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ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ. 597 ಪಿ, ವಾರ್ಡ್ ನಂ. 25, 4ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಡಾ ವಿಷ್ಣುವರ್ಧನ ಉದ್ಯಾನವನದ ಹತ್ತಿರ, ಕುವೆಂಪು ನಗರ,

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The Member Secretary,

Karnataka State Pollution Control Board,

No.49, "Parisara Bhavan", Church Street,

Bangalore-560 001.

"Kind attention: Sri A.Uday Kumar, SEO, Mines Section"

Sir.

Sub: Environmental Public Hearing in respect of M/s. Uttam Galva Ferrous Ltd., Kuduthini, Venivverapura, Yerangali and Kolagal Villages limits, Ballari Taluk and District.-reg.

Ref: Environmental Public Hearing held on 4-8-2016

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With reference to the above subject, it is to be informed that the Environmental Public Hearing in respect of M/s. Uttam Galva Ferrous Ltd., Kuduthini, Venivverapura, Yerangali and Kolagal Villages limits, Ballari Taluk and District to Integrated Steel Plant of capacity 6MTPA and 893MW Captive Power Plant was held on 4-8-2016. The Environmental Public Hearing Environmental Public Hearing was conducted by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Bellary. The proceedings of Environmental Public Hearing signed by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Bellary, is herewith enclosed along with the video CD and photographs for further necessary action.

It is submitted that the proposed Integrated Steel Plant site is located at about 5km from the limits of Ballari City Corporation which is having 4lakh population (2011 census). Further, submitted that the proposed Integrated Steel Plant boundary is adjacent to Veniveerapur village(having about 2000 population) and Kolagallu village is about 3km which is coming under Ballari City Corporation limits.

Further, 4 sponge iron plant are already established near veniveerapur village who have got EC for integrated steel plant(power plant, rolling mill, etc). Also, NMDC & Mittel Steels have also acquired lands adjacent to this proposed integrated steel plant site for establishment of Integrated Steel Plants.

Cumulative effects of all the above existing and proposed plants shall be considered while making assessment of impacts on environmental components to the surrounding area due to this proposed Integrated Steel Plant.

All the above issues should be brought to the notice of the MoEF, GOI while forwarding the EPH proceedings to MoEF, GOI.

ncl: as above.(2 sets of documents)

Yours faithfully,

Environmental Officer

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Sl. No.	Issues raised by the public	Response of the project proponent
	Sri. Basavaraj, Pradhana Karyadarshigalu, Karnataka Prantha Raitha Sangha, Kuduthini Sri. Basavaraj, spoke "I am happy that, M/s Uttam Galva company has organized this hearing for collecting opinion of public regarding environmental issues of the said project, we have given our lands to Brahmini Steels and not to M/s Uttam Galva. There is agreement between KIADB and Brahmini Steels, KIADB has not made benefits to us. Our land price is Rs.12 lakhs per acre in Kolagal village. District administration and Registar Office has cheated us. They are registering our lands for Rs.5.0 lakhs per acre. In this regard Deputy Commissioner had formed triparty committee comprising of land loosers (Bhoo Santrastara Horata Samiti) KIADB and Sub Register. During this meeting Sub-Register informed that, there is mistake in assessing land value and further they informed they will assess three years value and accordingly submit. But from 2011 to till date neither Brahmini Steels nor Uttam Galve have fixed land rates. In this mater Deputy Commissioner and KIADB have cheated farmers by fixing land rates as Rs.5.0 lakhs which is worth of Rs.50.0 lakhs. Till now Uttam Galva has made payment of Rs.14.80 crores only and whereas Brahmini Steels company have made payment of Rs.281 crores. It is unbelievable that, now they claim this land belongs to Uttam Galva. We have been cheated by Government and company. KIADB has revised the land value, our friends have approached Hon'ble Court regarding Mittal company. Court has clearly directed to fix land rate for Rs.30.0 lakhs. The land loosers have lost Rs.50-60 lakhs in price. In this area around 125 people have given land, 40-45 in Kuduthini, 40 in Kolagal and 40 in Veniveerapura. Government has given land to these people for rehabilitation. Among these people mainly are SC, ST's and small farmers. These people are cheated and neither Government nor company showed any concern. There is no clarity on whether Brahimini Steels or KIADB has handed over this	M/s. Uttam Galva had procured the land from KIADB. KIADB has allotted the land and handed over the possession of the land. The copy of the allotment letter and possession certificate received from KIADB are enclosed as annexure of the EIA/EMP report. (Refer letter No. KIADB/DO/BLY/65/2013-14 dated 31.05.2013) The discrepancy of land compensation is to be dealt by KIADB.

