

**MINUTES OF THE 71st MEETING (SPECIAL MEETING)
OF THE GOA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD
HELD ON 08/05/2006 AT 4.00 pm.
IN THE BOARD'S CONFERENCE HALL**

I. The 71st meeting (Special meeting) of the Goa State Pollution Control Board was held in the Conference hall of the Goa State Pollution Control Board on 08/05/2006 at 4.00 pm.

The following members attended the meeting :-

1. Dr. L.U. Joshi, Chairman
2. Dr. N.P.S. Varde, Director, STE
3. Dr. Arvind Salelkar, Director, Health Services
4. Shri S.G. Redkar, Chief Inspector, Factories and Boilers represented by Dr. Manish Gaunekar, Medical Inspector of Factories
5. Shri Tulio De Souza, Architect
6. Shri A.V. Palekar, Managing Director, GIDC
7. Shri Savio Almeida, Sarpanch, Village Panchayat, Anjuna
8. Shri Atul Pai Kane, Rep. of Goa Small Scale Industries Assocn.
9. Shri A.K. Vazirani - Member Secretary

Shri J.B. Bhingui, Director, Mines & Geology expressed his inability to attend the meeting.

Shri T.K. Nambiar, Principal Chief Engineer, P.W.D, Managing Director, GTDC, Shri Nitin Kunkolienkar, President, GCCI, and Mrs. Carmeline Menezes, Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Guirim, Shri Ryan Braganza, Vice Chairperson, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mrs. Piedade Noronha, Councilor, Margao Municipal Council, Shri Joseph Sequeira, Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Calangute did not attend the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 70th MEETING (Special meeting) OF THE BOARD

Chairman stated that the minutes of the 70th meeting (Special meeting) have to be confirmed. As recorded in the Agenda notes, the members noted that the minutes of the 70th meeting, duly approved and entered in the Minutes Book.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

FILING UP OF POSTS ON CONTRACT BASIS.

Chairman informed the members the necessity of recruiting staff on contract basis for an initial period of six months extendable upto two years. The recommendation for creation of posts has been sent to the Govt. and as the same would take some time, it was proposed to recruit staff on contract basis, as the Board has installed a Gas Chromatograph which requires staff to put the instrument into use. Hence it was decided to recruit three Scientific Assistants with the following qualifications (One post with M.Sc. in Organic Chemistry, One post with M.Sc. in Inorganic Chemistry and one post in M.Sc. in Microbiology) on contract basis, on a consolidated salary of Rs. 8000/- per month by holding walk in interviews for the projects.

Chairman also informed that three posts of Junior Research Fellows with qualifications of B.E (Civil) are required to be filled on contract basis as the staff appointed earlier for the project have resigned for better prospects. It was decided to recruit three Junior Research Fellows on contract basis for the projects on a consolidated salary of Rs. 8000/- per month by holding walk in interviews. In order to enter the data compiled by the Scientific Assistants and the Junior Research Fellows for projects a need is felt to recruit two posts of Lower Division Clerk on contract basis for these projects on a consolidated salary of Rs. 4000/- per month by holding walk in interviews.

The members approved the same.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

ISSUE OF CONSENTS TO STONE CRUSHERS

Chairman informed the members that this item was discussed during the last meeting and the same was deferred due to the instructions issued by the Dy. Collector, for closure of the units, as the situation in Saleli was tense.

Chairman also informed the members that guidelines were obtained from the Central Pollution Control Board, and that CPCB is in the process of issuing a final draft to be issued to the stone crushers. The stone crushers have been issued guidelines from time to time to bring down the pollution levels.

After considering the representations of the Association of Crusher Operators and on deliberations it was decided to issue Consents to the units,

giving them 60 days time to comply with the installation of the pollution control systems along with certain conditions finalized by the Board to be imposed, failing which, action could be initiated against the units.

TABLE ITEM NO. 1

Chairman informed the members that the Board is required to conduct Environmental Public Hearing, as specified in Schedule IV of the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 1994 as amended in 1997 and that no fees are specified under the Notification or by the Central Govt. Since the Board is conducting Environmental Public Hearing at the request of the project proponents, and conducting of Environmental Public Hearing involves expenditure, which is borne by the Board, it was decided to charge fees of Rs. 35,000/- to be deposited as advance against the actual expenditure towards conducting of Environmental Public Hearing and the balance amount if any to be paid before the submission of the documents of the Public Hearing to the Govt.

It was also decided to charge fees on the basis of capital investment value (land, building, plant and machinery of the proposed project) i.e upto Rs. 50 crores- Rs. 10,000, Rs. 50 crores to Rs. 100 crores- Rs. 20,000, Above Rs. 100 crores – Rs. 10,000 for every additional Rs. 50 crores, which is to be paid at the time to submission of the documents to the Board, towards other services provided by the Goa State Pollution Control Board with regards to conducting Environmental Public Hearing.

It was also decided that the above rates will be charged to the projects which have been submitted to the Board for conducting Environmental Public Hearing, for which Environmental Public Hearing has not been conducted.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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16/5/06
(A.K. Vazirani)
Member Secretary

L. U. Joshi
16/5/2006
(Dr. L.U. Joshi)
Chairman