

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING OF SHRI. RAMESH Y KITTALI, SY. NO. 135/1A, 135/2, 135/3, 135/4, 135/8 AND 137/3, HEBBALI VILLAGE, BADAMI TALUK & BAGALKOT DISTRICT, HAS PROPOSED TO UNDERTAKE MINING OF ORDINARY SAND OF CAPACITY 32,684TPA IN AN MINE LEASE AREA OF 6.11ACRES HELD ON 24/08/2021 AT 12.00PM AT PROJECT SITE, HEBBALI VILLAGE, BADAMI TALUK & BAGALKOT DISTRICT.

<u>Public Hearing Panel Members Present</u>		
1	Shri. Mahadev A. Muragi Additional Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee, Bagalkote District.	Chairman
2	Shri. Vijaykumar T. Kadakhavi, Senior Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Zonal Office, Dharwad.	Member
3	Shri.Rajshekhhar Puranik, Environmental Officer, KSPCB, Regional Office, Bagalkote.	Member
<u>Consultants & Mines representatives present</u>		
1.	Shri. Ramesh Y Kittali	Mine Owner
2.	Shri. Arun L Rathod	Mine Manager
3.	Shri. Sachin M U	Representatives of Environmental Consultant - M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru
4.	Shri. Arun R	

Shri Rajshekhhar. 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. Ramesh Y Kittali, propose to undertake Mining of Ordinary Sand of capacity 32,684TPA in an Mine lease area of 6.11Acre at Sy. No. 135/1A, 135/2, 135/3, 135/4, 135/8 and 137/3, Hebbali 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 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 Impact Assessment Authority, GOK vide Letter dated: 28-08-2020 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 24-08-2021 at Project site, Hebbali 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 Karnataka" and English Daily Newspaper "The Hindu" dated: 24-07-2021 and in local daily Kannada Newspaper "Sanje Darshan" on 27-07-2021. 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, 4th floor, E&F Wings, 17th main road, 2nd 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, Hebbali village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkot-District.
- Web site of KSPCB "<http://kspcb.gov.in>"

The Regional office KSPCB, Bagalkote and other offices mentioned above have not received any E-mail or any written applications with comments or objections from public as on 23-08-2021 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-01. List of participants/villagers & others who attended the Public Hearing is enclosed as Annexure-02.

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

- He informed to public present in the hearing that, the Regional Officer, RO, KSPCB, Bagalkote has already explained the purpose of conducting the public hearing.
- The Environmental Consultant of M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru has prepared draft EIA report and was submitted to State Level Impact Assessment Authority, GOK and Terms of Reference from State Level Impact Assessment Authority, GOK vide Letter dated: 28-08-2020.
- 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, Shri. Sachin M U of M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru made the Power Point Presentation and 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. But, they are outsiders and new to Hebbali village and public present in the public hearing are nearby villagers to project site. Hence, you know more about the

- surrounding environment and animal life etc.
- In view of the above, he requested public to raise query/ suggestion regarding environmental issues and pollution control measures proposed by the Project Proponents for the said project.

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. Ravi B Hakari of Hebbali Village.

- He informed that, the proposed Ordinary Sand Mining project is helpful to carryout construction works in the area without any delay.
- He extended his support for undertaking the proposed sand mining project for benefit of the public.

2. Shree. Manjunath M Kumbar of Hebbali Village

- He informed that, from the proposed Ordinary Sand Mining project, the sand will be available to surrounding villagers at low cost.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed project.

3. Shree. Suresh P Chali of Hebbali Village

- He informed that, proposed Ordinary Sand Mining project is helpful for construction works to be carried out in surrounding villages.
- There will not be any environment related problems occur in surrounding area from the said project.
- The sand mine authorities should not overload the vehicles and maintain speed limit of vehicles.
- Hence, he extended his support for undertaking the proposed Ordinary sand mining project.

4. Shree. Lakshman B Huchchannavar of Hebbali Village

- He informed that, he doesn't have any objection for undertaking the proposed project.


5. **Shree. Mahantesh Hallur, Gram Panchayat Member, Hebbali Panchayat of Bhoomareddikoppa**

- There is requirement of sand for various projects like construction of roads, drainage, toilets etc in surrounding villages, the requirement can be met from proposed project.
- No environmental related problems will occur from the proposed project, he added.
- Hence, he is extending his support for proposed project.

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 Shri. Sachin M U of M/s. Horizon Ventures, Bengaluru 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.
- 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.

The public hearing was concluded with vote of thanks.


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

