

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING HELD IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL 5000 KL MS TANK AT M/S HINDUSTAN PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED, SURVEY NOS: 187, 188,189,190 & 146, IMAMPET VILLAGE, SURYAPET MANDAL, NALGONDA DISTRICT, TELANGANA STATE ON 24.06.2016 AT 10.00 AM NEAR THE EXISTING PLANT AREA.

The following Public Hearing panel members have attended the meeting

Sl. No.	Name of the Panel Member	
1.	Sri Ravi Gugulothu District Revenue officer & Additional District Magistrate, Nalgonda.	Representative of the Collector & District Magistrate, Nalgonda District.
2.	Sri G. Hanumantha Reddy, Environmental Engineer (FAC) T.S. Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Nalgonda.	Representative of the T.S. Pollution Control Board.

The following Government officials were present at the venue

Sl. No.	Name & Designation
1.	Sri Md. Ali, Tahasildar, Suryapet Mandal, Nalgonda District.
2.	Sri P. Suresh Babu, AEE, TSPCB, RO, Nalgonda.
3.	Sri T.Ravindar, Analyst Gr-1, TSPCB, RO, Nalgonda.

The following representatives of M/s Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. were present

S. No.	Name & Designation
1.	Sri D. Praveen Chandra, Chief Manager, Operations, GMO, South Central Zone.
2.	Sri G. Kamalakar, Sr. Installation Manager, HPCL, Imampet (V), Suryapet
3.	Sri M. Srinivasa Rao, Manager Operations, HPCL, Imampet (V), Suryapet
4.	Sri M.S. Bhaskar, Manager Consultancy Services, M/s. SGS India Pvt Ltd., Gurgaon
5.	Sri Vinod Kumar Gautam, Consultant, M/s.SGS India Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon

At the outset the Environmental Engineer, T.S. Pollution Control Board, Regional office-Nalgonda welcomed the gathering and invited the DRO, Nalgonda and other officials on to the dais.

Then **EE, TSPCB** welcomed the local public representatives and the public gathered for the public hearing and the representatives of the proposed expansion project, press and explained the salient features of the notification S.O. 1533, dated 14-09-2006 issued by the Ministry of Environment and Forest, Govt. of India under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. He stated that the public consultation process is made mandatory for the projects listed in Schedule –A & B of EIA Notification, 2006 for securing necessary Environmental Clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India.

He further explained in brief that M/s HPCL has proposed to install additional tank of capacity 5000 KL for storage of Motor Spirit (Petrol) and accordingly requested the Board for conducting Environmental Public Hearing for the proposed expansion project.

He further informed that as per the provisions of EIA Notification public opinion regarding the project has been invited in writing from the public by giving a 30-days advance notification in Sakshi (Telugu daily) and the Hindu (English daily) newspapers on 24.05.2016. The Executive Summaries both in Telugu & English and the EIA report have been displayed for access to the public at the offices as mentioned in the press notification. As part of the hearing the project representative would present the features of the proposed project. He added that every person, who is willing to offer his/her views would be given opportunity, for which the project representative would give rejoinders before conclusion of the hearing. He also offered to give written representations in this regard.

The proceedings of the hearing would be prepared conspicuously and the programme was being videographed and the same would be communicated to the MoEF&CC for further course of action. He then requested the District Revenue Officer, who is deputed by the Collector & District Magistrate, Nalgonda to preside over the environmental public hearing.

As directed by DRO, the EE, TSPCB requested the Project proponent or Environmental consultant of the proposed project to explain, in detail, the salient features of the proposed expansion project and the summary EIA/EMP report.

Sri M. Srinivasa Rao, Manager Operations M/s Hindustran Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Suryapet Terminal gave a detailed account of the technical and environmental components associated with the proposed project.

1. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) is a Government of India Enterprise with a Navaratna Status, and a Forbes 2000 and Global Fortune 500 company, refining and marketing Public Sector Undertaking (PSU).
2. Existing Terminal was established in the year 2003 for the purpose of receipt, storage and dispatch of petroleum products (POL) such as motor spirit (MS), high speed diesel (HSD) and superior kerosene (SKO) at Survey Nos.187, 188,189,190 & 146, Imampet village, Suryapet Mandal, Nalgonda district, Telangana State in an area of 51.75 Acres.
3. HPCL obtained environmental clearance vide letter No. J-11011/76/99-IA.II dated 11.04.2000 from Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MOEF&CC) for petroleum pipeline project from Vijayawada to Secunderabad.
4. Presently, HPCL's Suryapet Terminal is having 6 floating roof tanks for storage of MS (2x3780 kl), HSD (2x18150 kl), SKO (2x1500 kl). The terminal mainly has facilities for receipt of petroleum products through pipelines, storage & handling of different petroleum products.
5. In order to meet market demands, HPCL has proposed to install additional tank of 5000 Kl capacity for storage of Motor Sprit (Petrol) to meet the requirement of retail outlets.
6. As per EIA Notification S.O. No 1533 issued on 14th September, 2006 and its subsequent amendments the proposed project is falling under Schedule 6(b) – Isolated storage & handling of hazardous chemicals and 'Category B'. Hence, this project requires Environmental Clearance from State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA). Accordingly, the EIA Report has been prepared based on the Standard Terms of Reference issued SEIAA, Telangana State.

7. HPCL appointed SGS India Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon (NABET Accredited EIA Consultant) as EIA Consultant for preparation of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environment Management Plan (EMP) for providing technical support for obtaining environment clearance as per EIA Notification.
8. Out of the total plant area of 51.75 acres, the Terminal of HPCL is located on the 28.02164 Acres area land. The total land (including the land required for proposed MS tank) is under possession of HPCL.
9. Three DG Sets with capacity of 800 KVA, 200 KVA and 180 KVA are available to meet the power requirements during grid power failure.
10. No additional land and water is required for the proposed additional tank.
11. Suryapet Terminal layout and firefighting system design as per OISD STD 117 and being upgraded to OISD STD 244. Since the installation of terminal, there is no fire or any other accident has occurred.
12. Suryapet Terminal having the fire fighting systems like, sprinkler system, foam system and rim seal fire detection and protection system. MEFG, Hydrocarbon detection system, fire tender, fire hydrant system in pressurized condition, DCP & CO2 Fire extinguisher system.
13. Environmental study was conducted by accredited consultant and EIA was prepared as per the approved TOR.
14. At eight locations, ambient air quality and noise measurement were monitored and they were found to conforming the stipulating standards. Similarly, 16 location of both surface and groundwater samples collected from the study area of 10km radius and found to be within the stipulating norms.
15. OWS & waste water treatment system has been provided at the Terminal.
16. CSR activities are being implemented as per the regulation.

He anticipated that the industry would operate the project duly implementing the proposed control systems and attain pollution-free atmosphere.

The EE, TSPCB requested the District Revenue Officer to address the gathering and carry forwards the proceedings of the hearing.

The District Revenue Officer, Nalgonda stated that being an Additional District Magistrate, he was deputed by the Collector & District Magistrate to preside over the environmental public hearing programme. As per the notification issued by MOEF&CC, Government of India, the present environmental public hearing was necessitated to secure prior Environmental Clearance from the ministry in respect of the proposed project. He added that every person who wishes to express opinion would be given an opportunity. He maintained that the programme was being conducted in a transparent manner as such the minutes of the programme along with the copies of videography would be sent to the ministry for examining the proposal for Environmental Clearance.

Then the **DRO** invited public participants to offer his views in respect of the project.

