

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 12.10.2017 (AT 11.00 AM) IN THE BACKSIDE OF GURUDEV FILLING STATION, KARAKOLHA VILLAGE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE IN RESPECT OF M/S. RUNGTA MINES LIMITED FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF 20MW POWER PLANT (8 MW WHRB + 12 MW AFBC) WITHIN THE EXISTING SPONGE IRON PLANT AT KARAKOLHA, BARBIL IN THE DISTRICT OF KEONJHAR, ODISHA.

The public hearing in respect of the project proposed by M/s. Rungta Mines Limited for establishment of 20MW Power Plant (8 MW WHRB + 12 MW AFBC) within the existing Sponge Iron Plant was held on scheduled date & time at the backside of Gurudev Filling Station at village Karakolha Po: Barbil in the district of Keonjhar with reference to:


1. EIA Notification S.O 1533 (E) Dtd. 14.09.2006 and Amendments thereafter.

The Panel consisted of the following members:

1. Dr. Bhakta Charan Pradhan, Additional District Magistrate, Keonjhar
2. Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar, Odisha

Dr. Bhakta Charan Pradhan, Additional District Magistrate, Keonjhar, supervised & presided over the public hearing process and was assisted by Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar, the representative of State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

At the outset, welcoming the members participated in the meeting, the Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar, gave a brief introduction about the guidelines to be followed for the public hearing in the light of EIA Notification, 2006 and interim operational guidelines till date, in respect of 20MW Power Plant (8 MW WHRB + 12 MW AFBC) project proposed by M/s. Rungta Mines Limited.


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Shri Behera explained that the views, comments, objections and opinions of the public are necessary while considering the environmental clearance of the project. He asked the project proponent to make a brief presentation before the public, gathered in the meeting about the various aspects of the proposed project to be undertaken for better awareness of the public. On behalf of the Project Proponent, Shri Pranaya Kumar Deo, Senior General Manager (Commercial), addressed the committee members and assembled public, and made a brief presentation about the salient features of the proposed project, environmental management, pollution control measures, waste management and various other CSR activities envisaged in the proposed project.

Then Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar requested the public to give their views, comments, objections and opinions on the proposed project.

The views expressed by various speakers on the proposed project are as follows:

1. Shri Banamali Mahanta, Karakolha :

Welcoming the panel members and gathering, he expressed his pleasure for establishment of Power Plant within the premises of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. He requested the project proponent for protection of environmental pollution of the nearby villages. While expressing his support for the project, he told that if new project is installed, the local people will be able to get employment opportunity directly and indirectly. He emphasized on employment for the local youth. He also requested the Company management to provide bus facility for their villagers.

2. Shri Jagan Munda, Dalki Basti :

After giving his introduction, he told that, the company has proposed to set up a coal based Power Plant for which air and water pollution may be increased in the surrounding area. He requested to the project proponent to install modern technology equipment for control of pollution. He told that company will draw ground water for the proposed Power Plant and he presumed that ground water

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of the locality may be depleted. So Company shall take appropriate steps for conservation of ground water of the area. He told that major people of this region are tribal and they have least knowledge about environmental pollution. He urged for proper environmental management. At the end, he supported the proposed power plant of the company and requested to provide employment to the local villagers as per their qualification.

3. Smt. Jayanti Banra, Zilla Parisad Member, Zone No. 26 :

Welcoming the panel and gathering, she expressed her support for establishment of proposed Power Plant of the Rungta Mines Ltd. She demanded before the Company management like employment to local people (200 nos.), adequate pollution control measures, development of village road, medical facility to the local people, educational assistance, school bus facility etc. She also added in her word that, M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. had earlier done some peripheral development works in the area. At the end, she supported the proposed 20 MW power plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd.

4. Shri Girish Chandra Mahanta, Karakolha :

Welcoming the panel and gathering, he told that air pollution will be minimized after installation of power plant in sponge iron plant. He further added that more people will get employment opportunity for their livelihood. He requested the Company to provide employment to the local people, drinking water to local villagers, medical facility and development in the locality. At the end, he supported the proposed power plant project.

5. Smt. Rekha Naik, Sarapanch, Karakhendra Gram Panchayat :

While welcoming the panel and gathering, she supported the proposed Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. During her deliberation, she demanded for supply of drinking water, medical facility, development of village roads and distribution of medicines in the local villages.



6. **Shri Sunil Mahanta, Barbil :**

During his deliberation, he welcomed the public hearing process of the Government and suggested for consideration of environmental clearance in favour of the proposed Power Plant project. He told that the Sponge Iron unit of the Company is operating since last 17 years and no substantial developmental work carried out by the Company. He demanded the following facilities for the local villagers (i) direct employment to local villagers as per their qualification, (ii) provision of 2 nos. of ambulance facility for the village Karakolha & Karakhendra, (iii) establishment of dispensary with permanent doctor & nurses for local villagers in the proposed project area, (iv) adequate pollution control measures in the proposed power plant. At the end, he told that, people of the region are basically tribal category and not highly educated. He urged for direct employment to the poor villagers in the new project for their livelihood.

