

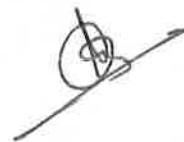
Proceedings of Environmental Public Hearing held at project site Singatalur -Village on 11-09-2015 in respect of proposed Singatalur Lift Irrigation Scheme for diversion of 18.55 TMC of water by constructing barrage across Tungabhadra River near Hammige Village of Mundaragi Tq, Gadag Dist and irrigation facility for 77198Ha of dry lands by using 15.991 TMC Water and 2.55 TMC water for drinking water supply and other needs.

Officers Present:

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| 1. Sri. N. S. Prasannakumar,
Deputy Commissioner,
Gadag District, Gadag | Chairman |
| 2. Shri C M Satheesh
Regional Senior Environmental Officer
KSPCB Dharwad | Representative of KSPCB |
| 3. Smt. Shobha K. Gajakosh
Regional Officer (AC),
KSPCB, Gadag. | Representative of KSPCB. |
| 4. Sri H. M. Dandin
Tahasildar, Mundaragi, Gadag-Dist | Tahasildar, Mundragi, |

Project Proponents Present:

1. Sri. Odogangappa Executive Engineer
Singatalur Lift Irrigation,
2. Sri. K. M. K. Sharma Assistant Executive Engineer,
Singatalur Lift Irrigation,
3. Sri Shivanand Dumbal
E.H.S Consultant Pvt Ltd,
Bangalore.
- 4.. Sri Santosh Kumar T.M
E.H.S Consultant Pvt Ltd,
Bangalore.



Preamble:

The proposed scheme envisages diversion of 18.55 TMC of water by constructing a Barrage across Tungabhadra River Near Hammige Village of Mundaragi Tq, Gadag Dist and to provide irrigation facility for 77198 Ha lands by using 15.991 TMC water and remaining 2.55 TMC of water is used for drinking water supply and other needs.

The Environmental Public Hearing was conducted at the proposed project site in Singatalur-Village on: 11-09-2015 as per the Environmental Impact Assessment notification, 14-9-2006 (as amended on 01-12-2009). Following the instructions the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board issued 30 days public Notice in the news papers viz. Vijaya Karnataka (Kannada daily), Deccan Herald (English daily) on :11-08-2015 and Kitturu Karnataka (Local Kannada Daily) on: 21-08-2015. The venue for the Environmental Public Hearing was fixed at the project site for convenience of the users and community.

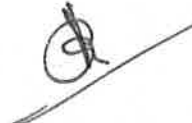
The Executive Summary and draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report were kept in the following Office premises for references/suggestions from the public.

1. Deputy Commissioner Office, Gadag.
2. CEO Office, Zilla Panchayat, Gadag.
3. The District Industries Center, Gadag.
4. Town Municipal Council, Mundaragi, Gadag District.
5. Hammagi-Village, Panchayat,
6. RSEO Office, KSPCB, Dharwad.
7. Regional Office, KSPCB, Gadag.

Proceedings of the meeting:

The Environmental Public Hearing was conducted at proposed project site Singatalur Village on: 11-09-2015. The public from concerned villages and the officers of Karnataka Niravari Nigam Ltd; and their representatives, consultants and local people participated in the public hearing. The hearing was conducted in both English and Kannada languages. Apart from this, the photography and video recording was also arranged to record the entire proceedings of the meeting.

At the Outset the Regional Officer (AC), KSPCB, Gadag Smt. Shobha K. Gajakosh welcomed the Chairman cum Deputy Commissioner, Regional Senior Environmental



Officer, KSPCB Dharwad, Officers of Karnataka Niravari Nigam Ltd, Consultants and publics who have attended the hearing. She also briefed the gathering about the procedure followed to conduct the Environmental Public Hearing and the purpose of the public hearing.

Singatalur Lift Irrigation project attracts Environmental Impact Assessment notification, 14-9-2006 (as amended on 01-12-2009) and comes under 'A' category project hence public hearing and environmental clearance from Ministry of Environment & Forest is mandatory. Regional officer KSPCB requested the Deputy Commissioner who is the Chairman of the Public Hearing to start the proceedings.

1. Deputy Commissioner, Gadag. welcomed the gathering to the public hearing and he informed the project proponents/consultants to brief the proposed project details to the gathering.
2. The project Consultant Sri Santosh Kumar T.M briefed about the project as noted below;
 - The proposed scheme envisages diversion of 18.55 TMC of water by constructing a Barrage across Tungabhadra River Near Hammige Village of Mundaragi Tq, Gadag Dist and to provide irrigation facility for 77198 Ha of dry lands by using 15.991 TMC Water and remaining 2.55 TMC of water for drinking water supply and other needs.
 - The Karnataka Niravari Nigam Ltd, conducted Environmental Impact Assessment through their consultants prior to the public hearing. Later the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board issued public notice to conduct public hearing.
 - The total land required for the project is 4304.5 Ha the land acquisition is carried out as per the procedure.
 - A Barrage was constructed to the Tungabhadra River Near Hammage-Village of Mundaragi-Tq Gadag-District.
 - The location of the proposed Barrage is at latitude 15° 2'19.41"N and longitude 75°50'11" 08'E near Hammage-Village of Mundaragi Taluka, Gadag District.