this situation. District Administration, KIADB and State Government are not in favour of farmers, how we can expect companies to take measures to protect environment. Surrounding industries like Jindal after 7.00 PM discharging emissions without any control. There are small factories in vicinity and Sathavahana factory has not installed pollution control facilities. If you stay with us for four days, you will come to know the amount of dust deposition on our terraces and head. This is main road, you have forcefully acquired our lands and given less compensation and cheated us. You will not care for our opinion and you will establish industry. This is the reasons, why we preferred to boycot this hearing.

This is all drama, companies, State Government or Central Government will never protect interest of farmers. Inspite of knowing this we have attended this hearing. Companies will not protect environment and is atrocity on Devadasis, SC and ST's. Earlier we were supporting you, but if we had known earlier about your fraud we would have never supported you. Now also we do not support you. Company authorities have not even spoken to us once. We are protesting against this company. We don't believe that you will protect environment and give justice to us. We do not support you. If you want to establish the plant, first you obey orders issued by the Bellary Court regarding value of land. Hon'ble Court has given clear direction that, the KIADB has not properly fixed the land value. If you revise land value, we will examine your proposal. You have acquired our land forcefully. Hence, we do not support you. We are not interested to attend hearing but Deputy Commisioner informed us that, our plea will be recorded and will be forwarded to Government, hence we have attended this hearing. You did twice public hearing in KPCL. I spoke the same matter during those hearings but nothing is implemented. There is lot of pollution due to this plant and there is deposition of dust on their own quarters. You cannot give protection to us and officials sitting here are helpless as Government is in favour of companies. Rate fixation should be finalized and until then we will not attend this kind of hearing. We boycot this hearing".

Sri. B.Ravi Prakash, Bhoo Santrastara Horata Samiti, Kuduthini:

Sri. B.Ravi Prakash spoke "I would like to speak about Environmental matters and not regarding any other matters. There are many industries like Sathavahana, Jindal and ACC nearby Kuduthini. Can Environmental Officers inform us about levels of pollution due to these industries. Farmers have approached court as they are unable to grow crops due to dust from these industries. There is no response from officers for our complaints hence, the farmers have approached the court. Is it necessary to draw attention of these people through courts only. There are steel industries nearby areas, which are causing heart, respiratory and other diseases. Officers have not bothered to verify this. Inspite of many factories in this area, there is no hospital with all facilities. In presentation it is mentioned that, 4 TMC water will be given to industry. There is no water for drinking purpose and from where do you provide water for industrial use. Furnish information about pollution caused by surrounding industries to Grama Panchayat and publish it in website. Compensations shall be given for crop loss due to pollution. You should take measures to avoid dust. You should take action on any complaints. I conclude my speech by saying "the company shall abide by the decision taken by public in this meeting and there shall be. no bad effects on environment by the factory".

Conveys concern towards the environmental pollution arising after the establishment of the plant.

The range of pollutants in the ambient air were measured for PM_{10} (33.12 to 73.81µg/m³), $PM_{2.5}$ (16.59 to 42.84 µg/m³), SOx (1.68 to 11.49 µg/m³) and NOx (3.29 to 26.12 µg/m³) are observed to be well within the standard limit. The HC and CO recorded are very low. The summary of chemical characterization of RSPM is detailed in Table 03-17, Chapter 3 of the EIA/EMP report.

The expected ambient air quality ultimately at 6 MTPA capacity is provided in Table 04 - 06 ambient air quality after expansion with coordinates Table 04 - 07.

M/s. Uttam Galva Ferous Limited will be providing the de-dusting system at transfer points and dry fog system at wagon tippler area in order to ensure low emissions.

Frequent road wetting, sprinklers at critical area will be carried out to control the fugitive emission.

In order to monitor the fugitive dust continuous work zone air monitoring will be carried out at various places of plant premises.

