

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON 20.09.2016 AT 11.00 AM PROPOSED TO DEVELOP INDUSTRIAL PARK IN AN EXTENT OF 503.34 HA (1244.02 ACRES) AT MENAKURU & KONETIRAJUPALEM VILLAGES OF NAIDUPETA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT BY M/S. ANDHRA PRADESH INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION LIMITED (APIIC)

M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC) submitted proposals to develop Naidupeta Industrial Park in an extent of 503.34 Ha (1244.02 Acres) located at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District with an investment of Rs.94.77 Crores. The project proponent submitted an application with project details duly following the stipulated procedure laid down in the EIA Notification, 2006 to the Ministry of Environmental & Forest, GOI. After scrutiny of the application, the MOEF & CC, GOI has issued letter of Terms of Reference (TOR) to the project proponent and directed A.P. Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Nellore to conduct Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) with regard to the proposed project of **M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)** and to submit minutes of the proceedings to MOEF & CC, GOI as per procedure in vogue.

In compliance to provisions of EIA, Notification, 2006, the Environmental Engineer (EE), APPCB, RO, Nellore has issued Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) Notification on 17.08.2016, 30 days before the date of conduct of Public Hearing to be held on 20.09.2016 inviting the public to offer their comments, objections, views, clarifications and suggestions, if any, on the proposal to develop Naidupeta Industrial Park at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District by **M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)**. The Public Hearing Notification was published in Telugu daily newspaper 'Andhra Jyothi' and English daily Newspaper in 'Deccan Chronicle' India on 17.08.2016. As per the date stated in EPH Notification, the present EPH was conducted on **20.09.2016 at 11.00 AM** at Plot No.52 & 53, APIIC Industrial Park, Naidupeta, SPSR Nellore District (Near M/s. Hindustan National Glass and Industries Ltd.,) under the Chairmanship of the Joint Collector, SPSR Nellore District, nominee of the District Collector, SPSR Nellore District.

The following members have attended :-

PANEL MEMBERS :

1. Sri A.Md.Imtiaz, IAS
Joint Collector, Nellore,
SPSR Nellore District
(Nominee of the District Collector
SPSR Nellore District.)
2. Sri M. Pramod Kumar Reddy.
Environmental Engineer,
A.P. Pollution Control Board,
Regional Office,
SPSR Nellore District.

PROJECT AUTHORITIES :

1. Sri V. Nageswara Rao
Zonal Manager,
APIIC, Nellore
2. Sri N.Vamsi Krishna
Environmental Consultant
(M/s. L & T Infrastructure Engineering Ltd.,
Hyderabad)

At the outset, the Environmental Engineer, APPCB, RO, Nellore has welcomed the public gathering of the Environmental Public Hearing and explained that **M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC)** submitted proposals to develop Naidupeta Industrial Park in an extent of 503.34 Ha (1244.02 Acres) located at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District. The proposed project falls under EIA category of projects, for which Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) is a statutory pre-requisite mandate to be fulfilled to obtain public opinion on the proposed project to issue Environmental Clearance (EC) by MoE&F, GOI. He informed that the District Collector is the Chairman of the Public Hearing panel as per EIA Notification 2006. The Joint Collector, Nellore, Nominee of the Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore District will preside over today's EPH proceedings. The purpose of conducting the present EPH is to get public opinion viz., comments, views, objections, apprehensions, clarifications and suggestions etc. if any, on the project proposal. The public are invited to freely express their views, as stated in the paper advertisements, which were published 30 days before. He also informed that whatever the opinion expressed by the public would be recorded in the form of video in addition to the written documentary evidence

i.e. minutes of the public hearing proceedings and same would be submitted to MOEF & CC, GOI for consideration. It was also emphasized by the Environmental Engineer to the public that the EPH panel is not empowered to take any decision on the issue of permission to the proposed project in this public hearing meeting. After that, he invited the Joint Collector, Nellore, Nominee of the District Collector, SPSR Nellore District to chair the proceedings of the public hearing and to address the gathering.

