

Proceedings of the Public Hearing meeting of Patabeda Iron Ore Mines of M/s. MGM Minerals Ltd. held on 5th February, 2019 at 10.30 AM at Ganua Village ground, Block-Koira for expansion of iron ore production from 0.8 Million TPA to 1.5 Million TPA (ROM) along with crusher and screen plant over an area of 28.397hectares at village Patabeda, Tehsil-Koira District-Sundargarh.

The public hearing of Patabeda Iron Ore Mines of M/s. MGM Minerals Ltd. for expansion of iron ore production from 0.8 Million TPA to 1.5 Million TPA (ROM) along with crusher and screen plant over an area of 28.397hectares at village Patabeda, Tehsil-Koira District-Sundargarh was held on 5th February, 2019 at 10.30 AM at the Ganua Village ground.

Sri Bhaskar Chandra Turuk, OAS (SAG), Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh supervised and presided over the meeting along with Sri Hemendra Nath Nayak, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Rourkela, Odisha.

At the outset, Sri Hemendra Nath Nayak, Regional Officer, State Pollution Control Board, Rourkela welcomed the public present in the meeting. He briefly described the objective of the public hearing as per the EIA Notification S. O. 1533 (E), dated 14th September, 2006 of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & CC, Govt. of India. He informed that, the date, time and venue for conducting the public hearing of Patabeda Iron Ore Mines of M/s. MGM Minerals Ltd. for expansion of iron ore production from 0.8 Million TPA to 1.5 Million TPA (ROM) along with crusher and screen plant over an area of 28.397hectares at village Patabeda, Tehsil-Koira District-Sundargarh was advertised in the Odia Daily "The Samaj" and the English Daily, "The Times of India" on 5th January, 2019 (**Paper cuttings of the advertisements are enclosed**).

Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh welcomed the public who were present at the venue for participating in the public hearing and informed about the objective of the public hearing.

On behalf of the Project Proponent, Sri Himansu Pattnaik, General Manager (Mines) welcomed the dignitaries on the dais and the gathering. He gave a brief introduction of the mine and highlighting that the mine is in operation since 2006. He informed about the proposed expansion for enhancement of production of the mine with crusher & screen plant. He stated that the mine has already obtained necessary approval from Indian Bureau of Mines for

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modification of mining plan for enhancement of production. The Environmental Impact Assessment and Environment Management Plan were prepared as per Terms of Reference issued by MoEF &CC, Govt. of India. He mentioned that presently wet drilling controlled blasting, water sprinkling on haul road through fixed water sprinklers and mobile water tankers are being carried out to control the air pollution. Coir matting along with grass patching and plantation has been undertaken by the mine over the dump slopes for proper dump management. The mine has also constructed retaining wall, garland drain, settling tank along the toe of the dumps. Plantation has been undertaken over dump slopes, safety zone and other vacant areas. He has assured that, the company will continue to undertake the above mentioned dump management practices, air & water pollution control measures during enhancement of production for better environmental compliances. He further stated that, company has provided direct and indirect employment to the local people. The company has also undertaken various peripheral developmental works including free health care facility, drinking water facility, educational facility, sanitation facility, road infrastructure, socio-cultural activities, and livelihood support. He has assured that, the company will also continue to undertake these activities during enhancement of production. At the end, he has appealed to the public to render support for the proposed enhancement.

The Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh invited the public to offer their views related to the expansion of production of Patabeda Iron Ore Mines of M/s. MGM Minerals Ltd. Most of the public has supported the proposed expansion project for employment generation and overall peripheral development. The views offered by the participants are enclosed as **Annexure-IV**.

The summary of the issues raised by the participants in the public hearing in Odia & English (Vernacular language) is enclosed as **Annexure-V (A&B)**.

After completion of the deliberation process, the Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh invited the representative of Patabeda Iron Ore Mines of M/s. MGM Minerals Ltd. to present a brief note on the issues related to the demand and grievances of the local people raised during the public hearing.

Summary of the views of the project proponent on issues raised by the public in Odia & English (Vernacular language) is enclosed as **Annexure-VI (A&B)**. During public hearing the proponent has also submitted their commitments in writing, which is enclosed as **Annexure-VII**.

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After deliberation of the above and concluding statement by the Additional District Magistrate, Sundargarh, Er. Deepak Kumar Sahoo, Asst. Env. Engineer, State Pollution Control Board, Rourkela gave vote of thanks at the end of public hearing.

The Attendance sheet of the members present in the public hearing is annexed as **Annexure-I**. About 500 participants had attended the public hearing meeting and 272 persons have put their signature in the attendance sheet whose list is annexed as **Annexure-II**. 23 persons took part in the deliberation, whose list is annexed as **Annexure-III**. The video recording of the entire proceeding of the public hearing is enclosed as Compact Disc (CD). In total, 53 written statements have been received from various stake holders on the day of public hearing. Copies of the written statements are enclosed as **Annexure-VIII**.

Hemendra Nath Nayak
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Addl. District Magistrate, Sundargarh
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Hearing meeting)

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