

Proceedings of the Environmental Public Hearing held on 04/12/2020 at 10.00 am at Community Centre, Airport Colony, Nr. NSD, Sancoale Village, Dabolim Goa

In respect of:

“Proposed expansion of Dabolim Airport, Goa in respect of extension of existing integrated terminal building and existing Apron at Dabolim Village, South Goa District by Airport Authority of India, Goa

This Public Hearing is conducted as per the revised EIA Notification dated 14/09/2006 (as amended), Shri. Ajit Roy (IAS), Collector & 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 Representatives of the Project Proponent have thereafter made a Power Point presentation concerning the project by explaining the contests thereof in Konkani language.

Thereafter, the Chairman/Collector called upon those present to seek information or clarification on the project from the Project Proponent, if desires.

Accordingly, the following individuals have raised the issues/gave suggestions which are as under.

1	Shri. Ninad Varadkar was not present for the hearing
2	Shri. Ereminto M. Rebello Convenor for Goans for Dabolim only. He appreciated and congratulated the efforts of Airport Authority for extending the facilities and I consider that no one will have environmental objection and it will not cause environmental damage and if any it will be minimal and expansion as it is the need of the time. He said the expansion will not cause any environmental damage. He only fears that after the expansion the Airport Authority of India will hand over to a private player. The Airport came into existence in the year 1950 and during the reign of the Portuguese Government. It is the Government Airport and should remain under the Government only and not handed over to the private parties.
3)	Shri. Savio J.F. Correia.
	He states that he is the resident of Mangor Hill, Vasco and residing at approx. 2 kilometres from the site. He stated that it is non Polluting project in the Dabolim area and a project that will boost the economy and tourism of Goa. He does not oppose the project , however he raised 3 points: a) Public hearing is not conducted in compliance of the Public Notice. Goa State Pollution Control Board has

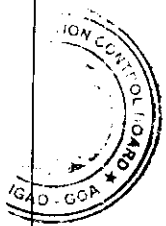


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released the Public Notice. In the 2nd Paragraph, it is stated that only 100 persons can register and allow only 100.

- b) He desired to know how many people have registered and whether the people present here have all registered with the Board.
- c) In the Notice the name of the Village Panchayat Sancoale does not appear and the Board is required to clarify whether the EIA Report and the Executive summary has been provided to the VP Sancoale and there is any acknowledgment for the same from the Village Panchayat.
- d) The Notice says Community Centre Sancoale. Has any acknowledgment for Village Panchayat Sancoale.
- e) Public consultation is a corner stone so as to express the view of the public.
- f) He has stated that the Office Memorandum of the MoEF, wherein it is mentioned that if there are more than 100 people they would be more public hearings at different dates and time. Many people residing around the project area are agricultural labourers, cultivators and do not have the facility and the knowledge to register by email. The Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat has passed an order that the public Hearing should take place at a Taluka Headquarters and this public hearing should have been held at Vasco. Public consultation is a legal right to the people in the project area which gives a voice to the voiceless.
- g) This hearing be adjourned to some other day after compliance to the EIA Notification of 2006 and MoEF compliance.
- h) Parking facility:- Misrepresentation by the Project Proponent in the TOR compliance regarding vehicular traffic management and estimation of vehicular parking area.
- i) Lack of clarity with respect to vehicle parking facilities within airport project area.
- j) There is absolutely no clarity with respect to car and bus parking facilities for the proposed and existing airport terminals. The existing integrated terminal has built up area of 56750 m² while the area of the proposed extension is 18300 m². On completion of the project under scrutiny, the cumulative built up area would be about 75000 m². There is not a single usable existing or proposed vehicle parking space shown in the Draft EIA Report.
- k) The Multi Level Car Parking is not available to the public. The Navy has raised objections to the security reason.
- l) Reference was made to the Master Plan (Annexure 2.1) where area requested from the State Government and 3 acres from Navy for bus parking is shown. He sought clarification of the status of the handling over of the

	<p>land by the State Government and the Navy for the parking He also submitted that the land in sy. No 8/1 is adjacent to the railway track where double tracking is proposed and adequate setback form the railways would be required. Similarly, on the other side there is Naval Housing which would also require an appropriate setback. During peak hours there will be more than 6000 passengers and as per US standards 1.5 times the peak hour passenger provision for parking has to be made. He demanded that a minimum parking facility 3000 cars and 100 bus should be provided. He recommended that the Airport Authority should consider providing parking in the basement of the proposed project. This would also generate revenue for the Airport Authority of India.</p> <p>m) He referred to the submissions at page 11-2 wherein it has been mentioned that the present water requirement is 350 KLD and post expansion the requirement would be 700 KLD which is proposed to be sourced from the state PWD. Whereas at page 11-11 at para Operation phase, it has been mentioned that the total fresh water requirement would be 1017 KLD and the fresh water requirement would to 700 KLD which is proposed to be sourced from the ground water. He sought clarification from the project proponent on this discrepancy from the project proponent.</p>
4.	Maria Magdalena was not present for the hearing
5.	<p>Ganesh Gopalan (virtual participation) He stated as follows:</p> <p>1. He stated that he resides within 4 kms radius of the proposed project. He sought to know whether the proposed project will have any adverse effects arising from the said expansion.</p>
6.	<p>N. Ray Chowdhury (virtual participation) He stated as follows:</p> <p>1. he inquired about the effect on the residential complexes within 4 kms of the airport due to the expansion of terminal. He also inquired whether there would be any deforestation involved in the project.</p>



The Collector clarified that the present public hearing as per the guidelines of the MoEF and MHA. He focused on not to discussing the master plan and only the proposed expansion project.

Airport Director, Airport Authority of India replied as follows:-

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This project involves extension of the terminal building by demolition of old terminal building and hence there would be no deforestation. As far as the issue raised by Savio Correia the same will be addressed in the final EIA Report.

Publicity of Environmental Public Hearing

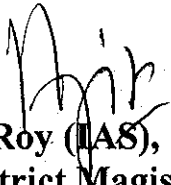
The GSPCB issued public notices in the newspapers namely The Navhind Times (English), Gomantak (Marathi), The New Indian Express (Mumbai Edition) (English), Bhangar Bhuim (Konkani). Informing the general public regarding the date, time venue, submissions of objections, suggestions, views, placement of EIA reports for reference, etc. GSPCB issued advertisement on local Television/radio channels continuously for 3 days informing general public of the Public Hearing. The local Authorities such as Village Panchayats and Municipalities were requested to give wide publicity of the Public Hearing within their Jurisdiction. The Publicity given is adequate. It was also informed to affected person to participate through virtual digital hearing should submit email address name and mobile number to GSPCB. The link for virtual hearing will be sent on their email ID by the project proponent.

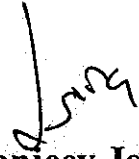
The recorded minutes were accordingly read out to the public in Konkani and subsequently after receiving suggestions and as agreed were signed by **Shri. Ajit Roy (IAS), Collector & District Magistrate (South) Shri. Sanjeev Joglekar, Environmental Engineer, Goa State Pollution Control Board.**

A total of **96** numbers of persons were present for the public hearing and have signed the enclosed attendance sheet and **2** persons has attended virtually.

A Representation was received from Shri. Savio Correia.

On this 4th day of December, 2020.


**Shri. Ajit Roy (IAS),
Collector & District Magistrate
(South)**


**Shri. Sanjeev Joglekar
(Environmental Engineer)
Goa State Pollution Control Board**