Sri A.Md.Imtiaz, IAS, Joint Collector, Nellore, Nominee of the District Collector and the Chairman of the Environmental Public Hearing panel has welcomed the public Hearing gathering and informed that the conducting of the Environmental Public Hearing was made mandatory by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India for all the projects coming under EIA category projects, as per EIA Notification, 2006 to obtain the public opinion from the surrounding villagers, which are likely to be affected due to establishment of the proposed Establishment of Industrial Park of M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC) at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District and called upon the Public hearing gathering to express their views, suggestions, apprehensions, objections and clarifications etc. if any, on the proposed project which would be recorded Audio, visually and in the form of written minutes of the proceedings of the Public Hearing and same would be sent to the Competent Authority for consideration while issuing necessary clearance to the project proponent.

Then the Project proponent was called to offer brief account of the proposed project details to the public for information.

Sri V. Nageswara Rao, Zonal Manager, APIIC, Nellore has welcomed the gathering of the public hearing and informed that APIIC has proposed to develop Industrial Park at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District in the total land extent of 1244.02 Acres with total estimated project cost of Rs.94.77 Crores. Out of total area, plotted area for industries is 933.81 Acre, 103.50 Acres for Road and other infrastructure facilities, Open space -124.88 Acres, Centralized facilities area: 15.20 Acres and for Buffer Zone & for Green belt 66.57 Acres.

The proposed Industrial Park has envisaged to accommodate various industrial sectors viz., Heavy Engineering; Pharmaceuticals, Finished Leather Products excluding tanning & hide processing, Textile & Food processing etc. The proposed project is expected to provide employment to about 17000 personnel directly in-addition to indirect employment to 4500 personnel. This will boost socio-economic status of the surrounding villages at large. He has requested the public to extend their support for the establishment of the proposed Industrial Park.

Then, the Environmental Engineer, APPCB, RO, Nellore has invited the representative of Environmental consultancy of the proposed project to present technical details of the proposed project in brief to the public for information.

Sri N.Vamsi Krishna, Representative of Environmental Consultant of the Proposed Project, M/s. L & T Infrastructure Engg. Ltd., Hyderabad has presented the technical details of the proposed project is as follows :-

- M/s. L&T Infrastructure Engineering Limited has conducted Environmental study in the study are of 10km. radius from the proposed project site during April to June 2016 and EIA report is prepared incorporating the baseline pertaining to Ambient Air Quality, Water Quality, Soil quality, Noise, Flora & Fauna etc.
- The nearest village habitations to the proposed project site are Menakuru and Konetirajupalem of Naidupeta Mandal, SPSR Nellore District.
- There are no defense installations near the proposed project site.
- Available fresh water resources for the proposed project area are Swarnamukhi River and Mamidi Kaluva.
- There is one Eco-sensitive Biosphere i.e. Wild life Bird Sanctuary known as Nelapattu, which is located outside of the project study area.
- The total quantity of Fresh water consumption is 6400 KLD is proposed to be drawn from Telugu Ganga canal.
- EIA report has been prepared in study area of 10 villages falls under proposed project area.
- Critical Environmental parameters Viz., Temperature extremities, relative humidities, predominant wind patterns, suspended particulate matter etc. have been reported in the EIA report.

- Environmental study which was conducted in the study area has revealed that the Ambient Air Quality is within the stipulated National Ambient Air Quality standards.
- Water quality analyzed except at Kappagunta village are within the prescribed norms. Fluoride and Hardness parameters of water samples collected at Kappagunta village are exceeded the stipulated norms.
- Soil quality has been studied to be within the prescribed norms.
- Industrial Waste Water Treatment Scheme :- In the proposed project a centralized common ETP is proposed to be established with an investment of Rs.35.0 Crores for treating the total quantity of waste water to be generated from various industrial sectors and the treated waste water would be utilized for Green Belt Development.
- Green Belt Development :-The project proponent has proposed to develop Green belt in 33% of the total land extent as per the stipulated CPCB norms.
- Solid Waste/ Hazardous Waste Management : Solid wastes generates from industries would be segregated into non-hazardous and hazardous waste. Non-hazardous will be converted into manure and will be utilized for Green belt development. Hazardous waste viz., waste oils will be sent for authorized waste oil recyclers/reprocessors.
- The other industrial hazardous and toxic wastes would be sent to TSDF for scientific treatment & disposal
- CSR Compliance : The project proponent would take up Development activities under CSR programme for the Socio-Economic development of the surrounding villages.

