragi</b> Additional Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee, Bagalkote District.	<b>Chairman</b>
2	<b>Shri. Vijaykumar T. Kadakbhavi,</b> Senior Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Zonal Office, Dharwad.	<b>Member</b>
3	<b>Shri. Rajshekhar Puranik,</b> Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Regional Office, Bagalkote.	<b>Member</b>
<u>Consultants &amp; Mines representatives present</u>		
1.	Shri. Basavaraj S Sannasakkaragouda	Mine Owner
2.	Shri. Shantagouda T Patil	Mine Owner
3.	Shri. Sachin M U	Representatives of Environmental Consultant - M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru
4.	Shri. Arun R	

Shri Rajshekhar. Puranik., Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Bagalkote extended a warm welcome to the Additional Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee, Bagalkote District, the Senior Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Dharwad and all the participating villagers from surrounding area & public, elected representatives who were present in the public hearing. Further, he briefly explained the needs for Environmental Clearance and public hearing for the said project as follows:

Shri. Basavaraj S Sannasakkaragouda propose to undertake Mining of Ordinary Sand of capacity 93,361.3TPA in an Mine lease area of 15-33 Acres (6.404 Ha) at Sy. No. 129/1 and 130, Jalihal village, Badami Taluk & Bagalkot District.

As per the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification issued by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India on 14.09.2006 (Amendment Notification on 01-12-2009), it is a prerequisite to get Environmental Clearance from the State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, GOK and Conducting Environmental Public Hearing for the said project.

As per the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (IA Division), GOI, the project proponent has made application for Environmental Clearance and got the Terms of Reference from State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, GOK vide Letter dated: 07-08-2021 and accordingly the draft EIA report is prepared. The project proponent submitted the request letter to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Bangalore for conducting the public hearing. Accordingly, with the concurrence of the Deputy Commissioner, Bagalkote, the Public Hearing is scheduled on 21-01-2022 at Project site, Jalihal village, Badami Taluk & Bagalkot District.

As per the EIA Notification, the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board gave the Paper Notification 30 days in advance in the Kannada Daily Newspaper "Vijay Vani" and English Daily Newspaper "The New Indian Express" dated: 21-12-2021 and in local daily Kannada Newspaper "Sanje Darshan" on 22-12-2021. In the said Notification, the suggestions / views / comments and objections of the interested bonafide residents, Environmental groups and others located near the project site and are likely to be affected by the proposed project were given opportunity to send their suggestions, objections, grievances, etc. in written or through E-mail to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board / Chairman, Environment Public Hearing Committee, within 30 days from the date of publication of the notification.

The copy of the draft EIA report and Executive summary of the EIA report both in Kannada and English were placed at the following places for the references of the general public.

- Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Navanagar, Bagalkote.
- Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Navanagar, Bagalkote.
- Office of the Joint Director, District Industries Centre, Navanagar, Bagalkote.
- Office of the Senior Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Zonal Office, Dharwad
- Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Navanagar, Bagalkote.
- Ministry of Environmental & Forests, South Zone Office, E-3/240, Kendriya Sadan, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, E&F Wings, 17<sup>th</sup> main road, 2<sup>nd</sup> Block, Koramangal, Bengaluru.
- Help Desk, KSPCB, Parisar Bhavan, Ground Floor, No.49, Church Street, Bengaluru.
- Office of the Executive Officer, Taluka Panchayat, Badami, Bagalkot-District.
- Office of the Secretary/Panchayat Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Jalihal village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkot-District.
- Web site of KSPCB "<http://kspcb.gov.in>"

The Head Office, KSPCB, Bangalore received one application vide dated: 03-01-2022 without name & address stating that, he has enquired at Deputy Commissioner Office, Zilla Panchayath and Taluk Panchayath regarding the paper notification of said project,

but no information is available and also informed that, Project Proponent shall provide all necessary measures to protect environment. Copy of the said letter is enclosed as **Annexure-01**. Other than this, the above mentioned offices have not received any E-mail or any written applications with comments or objections from public as on 20-01-2022 in respect of said project. This Environmental Public Hearing is organized for hearing the suggestions/ views/ comments and objections of the interested public and villagers on Environmental related issues.

He informed the representatives of the Environmental Consultant, M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru to make a Power Point Presentation on environment study conducted on Air, Water, Soil & noise environmental impact assessment and the environmental management plan of the proposed project to the public gathered;

On behalf of **M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru**, the Environmental Consultant **Shri. Sachin M U**, made the Power Point Presentation. He explained about the objectives of the proposed project, the Environmental base line data and present scenario of existing environment in the project area. The impacts of the project on the environment, The Environment Management Plan and measures proposed to control/ mitigate the Environmental Pollution and its protection, environmental monitoring etc by the Project Proponent. The hard copy of the presentations made in the public Hearing is enclosed with this proceeding, as **Annexure-02**. List of participants/villagers & others who attended the Public Hearing is enclosed as **Annexure-03**.

The Environmental Officer requested the public & villagers present in the hearing to express their suggestions / views / comments if any about the said project. Accordingly the following villagers/public are expressed their views in the hearing:

**1. Shree. Veerabasappa S Totager of Jalihal Village.**

- He informed that, the proposed Ordinary Sand Mining project is helpful in upliftment of economy of surrounding villagers.
- He extended his support for undertaking the proposed sand mining project for benefit of the public.

**2. Shree. Devappa S Kavast of Jalihal Village**

- He extended his support for undertaking the proposed sand mining project.