The following participants have offered their views:

1. **Sri Surkanti Venkat Reddy, Environmentalist** welcomed and supported the proposed expansion. He requested for employment to nearby villagers and suggested for high safety standards in the industry operations.
2. **Sri Sunandha Reddy, Environmentalist** while supporting proposed expansion he congratulated the HPCL management for developing industrially. He requested budget allocation of 1 Rupee or 50 Paise or atleast 25 Paise per litre sale of petroleum product, adopting nearby villages for development and minimum necessities like water education and employment opportunities to locals. He further requested the HPCL management for funds allocations to nearby villages under CSR budget, formation of co-ordination committee before allocating the budget, providing skill development to students, adopting a village completely for education purpose and health.
3. **Sri G. Vijaya Reddy, Environmentalist** congratulated the HPCL management for development and putting one more step forward in industry sector. He started with suggestion to incorporate the comments of the public hearing in the final EIA, which should be forwarded to the MoEF&CC for clearance. He expressed that the HPCL has not provided the details sought by him and the land details & greenbelt details not given properly in draft EIA. The water requirement is indicated as 29 KLD which is equivalent to 10, 585 cum per year. As per the Government of India report, Nalgonda is classified water short and the conditions tend to become as semi-desert type if there is no artificial charge of ground water. While, narrating the hydrological particulars of water availability, he calculated that more area is needed to meet the requirement of rain water harvesting structure to re-charge the same quantum of water subject to the condition that every drop of water is saved. He concluded his speech with a request that the final EIA report shall be sent to the MoEF & CC only after thorough review and incorporation of the views of the members.
4. **Sri H. Madhu Babu, Environmentalist** while welcoming the proposed expansion suggested for avenue plantation on both sides of the road from terminal to Highway and employment to nearby village people.

At this juncture, **the DRO** sought to know whether anybody is interested to express views. As no one has turned up, the DRO stated that about 4 persons spoke so far. Then the DRO requested the management of the proposed project to give clarifications to the issue raised by the speakers.

Sri G. Kamalakar, Sr. Installation Manager - M/s HPCL and Mr. Bhaskar, M/s. SGS India Pvt, Ltd.

CSR activities undertaken by HPCL since 2011 till is Rs.1.13 Crores spent and recently about 64 lakh spent on CSR activities in the nearby villages for spending on village scholarship (40lakhs), School benches & toilets, water purifier at Imampet village. There is no gap in spending the CSR fund in any of past years and same will be continued. SGS has informed that, they have already addressed the issues in the EIA report and further review in final EIA report.

EE, TSPCB requested the DRO to summarize the public hearing programme.


The DRO summarize the public hearing programme and stated that most of the people gathered at the venue were able to elicit their opinion with regard to the proposed unit. All the speakers spoke in favour of the project and one person asked to review the EIA report. The Sr. Installation Manager Operations of HPCL and SGS representative has also offered their replies to the issues raised and commitment towards implementing the pollution control measures. The DRO then

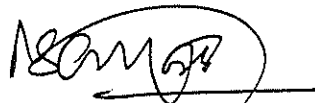
spoke briefly on the procedure being followed after the public hearing. The minutes were prepared conspicuously reflecting the views of the people gathered at the venue. Consolidated minutes of the meeting along with the representations received from the people would be communicated to the MoEF&CC, Government of India, after the approval from the District Collector, for taking further course of action.

5. Sri Sanjeev, R/o. Imampet Village expressed that the HPCL company management has not spent the budgets in the nearby villages and the scholarship was given to only few students. The Imampet village is facing many problems in drinking water facility provided by HPCL and about 15 villagers are working for last 20 years without regularization till date with minimal pay. The Imampet village has no proper drainage facility and the Harijanawada is frequently inundated during rains. He requested the HPCL management to develop the village in all fronts.

AEE, TSPCB proposed vote of thanks and concluded the public hearing programme.

List of the public participated in the public hearing is appended.


Environmental Engineer (FAC)
T.S. Pollution Control Board
Regional Office, Nalgonda.


District Revenue officer &
Additional District Magistrate,
Nalgonda.