After that, the Joint Collector, SPSR Nellore District & the Chairman of the Environmental Public Hearing proceedings invited the public to express their opinion without any hesitation on the proposed Industrial Park project by M/s. APIIC.

The following public have expressed their views/ apprehensions as under :

Sri Krishnaiah, R/o. Menakuru, SPSR Nellore District has expressed his grievance over pollution being emitted from the nearby industry due to coke burning and causing severe health problems to their villagers and demanded for stringent action to be taken by the District Administration against the said industry.

In this regard, EE, APPCB has clarified that the industry which was causing air pollution in the surrounding of the area has been M/s. Hindustan National Glass and Industries Ltd., which was reviewed by the Task Force committee of APPCB and issued certain specific directions to the industry to take effective adequate air pollution control measures within period of six months time.

In this connection, the Joint Collector has informed that he will direct the EE, APPCB, Nellore to ensure that the directions issued by the Task Force Committee be implemented, failing which, action to be initiated against the industry even to the extent for closure of the industry in the interest of the Public Health & the Environment safety.

Sri Sunanda Reddy, NGO, Nalgonda – He has appreciated the APIIC for the proposed project of Industrial Park, which would certainly boosts Socio-Economic living standards of the surrounding village public and suggested the following points in Environmental Protection and Public Welfare aspects :-

- Public Health status of the surrounding villages should be reported in the EIA report.
- Crop details & Ground water quality patterns to be incorporated in the EIA Report.
- The project proponent should contemplate to take up green belt development in an extent more than the stipulated area with fruit bearing tree species for the larger public and Environmental aspects.
- He appreciated the project proponent for the proposed project would provide employment to more than 17000 personnel, which would be remarkable achievement, if it is achieved.
- He also stated that all the developmental activities should be monitored by a coordination committee of Stake holders, which would be an effectual system for effective utilization of CSR funds.
- He noted that all the demand oriented developmental programmes should be taken up on priority basis only under CSR programme by industries.
- He batted for establishment of skill developmental programmes should be conducted to the village youth to prepare them for self help sustenance for their livelihoods.

- He expressed that the industrial development with sustainable Environmental Protection measure is the sustainable development, for which the proposed project strives for and he recommended for issue of EC to this project proposed.

Intervening the Joint Collector, Nellore has informed that the District Collector, SPSR Nellore District is regularly motoring the status of Developmental activities under CSR programme taken up by all the Industrial Managements to ensure that the funds deposited by industries would be effectively utilized for the welfare of the Public.

Sri Ravi Kumar, Environmental Activist, SPSR Nellore District - He has underscored the need of Industrial Development for economic strengthening of the State which has necessitated after bifurcation of united State of Andhra Pradesh. Industrial growth was envisioned from the year 2010, for which Special Economic Zones (SEZs) started coming up throughout the state to meet specific needs of Industrial Managements. Advent of Industrial Development also contributes for increase in pollution levels in the surroundings of industries established, which pose health hazards to the surrounding human habitations. In this regard, he has suggested for constitution of Emergently Response Team to take immediate measures to control pollution levels. He also requested the project proponent to take up developmental programmes under CSR viz., providing of village infrastructure facilities, provision of drinking water facility etc., He also emphasized the need of establishing skill development centre to impart vocational skills to the village youth. He expressed his total support for the proposed project proposal and recommended for the issue of Environmental Clearance to the project.

Sri H. Madhu Babu, Environmental Activist - He appreciated the establishment of Industrial Park proposed by the APIIC and hoped that this project would contribute for Socio-economic development of the villages and expressed his support for the project proposal.

Sri Chennakesavulu Reddy, R/o. Menakuru SPSR Nellore District - He expressed his pleasure over establishment of proposed project of the APIIC. He insisted for fulfillment of promises earlier made to the land oustees by the Govt. for compensations. He groused over the disparity met to the local youth, who are being taken into menial jobs and demanded for recruitment of locally educated youth into Executive level posts in industries. He also requested the project proponent to

conduct developmental activities under CSR programme in the surrounding five villages. Further, he suggested that there should be a regular review of developmental activities taken up by industries under CSR compliance.

In this regard, the Joint Collector, Nellore has informed that the issue of recruitment of local educated youth confined to entry level posts only was already brought to the notice of the District Administration and same will be examined and ensure that the locally available educated youth would be absorbed also into Executive level posts in various industries.

