



ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਕੰਟਰੋਲ ਬੋਰਡ PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No.
To

Dated.

The Member Secretary,
State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority,
O/o DECC, MGSIPA Complex, Sector-26,
Chandigarh.

Subject: Proceedings of the public hearing conducted on 21.10.2021 in connection with application filed by M/s Aarti Steels Limited for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006 for the proposed expansion in the existing premises situated in the revenue estate of Vill. Harian, P.O. Uppal, Machhiwara road, Teh. Koom Kalan, Distt. Ludhiana.

It is intimated that the subject cited industry had applied for obtaining Environmental Clearance as required under the EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006 for carrying out the expansion of its existing industrial unit by increasing the manufacturing capacity of Steel Billets/ ingots from 28,000 TPA to 2,90,500 TPA and rolled/ flat products from 1,40,000 TPA to 2,90,500 TPA by installing 2 nos. induction furnaces of capacity 25 TPH each, Laddle Refining Furnace (LRF) of capacity 30 TPH & Vacuum Degasser (VD) in addition to the existing induction furnace of capacity 8 TPH & concast machine and up-gradation of existing Rolling Mill in the existing premises located in the revenue estate of Village Harian, P.O. Uppal, Machhiwara Road, Tehsil Kumkalan, District Ludhiana without acquiring any additional land. The project is covered under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India notification no. S.O. 1533 (E) dated 14.09.2006 and thus is required to obtain Environmental Clearance from the SEIAA, Punjab. The Terms of Reference for preparing draft study report for the said project were prescribed by State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Punjab vide no. 4007 dated 04.05.2021. The industry had submitted draft EIA study report to the Board and had requested for conduct of public hearing of this project.

In compliance to the provisions of the EIA notification dated 14.9.2006 & Office Memorandum dated 14.09.2020, the Board in consultation with District Administration, Ludhiana fixed the date of public hearing as 21.10.2021. Public notices were published in two daily newspapers namely 'Hindustan Times & 'Jagbani' on 18.09.2021 for getting responses from public and intimating date, time & venue of the public hearing. The

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copies of the said notices are enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I**. The public announcements and banners were displayed in the vicinity / nearby villages to give the wide publicity of the Public Hearing by the Board. Thereafter, Public Hearing for the said project was conducted on 21.10.2021. The Public Hearing process was supervised and presided over by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Ludhiana in the presence of Environmental Engineer & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office-1, Ludhiana. The public hearing was attended by 70 persons and entire process of the said hearing was videographed. A copy of the attendance containing the details of persons, who attended the said hearing along with copy of the CD containing video recording, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-II & III**, respectively. The comments of the Board regarding construction status, adequacy of pollution control proposal and suitability of site have already been sent to SEIAA, Punjab vide Board's letter No. 200 dated 14.01.2022 (**Annexure-IV**).

The proceedings of the public hearing reflecting the views & concerns expressed during the public hearing, duly signed by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), Ludhiana and Environmental Engineer & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office-1, Ludhiana, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-V**. In addition to above, it is requested that the comments of the Board w.r.t construction status, adequacy of pollution control proposal and suitability of site may be considered while deciding application of the project proponent, seeking Environmental Clearance under EIA notification dated 14.09.2006.

DA/- As above

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(Krunesh Garg)
Member Secretary
Dated _____

Endst. No. _____

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana for information and necessary action. It is requested to get a copy of the proceedings of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office.

DA/- As above

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(Krunesh Garg)
Member Secretary
Dated 21-01-2022

Endst. No. 1263-66

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office-1, Ludhiana.

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- ✓ 2. The Environmental Engineer (Computers) Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala for displaying the proceedings of public hearing alongwith this letter on the web site of the Board.
3. The Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office-1, Ludhiana. He is also requested to get a copy of the proceeding of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office. Also, a copy of the proceedings may be sent to the concerned Zila Parishad and Village Panchayat for displaying the same conspicuously.
4. M/s Aarti Steels Limited, Village Harian, P.O. Uppal, Machhiwara Road, Tehsil Kumkalan, District Ludhiana. The industry is advised to submit final EIA report after incorporating the grievances/suggestions raised by the public in the public hearing to the SEIAA & shall start developmental activities on its proposed project, only after obtaining Environmental Clearance and Consent to Establish (NOC) from the Punjab Pollution Control Board.

DA/- As above


(Krunesh Garg)
Member Secretary