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Sri. Mahesh R.Agewal, Kuduthini: Sri. Mahesh R.Agewal spoke "We were happy as mega industry is coming to Ballari and in this regard KIADB has acquired lands. Land loosers will get jobs and livelihood. Inspite of 10 years, company has not been established. We lost lands whom the land has been a	pensation to be paid for
and no jobs. There is no earnings, neither from our lands or from company. Who will give us compensation for this? You have not given compensation to our lands and not fulfilled your commitments. There should be earning and it should come on 1st of every month. With this hope we work to support us and our family. It is requested the officials to give proper compensation to us as per public demand. You should establish factory in time by taking public into confidence, with this I conclude my speech".	allotted to the company.
Sri G.Vishwamurthy, Sandur: Sri G.Vishwamurthy spoke "We welcome new things to Ballari District but while coming kindly it should be with clean without any Chaos. We welcome Galva company if it comes here to support public. Industries are required to live this present life which is not possible only through agriculture activity. We invite industries as there will be income and employment generation. I would like to draw your attention towards 10 points. Can you assure economic stability and health. Health of the public is already not in good condition, though it is not due to eligible local public instead of people from Gujarath or Bihar. Help local people through contract, encourage farmers to take up traditional activities, dariy farming by jindal and your company. You should become role model by setting up less polluting technology. There is wrong concept that, Ballari district is considered as barren land, but tungabhadra river flows in this area, there is green land and bear	egrated steel plant and like to re- emphasise onitoring during project ated in Table 06 – 01, and at work zone as listed followed. Will cater to the indirect are project is expected indirect employment in

You bring harmony among people. CSR activity varies from every factory. Can you bring Ballari District in first place in education as we have achieved only 30% progress in this field. Give quality education to our children. Give different skills development education, dont only focus alone on computer education. Focus on handicrafts development as, the said centre is located in Sandur. Can you make Ballari District as national or international level famous with the help of local and district administration. Can you take responsibility of making comprehensive environment protection of our district. Galva company should make this district industrial district and solve the problems of local public. There was dream of making our district as steel hub and it has again raised hopes. There is no doubt that, Ballari district will be heaven for steel industries. We welcome Galva company on one condition that, they should resolve administrative and legal matters and implement promises you have made. I conclude my speech".

units, scrap dealing units, service units etc.

It is expected that about 6427 employment for the overall project implementation. It will satiate livelihood for direct and indirect employment opportunities created due to the proposed project.

Community Development Plan (CDP) and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities

As per government directives, about 2% of the plant average net profit in each financial year for three years will be spent in the region for development purpose which is expected to change the rural economy to urban economy.

- ❖ Integrate sound environmental management practices in all plant units.
- ❖ Conduct operations in an environmentally responsible manner to comply with applicable legal and other requirements related to its environmental aspects and strive to go beyond.
- * Progressively adopt cleaner and energy efficient technologies as per the prevalent standard practices and norms.

		*	Use and conserve water efficiently and recycle to the maximum extent including rain water harvesting in the premises.
		*	Minimize waste generation and promote recovery, recycle and reuse.
		*	Increase greenery in and around operating plants.
		*	Strive for continual improvement in environmental performance by setting challenging targets, measuring progress, taking corrective action and communicating environmental information to all concerned.
		*	Enhance environmental awareness amongst employees working for and on behalf of UGFL and general populace around plants.
		bus	addition, efforts will be put to encourage our iness associates to adopt similar approach for ironmental protection.
5	Sri. Kamesh.A.K — Advocate and Social Activist, Kuduthini: Company has organised this meeting but it has failed to deliver what is required. They have only spoken about positive points about the industry but have not disclosed negative points. It is responsibility of the officials to inform negative impacts of this industry. These documents are only for official documents. These	Sati ado EIA	nveyed about pollution caused by M/s. havahana industry. Environmental measures pted by UGFL is already explained in the A/EMP report and commits that state-of-themitigation measures will be adopted to