Sri Sudhakar Reddy, R/o. Menakuru, SPSR Nellore District - He has spoken on occasion stating that the promises earlier made to the villagers of Menakuru regarding land compensations, which have not yet paid to the villagers even after several representations were made to the Govt. Authorities. He confessed that the Industrial Development has boosted up the per capita income generation of the surrounding villagers and simultaneously it has also increased pollution levels from such industry, as that of M/s. Neo Carbons posing damage to the Public Health & Environment, for which effective measures are to be in place by the Industries to control Pollution on to the surroundings. He also requested the project proponent that the naturally existing fresh water bodies viz., **Bathinavarigunta and Rajupalemgunta etc.**, should not be encroached upon by the project proponent, as local farmers have been dependent upon those water bodies for irrigation and for other water requirements. The issue of land to be allocated for burial ground to the villages of Dwarakapuram village is demanded by him to be sorted out by the District Administration immediately as per the wishes of the villagers. He also suggested to the Project proponent to incorporate Public Health status of the nearby villages should be incorporated in the EIA report. He made a demand for recruiting the educated local youth for absorption into the Executive level jobs of industries. He also underscored for impartation of skills to the local youth by conducting skill orientation programmes in this area. He enquired whether there exists a mechanism to calibrate Economic status of industries operating in this area, deposition of funds & utilization of these funds for infrastructure development of the surrounding villages under CSR programme by the industries in transparent manner.

Sri Ram Prasad, ZPTC, Naidupeta, SPSR Nellore District - He expressed his enthusiasm over efforts made by Government to forge Industrial Development in a large scale and requested the District Administration for appropriate compensations to be made in respect of promises earlier made by the Government to preserve Public trust on the Govt. He demanded for establishment of a dedicated Hospital to meet health care requirements of the surrounding villages. Large scale Industrial Development has contributed for increase in heavy vehicular traffic also resulting in the proportionate increase in road accidents which has become major concern by the public, for which an Establishment of a trauma Care centre is the need of the hour for medical treatment of the accident victims and requested the District Administration to take necessary action in this matter. He insisted for absorption of local educated youth into the executive positions by the industries and requested that Government to establish skill development centers to impart skills to transform the youth into a skilled labour. He requested the project proponent **not to allow highly polluting industries such as leather tanning industries in the proposed Industrial Park** and only allow non-polluting finished leather products manufacturing units **and the same may be informed to concerned Department not to permit such type of industries.** He demanded that the District Administration to take measures for effective utilization of funds deposited under CSR programme. He profusely thanked to the District Administration for the measures taken for installation of safe drinking water facility, which is about to be completed within a short period. He further suggested that the Government should take measures to lift water from Mamidi kaluva for the benefit of local farmers to do lift irrigation in their Agricultural lands. He also suggested to the project proponent to constitute a committee with stake holders for regular monitoring of pollution control measures adopted by various industries.


At the end, he expressed his whole-hearted support for establishment of Industrial park proposed by APIIC.

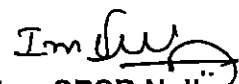
Then, **the Joint Collector, SPS Nellore District** & Nominee of the District Collector and Chairman of Environmental Public Hearing panel has summed up the public opinion expressed in the proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing it has predominantly embarked on :-

- The issue of due compensations to be made to Project affected persons of the Menakur Village after for verification of required documents by the concerned Revenue Divisional Officer.

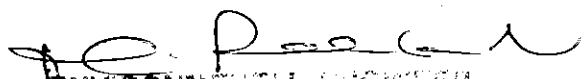
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- Adequate Pollution control measures to be adopted by the proponent industries.
 - Proportionate employment to be provided to educate local youth into Executive level jobs by industries.
 - Not to allow tanning industries in the proposed park which is highly polluting category of industry.

Finally, the Joint Collector, SPS Nellore District & Nominee of the District Collector and Chairman of Environmental Public Hearing panel has informed that the public participated in the meeting have expressed their opinion without any reservations on the project proposal of M/s. Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC) to develop Naidupeta Industrial Park at Menakuru & Konetirajupalem Villages of Naidupet Mandal, SPSR Nellore District., which is recorded in Audio & visual recordings and in the form of written minutes document and same would be forwarded to the Competent Authority.


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