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To  
Member Secretary,  
Goa State Pollution Control Board,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Dempo Towers, Patto, Panaji, Goa

**SUB: Correction of minutes of public hearings held from 27.04.2017 onwards for deepening of approach channel and inner basin at MPT, Vasco**

Dear Sir,

The attached sheets provide partly corrected minutes of the subject Public Hearing, as corrected by some of the speakers who were able to access the draft minutes. Kindly incorporate these corrections before sending the minutes to EAC or the Project Proponent. We also wish to point out the following inadequacies in the draft minutes and procedures followed:

- 1) The project proponent refused to answer most queries raised during the Hearings stating that the answers would be given in writing. As a result, no clarification or information was provided during these eight days. The people are still waiting for the clarifications and answers, which were not read out during the hearings. Hence, these minutes cannot be considered as agreed or finalized.
- 2) The hearings were held over 8 days and the minutes were read at arbitrary times during these days/nights, making it impossible for the

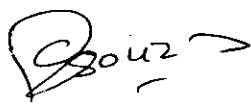
attendees to make any corrections. The minutes have not been agreed by any of the attendees and sufficient time must be provided to the speakers to check and correct the minutes.

- 3) The minutes have been prepared by PCB only on 08.05.2017 and hence it is impossible for the large number of speakers to get access to the minutes for correction.
- 4) The minutes are highly inadequate and reflect complete failure to record some of the important scientific and legal arguments placed at the Public Hearings. Many of the queries are also missed out. Hence it is important that every speaker is given an opportunity to correct the minutes of the hearing.
- 5) Many of the persons who came to the hearing to make oral submissions were denied opportunity to speak, as documented by earlier submissions by affected persons (copy of such a letter attached).

In view of the above, it is requested that the attached corrections and other corrections received be incorporated in the minutes and that sufficient time and opportunity be provided for the speakers to complete remaining corrections.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

  
Custodio D'Souza  
(Convenor)

encl: <sup>1)</sup> Copy of letter dated 05.05.2017 (4 pages)

2) Partly corrected proceedings of PH dated 28.04.2017  
(~~56~~  
82 pages)

From:

Some of Aggrieved attendees of Public Hearings,  
c/o Sanjay Redkar  
H No 360, Maimolem,  
Vasco-da-gama-Goa.

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dated: 05.05.2017

To,

1) The Chairman,

Expert Appraisal Committee, (Infra-2)  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,  
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Ali Garh,  
Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi - 110003

2) The Chairman,

Goa State Pollution Control Board,  
1st floor, Dempo Towers, Patto, Panaji.

Sub: Gross Violation of EIA Notification and  
Constitution - Public Hearing for MPT & SWPL  
projects Held from 26<sup>th</sup> April to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Dear Sir,

This is to draw your urgent attention  
to following gross irregularities in holding  
the Public Hearing for ISWPL & MPT  
projects from 26<sup>th</sup> April '17 to 5<sup>th</sup> May '17 :-

① Though EIA Notification 2006, Appendix IV

Clause 6.4, clearly states that all persons  
present shall be permitted together  
information & clarifications from the

project proponents, the undersigned  
persons are among hundreds of persons

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denied opportunity to participate in the hearing.

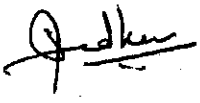
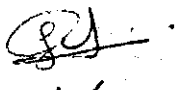


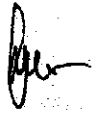
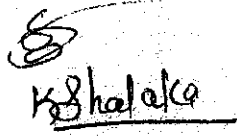
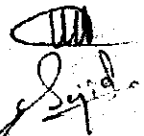
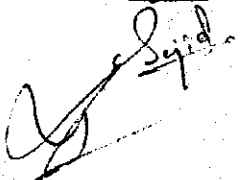


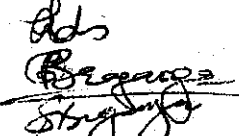
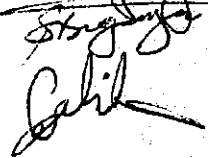
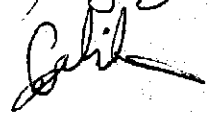
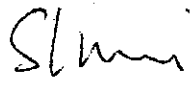
The chairman has used a register and marathon period spreading over 7 days to deny us our right to speak. Some of us had signed on a register but were also denied opportunity. Each of us has strongest opposition to this project (all 3 components) and we have issues to raise in support of our objections, but were not allowed to place them before the gathering.

② MoEF had asked GSPCB to consider holding a single Public Hearing for the 3 projects. Public had also demanded a single hearing since it is one project and not 3. However, GSPCB held 3 separate Hearings over 7 days, making it a torture and trauma for all of us. Hundreds of persons wanting to express objections to each of the 3 projects were denied opportunity.

③ Attendance sheets were not circulated, hence a large number of attendees could not sign. We condemn the denial of our rights to participate and to be heard and the violation of EIA Notification procedure for Public Hearing. We demand that the strong objections of the public and the gross corruption fraud and illegalities in these projects be scrapped and all 3 projects be scrapped.

The Undersigned persons are those who were not allowed to speak on the last day of hearing i.e. Re-development of Berth 8, 9, & barge Berth.

Thanking you,

- 1) Sanjay A. Redkar Vasco da gama 
- 2) Jack Dsilva Vasco da gama 
- 3) Edwin Dsouza Vasco da gama 
- 4) Niclau Esteibemo Vasco da gama
- 5) Jose philip Dsouza Vasco da gama 
- 6) Fiola Rego
- 7) Prushant R. Lohikar Vasco da gama 
- 8) SURESH & BARVE VASCO city
- 9) Mrs. Shalaka Suresh Kambl. (vasco) 
- 10) Olencio Simoes Causaulim 
11. Mohamed Sajit K. Baina, Vasco 
- 12) Anetta Shudhan
- 13). Karen Andrade Seraulim 
- 14). Lumina Almeida Seraulim 
- 15). Aurea Lananda
- 16). Geraldin Braganza Nover Agassaim 
- 18) Sebastian Braganza Agassaim 
- 19) Gabriella D'cruz Salgado 
- 20) Shrayyagi Israni Dona Paula 

- KSHURAM BHETYE — 9975538917 — Vasco  
 PETRA ANDRADE — 9823046864 — Vasco  
 23 ✓ Samir Kanaji — 9763657557 — Head Land Sada  
 24 Chandrashekhar Vast Vasco 9960721439  
 25 Sunesh Naile Vasco  
 26 Mohan S. Dholkar, Sada  
 27. Diana Tavares Lontolim — (affected-by road connectivity)  
 28. Neri Fernandes — 9881903000 — Benaulim-Goa  
 29) Seby Mascarenhas 9689467282