

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING CONDUCTED FOR
M/s.P.RAMAKRISHNAN FIRE CLAY & RED SOIL QUARRY, PROPOSED AT
SF.NO:191/3B2, 191/4B2 & 191/1C2 IN THAZAMPATTU VILLAGE, PANRUTI TALUK,
CUDDALORE DISTRICT.

Venue : S.V. Mahal

Date: 25.09.2021

Veerattaneswarar Koil Street,
Panruti.
Cuddalore District.

Present : Thiru. Ranjeet Singh, I.A.S.
Additional Collector/ District Revenue Officer,
Cuddalore District.

Convener : District Environmental Engineer,
Tamilnadu Pollution Control Board,
Cuddalore District.

Participants : Public people & NGOs.
(Total Nos : 58) - (Annexure - I)

The District Environmental Engineer welcomed the Additional Collector/DRO, Cuddalore district who have come to preside over the Public Hearing. He also welcomed the Public and the NGOs who have come to participate the Public Hearing conducted for the project M/s. P.Ramakrishnan fire clay & Red soil quarry proposed at Thazhampattu Village, Panruti Taluk, Cuddalore District. He then informed that the project proponent will explain about the proposed quarry project and then the public and NGO's can express their views about the above quarry project.

The Consultant of the project proponent explained the details of the proposed quarry through a Power Point Presentation. He explained that the mining period is for 5 years in an area of 1.43.08 Hectares. The mining type is a open cast mining to a depth of 16 m from ground level. This mining was approved by Department of Industries vide letter dated 08.10.2018 and approved by the Additional Director, Department of Mining & Geology vide Rc.No.3235/MM16/2018, Dated : 09.11.2018.

He also informed that the above mining activity is covered under the EIA Notification 2006 and hence public hearing is to be conducted.

He further explained that the Environment Impact Assessment Study has been conducted in the surrounding areas of the proposed quarry and the status of Water quality, Air quality, Noise levels and other environmental aspects have been assessed. The mining activity is proposed without blasting and heavy machineries. The benching height will be maintained at 6 m and width will be 2.5 m. Green belt will be developed in the boundary, pathways and inactive dumps by planting native tree species. A buffer zone of 7.5 m will be maintained around the mining pit. There are no mountains, sanctuaries and forests for a radius of 15 km from this proposed mining site. There is no adverse impact due to this mining activity. After completion of mining activities the mines will be closed as per the mining closure plan. The CER found will be used for building infrastructure such as toilets and water filters for the Government schools in Thazhampattu and Keezhiruppu Villages.

Then the District Environmental Engineer, requested the participants to express their opinions about this proposed project.

Thiru. Krishnamoorthy, Hyderabad has expressed that medical camps shall be conducted by the proponent in the surrounding areas. About 80 % of the jobs should be given to local people and 20 % may be given to people from other areas. He welcomed the Project.

Thiru. Shankar Reddy, Hyderabad expressed that the project proponent shall arrange for drinking water to the nearby village and the maintain ecological aspects in the vicinity and welcomed the project.

The District Revenue Officer then informed that the priority in jobs will be given to local peoples and 2 % of the project cost shall be used for CSR activities, and also informed that the participants may give their suggestions in writing also.

Thiru. Sundaravadivel of Maligampattu has expressed that there is no adverse impact due to this project and local people will get jobs. He also expressed that the pathways may be made for the transport of vehicles.

Thiru. G.Sakthivel of Thazhampattu has expressed that due to this proposed quarry, job opportunities will be created. The water generated can be used by farmers for agriculture.

Thiru. S. John Bosco of Panikkankuppam has expressed that the environment shall be protected and jobs will be created.

Thiru. K. Saiduly of Hyderabad has expressed that due to Pandemic people are losing jobs. The activity of developing projects will decrease the unemployment.

Thiru. C.K. Silambarasan of Thazhampattu has expressed that the Government Rules should be followed by the project. Smart class and internet facilities may be provided for the schools.

Thiru. H. Madhubabu of Hyderabad has expressed that the project shall follow the CPCB and TNPCB Rules, in the mining activities.

Thiru. S. Sivamani of Karukkai has expressed that jobs will be created due to this project. The transportation of materials shall be restricted from morning to evening only.

Thiru. V. Iyyappan of Keezhiruppu has expressed that job opportunities will be created due to this project.

Thiru. N. Sanjil Gandhi, Meliruppu has expressed that due to this project, jobs will be created and this is no adverse effects.

Thiru. V. Kalaiselvan of Mettukuupam has expressed that the boundaries of this proposed mining activity shall be correctly marked and maintained. Blasting in this mining activity to prevent land vibrations. Jobs will be created due to this project.

The participants then submitted written suggestions to the District Revenue Officer. (Annexure II - 10 Nos)

The District Revenue Officer expressed that there is good response from the participants about this proposed project, and thanked them all.

The meeting came to an end.

- Encl:** 1. Annexure – I
2. Annexure - II
3. C.D – 1 No.


**Additional Collector/ DRO
Cuddalore District.**


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