- The proposed scheme envisages diversion of 18.55 TMC of water by constructing a Barrage to the Tungabhadra River near Hammage-Village, of Mundaragi-Taluk,
 - The project require 4304.5 Ha's of land for the implementation of the project. An extent of 1620 Ha of land has been submerged which includes 4 Villages. An extent of 4.9 Ha's of Forest land is required for the rising main of first lift on left side and for canal works.
 - It aims to increase the farm out put as a result of irrigation will stimulate demand for farm labour both within the cropping season and across new cropping seasons.
 - There is no possibility of water pollution, air pollution and soil pollution by the proposed irrigation project.
3. Sri C. M Satheesh Regional Senior Environmental Officer, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Dharwad informed the gathering to convey their comments/objections related to the Irrigation project.
4. The particulars of the persons who expressed their comments are as follows,
- (a) Sri. Manjunath D. Mundawad Singatalur Gram Panchyat President, Mundaragi Tq, Gadag-Dist.: expressed that the Singatalur lift irrigation project is helpful to the farmers of this area and this will also increase the underground water in the area. Hence he welcome the project and conveyed no objection on behalf of the Grama Panchayath for the said project and he also informed that this project will not affect the Environment.
- (b) Sri Hanamantappa Chabbi Bidanahal Mundaragi Tq Gadag-Dist: expressed that Mundaragi Tq is economically backward area the Singatalur lift irrigation project is helpful to the farmers of this area and thanked the government for implementation of the said project and he also requested the farmers of the area to take benefits from the said project. He also informed that the economical and social status of the farmers will improve after the implementation of project and he also informed that this project will not affect the Environment.

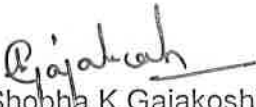



- (c) Sri. Dudpir M. Hanagi of Hammagi Gram Panchyat Member informed that Singatalur Lift Irrigation project will help the people of the area he also requested to construct protection wall above the intake canal at Hammige, he also requested for plantation of trees around the agriculture land.
- (d) Sri Basavaraddi Neeralagi Ex. President Singatalur Gram Panchyat Tq Mundaragi, Dist: Gadag informed that the people of this area are waiting for implementation of project since 20 years hence the project should be completed immediately and he also informed that this project will not affect the Environment.
- (e) Rudragouda Patil, Lawyer Mundaragi Tq Gadag Dist: Expressed his views as under;
The Singatalur lift irrigation project implemented by the Karnataka Neeravari Nigama .Ltd. will supply required water for irrigation and drinking water purpose for villages of Mundaragi, Koppal and Gadag Taluks. He also said that the project will really help the formers for their economical developments. He further requested the project authorities to complete the project immediately. He also opinioned that this project will not affect the Environment.
- (f) Shri Ishwarappa Hanchinal Farmer of Nagarahalli Village Mundaragi Tq, Gadag Dist: Expressed that this project will not affect the Environment. He also requested each farmer to plant at least 10 trees in their agriculture land by which farmers will get financial support. He mentioned that he has planted 10000 trees in his agriculture land. He advised the farmers for organic farming. He requested, the subjects like water management and tree plantation by using less water should be included in the school text books. Finally he requested for proper usage of water and to reduce wastage of water.
- (g) Sri Shiddayya Shirahattimath Hammagi Village Tq Mundaragi, Dist: Gadag informed that this project will not affect the Environment. He also advised the gathering to grow more tree to improve the surrounding environment as the tree will absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen.

Deputy Commissioner, Gadag.

The Deputy Commissioner Gadag acknowledged the people for attending the hearing and also for giving their valuable suggestions/opinions on the proposed project. He expressed his happiness as proposed Singatalur lift irrigation project will help the farmers to mitigate drought situation in the District as the District is facing drought consecutively from last three years. The Deputy Commissioner insisted the farmers to follow the sound water management practice and to reduce water wastage.

Finally, the Chairman has thanked the gathering and concluded the proceedings of the Public Hearing.


(Smt Shobha K Gajakosh)
Regional Officer (A/C)
KSPCB, Gadag.


(Sri N S Prasannakumar)
Deputy Commissioner,
Gadag District

6/10/2015