

**MINUTES OF THE 58<sup>th</sup> MEETING (SPECIAL MEETING) OF THE  
GOA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD HELD ON 14/01/2004  
AT 3.30 P.M. IN THE BOARDS CONFERENCE HALL**

I. The 58<sup>th</sup> meeting (Special meeting) of the Goa State Pollution Control Board was held in the Conference hall of the Goa State Pollution Control Board on 14/01/2004 at 3.30 pm.

The following members attended the meeting :-

1. Dr. L.U. Joshi, Chairman
2. Dr. N.P.S. Varde, Director, S.T.E
3. Shri P.P. Borkar, Principal Chief Engineer, Public Works Dept.
4. Dr. Arvind Salelkar, Director, Dte. of Health Services
5. Shri S.S. Prabhudessai, Chief Inspector, Factories and Boilers
6. Mrs. Kamilini Paigunkar, Chairperson, Margao Mun. Council
7. Shri Nitin Kunkolienkar, President, Goa Chamber of Commerce & Industry
8. Shri Tulio de Souza, Architect
9. Shri Sandeep Jacques, Managing Director, Goa Industrial Dev. Corpn.
10. Shri Pramod Shetye, Managing Director, Goa Tourism Dev. Corpn.
11. Shri Suryanarayana Chary - Member Secretary

Shri P.J. Kamat, Executive Engineer, Works Division II, Water Resource Dept. was a Special Invitee.

Shri J.B. Bhingui, Director, Mines, Shri Ashok Naik, Chairperson, Panjim Municipal Corporation, Ms. Zinia Dias do Rosario, Zilla Parishad Member, Ms. Nilima Naik, Zilla Parishad Member, Ms. Kunda Chodankar, Vice President Zilla Parishad (North), and Shri Atul Pai Kane, Rep. of Goa Small Industries Association did not attend the meeting.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1**

**REVISION APPLICATION OF M/s JAIN UDYOG**

Chairman brought to the notice of all the members, the revision application of M/s Jain Udyog for re-consideration of the Board. The Board members wanted to know from the Chairman, as to why the rejected

application has been again put up before the Board. Chairman stated that Hon. Minister for Environment felt that M/s Jain Udyog should be given an opportunity to present their case before the Board members. M/s Jain Udyog was requested to make a presentation of his proposal before the members. After hearing the presentation made by the project proponents and thorough deliberations and discussions, the Board decided as follows:

The Board unanimously decided to reject the proposal of M/s Jain Udyog for setting up a sponge iron plant at Santona, Sanguem Taluka, in view of the following:

1. The present proposed location of the unit is totally unacceptable in view of the fact that a river is bounded on all three sides of the site. The distance between the boundary of the site and the river is 40 metres at the eastern boundary.
2. The presentation made by the company was found to be unsatisfactory, as the issues raised by the members pertaining to the project were not clarified to the satisfaction of the Board members.
3. As the Board has already rejected this proposal in its 57<sup>th</sup> meeting (Special meeting), an appeal against such a decision lies on the President of the Administrative Tribunal, being the Appellate Authority.

However, the Board decided on the entire issue of allowing such plants in future and unanimously resolved as under:

**'The Board members were of the unanimous view that all the fresh applications for establishing steel / metallurgical unit (i.e sponge iron plants, mild steel plants, scrap units etc) having tremendous potential of air, water and land pollution should not be encouraged in the State of Goa in future.**

**The members were further of the unanimous opinion that these views are fully supported by the working of such units, established in the past (1994 onwards), both from the performance, as well as pollution angle.'**

The Board decided that this Resolution should be sent to the Government for consideration.

**AGENDA ITEM No. 2**

**LETTER OF M/s TIRUPATI CORPORATION**

The members were informed the various correspondence made by M/s Tirupati Corporation to this Board and other Govt. departments regarding installation at Tuem Industrial Estate. After deliberations, the Board decided that the issue should be closed, as the Board has already rejected this application for setting up an incinerator at Tuem Industrial Estate in its 55<sup>th</sup> meeting (Special meeting) held on 23/10/2003.

**AGENDA ITEM No. 3**

**APPLICATION OF M/s BADRUDDIN H. MAVANI, MARGAO.**

Chairman brought to the notice of the members, the Corrigendum issued to M/s Badruddin H. Mavani in the Consent to Establish Order no. Water/2003 issued vide letter no. 5/1944/01-PCB/2252 dated 27/11/03, by inserting the following sentence:

‘Permission from Water Resource Department should also be obtained’

The members took note of the Corrigendum

**AGENDA ITEM No. 4**

**APPLICATION OF M/s SRITHIK ISPAT PVT. LTD. TO SET UP A SPONGE IRON PLANT AT SANGUEM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE**

This item has been deferred till the next meeting, as the members desired a presentation of the project by M/s Srithik Ispat Pvt. Ltd.

**AGENDA ITEM No. 5**

**CREATION OF ONE POST OF SCIENTIST ‘C’ AND TWO POSTS OF SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANTS.**

A. The members were informed the necessity of creation of post of

Scientist 'C' grade in the pay scale of Rs. 10,000-325-15200, as the Board has future plans of up-gradation of the laboratory with hi-tech instruments, such as Atomic absorption Spectrophotometer and Gas Chromatograph, which requires a specialized skill. The Board has agreed for the creation of the post of Scientist 'C', Grade in the pay scale of Rs 10,000-325-15200.

B. It was also brought to the notice of the members that two more posts of Scientific Assistants are required, as the work load is increasing, considering the future plans of the Board activities. The Board has approved creation of two posts of Scientific Assistants in the pay scale of Rs. 5500-175-9000. At present, there is one post, which is approved by the Govt.

#### **AGENDA ITEM No. 6**

#### **LEVY OF FEES ON RENTED OR LEASED OUT PREMISES**

Chairman brought to the notice of the members that there is no provision in the Water and Air Rules to assess the capital cost of rented / leased out premises by the Project proponents. After deliberations, the Board decided that in such cases, the proponent should submit a Certificate from a Registered Valuer towards Capital Cost of rented/ leased out property.

#### **AGENDA ITEM No. 7**

#### **NOMINATION OF STATE ANALYSTS**

The members were informed that the State Analysts appointed by the Govt. i.e Dr. R. Sengupta, Deputy Director (Chemist) and Dr. A.H. Parulekar, Assistant Director (Biologist) from National Institute of Oceanography are no more in service with N.I.O. These analysts have to be replaced with new members and have to be notified. Further Chairman also informed that N.I.O has agreed to nominate Dr. P.V. Narvekar of Chemical Oceanography Division and Dr. X.N. Verlekar of the Biological Oceanography Division as State Analysts.

The Board has approved the said nominations.

**AGENDA ITEM No. 8**

**GRANT OF SPECIAL PAY TO OFFICER ON SPECIAL DUTY**

The members were informed that during the 54<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board, the Board approved for granting of 'Additional Pay' of Rs. 1000/- per month for the Officer on Special Duty on deputation from N.I.O. Since there is no provision in the Rules for 'Additional Pay', the same be treated as 'Special Pay'.

The Board took note of the same.

II. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

*S. Chary*  
(Suryanarayana Chary)  
Member Secretary

*L. U. Joshi*  
.. 22/1/2004  
(Dr. L.U. Joshi)  
Chairman

Panaji, January 22, 2004.