

**Proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing conducted for the Proposed Quartzite, White Shale & Yellow Ochre Mine (40.469 Ha) by M/s. Mangalore Mineral Traders located at Sy.No. 730, Mangapatnam village, Muddanur Mandal, YSR District conducted on 30-08-2016 at 10.00 AM at proposed mine site.**

In accordance with the Notification No. S.O. 1533 dt. 14.09.2006 of Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, New Delhi, the Environmental Engineer, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Tirupati issued a notification pertaining to the Environmental Public Hearing on the proposed to establish an Proposed Quartzite, White Shale & Yellow Ochre Mine (40.469 Ha) by M/s. Mangalore Mineral Traders located at Sy.No. 730, Mangapatnam village, Muddanur Mandal, YSR District in leading newspapers inviting suggestions, views, comments and objections of the general public and the same was conducted on 30.08.2016 at 10.00 a.m and the minutes of the meeting are as follows:

**The following Officials attended the Environmental Public Hearing :**

- 1) **Sri K.V. SATYANARAYANA, I.A.S.,** Collector & District Magistrate, Kadapa
- 2) **Sri A.NARENDRA BABU,** Environmental Engineer, AP. Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Tirupati

The following Departmental Officials attended the hearing:

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Name &amp; Designation</b>
1)	Sri K. Vinayakam, Revenue Divisional Officer, Jammalamadugu
3)	Sri P.V.Kishore Reddy, Asst. Environmental Engineer, APPCB, RO, Tirupati

The following representatives of the industry were present:

Sl.No.	Name & Designation
1)	Sri T. Murali Krishna, M/s Global Enviro Labs, Hyderabad, Environmental Consultant of the proposed Project.
2)	Sri N. Ajay Kumar, Representative of the Project M/s. Mangalore Mineral Traders

**The Environmental Engineer, A.P.Pollution Control Board, Tirupati** welcomed the District Collector, YSR District and Chairman of the Environmental Public Hearing Panel and general public to the Public hearing and explained the need to conduct Public Hearing for the proposed project as per the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, New Delhi notification 2006.

He also explained as per the Terms of Reference (TOR), State Level Environmental Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt. of India, Dated: 17.08.2015, it is necessary to get the public hearing conducted for this project in accordance with the procedure prescribed under the EIA Notification 2006 in the process of obtaining the Environment Clearance.

Then he requested the Environmental Consultant of the proposed Project / proponent to explain the salient features of the proposed project for the information of general public gathered at the venue of Environment Public Hearing.

**Sri T. Murali Krishna, Environmental Consultant of the proposed Project, M/s Global Enviro Labs, Hyderabad**, while speaking on the occasion explained to the general public the proposed mining project is proposed to excavate 4,16,000 TP of quartzite by open cast and drilling method. These mining operation are proposed to carryout by using slurry explosives and controlled blasting methods.

He also informed that they have collected base line data from 10 km radius around the project site to assess the impacts arising from the proposed mining activity. The concentration of various parameters of Air quality of the study are found to be well within the norms prescribed by National Ambient Air Quality. The

noise levels recorded at all stations were found to be less than standards prescribed i.e, ranging from 52.3 dBA to 63.5 dBA.

Regarding, water consumption and wastewater generation, the water requirement for this mining activity will be 19 KLD. Breakup details are: Dust suppression purpose: 15.0 KLD, Domestic purpose: 2.0 KLD, Greenbelt purpose: 2.0 KLD. There is no generation & discharge of wastewater from this mine. About 0.5 KLD of Domestic Effluent will be generated from this mine and this will sent to septic tank followed by soak pit.

Regarding the solid waste the anticipated top soil will be stocked over and used for plantation and afforestation purpose.

With regard to socio economic environment he informed that they will provide employment about 300 peoples to the local persons of different skills and trade. The employment potential ameliorated economic conditions these families directly and provide employment to any other families indirectly also to improve the socio economic conditions of the area. He also informed that the proposed mining activity proposed to develop 500 trees every year under plantation programme. He finally informed the public that even during the mining operations adverse effect on Environment is not anticipated and assured to take all measures to maintain the stipulated environmental standards.