7. **Smt. Tulasi Munda, Uliburu :**

Welcoming the panel members and gathering, she expressed that Company has not undertaken any substantial developmental work in her Gram Panchayat. She supported the new power plant project of the company and demanded for supply of drinking water, employment to the local villagers and construction of road in the Gram Panchayat.

8. **Smt. Shila Machhua, Uliburu :**

During her deliberation, she supported the new 20MW Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. She also told that Company should give direct employment as per qualification of the Panchayat people instead of being engaged under the contractor. She requested to the Company for supply of drinking water, electrification and development of road in her Panchayat. At the end, she told that there is no medical facility in the nearby area and they are going to Barbil / Joda for medical treatment and so requested to provide medical facility to the local people.



9. Shri Maneswar Barik, Dalki Basti :

During his deliberation, he expressed that Rungta Company has not given employment to the nearby villagers in their Sponge Iron Plant since last seventeen years. He emphasized on employment for the local youth and supported the proposed power plant project.

10. Shri Narayan Mahanta, Karakolha :

During his deliberation, he told that Rungta Company has undertaken a lot of peripheral works in the area and is likely to continue after installation of new Power Plant project within the existing premises of Sponge Iron Plant. He emphasized on employment for the local people and further development of the region.

11. Shri Nata Kishore Mahakud, Belkundi :

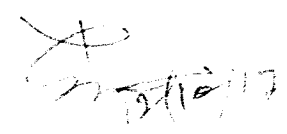
He supported the proposed 20MW Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.

12. Shri Sanjay Kumar Naik, Kalinga, Barbil :

While expressing his support for the project, he thanked to M/s Rungta Mines and told that Company is planning to establish a Power Plant at Karakhendra GP when major industrial and mining activity have been stopped in Keonjhar district. He also told that if the project is installed, local people can get their primary benefits and facilities from the Company. He requested the Company management to provide drinking water, electricity and development of road network in the Karakhendra GP.

13. Smt. Mala Chatterjee, Nalda, Barbil :

While supporting the proposed power project of the company, she told that they have no objection for establishment of the project but, let Rungta Company first fulfill the requirements of local poor people. She also demanded for supply of



drinking water, construction of road, ambulance facility and a hospital for treatment of poor tribal. At the end, she emphasized on employment of nearby tribal people.

14. Shri Jakriash Kispotta, Karakolha :

Welcoming the panel and gathering, he told that local villagers are affected due to industrial pollution. He requested Rungta Company to give attention for control of pollution in the surrounding area. At the end, he supported the proposed power plant project of the Company with a condition that Company must provide employment, drinking water and medical check-up for the nearby villagers on regular basis.

15. Shri Prasant Kumar Mahakud, Belkundi :

While supporting the proposed Power Plant project of the Company, he told that local people must be engaged in the plant for their livelihood.

16. Shri Sanjay Keshari, Barbil :

Welcoming the gathering, he supported the Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.

17. Shri Purna Chandra Naik, Dalki Basti :

He supported the proposed Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.

18. Shri Manmohan Mahanta, Karakolha :

He expressed his pleasure on public hearing as well as proposed 20 MW power plant of M/s Rungta Mines Limited. He told that, many people are likely to get employment in the new project but Company must give priority to the local poor and labour category persons. He also expressed his views on pollution control by installing adequate equipment. At the end, he requested the company to give focus on peripheral development and pollution control in order to maintain a clean environment in the surrounding area of the proposed Power Plant project.



19. Shri Chandra Naik, Dalki Basti :

He expressed his pleasure on proposed Power Plant of M/s Rungta Mines Limited. He urged that local people must be engaged in the project for their livelihood.

20. Shri Bijay Munda, Karakhendra :

Welcoming the panel and gathering, he told that he has no objection for proposed power plant at Karakolha of Rungta Mines Limited but, Company should fulfill the necessary requirement of the villagers like employment, drinking water, medical facility, electrification and development of road on priority basis. At the end, he supported the proposed power plant project of the Company.

21. Shri Jaharlal Mahanta, Karakolha :

He expressed his support for the proposed Power Plant Project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.

22. Shri Sarangidhar Mahanta, Karakolha :

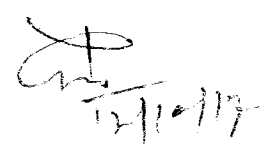
While supporting the proposed Power Plant Project of the Company, he requested to give attention towards pollution control and employment to local tribal people.

23. Shri Durgeswar Barik, Dalki Basti :

He told that Company must give priority on employment to local people. At the end, he expressed his support for the proposed Power Plant Project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.

24. Smt. Jayanti Barik, Dalki Basti :

She supported the proposed power plant project of the Company and requested to fulfill the basic requirements of the villagers like drinking water, school for education, employment to the local villagers and establishment of hospital in their locality.



