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No.

Dated.

To

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 06.11.2023 in connection with application filed by M/s Akshat Alloys, for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA notification, 2006 for the proposed expansion in the existing premises located in the revenue estate of Mullanpur Road, Vill. Ambey Majra, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

It is intimated that the subject cited industry is an existing unit located in an area of 2.11 acres located at Mullanpur Road, Vill. Ambey Majra, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib and is engaged in the manufacturing of steel ingots @ 29,400 TPA by installing an induction furnace of 7 Ton/heat capacity.

Now, the industry has proposed to increase the production capacity of steel ingots from 29,400 TPA to 84,000 TPA in its existing premises by replacing existing induction furnace of 7 ton/heat capacity by 20 Ton/heat capacity alongwith one no. concast machine (CCM). The project is covered under the EIA notification No. S.O. 1533 (E) dated 14.9.2006 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (MoEF&CC), Govt. of India, New Delhi and thus, the industry is required to obtain Environmental Clearance from State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Punjab. As a part of the procedure for seeking environmental clearance, as notified by MoEF&CC, the project proponent has prepared draft EIA study report of the proposed project based on the Terms of Reference issued by the SEIAA, Punjab, vide No. SEIAA/MS/2023/25 dated 09.01.2023. The industry had submitted draft EIA study report and other required documents 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 date of public hearing was fixed as 06.11.2023. Public notices were published in two daily newspapers namely 'Hindustan Times' & 'Rozana Spokesman' on 04.10.2023 for getting responses from public and intimating date,

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time & venue of the public hearing. The 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 06.11.2023. The public hearing process was supervised & presided over by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Amlah, District Fatehgarh Sahib in the presence of Environmental Engineer (Mega), PPCB, Head Office, Patiala & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office, Fatehgarh Sahib. The public hearing was attended by 76 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 (Pendrive) containing video recording, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-II & III**, respectively. The site of the industry was visited by the Officers of the Board on 06.11.2023 and the comments regarding construction status, adequacy of pollution control proposal and suitability of site has been received from Senior Environmental Engineer, Zonal Office-2, Patiala vide letter No. 4274 dated 29.11.2023 (**Annexure-IV**). The gist of the comments as received from the Zonal Office-2, Patiala is as under:-

Construction status

No construction work of the proposed project has been started at site.

Suitability of site

The site of the industry (Ambeymajra) falls in Industrial Zone as per the notified Master Plan of Mandi Gobindarh uploaded online on the website of PUDA and as mentioned in the ToR issued by SEIAA, Punjab. Hence, the site is suitable for the installation of the proposed unit.

Adequacy of pollution control proposals

For discharge of emissions from induction furnaces of capacity 20 Ton/heat capacity, the industry has proposed to install side suction hood followed by pulse jet bag filter with offline technology. As per the current practice, the proposed arrangements for tapping of primary emissions are adequate in principle, but the industry is required to make adequate arrangements for control/tapping secondary emissions generated from the furnaces & CCM as well. Further, for domestic wastewater, STP of 10 KLD capacity is to be installed which is adequate.

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The industry has submitted proposal for developing green area @ 5180.16 sqm in the premises (i.e. 33.3% of total area of the project i.e. 15631 sqm). The green area proposed by the industry is adequate.

The proceedings of the public hearing reflecting the views & concerns expressed during the public hearing, duly signed by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Amloh, District Fatehgarh Sahib in the presence of Environmental Engineer (Mega), PPCB, Head Office Patiala & Asstt. Environmental Engineer, PPCB Regional Office, Fatehgarh Sahib, 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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Member Secretary

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Dated _____

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Fatehgarh Sahib 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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Member Secretary

Endst. No. 31105-08

Dated 13/12/23

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

1. The Sr. Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office-2, Patiala.
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, Fatehgarh Sahib. 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 for displaying the same conspicuously.
4. M/s Akshat Alloys, Mullanpur Road, Vill. Ambey Majra, Mandi Gobindgarh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib. 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


Member Secretary
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