

Proceedings of the Public hearing held on 31.03.2023 at 11.00 A.M at the proposed project site for processing the application submitted for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA notification dated 14.09.2006, for carrying out expansion of the existing Industrial unit located in the revenue estate of Village Raowali, Pathankot Road, District Jalandhar by M/s Bhawani Shanker Casting (P) Ltd.

The following were present to supervise and conduct the proceedings: -

1. Major Dr. Amit Mahajan (PCS),
Additional District Magistrate,
Jalandhar.
2. Er. Daljit Singh,
Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Regional office-1, Jalandhar.
3. Er. Sandeep Kaur,
Assistant Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Regional office-1, Jalandhar.
4. Sh. S.S Matharu,
Expert (Consultant),
Chandigarh Pollution Testing Laboratory,
Mohali (Pb.)

At the commencement of the public hearing, the Environmental Engineer, Regional Office-1, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Jalandhar welcomed the Worthy Additional District Magistrate, Jalandhar and the people present at the public hearing and with the approval of Worthy Additional District Magistrate, Jalandhar, the public hearing was started. Thereafter, the Environmental Engineer informed that M/s Bhawani Shanker Casting (P) Ltd is engaged in the manufacturing of ingots/billets @ 29,700 TPA by installing 1 no. induction furnace of 07 TPH. He further informed that now M/s Bhawani Shanker Casting (P) Ltd has proposed to increase the manufacturing capacity of steel billets/ingots from 29,700 TPA to 98,000 TPA by upgrading existing 07 TPH induction furnaces with 10 TPH Induction Furnace & by installing 01 no. new induction furnace of capacity 10 TPH in its existing industrial unit located in the revenue estate of Village Raowali, Pathankot Road, District Jalandhar without acquiring any new land. As per EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006, the project falls under Category B1 of schedule 3(a) of said notification i.e. Metallurgical industries (ferrous and non-ferrous). The project proponent is mandatory required to obtain environmental clearance from State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Punjab.

A notice of public hearing was published in two prominent newspaper namely, "The Hindustan Times" and "Rozana Spokesman" on 01.03.2023 to make the public aware of the date, time and venue of the public hearing.

Environmental Engineer requested environment consultant hired by project proponent Sh. S.S Matharu, Expert (Consultant), Chandigarh Pollution Testing Laboratory, Mohall (Pb.) to give the detailed presentation about the above proposed project and the environment consultant briefed everyone present at public hearing about detailed report on Environmental Impact Assessment Study of the project.

Thereafter, the Environmental Engineer requested to the people present in public hearing to raise any question/clarification, if any, to give their suggestions/Ideas and their comments.

Thereafter, the questions asked by the public appeared in the hearing and answers given by the Environmental Consultant hired by the project proponent are as under:-


Question No.	Name of the person	Question raised by the public	Answer given by the consultant
1.	Sh. Joginder Singh, Village Raowali, Jalandhar	What arrangements have been made by the industry to control the air pollution?	The Environmental Consultant replied that the firm will be install the latest technology bag filter house with both the induction furnaces and online continuous monitoring system will be install.
2.	Sh. Surinder Mall, Village Bulandpur, Jalandhar	What about the employment? Is the local people/residents of nearest location be preferred?	Yes, the first preference will be given to the nearest people, according to their qualification and skill.
3.	Sh. Sarabpal Singh Dhesi, Raowali, Jalandhar	a. Whether this unit will create air pollution like M/s Venus Plywood, Village Raowali, Pathankot Road, Jalandhar in the area? b. Whether this unit will create any noise pollution?	a. The Environmental Engineer, PPCB, RO-1, Jalandhar has informed that the Board has already taken action against M/s Venus Plywood, Village Raowali, Pathankot Road, Jalandhar. b. Environmental Consultant informed that the unit will install latest


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			technology APCD with furnace, no air pollution will be generated from the chimney. Moreover, online camera will be installed with chimney which will be connected with CPCB/PPCB for monitoring every time, further, no noise pollution will be generated from operation of the unit.
4.	Sh. Shant Kumar, Village Raowali, Jalandhar	With the launch of this project, what efforts will be done for the excess water?	This project will use very little water and will only extract water from the ground for cooling and domestic use and some of this water will be re-circulated and the water that will be released after domestic use will be treated through STP and the treated domestic water will be used for onto land for plantation.

The Environmental Engineer then asked the people present at the public hearing to raise their hands, if they are in favor of the project and the people present at the public hearing raised their hands and agreed to the project. After this the Environmental Engineer asked the people present at the public hearing to raise their hands, if they are against the implementation of the said project, but no one from the people present in the venue raised their hands.

Thereafter, Environmental Engineer thanked all the people who attended the public hearing and with the approval of Worthy Additional District Magistrate, Jalandhar the public hearing was ended.


Er. Daljit Singh
EE (PPCB),
R.O-1, Jalandhar


Major Dr. Amit Mahajan (PCS),
Additional District Magistrate,
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