	are no where implemented and it is apparent from the surrounding industries. There	raduce nollution
	are no where implemented and it is apparent from the surrounding industries. There is gundaism in surrounding factories and especially in Sathavahana industry (Coke	reduce pollution
	oven plant). There is no response from the Pollution Control Board and District	
	Administration for complaints from Yelubenchi villagers and farmers regarding	
	pollution caused by Sathavahana industry. We are permitting industries to establish,	
	but anybody has checked the pollution effect on crops and whether Government has	
	records/documents regarding this. We are not opposing industries, but we cannot	
	compromise health and lives. Industries are required as it will provide employment	
	to youth, it will develop business. We cannot buy health from money, we need	
	basic infrastructure factility, but without providing this there is no point in	
	conducting this meeting. Recently permission has been given to Tar industry near	
	MSPL plant without verifying its effect on human health. Whether public will	
	survive in surrounding villages. This meeting is also drama. Officers are like	
	postman, they will take our opinion and dump. There is no relief for farmers	
	problem. We will give permission, if you commit in writing that, there will not be	
	effect on surrounding residents. You are doing this meeting to please superior	
	officers and politicians and not for farmers interest. We request officers that, we are	
	not opposing industries but we are not ready to sacrifice our health and lives.	
	Kolgal villagers have filed writ petition No.67386/2011 dated 12.01.2012 regarding	
	land compensation. Hon'ble Dharwad bench has given orders to maintain status	
	quo. under this circumstances it is irrelevant to conduct this meeting. Whether	
	Hon'ble High Court is superior or the officials of this meeting? we will support if	
	you implement the agreement made with us and I will abide by the opinion given	
	by other. I conclude my speech.	
6	Sri. V.Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist:	Conveys positive intent towards the
		establishment of the integrated steel plant.
		The measures suggested by the environmentalist
	I V.Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist, My best wishes and supporting the	are taken into consideration.
	management of M/s Uttam Galva Ferrous Limited. Generally Environmentalists	
	opposes Industries. But I am whole heartedly supporting the establishment of	
	proposed 6MTPA Integrated Steel Plant along with captive Power Plant.	

It would be helpful if you include health survey of surrounding public in your technical report. You should take precautions to protect environment. You should make internal roads and dust control facilities. You should encourage fruit and medicinal plants. You should give priority for local employment. You should establish skill development training for local to get employment in your industry. 95% youths are given skill training in Korea and Japan and where as here only 6% job oriented skill development training is given. Your company along with PCB and villagers should create co-ordinating committee. You should make meaningful CSR activity. Sustainable environmental protection should be taken up. You should make detail E.T.A report I request MoEF to grant permission to Uttam Galva through this public hearing.

My request and suggestions to you to take up proposed industry in 4978 acres of land. You draw approximately 4TMC (113267386m3) per annum water from Tungabhadra River. But the rain water received on your land for one year is 1.20 crore cubic liters per annum. Please take up proper pollution control measures. Air, Water, Land it is very essential to maintain ecological balance. Thank you all I conclude my speech.

7 Sri Virupaksha, Kolagal:

We have common aim, why there is disparity in land compensation payment. Mittal company has given Rs.12, 14 & 16 lakhs for the lands acquired during 2009 and where as Brahmini steels have given only Rs.5-6 lakhs for lands acquired during 2010. Why this disparity, as all these lands are existing near by. You should set right this injustice. In Vidhana Soudha Brahmini steels has undertaken agreement to make payment of Rs.16 lakhs per acre before commencement of steel industry. Now this company has sold these lands for Rs.25 lakhs per acre to other industry without establishing industry. They have sold illegally and Government should make it stand clear on taking back these lands. In the Board meeting dated 21-12-2013 Deputy Commissioner has given directions to examine as the Hon'ble court has ordered that, there is disparity in land value fixation. It was agreed to refix the land value after examining the order of the Hon'ble High Court. The CM office has

Expresses concern over disparity in land compensation payment. The total compensation amount has already been deposited by UGFL with KIADB. The discrepancy of land compensation is to be dealt by KIADB. However, UGFL is ready to co-operate in tandem with KIADB till the cases are settled.

UGFL would like to reemphasize that they had procured the land from KIADB. KIADB has allotted the land and the possession certificate of the land from KIADB is enclosed as annexure of

	addressed letter to the DC vide reference CWU21565/Vol-b-215 dated: 04-05-2015 to refix the land value. Farmers are not aware about this matter. We all have common problem set right our problem and give permission, we will take up struggle movement as in the case of "Mahadayi movement" if our problems are not addressed. I conclude my speech.	the EIA/EMP report. (Refer letter No. KIADB/DO/BLY/65/2013-14 dated 31.05.2013).
8	Sri Ambanna, President, Village.Panchayat, Yelubenchi: We are happy that, Uttam Galva Company is coming up here. Are you committed to implement all the promises you make here? I don't know what permission you have given to Sathavahana factory, whether he is as a king or prime minister. That company behaves as if it is Dictator. They send goondas and file police case if we protest, why we should not protest. We are loosing our crop yield due to dust pollution from Sathavahana company. Dust deposits on flowers and plants which gets withered. Earlier we were getting cotton yield of 20 quintals/acre, but now it has reduced to 3 quintals/acre. There is apathy of Government towards farmers and they support only factories. That industry is careless and doesn't bother about our complaints. ITI, Diploma and Enginnering qualified persons will get job in your company. Listen to problems of farmers and we do not oppose industries. Give land compensation as per demand of farmers. Carryout CSR activites in our village Yelubenchi is 2kms away from Sathavahana factory. The said factory has not taken up CSR activity in our village and for this, they say that they have not taken our lands. Hence they are not taking up CSR activites. If this is so, what right they have to discharge dust on our lands. They have filed FIR against 10 farmers for taking up protest walk from our village to Sathavahana factory. Is it wrong to demand our rights. We are not against industries, but give farmer right compensation to their lands and be committed to your promises. I conclude my speech.	Expresses concern about Sathavahana company. UGFL commits that adequate environmental measures will be adopted to reduce the environmental impact as detailed in the EIA/EMP report. The CSR activites of Uttam group is already stated in Sl. No. 4

