

I/36805/2021(2)

HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
C-11, SECTOR-6, PANCHKULA
Ph. 0172-2577870-73 Fax No. 2581201
Email:hspcbcoordination@gmail.com
Website: hspcb.gov.in

No. HSPCB/Coord. Cell/2021/
28/04/2021

Dated:

To

The Secretary,
Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Govt. of India, Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi-110003.

Subject:- Proceeding of public hearing for project requiring clearance under Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 14 September 2006 (as amended) for Setting up of additional 450 KTA of Polypropylene Production Plant at Panipat Refinery and Petrochemical Complex, Panipat, Haryana on 06.04.2021 at 11.00 AM.

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

Please find enclosed herewith the proceeding of Public hearing conducted on 06.04.2021 under provisions of EIA notification, 2006 (amended to date) for proposed project for setting up of additional 450 KTA of Polypropylene Production Plant at Panipat State Haryana by M/s The Panipat Refinery and Petrochemical Complex, Panipat in original forwarded by Regional Officer, Panipat Haryana State Pollution Control Board vide letter no. 260 dated 20.04.2021 alongwith CD, album of photographs & attendance sheet and other relevant documents for information and further necessary action, please.

DA/As above

Digitally signed by SANJIV
KUMAR
Date:Wed Apr 28 12:17:33 IST
2021
Reason: Approved

Sr. Env. Engineer (HQ)
For Member

Secretary

Copy to:

A copy of the above alongwith copy of proceedings with enclosure is forwarded to following for information & further necessary action please:-

1. The Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat.
2. The Nodal Officer (IT) for uploading the proceeding on the website

I/36805/2021(2)

of the Board.

DA/As above


HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
SCO No.55, SECTOR-25, HUDA, PANIPAT

 Ph. – (0180) 2672037, Telefax – 2664951, E-mail: hspcbropr@gmail.com

 No. HSPCB/PR/2021/ 260

Dated 20/04/2021

To

 The Chairperson,
 Haryana State Pollution Control Board,
 Panchkula.

 Sub: Proceedings of Public Hearing for Project requiring clearance under Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 14 September, 2006 (as amended) for **Setting up of additional 450 KTA of Polypropylene Production Plant at Panipat Refinery and Petrochemical Complex, Panipat, Haryana** on 06/04/2021 at 11:00 AM..

In this connection, please find enclosed herewith the copy of Proceedings of Public Hearing for Project requiring clearance under Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 14 September, 2006 (as amended) for **Setting up of additional 450 KTA of Polypropylene Production Plant at Panipat Refinery and Petrochemical Complex, Panipat, Haryana** on 06/04/2021 at 11:00 AM.

It is submitted for your kind information and further necessary action please.

DA/

1. Copy of attendance sheet of public present during the hearing.
2. Copy of attendance sheet of officers present during the hearing.
3. Soft copy (CD) of proceedings of hearing.
4. Photographs of the hearing.
5. Approved copy of proceeding of hearing by Ld. DC, Panipat.
6. Copy of complaints/suggestions received during hearing.

 Regional Officer
 Panipat Region

657245/2021/REGION PANIPAT

Proceeding of Public Hearing held on 06th April'2021 at 11:00 AM under Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated 14.09.2006 for Proposed Project of Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex M/s IOCL Panipat Naphtha Cracker Complex, of Indian Oil Corporation, Panipat, Haryana.

The draft proceedings of the public hearing conducted on 06.04.2021 at 11:00 AM near the Project site for Proposed Project of **Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex** of Indian Oil Corporation, Panipat, has been prepared, which are attached along with the copy of written complaints and suggestions received during the public during Hearing, for kind information and approval please.



Deputy Commissioner, Panipat.

K/19/4/2021
Regional Officer,
HSPCB, Panipat.

Proceeding of Public Hearing held on 06th April'2021 at 11 :00 AM under Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated 14.09.2006 for Proposed Project of **Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex** of Indian Oil Corporation, Panipat, Haryana.

The Public Hearing was held near the project site of Indian Oil Corporation, Panipat for Proposed Project of Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex of Indian Oil Corporation, Panipat, on dated 06.04.2021 at 11 :00 AM.

During the Public Hearing following Officers of District Panipat were present:

1. Sh. Dharmender Singh, I.A.S, Deputy Commissioner, Panipat.
2. Sh. Kamaljit Singh, Regional Officer , HSPCB, Panipat.
3. Sh. Pardeep Kalyan, XEN, Municipal Corporation, Panipat.
4. Sh. Pardeep Singh, Assistant Environmental Engineer, HSPCB, Panipat
5. Sh. Deepak Kumar, AIPRO, Panipat.
6. Sh. Ravinder Kumar, IEO, DIC, Panipat.

