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TAMILNADU POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, SALEM

**PROCEEDING / MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING CONDUCTED AT
11 A.M. ON 30.04.2010 FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION ACTIVITY OF M/S. JAI
HIND WIRE ROD MILLS LTD, SF NO.12/1A TO 4, 17/3 & 4, P.NATTAMANGALAM
VILLAGE, SALEM TALUK, SALEM DISTRICT.**

PRESENT:

In this Public Hearing Meeting the following were present:

- 1) Thiru.J.Chandra Kumar, I.A.S. : District Collector
Salem District, Salem.
- 2) Thiru.A.Thangapandian : District Environmental Engineer
TNPC Board, Salem.
- 3) Thiru.S.Palanisamy : Assistant Engineer
TNPC Board, Salem.
- 4) Thiru.G.E.Govindaraj : Director,
M/s. Jai Hind Wire rod mills Ltd
- 5) Public Representatives : List Enclosed.

The Public Hearing was commenced with the welcome address by the District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Salem. The District Environmental Engineer, Salem welcomed the District Collector, Salem District, Representatives of M/s.Jai Hind Wire rod mills Ltd, Government Officials, Public who have attended the Public Hearing Meeting on the proposed expansion activity of M/s. Jai Hind wire rod mills Ltd, SF No.12/1A to 4,17/3 & 4, P.Nattamangalam village, Salem Taluk, Salem District. The District Environmental Engineer, TamilNadu Pollution

Control Board, Salem in his introduction speech informed about the requirements for the Public Hearing to be conducted for the proposed increase in the existing production of 1.M.S.Ingots & Billets- 3000T / Month 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars, Flats-3000 T/Month to 1. M.S.Ingots - 7500 T/Month 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars& TMT bars, Flats-7500 T/Month by the unit.

The District Environmental Engineer also briefed about the need for Public Hearing for the project and invited all persons including bonafied residents, Environmental Groups and others located at the project Site/Sites of displacement/sites likely to be affected to participate in the Public Hearing and requested to make oral/written suggestions on the above proposed expansion project as said above.

The District Environmental Engineer assured that the views of the public will be submitted to the Government of India, MOEF through the Corporate Office, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Chennai. The District Collector, Salem presided over the function as Chairperson. The District Environmental Engineer invited the project authorities to explain about the proposed expansion project activities to the gathered public.

88 Nos. of Public were attended the Public Hearing Meeting. The project proponents explained about the proposed expansion of the existing foundry project with details by Power Point presentation. The presentation took place for about 30 minutes and the public viewed the presentation carefully and peacefully.

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In the presentation, by the unit authorities they informed about the existing activity of the unit and informed that the existing foundry activity was started by them at P.Nattamangalam Village, Salem-Taluk, Salem-District during the Year 1993 and they were carrying out foundry activity for the past 17 Years without causing any Environmental degradation and hazard. They have stated that at present they have proposed to increase in the existing production of 1.M.S.Ingots & Billets-- 3000 T / Month 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars, Flats-3000 T/Month to 1. M.S.Ingots -- 7500 T/Month 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars& TMT bars, Flats-7500 T/Month in their unit. Further they informed that they had submitted the application for the expansion of the existing project on 11.9.2009 and received terms of reference from State level Appraisal Committee on 24.11.2009 and this Public Hearing was carried out today by adopting all the Government Norms.

In the presentation they informed that have proposed to increase in the existing production of 1.M.S.Ingots & Billets-- 3000 T / Month 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars, Flats-3000 T/Month to 1. M.S.Ingots -- 7500 T/Month. 2. MS Rods, Angles, Twisted bars& TMT bars, Flats-7500 T/Month in their unit located at SF No.12/1A to 4,17/3 & 4, P.Nattamangalam village, Salem Taluk, Salem District. They have also informed that have proposed to increase the usage of raw materials of 1.M.S. scraps -- 3180 T / Month to 7950 T/Month. and 2. M.S. Ingots & Billets -3030 T/Month to 7575 T/Month in their unit.

