

Proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing held on 14/11/2017 at 10.30 am at site proposed for Garbage Treatment Plant – Cacora – Curchorem Goa (MSW dumpsite located at Survey no. 167 and 168 of Cacora Village of Quepem Taluka in South Goa).

In respect of:

Proposed “Solid Waste Management Facility” at Cacora in South Goa.

This Public Hearing is conducted as per the revised EIA Notification dated 14/09/2006 (as amended), **Shri. Johnson Fernandes – Additional Collector II & Additional District Magistrate (South)** welcomed the public present for the Environmental Public hearing, and requested the public present to express their views/objections/suggestions if any, after the Project Proponent gives its presentation and the same will be recorded and forwarded to the Concerned Regulatory Authority, for processing the application regarding Environmental Clearance.

The Managing Director of the Goa Waste Management Corporation, **Shri. Sanjit Rodrigues** made a Power Point presentation. He presented the details of the project, the need for the same, the technology and management of waste, etc. thereof in Konkani language.

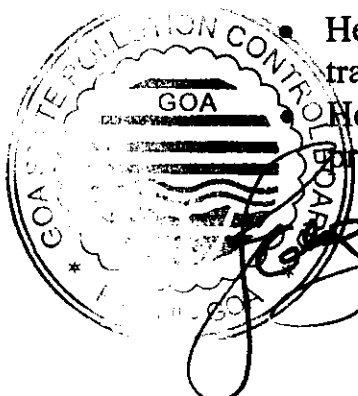
Thereafter, the Chairman/Additional Collector called upon those present to submit their views/objections to the proposed project for purpose of recordings the same and subsequently submitting the same to the MoEF in terms of the EIA Notification.

Accordingly following individuals have raised the issues/gave suggestions which are as follows:

1. Sanjay Desai, Cacora

- He stated that two years back he had raised the issue regarding waste disposal during one of the hearing at Ravindra Bhavan, Curchorem. He sought to know what is the cost of the Project, the name of the contractor, how the contractor will protect the environment etc. The details of the project and the cost should be disclosed to the public.
- He stated that Hindustan Waste Management Plant is operating the Saligao Project. He questioned why the name of the operator of this project, cost of this project was not disclosed.
- He questioned as to what will be the recurring cost and who would pay/fund.
- He stated that he is not objecting to this project, instead he wants the plant to be started as soon as possible.
- He sought to know how much energy will be generated and how will it be disposed/sold. He also asked how much revenue will be generated from the power generated from the plant.
- He sought to know who will run and monitor the plant after 10 years.
- He sought to know whether there is proper infrastructure during transportation of waste by trucks.

He wanted that there should be transparency and all the information be provided on the website.



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2. Dattatray Govind Pabhudesai – Cacora.

- He stated that when any project is started some problems will be there but because of such difficulties it is not that we have to stop the plant.
- He sought to know who will fund the project in future, whether it will be government/people.
- He gave an instance that when a house requires painting, we do not hesitate to paint on account of the stench but we bear it give it a fresh look and if that be the case we have to bear in the beginning so as to reap benefits when the plant takes shape.
- He further state that just as we generate waste, it is our equal responsibility to treat it scientifically.
- He stated that we should not be driven away by technicalities instead of finding out solution.
- He stated that people should work and support such type of project.



Ashish Karmali – Cacora.

- He stated that the project is supported by me and we want it to start in our village.
- He stated that he has seen the project operating at Saligao, the technology used is working efficiently, even when trucks bring un-segregated waste it still treats the waste.
- He stated that compost is generated which can be used in fields. Biogas is generated.
- He stated that there should be transparency so that everyone is aware of the details of the project as they have right to know.
- He stated that in 2007 door to door collection was started by the then MLA, Shri. Shyam Satardekar in few wards, and subsequently in 2012, Shri. Nilesh Cabral took the initiative at micro level .
- He stated that presently there is co-ordination among people. Curhcorem Citizens are well cultured they keep it clean. Village Panchayat is keeping dustbin. 35to 40 tonnes of waste is collected per day. As the township develops the collection/generation of waste will increase. We should work together without any political creeping in the implementation of the project.

