

Proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing pertaining to M/s. Sri Sai Supreme Solutions, Managing Partner: Sri. Gururaj M Annigeri, proposed to undertake sand quarrying held at Survey No. 9/2, 9/3,9/4,9/5,9/6,9/7 & 9/8 of Gadagoli Village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District, Karnataka on 18-08-2021 at 03.00 P.M.

Venue of the Public Hearing: Project site at Survey No. 9/2, 9/3,9/4,9/5,9/6,9/7 & 9/8 Gadgoli-village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District.

1. Officers Present :

- Shri Satish Kumar M, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Gadag District, Gadag.
- Shri. Vijayakumar. T. Kadakabhavi, Senior Environmental Officer, Zonal Office, KSPCB, Dharwad.
- Smt. Shobha.L.Pol, Environmental Officer, Regional Office, KSPCB, Gadag (I/C).

2. Representatives of the Project & Names of the Public Participants as per Annexure-1.

3. Written objections / suggestions / opinions received as per Annexure-2.

4. Copy of the Presentation made during the meeting as per Annexure-3.

PREAMBLE:

M/s. Sri. Sai Supreme Solutions Managing Partner: Sri. Gururaj M Annigeri has proposed to undertake sand quarrying at Survey No.9/2,9/3,9/4,9/5,9/6,9/7 & 9/8 of Gadgoli-village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District, Karnataka in a total area of 10-00 acres and proposed to extract Sand of capacity 46,394 Tonnes per annum for 3 years plan period as proposed.

The proponent has applied for EC as per the provision of EIA Notification, 2006 and amendments thereof, as per the combined sketch prepared by Department of Mines & Geology, Gadag, there are six (6) leases within the 500 meter radius and the total extent in the cluster is having an extent greater than 5 hectare, hence as per the Hon'ble NGT order dtd:13th Sept 2018 and 11th Dec 2018, this project is considered as "B1" category project, since the total area of these six leases including the proposed site are more than the threshold limit of 5 Hectares, this project has to undergo Environmental Public hearing which is to be conducted by KSPCB.

The proponent submitted the proposals to SEAC, Karnataka, the subject was discussed in 254nd SEAC meeting held on:7th January 2021 and recommended for grant of TOR

(Terms of Reference) for preparing EIA/EMP report and conducting public consultation vide its letter No: SEIAA 321 MIN 2020 dtd:25-02-2021.As per the SEIAA, the project proponent requested the Board vide letter dtd:30-03-2021 to conduct the environmental public hearing at the project site.

The project proponent has submitted the copies of Executive Summary of the said project in Kannada and English along with draft EIA/EMP report to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Bengaluru as laid down in the procedures of the EIA Notification (as amended on 01-12-2009). The Karnataka State Pollution Control Board has issued Paper Notification in State level leading Kannada daily newspaper Vijaya Vani and leading English daily newspaper The New Sunday Express on 18-07-2021 and also issued Paper Notification in District level local newspaper Kittur Karnataka on 21-07-2021 regarding the proposed project by inviting objections/suggestions from the bonafide residents, NGO's, Environmentalists and general public who are affected from the proposed project, either by attending the public hearing/in writing/by e-mail to KSPCB, Chairman & Deputy Commissioner, Gadag District of public hearing panel. Further, the draft EIA report and Executive Summary of the project both in Kannada and English were kept in the designated places such as Deputy Commissioners Office, Gadag, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayath, Gadag, District Industry Centre, Gadag, Ron Town Panchayath, Ron Tahasildar Office, Holemannur Gram Panchayath, Regional Office, KSPCB, Gadag, and Help Desk, KSPCB, Bengaluru for public reference, accordingly, The Environmental Public Hearing was conducted on **18.08.2021** at Gadgoli- Village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District, Karnataka.

PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS:

At an outset Smt. Shobha.L.Pol, Environmental Officer, Regional Office, KSPCB, Gadag welcomed Shri. Satish Kumar M, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Gadag, (presided on behalf of the Deputy Commissioner, Gadag) and Shri Vijaykumar T Kadakabhavi, Senior Environmental Officer, Zonal office, Dharwad and general public attended during the meeting.

Shri Vijaykumar T Kadakabhavi, Senior Environmental Officer, briefly explained the gathering that the proposed project attracts the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 and requires Environmental Public Hearing. Further, he requested the Additional Deputy Commissioner to chair the meeting and to proceed further for public hearing.

Shri. Satish Kumar M , Additional Deputy Commissioner, Gadag informed about the purpose of conducting public hearing and he directed the concerned project authorities to give presentation on proposed project. Further, he informed the general public to