**3. Shree. Basavaraj R Biliyeli of Jalihal Village**

- He informed that, said sand mining project will be helpful for ground water recharge in the area.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed sand mining project.

**4. Shree. M S Hiremath of Basavan Bagewadi Village**

- He informed that, he is the one who has submitted letter on 03-01-2022 at Head Office, KSPCB, Bangalore.
- He informed that, there was no any information available regarding Environmental Public Hearing at the Deputy Commissioner Office, Bagalkot and the Taluka Panchayat Office, Badami, Bagalkot-Dist.
- Hence, he requested to make it convenient to all the public to obtain details & information regarding Environmental Public Hearing.

**5. Shree. Shekharagouda V Patil of Jalihal Village**

- He informed that, said mining activity is proposed in own patta land and he doesn't have any objection for carrying out proposed sand mining project.

**6. Shree. Muttappa C Bhovi, Panchayat Member of Jalihal Village Panchayat**

- He requested the sand mining authorities to undertake all the necessary precautionary measures to protect Environment before undertaking the proposed sand mining project.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed project.

**7. Shree. Maktumsab D Doddamani of Jalihal Village**

- He informed that, he doesn't have any objection for carrying out proposed sand mining project and also he expressed that, said project will generate revenue to the government.

**8. Shree. Fakirappa R Hiremani of Jalihal Village**

- He informed that, he doesn't have any objection for carrying out proposed sand mining project and also it will generate revenue to the government.

**9. Shree. Kuberagouda S Patil, Ex-President APMC and of Belur Village**

- He informed that, it will be helpful for ground water recharging from the proposed sand mining project.
- He informed that, more job opportunities will be created from proposed sand mining project and is helpful for construction works to be carried out in surrounding villages.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed Ordinary sand mining project.

10. Shree. Mahesh Ganiger, Panchayat Member of Belur Village

- He informed that, he doesn't have any objection for carrying out proposed sand mining project as it will be beneficial for surrounding villagers.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed Ordinary sand mining project.

**Shri. Vijaykumar T. Kadakbhavi, The Senior Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Zonal Office, Dharwad addressed the public hearing as follows:**

- He informed to public present in the hearing that, the proposed land for said mining consist of 15-33Acres (6.404 Ha)atSy. No. 129/1 and 130, Jalihal village, Badami Taluk & Bagalkot District. The total area will be more than 05 Hectares. Hence, Environmental Public Hearing for the said project is being conducted.
- The Environmental Consultant of M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru has prepared draft EIA report and submitted to State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, GOK and Terms of Reference from State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, GOK was issued vide Letter dated: 07-08-2021.
- As per the EIA Notification, the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board gave the Paper Notification 30 days in advance.
- The copy of the draft EIA report and Executive summary of the EIA report both in Kannada and English were placed at above places and Web site of KSPCB <http://kspcb.gov.in> for the references of the general public.
- Already around 10 public have given their opinion in public hearing and showed their support to this Ordinary sand mining project and they informed that, this proposed mine will create job opportunities and it will improve social economical status of surrounding villagers.
- Shree. M. S. Hiremath of Basavan Bagewadi village has expressed his doubts during public hearing- this is not the final report which will be submitted to SEIAA, the suggestions, demands or objections which are raised during public hearing are included in draft and final EIA report will be submitted to SEIAA for consideration for Environmental Clearance.
- The Environmental Clearance includes of many conditions which needs to be followed by the mining authorities and it will be regularly monitored by the Department of Mines & Geology.

**Shri Mahadev A Muragi, the Additional Deputy Commissioner and Chairman of the Public Hearing Committee, Bagalkote District addressed the public hearing as follows:**


- Already the Environmental Consultant M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru made the Power Point Presentation. He explained about the objectives of the proposed project. The Environment Management Plan and measures proposed to control/ mitigate the Environmental Pollution and its protection by the Project Proponent.

- The villagers present in the public hearing expressed that, there will not be any environmental related problems and shown their support to proposed sand mining project.
- The mine authorities should not overload any vehicles during transportation of sand as it will damage village roads and cover the sand load with tarpaulin. Also, they should take care of road safety and maintain speed limit of vehicles in the village area and the mine authorities should take all the care that, the surrounding villagers should not face any problems from the Ordinary sand mining project and also he directed the Project Proponent to take all precautionary measures during the establishment of project by following guidelines/ norms/ conditions/ directions/ standards stipulated by competent authorities.
- The appeals, suggestions & opinions of the public have been recorded through video and the proceedings of the meeting will be sent to the State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, Government of Karnataka for further needful.

**During public hearing following 02 NGO's present in the meeting have submitted the written application to the Hon'ble Chairman, Public Hearing committee, they supported said sand mining project and informed the applicant to take up greenery in the area and to give employment to local villagers and take up CSR activity in the nearby villages and health camps etc and same are enclosed as Annexure-4 and Annexure-5 respectively.**

- 1.M/s. Sadguru Ramakrishna Paramahansa Rural Development Society (NGO), Balaya Street, Gandhi Chowk, Cowl Bazar, Ballari.
- 2.M/s. Haritha Educational Rural Welfare Society, #11-131, Indira Nagar, Uravakonda, Ananthapuram District, Andhra Pradesh State.

The public hearing was concluded with vote of thanks.

  
**(Shri Mahadev A Muragi)**  
**Additional Deputy Commissioner & Chairman,**  
**Environmental Public Hearing Committee,**  
**Bagalkote, Karnataka.**