**Then the District Collector, YSR Dt** while speaking on the occasion welcomed the public and opined that as the proposed mining activity is not proposed to establish processing plant and hence there may not be significant issues with regard to environment. He also informed that industry has to take much care with regard to pollution problems, greenbelt development, top soil management and to adopt modern technology methods for mining.

He also requested the management to make possible assurances and to fulfill the same made during the public hearing and also requested there won't be any false assurances on the welfare of surrounding people.

He also informed that illegal dumping of solid waste from the mines will not tolerated any more by any industry and requested to make proper solid waste management plans by the mining authorities. Then the District Collector requested the project proponent to react on the assurances made during the public hearing.

**Sri N. Ajay Kumar, Representative of the Project of M/s. Mangalore Mineral Traders** while speaking on the occasion have informed that they will strictly implement the solid waste management plan without causing any nuisance to the public. Industry is proposed to provide employment 100 to 150 directly and to provide 100 to 150 Nos indirect employment. He requested the people to cooperative for establishment of such industries and expressed his belief that many more industries may come to this area.

He also informed during that they are having future expansion plans for expanding their industrial activities by establishing pillar sand manufacturing unit with the solid waste generated during the mining activities with an investment of Rs 15.0 crores which may be alternate for sand.

**Then the District Collector** welcomed the expansion ideas of the proposed project and requested the general public to express their opinions/ suggestions, objections, if any, on the proposed project.

**Sri Pullaiah Naidu, r/o, Muddanur** while speaking on the occasion he welcoming the proposed project and expressed his belief on getting more job opportunities by the local people, as agriculture sector is not a viable activity at their area.

**Sri H.Madhu Babu, Environmental Activist** is requested the management to develop good greenbelt 500 plants per year and also requested to construct rain water harvesting structures.

**Sri Janardhana Reddy, Environmental Activist**, while welcoming the project requested the management to take extra care during blasting operations in the interest of fodder for cattle & grazing lands.

**Sri Vijaya Reddy, Environmental Activist**, while speaking on the occasion welcomed the project and made the following and suggestions to the management.

1. Industry shall take steps towards to protect bio-diversity and sustainable development for the future generations.
2. After mining activities the said land may be converted for cultivation purposes.
3. Industry shall develop rain water harvesting structures.
4. Industry may increase their water consumption quantities from 2000 Lts to 5000 Lts per day for greenbelt development.

**The District Collector** intervened and informed that the District Administration have already made concrete efforts and constructed 11,000 farm ponds and 50,000 for water percolating pits to increase the ground water table and also planted 30,00,000 plants towards plantation programme. He also brought to the notice of the management that there is an ancient rock painting in the proposed mining area and he directed to management to protect their same with proper fencing etc.

**Sri Sunandra Reddy, Environmental Activist, Hyderabad** informed that to conduct a skill development programmes for the local youth for getting job opportunities and also requested to develop fruit bearing and medicinal plants under CSR funds.

**Sri. Chenna Kesava Reddy, r/o T.Sunkesula**, requested the management to develop the greenbelt of 33% as per the norms and to utilize CSR budget effectively for surrounding people.


**Sri. Venkata Reddy, Environmental Activist, Hyderabad**, while speaking on the occasion informed that agriculture sector is being effected due to industrialization and requested the management to provide more job opportunities to the local villagers.

Then the District Collector, YSR Dt while making on conclusive remarks informed to the public that even though the District revenue is based on agriculture sector but the all-round development district may happen only with the establishment of industries and this is worldwide belief. He also informed that environmental issues shall be addressed with sophisticated control systems. He finally made the following suggestions to the management on the welfare of surrounding people under CSR activities.

1. Adopt surrounding villages and to extent financial support for development.
2. 100% sanitation at surrounding villages.
3. Good greenbelt to develop avenue plantation atleast by 1 km radius..

Then The District Collector and Chairman of the Environmental Public Hearing Panel while summed up of the proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing in vernacular language and he assured the public, that all the opinions/views raised by the public during Environmental Public Hearing will be brought to the notice of State Level Environmental Assessment Authority (SEIAA).

On seeing no more suggestions / objections from the public the District Collector and Chairman of the Environmental Public Hearing opined that the Environmental Public Hearing was ended with a positive note and was concluded with vote of thanks by Assistant Environmental Engineer, AP Pollution Control Board, Tirupati with the permission of District Collector.

  
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**K.V. Satyanarayana,**

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