The attendance sheet of Officers and Public present during the public hearing are attached as **Annexure-A**.

Copies of the presentation in Hindi as well in English of Draft EIA of Proposed Project of **Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex M/s IOCL Panipat**, were distributed to the Officers and Public present in the hearing.

At the onset of the public hearing, Sh. Kamaljit Singh, Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat welcomed Sh. Dharmender Singh, I.A.S, Deputy Commissioner, Panipat and other officers and general public in the public hearing and seek permission of the chairperson to start the process of public hearing. After due permission from the chairperson, Regional Officer, HSPCB Panipat briefed about the process of public hearing for the Proposed Project of Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex of M/s IOCL Panipat. RO told the participants about the process of hearing and provisions of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006. Thereafter, it was requested to the Project Proponent to explain in detail about the project and assessment studies conducted for the Impact on the Environment.

Project Proponent, assisted by Consultant M/s Hubert Enviro Care System Pvt. Ltd, Chennai, explained about the said proposal for **Setting up of 450 KTA of Poly Propylene Production Plant in the Existing Naphtha Cracker Complex**.

Project proponent also explained about the pollution and environmental aspects of the proposed project and the measures proposed to be taken by the Project Proponent along with the environment management plan in brief, prepared by them for the project and impact of the project on environment along with control measures proposed

After completion of the presentation, Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat called for the suggestions/questions/ objections to seek information or clarification on the project by the public and the following questions/suggestions/objections raised and information/clarification sought on the project, environment related issues by the participants and reply given by the Representatives & Environment Consultant of the Project Proponent and other concerned are given below:-

1. **Sh. Vikram Singh R/o Village- Baholi** questioned that My village is adjacent to the refinery area and level of the pollution is already very high in the area . As the proposal of the set up of new plants is there, then what will be the Level of pollution in the area , Ground water has been deteriorated. Six no of Basti's of my village are situated in the east of the plant and wind direction always remains west to east, number of diseases have been spreaded and death rate is 1-2 deaths every month, the crop yield of the near by farmers has also been deceased. It is suggested that either the land of these Basti's should be acquired or these Basti's should be shifted somewhere else so that they can live in a good environment. Moreover employment should be given to the villagers atleast for unskilled Labours category.

Reply: Project proponent replied that in the Proposed Project cleaner fuel I,e Natural Gas will be used as Fuel which has been advised by HSPCB and CPCB. Zero Liquid Discharge technology will be adopted and no water will be discharged from the proposed plant , whole effluent will be used in the process after treatment, Hence there will be no adverse impact on the environment from the proposed project.

2. **Sh. Vikram Singh R/o Village- Baholi**, again raised that presently refinery is discharging effluent in to Thirana Drain and also discharging effluent in to drain no. 2 during night hours, when present pollution is not in control then how the pollution will remain in control after commissioning of new projects.

Reply : Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat has replied that a committee of CPCB, HSPCB and District Magistrate, Panipat has been constituted by the Hon'ble NGT in the OA no 738/2018 titled as Satpal Singh, sarpanch singhpura sithana vs. IOCL & Ors. Therefore you may please give the written complaint of the matter and same will be considered by the committee and action will be taken on the complaint as per Law.

3. **Sh. Lalchand R/o Village- Baholi**, asked that the underground water of the hand pumps in my village is yellow in colour, why the water is yellow.

Reply : Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat has replied that a committee of CPCB, HSPCB and District Magistrate, Panipat has been constituted by the Hon'ble NGT in the OA no 738/2018 titled as Satpal Singh, sarpanch singhpura sithana vs. IOCL & Ors. Therefore you may please give the written complaint of the matter and same will be considered by the committee and action will be taken on the complaint as per Law.

4. **Sh. Kashmir Chand R/o Village- Baholi (Deras)** , asked that refinery wall are all around our houses from four directions , many times we have requested that our land should be acquired and we should be shifted somewhere else from here, in the rainy season, rainy water enters in our houses, please consider our request.

Reply: Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat has replied that please give your complaint in written and we will send it to the concerned for necessary action.

5. **Sh. Pritam Singh R/o Village Sithana** raised that Water from the tanks of the refinery was reaching to crop field and stray cattle's were destroying our crops , therefore we had requested refinery administration to build boundary wall of the area but no action was taken from last ten years , Moreover when wind comes from refinery side to our fields, we have to cover our face with wet cloths and we feel difficulties in breathing. It is requested that our land should be acquired and we should be shifted. It is informed that the crop yield of the nearby area is also decreased a lot.