4. Chandrakant Malkarni, Senior Citizen, Cacora

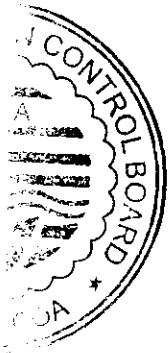
- He stated that no issues should be created for setting up of the project
- He stated that he is supporting this project as president of senior citizen
- He stated that all the waste strewn everywhere should be treated and this type of project should be started and even he as senior citizen get themselves involved for keeping the surrounding clean.

5. Anil Kakodkar.

- He stated that he owns a workshop around 500 meters from the site and waste is thrown everywhere due which there is foul smell as a result he has to cover his mouth and nose
- He stated that the waste will go on increasing due to development in surrounding /neighbouring areas to get rid of the hazards hence this project should be started at the earliest.
- He also stated that the transportation details should be made public.
- He stated that the Saligao Project is good and successful and having a similar project would be most viable.

6. Nilesh Cabral – MLA Curchorem Constituency.

- He stated that the public are facing the problems and that he suggested that waste treatment should be started to tackle the problem. He disclosed that he had discussed with Chief Minister/Government Departments/Municipality etc.
- He stated that the purpose of Public Hearing should have informed about the procedures and as to the reasons for the same
- He stated that as a citizen and as a MLA and public representative he be permitted to place the minute details.
- He stated that we started door to door collections system in 2007 by purchasing requisite infrastructure.
- He stated that he have to find out the solution. He stated that in this plant even un-segregated waste will be treated, though it is mandatory that the waste should be segregated at source by the people themselves as per the rules.
- He requested that whatever tendering process is to be floated should be uploaded on the website/public domain for public information.
- He stated that the plant to function effectively it was suggested that we should select the technology, the company who will built and operate.
- He stated that Curchorem Town does not generate that much quantity of waste but if these type of huge project should not take shape then this public should explain as to what projects they require.
- He stated that he knows of many projects in India which are closed because of obsolete technology but, the present plant at Saligao is one of the best technology.
- He stated that the waste will be generated continuously and it is the need of the hour to find solution. He stated that such plants are being



replicated by rest of India.

- He stated that the Government spends the money for betterment of the people by spending around 150 crores.
- He stated that 1.60 paisa per kilo is the money given by the Government for operation of the plant to the company.
- He stated that 400 crores is the entire cost of the project including land.
- Green cess collected by the government for installing such projects is returned back to the people by creating such projects which are environment friendly.
- Electricity is bought at 2.40 paisa per unit as otherwise purchased by the State.
- He stated that this plant will treat waste from Quepem/Sanguem/Dharbandora/Canacona Taluka.
- He stated that other plants will be started in Verna/Baiguinim.
- He categorically stated that no vehicles carrying waste should be brought at this plant from outside Curchorem constituency but only vehicles authorised by the SWMC after collecting it from the other 4 Talukas and no other vehicle should be allowed. It will be the responsibility of the Goa Waste Management Corporation to see that waste from other places are not brought on vehicles belonging to the local bodies as they spill over and make a mess.
- He stated that if people present here are supporting and if he have cleared the doubts, regarding this project they should raise both their hands if they want the project to sail. Accordingly most of the people present raised their hand which is recorded in the video.



Shri. Sanjit Rodrigues, stated that the Work Order can be seen by the public and he will furnish a copy of the Work Order to the Chairperson. The Cost of Plant is 150 crores, 14.5 crores is given as bank guarantee and 1.5 crore is taken as security. Only the contractor who fulfils this stringent conditions will do the work seriously.

The recorded minutes were accordingly read out to the public in English and Konkani and subsequently after receiving suggestions and as agreed were signed by Shri. Johnson Fernandes – Additional Collector II & Additional District Magistrate (South) and Dr. Mohan Girap, Scientist 'C', Goa State Pollution Control Board.

A total of 403 numbers of persons present for the public hearing and have signed the enclosed attendance sheet.

No representations have been received during the public hearing.

On this 14th day of November, 2017.



(Johnson Fernandes)
Additional Collector II &
Additional District Magistrate
(South)



(Dr. Mohan Girap)
Scientist 'C',
Goa State Pollution Control Board

