

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED PRODUCTION OF 20200 TPA FERRO MANGANESE OR 13500 TPA SILICO MANGANESE OR 6650 TPA FERRO SILICON AT VILLAGE: TEWARIDANGA, MOUZA: NANDANPUR, PO & PS: MEJIA, DIST: BANKURA, WEST BENGAL, PROPOSED BY M/S TANUSHREE ISPAT PVT. LTD. HELD ON 02.07.2009 AT 12:00 HRS IN THE TEWARIDANGA PRIMARY SCHOOL, PO & PS: MEJIA, GRAM PANCHAYAT: MEJIA, DIST: BANKURA, WEST BENGAL**

M/s Tanushree Ispat Pvt. Ltd. submitted an application to West Bengal Pollution Control Board for conducting Public Hearing for the proposed production of 20200 TPA ferro manganese or 13500 TPA silico manganese or 6650 TPA ferro silicon at village: Tewaridanga, Mouza: Nandanpur, PO & PS: Mejia, Dist: Bankura, West Bengal. As per the EIA notification S.O. 1533 dated 14th September 2006 of the MoEF, Govt. of India Environmental Clearance of the said project is required to be obtained after conducting Public Hearing.

Accordingly, West Bengal Pollution Control Board conducted the Public Hearing on 02.07.2009 at 12:00 hrs in the Tewaridanga Primary School, PO & PS: Mejia, Gram Panchayat: Mejia, Dist: Bankura, West Bengal after observing all formalities. Panel members were present in the hearing. A considerable gathering was also present in the hearing. List of the panel members and the others present in the public hearing are enclosed.

The hearing started with a welcome note from Sri S. Bhattacharyya, Environmental Engineer, WBPCB. He explained about the EIA notification and requested Sri Gour Pada Sen, Additional District Magistrate, Bankura to preside over the hearing. Sri Gour Pada Sen, Additional District Magistrate, Bankura welcomed the audience & presided over the hearing. Then he requested the project proponent to deliver their presentation and requested the audience to raise their queries after the presentation is over.

The technical representative of the project proponent welcomed the audience on behalf of the project proponent and explained the activity of the proposed unit through PowerPoint presentation. The project proponent, during his presentation, covered the topics regarding raw material, water requirement, manufacturing process & product grades of ferro alloys, slag disposal, sources of emission, control system for the tap hole emission, air quality standards, plant safety, socio economic development, local employment generation, green belt development, rain water harvesting, etc. However, the detailed descriptions for tap hole emission control, green belt development and rain water harvesting were not covered in the presentation. The unit has committed to maintain the SPM level below 50mg/Nm<sup>3</sup> in the presentation.

Sri Gour Pada Sen, the Additional District Magistrate, Bankura requested the audience to raise their questions and/or opinions, if any.

Sri Uttam Tewari, Sri Shantanu Tewari and Sri Subrata Dey of village Tewaridanga insisted on the implementation of the commitment of the matters shown in the presentation. They also submitted that they have the experience of the non-implementation of the commitments in case of few local industries.

Sri Milan Seth, Sri Shamik Karmakar and Sri Guiram Santra expected local employment generation in the proposed unit in a transparent way.

Sri Shashanka Tewari & Sri Satyaranjan Tewari asked the unit about the sources & quantity of the required water and also informed that the scarcity of ground water is a serious local problem.

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Sri Nityananda Garai, Sri Satyaranjan Tewari of village Tewaridanga & Sri Gorachand Bhattacharyya of village Tarapur welcomed the unit and expected that the operation of the unit would not affect the normal life of the local villagers. They also insisted on the continuous operation of pollution control devices. Sri Satyaranjan Tewari also asked the unit about the water treatment system.

On behalf of the project proponent, Sri K. Srinivas appreciated the issues raised during hearing mentioned above and assured that they would take all possible measures for maintaining the Environmental Norms. He has also assured that they would address all the issues mentioned above and incorporate the same while finalizing the EIA and EMP. He has also informed that about 10 KLD of water is required for the daily operation of the unit and they will use the water from Damodar River via pipeline or tanker.

Sri S. Bhattacharyya, Environmental Engineer, WBPCB advised for the installation of efficient air pollution control system, adequate suction system for controlling the tap-hole emission of arc furnaces to maintain the emission level below 50mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>, as committed in EIA-EMP. He has also informed that daytime & nighttime surprise inspections will be continued for controlling the industrial pollution.

Sri Gour Pada Sen, the Additional District Magistrate, Bankura appreciated the proposal presented by M/s Tanushree Ispat Pvt. Ltd. during the public hearing and expressed his hope that the project would be implemented as per the commitment made by the proponent and would be maintained in such a manner that the unit would comply with the environmental norms. In general, the public present in the hearing welcomed the project provided the PP incorporates all the pollution control measures proposed by the Project Proponent. Finally, Sri Gour Pada Sen, Additional District Magistrate, Bankura concluded the session with vote of thanks.

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Sri S. Bhattacharyya,  
Environmental Engineer  
West Bengal Pollution Control Board

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Sri Gour Pada Sen,  
Additional District Magistrate, Bankura  
Government of West Bengal