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25. **Shri Ashok Kumar Mahakud, Belkundi :**
He supported the proposed Power Plant project of M/s Rungta Mines Limited.
26. **Shri Manoj Apat, Thakurani :**
He urged for successful conduct of the public hearing.
27. **Shri Akshaya Kumar Mahanta, Karakolha :**
He supported the proposed Power Plant project of the Company and requested for local employment in the project.
28. **Shri Bharat Mahanta, Karakolha :**
He supported the proposed Power Plant of the Company.
29. **Shri Bijaya Kumar Mahanta, Barbil Basti :**
Welcoming the proposed Power Plant of the Company, he told that Company must give regular employment to local people in the project.
30. **Shri Shiba Sankar Mahanta, Karakolha :**
Welcoming the Power Plant project of the Company, he told that many engineers, technical persons and graduates are available in surrounding villages of the project area. But Company has given employment less than 5% of people in their existing Sponge Iron Plant. He requested the company to give employment to the local educated people on priority basis. He also requested to take adequate pollution control measures to maintain a healthy environment in their area.
31. **Shri Anup Kumar Munda, Karakolha :**
Welcoming the gathering, he told that many unemployed youth-mass and poor labourers are available in the local villages. He emphasized priority to the local people in the new Power Plant project and Company should carry out peripheral

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development work in the locality. At the end, he supported the proposed project of the Company.

32. Shri Sanjit Mahakud, Dalki Basti :

He told that Company should give priority on employment to local people. He also requested the management to renovate their village temple. At the end, he supported the proposed project of the Company.

33. Shri Parameswar Mahakud, Belkundi :

He supported the Power Plant project of the Company and requested to supply drinking water to the villagers.

34. Shri Sahadev Mahanta, Karakolha :

He supported the public hearing process of the proposed Power Plant project.

35. Shri Khetram Munda, Karakolha :

During his deliberation, he did not speak anything regarding proposed power plant of the company and receded.


36. Shri Gobardhan Mahanta, Karakolha :

He supported the proposed Power Plant project and requested for employment.

37. Smt. Anjali Mahakud, Talasahi, Karakolha :

She supported the proposed Power Plant project and requested for employment to the local people.

The Panel received **20 nos. (Twenty)** of written representations of the local people demanding different facilities in the locality during the hearing which are enclosed herewith in original.


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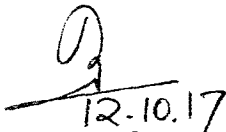
Observation:

The overall opinion of the public about the proposed project was favorable. However, the local people have some aspirations as laid down in their deliberations.

Shri Puskar Chandra Behera, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Keonjhar & representative of State Pollution Control Board, Odisha prepared the summary of the public hearing proceedings accurately reflecting the views and concerns expressed by the speakers with the inclusion of comments of the applicants, read over to the audience at the end of the proceedings explaining the contents in Odia language and the agreed minutes of public hearing meeting is prepared. The statement of issues and concerns of public with the comments of applicants, prepared in Odia and English language is annexed as per Annexure – I & II. List of participants is annexed as per Annexure – III.

The President of Public Hearing meeting, Dr. Bhakta Charan Pradhan, Additional District Magistrate, Keonjhar ratified the minutes of meetings with the views and demands of public. He extended his vote of thanks to the public for rendering their co-operation for smooth operation of the public hearing.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the participants.



(Dr. Bhakta Charan Pradhan)
Additional District Magistrate,
Keonjhar

*(Presided and Supervised
the Public Hearing Meeting)*



(Shri Puskar Chandra Behera)
Regional Officer
State Pollution Control Board, Odisha
Keonjhar

*(Assisted as representative of
State Pollution Control Board)*

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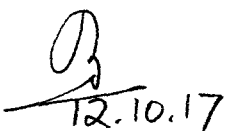
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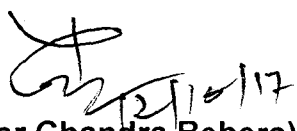
STATEMENT OF ISSUES AND DEMANDS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC AND COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING HELD ON 12.10.2017(11.00 AM) AT KARAKOLHA VILLAGE IN THE DISTRICT OF KEONJHAR FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF 20MW POWER PLANT (8 MW WHRB + 12 MW AFBC) WITHIN THE EXISTING SPONGE IRON PLANT AT VILLAGE KARAKOLHA, TEHSIL - BARBIL IN KEONJHAR DISTRICT, ODISHA

ISSUES RAISED BY PUBLIC	COMMITMENT OF THE PROJECT PROPONENT
<p>The issues raised at the public hearing meeting are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Environmental Pollution Control ii. Employment iii. Health Facility 	<p>Shri Charan Kumar Jena Addl. GM (Works) on behalf of M/s. Rungta Mines Ltd., who was present at the public hearing meeting, committed to certain issues raised by the public which are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Shri Jena committed that to combat pollution; the company will install high technology and sophisticated pollution control equipment in their project as per OSPCB and CPCB Rules & Regulations. ii. He committed that, the company will give employment as per qualification and preference will be given to local people. iii. He committed that ambulance facility will be provided to local people and the company will engage staff nurse, doctor for dispensing medical facility as well as free medicine to the local villagers.

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<p>iv. Supply of Drinking Water</p>	<p>iv. Shri Jena told that the company is supplying drinking water through pipeline to the local villagers and the capacity will be increased by constructing a overhead water tank.</p> <p>At the end, Shri Jena committed to fulfill other issues raised by the public phase-wise.</p>
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