

MINUTES OF THE 22 ND MEETING OF THE GOA STATE POLLUTION  
CONTROL BOARD HELD ON 27/1/1995 AT 11.30 A.M. IN THE  
BOARD OFFICE AT PATTO - PANAJI

- I. The 22nd meeting of the Board was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Carmo Pegado, on 27/1/1995 at 11.30 A.M. in the Board Office, at Patto.

The following members were present at the meeting:-

1. Dr. Carmo Pegado ..... Chairman
2. Chief Engineer (P.W.D.)..... Member
3. Conservator of Forests ..... Member
4. Scientist (S.T.E.) ..... Member
5. Shri Anil Hoble ..... Member
6. Shri Anil Counto ..... Member
7. Managing Director, E.D.C. .... Member
8. Shri A.A. Parulekar ..... Member-Secretary

II. The following members were not present for the meeting:-

1. Shri Suresh Parulekar ..... Member
2. Secretary (Environment)..... Member
3. Shri Xavier Gracias ..... Member
4. Shri Prakash Sawant ..... Member
5. Shri Rohidas Naik ..... Member
6. Chief Officer, M.M.C. .... Member
7. Shri G.V. Prabhu ..... Member
8. Managing Director, G.T.D.C. .... Member

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The Director of Health Services has informed his inability to attend the meeting.

III. Item No.1:-

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 21st Meeting  
of the Board:-

The Minutes of the 21st Meeting were confirmed by the Board.

IV. Item No.2:-

Follow-up action on the decision taken at the 21st  
Board Meeting:-

The Board perused the follow-up action on the decision taken at the 21st Meeting.

While discussing the follow-up action, on the proposal of the Board about introduction of fees to be accompanied with the application for N.O.C. which has been pending with the Government, Scientist S.T.E. informed the members that the Law department has opined that such fees would not be acceptable in terms of the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974. Conservator of Forests informed the members that some of the States have already introduced such fees, & suggested that information may be obtained from



the neighbouring States. After deliberation, it was decided that the department of S.T.E. would be requested to forward details of the views expressed by the Law department on the proposal submitted by the Board and Member Secretary after getting relevant information from the neighbouring States, shall submit the necessary clarification to the Govt.

While perusing the follow-up action and the present position of the proposal of the Board about relaxation in ban on ship breaking to enable breaking of unused barges registered in Goa, the members expressed their deep concern about the problem created by unauthorised breaking of vessels. It was decided to peruse the proposal with the Govt. for early decision.

V. Item No.3:-

Inventory of Electroplating industrial units in Goa:-

The members perused the inventory made by the Board Official of the electroplating industrial units. After deliberation, it was decided that all the units shall be asked to display the status of <sup>the</sup> electroplating media & acid used for pickling, the date of replacement and other relevant details in their factory premises. The Board Officials at the time of surprise visits shall verify the details and insist that the Proprietor should obtain prior approval of the Board before disposal of any effluent.



VI. Item No.4:-

Utilization of grant-in -aid sanctioned vide Order  
No.12/1/89-STE(Part)/GA&C dated 27/3/92.

The Board perused the previous agenda item, the communication received from S.T.E. department vide letter No.12/1/89-STE(Part)/GA&C dated 27/3/92, conveying govt. approval for both the alternatives considered by the Board at the last meeting for utilization of outstanding grants of 1.25 lacs. After deliberation, it was decided to authorise the Member Secretary to utilize the said amount to procure electronic balance or other laboratory equipments to support Air Quality Monitoring Work undertaken by the Board Office under the National Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Programme.

VII. Item No.5:-

Minutes of 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st  
& 32nd Meeting of Technical Advisory Committee for  
information of the Board:-

The Board perused the minutes of 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, & 32nd Meeting of Technical Advisory Committee placed for information.

- (a) After discussing all the aspects of the Thermal Power Plants, projected by the Technical Advisory Committee, the Board reached to ~~the~~<sup>a</sup> conclusion that it would not be advisable to permit a coal based Thermal Power Plant in Goa.

The Board desired that the following comments should be communicated to the Govt. as an advice.

- (1) Coal based thermal power plants are basically highly polluting, both for Air & Water. The performance of ~~coal based thermal power plants~~<sup>all the</sup> is far from being satisfactory all over India.
- (2) It would be appropriate for the State Govt. to take a policy decision as to whether such a plant is inevitable for the State, inspite of its high pollution potential.
- (3) In case the Govt. decide to accept a power plant, the possibility of getting a gas base power plant should be explored. The second option will obviously go to oil based plant. In no case, coal based thermal power plant ~~could~~<sup>would</sup> be considered, as it will make a severe impact on the environmental set up of the State.