Reply: Project proponent replied that No water is discharged due to running of PRPC. The water reaching the crop fields must be rain water coming from fields at higher elevation.

6. **Sh. Pritam Singh R/o Village Sithana** raised that Water from the tank farm area, when overflow, reaches to the crop field.

Reply: Project proponent replied that No water is discharged due to running of PRPC. The water reaching the crop fields must be rain water coming from fields at higher elevation. Further various studies, including Environment Impact Assessment, do not indicate adverse impact on ambient air due to PRPC operations. Further, Online Ambient Air Quality monitoring station is operational in 8 locations in PRPC area including township and Panipat city. All the parameters are monitored on a continuous basis by all concerned including the statutory authorities. Further, in proposed PP project, no stack is envisaged, hence no adverse impact on air quality will occur.

7. **Sh. Manpreet Singh R/o Village Baholi** raised that Crops are being damaged in the event of overflow of drain during rainy season. It should be lined and there should be proper drainage so that damage of the crop can be stopped.

Reply: Project proponent replied that in the project we have already considered the shifting of this drain and same will be done with the start of project commissioning.

8. **Sh. Manpreet Singh R/o Village-Baholi** suggested that admission in township school should be given to the children of the nearby villages.

Reply: Project Proponent replied that our school is made for a prescribed number of students. Intake beyond the capacity will impact the education quality. Hence, to promote education, PRPC already ensures assistance to the Public schools in the nearby villages. Various CSR activities have already been carried out in the schools in the past like solar power facility, computer lab, provision of chairs / benches, laying of paver blocks, and shall continue to be carried in the future. Hence, villagers are encouraged to get their children admitted in the nearest public school so that the children do not face the hardship of commuting a long distance. It may be noted that Panipat PRPC is constructing a "ONE OF ITS KIND" school for differently abled children in Panipat and the people in this locality can take advantage of the same , if required.

Deputy Commissioner Panipat directed that priority should be given to the children's of nearby villages and policy may be amended accordingly.

9. **Sh. Manpreet Singh R/o Village Baholi** asked that medical facilities in township hospital should be provided to the residents of the nearby villages.

Reply: Project proponent replied that PRPC is committed to the health & betterment of the society around it. The medical facility available in township is open to all the personnel in and around the PRPC Township for First Aid in case of emergency. On many occasions emergency requirement of villagers have been met. However, the healthcare facilities is inadequate for extensive treatment and most of the cases, even of PRPC, after primary care, are referred to specialized centers in Panipat or in Delhi.

10. **Sh. Vikram Singh R/o Village Baholi** asked that transparency shall be needed in the process of conducting the exam for diploma holder candidates for appointing as operator for the Panipat Refinery.

Reply: Project proponent replied that the examination of any kind of recruitment is completely done as per norms and completely transparent but secrecy is maintained. Moreover, in the recent past, recruitment has been done through outsourced agencies who maintain complete secrecy in the process. The merit listing and subsequent recruitment is done in a transparent manner to ensure that the meritorious candidates are selected. The Regional Labor Commissioner (RLC) office is also involved in the selection process.

11. **Sh. Manpreet Singh Baholi** suggested that some sort of relaxation should be given to the candidates of the nearby villages for providing jobs in the prpc.

Reply: Project proponent replied that PRPC is committed to appreciation of merit. Accordingly, the PRPC provides prizes to the meritorious students of the nearby

657245/2021/REGION PANIPAT

villages so as to promote their aspirations and facilitate development of skill locally. The recruitment process is governed as per guidelines of the corporation and the same is followed meticulously and Regional Labour Commissioner from the district administration is also the member of District Administration in the committee.

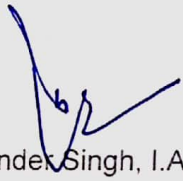
Deputy Commissioner Panipat ensured the public that all the suggestions and complaints have been considered and required action will be taken by all the concerned departments as per Law.

Sh. Kamaljit Singh, Regional Officer, Haryana State Pollution Control Board, Panipat requested for any other suggestion/query from the public.

Deputy Commissioner, Panipat addressed the public and ensured that the suggestions will be taken care and asked the public present that they can also submit their objections or queries, if any, personally in his office today or later on & same will be considered for the said project.

Thereafter, with the permission of Deputy Commissioner, Panipat, Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat declared the public hearing to be concluded & ended with a vote of thanks.

1
K
19/4/2021
Kamaljit Singh
Regional Officer, HSPCB, Panipat


Dharmender Singh, I.A.S
Deputy Commissioner, Panipat