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Regarding water Environment, they have informed that this unit currently consumes 15.0 m³/day of raw water for its process and non-process uses. After expansion the water requirement will be 17.35 m³/day. The entire raw water requirement for the unit is available from the existing bore well inside the factory premises. For the proposed discharge of 6.6 m³/day of sewage effluent, they have proposed to provide septic tank and dispersion trench for the treatment and disposal. For the proposed discharge of 0.25 m³/day from the wet scrubber, they have proposed to provide solar Evaporation pans for the disposal.

Regarding Air Environment, they have informed that they have now provided a) Wet scrubber and Chimney as Air Pollution Control measures for the Induction Furnaces- 6 T - 2 Nos and 3 T -2 Nos. b) Wet scrubber and Chimney as Air Pollution Control measures for the Re-rolling mill – Coal fired furnace and Oil-fired furnace. c) Exhaust pipe as APC measures to the DG set of 10 KVA. After Expansion, they have informed that they have proposed to provide a) Wet scrubber and Chimney as Air Pollution Control measures for the Induction Furnaces- 15 T - 4 Nos b) Wet scrubber and Chimney as Air Pollution Control measures for the Re-rolling mill-Coal fired furnace and Oil fired furnace. c) Exhaust pipe as APC measures to the DG sets of 10 KVA and 500 KVA.

Regarding the solid waste management, they have informed that the solid wastes of slag and end cuttings generated from the unit are being sold out to civil construction works to use instead of stones. The residue from the solar Evaporation pans is being

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stored inside the premises. They have stated that there is no generation of Hazardous wastes from the premises.

They have also informed that they have planted trees for green belt development in an area of about 2.5 Acres located within the premises and planted about 6000 trees in their land area of 60 Acres located outside the premises.

They have also informed that they were concerned about the Socio Economic Development of the surrounding Villages and were helping the public and near by Villages by means of supplying Note books to the school children and Library, supplying trees, helping to provide educational facilities in the area, helping in social works, etc. Social Welfare Activities carried out the M/s. Jai Hind wire rod mills Ltd, P.Nattamangalam village, Salem Taluk, Salem District were also shown in the power point presentation.

The Public Participants views on the project are detailed below:

- 1) Thiru. Saravanan, Nattamangalam, salem questioned that "Whether the unit will help to provide gate to the Nattamangalam school and to the students in their area for higher studies? "

The unit authority informed that they have offered much help to the school by providing notebooks, etc and they assured to help in this regard if they receive requisition letter from the School Headmaster concerned. They also assured to consider

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The request of help to the students of their area for their higher studies if they receive any requests from them in future.

2) Thiru. Venkatesan, Nattamangalam, salem questioned that "Whether the unit will provide job to the persons living in the area ?".

The unit authority informed that they will consider their request if they possess suitable educational qualification and experience.

3) Thiru. Selvaraj, Karattur, salem questioned that "Whether the unit will offer help to the Ceylone colony school also as they have provided to the Nattamangalam school? ".

The unit authority assured that they will help to the Ceylone colony school also by providing notebooks, etc if they receive requisition letter from the School Headmaster concerned.

4) Thiru. Sekar, Annadhanapatty, salem questioned that "Whether the unit will provide tree saplings to the public? "

The unit authority assured that they will provide the tree saplings if they receive such requests.

5) Thiru. Bhaskaran, Nattamangalam, salem questioned that "Whether the unit will take necessary action to collect the Iron scraps in the road which makes the puncture in the tubes of the two wheelers? "

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The unit authority stated that they were collecting the Iron scraps using magnetic collectors previously and now there are no such complaints at present in this regard.

6) Thiru. Eswaran, Nethlmedu, salem questioned that " In what way this unit helps the Country ?".

The unit authority informed that they are paying Import tax, Export tax and other taxes to the Government and helps the nation to grow in construction activities.

7) Thiru. Manickam, Seelanalckanpatty, Salem asked that "whether the unit will sell the rods directly from the Factory to the persons living in their area for their own use? ".

The unit authority has stated that they have proposed to establish a factory direct sale outlet in the area shortly. They assured that after establishing the same, the rods will also be sold directly to the persons living in the area for their own use at concession rates.

The District Collector in his final address to the public expressed that this type of public hearing is very much essential for public for those who are nearer to the location to know about the industry and also a Country can be recognized as a developed one only on the basis of the Industrial growth.

At the end, the District Environmental Engineer thanked all the participants of the Public Hearing Meeting and the meeting came to an end.

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