Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting conducted for the Construction of Fishing Harbour at R.S. No. 6, 104, Thillayadi Revenue Village, Tharangambadi Village & Tk, Nagapattinam District on 06.08.2019 @ 11.00 a.m. at Sri Renuga Devi Thirumana Mandapam, Kamarajar Salai, Tharangambadi Tk, Nagapatinam District

Project Name : Construction of Fishing Harbor,

Tharangambadi

Date & Time : 06-08-2019 at 11.00 a.m.

Presiding:

Dr. S. Suresh Kumar, I.A.S., :District Collector, Nagapattinam

Thiru. K. Prakash, M. Tech., :District Environmental Engineer,

Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,

Nagapattinam.

The Revenue Divisional Officer, Mayiladuthurai, Revenue Tahsildar, Tharangambadi, Joint Director, Fisheries Department, Nagapattinam Zone, Assistant Director, Fisheries Department, Sirkali, Executive Engineer, Fisheries Department, Nagapattinam and public were participated in the said public hearing meeting.

The details of public attended to this public hearing meeting is enclosed herewith.

At the beginning of the Public Hearing meeting, the District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Nagapattinam welcomed the District Collector, Government Officials and Public for the Public Hearing for the Construction of fishing harbor at R.S. No. 6, 104, Thillayadi Revenue Village, Tharangambadi village & Tk, Nagapattinam District proposed by the Fisheries Department, Government of Tamil Nadu. He informed that, on submitting the application for seeking Environmental clearance for Construction of Fishing Harbour at Tharangambadi, the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority-

Tamilnadu has issued Terms of Reference along with Public Hearing for the preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment report vide its letter dated 30.04.2018. Based on it, this meeting was arranged as a part of preparation of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report. He also said that, the proceedings of the Public Hearing meeting will completely be recorded in Audio and Video and the same will be send to the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority. Further he added that, after the introduction, the Department of Fisheries will elaborate the details of the project and then public may express their views, doubts and queries regarding this project. While expressing their views, they are requested to mention their name and place clearly. Subsequently with the approval of District Collector, he requested the Authority of Fisheries Department to explain the Project activities.

On behalf of the Fisheries Department, Dr. Chandramohan, Indomer Coastal Hydraulics (P) Ltd, Chennai has made presentation about the proposal project to the public in the meeting.

The views of the public are given below:

1. Thiru. Mani, Kuttiyandiyur, Fisherman Panchayat

He welcomed all the participants attended the public hearing meeting. Also he said that, they welcome the proposed Fishing Harbour Project at Tharangambadi and also appreciated the Tharangambadi Panchayats for having such proposal on the move.

2. Thiru. Nagaraj, Thalagampettai

He welcomed all the Government officials, Fisherman community, Traders representatives and public. He said that for the past 6 years various efforts have been taken to establish Fishing Harbour at Tharanagamabadi and express his gratitude for conducting public hearing meeting. Also he has requested to provide break wall in the proposed harbor.

5. Thiru. Mathiyazhagan, Chinnamedu Village Panchayat

He said that establishment of Harbout at Tharangambadi will increase fishing activities and also livelihood of fisherman and behalf of the panchayat people he has requested to complete this project at the earliest.

4. Thiru. Tamilselvan, Pudhupettai Village Panchayat

He said that, the project was under report state 6 years. He said that the Fishing harbour is necessary while using fiber boat for catching fishes. Presently, they are travelling around 200 Km such as Jagathapattinam, Mallipattinam and Nagapattinam places for catching fishes. It affects livelihood and also their family. He said that all the people get benefited due to the establishment of this harbor at this place.

5. Thiru. Vijayaprabu, Vellapallam

On behalf of the village people he expressed his gratitude for establishment of this project at Tharangambadi.

6. Thiru. Vijayabalan, Perumalpettai

He said that all the peoples will be get benefited due to establishment of this harbour and also requested to complete this project at the earliest.

7. Tharangambadi Traders Association, Tharangambadi

Behalf of the Traders Association, he said that they will be co-operative in all manner for establishment of this project.

8. Tharangambadi Noottrandu Arema Association

He expressed his gratitude for the establishment of this harbour and also said that Arema Association will fully support for this project.

9. Thiru, M.A. Sultan, Muslim Panchayat Council Head

He said that, after Tsunami, we struggled lot for establishment of this fishing harbor. Presently this project progressing in good manner. After having lots of meetings, today only public hearing meeting was conducted with District Collector as Chairperson for the said project. He placed 2 requests on District collector:

- He said in the year 1924 train services available in this area to reach Chennai
 and other towns and felt comfortable for transporting fishes through rail.

 Presently, without this train services, we find problem to transport fish. Hence
 he requested District Collector to arrange railway transport facility for this area
 to transport fishes to the various districts.
- Since Tharangambadi is the tourist place he requested to provide wave break wall around the shore to took bath safely by the tourist people as such in British period.

District Collector, Nagapattinam

He asked to give written representative for the above 2 grievances.

10. Thiru. George William, Machine street Panchayat

He said that all the people got benefited by the proposed harbour at this place. It will increase income and it does not give any problem to this area and he raise his support on it.

11. Thiru. Nanthakumar, Tharangambadi

On behalf of Tharangambadi Public and Panchayat Representatives he extended their co-ordination for this project.

12. Tharangambadi Driving Association, Tharangambadi

He said that Fisherman livelihood will increase due to establishment of fishing harbour in this place and expressed his gratitude.

13. Fisherman Association, Tharangambadi

He said that in this place nearly 210 numbers of fiber boats are available. Because of this proposed harbor, everyone get benefited and also no impact on environment due to this proposed harbour in this place and requested to complete this project at the earliest.

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4. Fisherman Panchayat

He said that they will maintain the harbour neat and clean and also said that all the fisherman communities will co-ordinate to run this proposed fishing harbour at their site in good manner.

District Collector, Nagapattinam:

In this Public Hearing meeting, public has expressed various views regarding this project. On various requests, Government has issued order for the establishment of the fishing harbour. He said that this public hearing meeting was conducted as a part EIA notification and also it gives immense pleasure to participate in this meeting. Also he added that all the informations regarding this project are shared here. All efforts have been taken for implementation of this project early.

At the end, Assistant Director, Department of Fisheries deliver vote of thanks on behalf of Tamil Nadu.

Public Hearing Meeting came to an end.

District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Nagapattinm. District Collector, Nagapattinam (2/4)