9 Sri. D.Shankar Das, President, Ballari Taluk, Karnataka Rakshana Vedike :

There are around 32 factories surrounding Kuduthini. We don't know when these are established and also their pollution levels. No meetings are conducted regarding those industries. We and Ambanna approached Shri Ramankumar-M.D of Sathavahana company to ask about its pollution. He said that he don't care about our complaints. Farmers in Thimmalapur, Yelubenchi, Kolagal and lands of other side of canal were getting yield of Rs.50,000/-, Rs.80,000/- and Rs.1.0 lakh, these crops are lost due to pollution from Sathavahana company. We have given complaint to District Administration. We are dependent on agriculture, we are doing agriculture since generations. I came late for meeting as we had meeting of Karnataka Rakshana Vedike regarding release of 186 farmers were in jail regarding the Mahadayi. I apologies for coming late. I have given many letters regarding the problems. KPTCL company is discharging sewage and toilet waste to Ramappana Nala. This water is used for 3600 acres of land. The said water is used for drinking by the farmers. In this regard we had given letter to District Administration (Sri Shukla sir), but we have not received any response. We had given letters to ADC sir also. We took march against Sathavahana factory with demand of Rs.20,000/as relief. FIR has been filed against these people. That company is not botherd about our complaints. We have no objections for factories if they protect our youth and farmers. We will protest if they are detrimental to our youths and farmers. We believe in god, he will give us rain, Tungabhadra will flow and we will reap our crops and get food. We have given representation regarding Sathavahana and KPTCL companies. M.D. of Sathavahana Shri Rarnankumar and Narayana are careless about our problems. They have encroached road in this place. If we enquire about this they behave like dictators and we don't know who has given this power to them. There should be prosperity for our children and farmers. We will show you half inch dust deposition on our house roofs in Thimmalapura and Yelubenchi villages. This can be washed with water, and what if it falls on crops and there was agreement to make payment of Rs.20,000/-, relief If we ask relief, they say, that they are paying but we don't know to whom they are paying. If we insist, they threaten us and man handle. There should be struggle like Mahadayi in Ballari

Expresses concern about existing plants/factories in Kudithini and pollution caused by the existing plants/factories and not about proposed project of UGFL.UGFL will take all precautionary measures to maintain the background level within the limits.

	district against factories. We are not ready to support you. We have no objection for establishing your factories, but important for us is our environment, water and land, our language be Kannada. We are ready to give our life for this land. Give justice to our farmers. I conclude my speech.	
10	Sri. Janglisab, Joint Secretary, Akhila Karnataka Bhoo Santrastara (Land Loosers) Committee, Ballari I would like to mention here that, for what purpose DC, Company representatives, Officers and Politicians come to this meeting, when they are not responding to our complaints. We had given 20-50 times complaint to pollution control Board regarding our health problems. It is deteorating and we don't know what the disease is. Arcelor Mittal acquired lands but till now, they did not establish industry. You are prolonging the issue of fixing land values. You are conducting fruitless meeting of officers and company people in this matter. CM and PM are elected by public. If you do like this, we will become homeless. We have no objection for industries, but they should give employment to our district, taluk and local villagers. We will not accept your oral promises, you should give commitment in writing. The officers should ask these companies about our demand on behalf of us. Poor people are not given appointment in DC office and they are sent out. Whereas company people are invited. Is this justice? Kuduthini people protested for the injustice done towards them, officials were requested to come to the spot and hear our problems, but they are ignored by the officials. Our patience is tested, beyond tolerance, we take up protest and will come to streets. If our demands are not fulfilled we will take up protest.	Expresses concern about disparity in land compensation payment and pollution caused by existing plants/factories in Kudithini. The land was acquired by KIADB and handed over to UGFL.
	Officials and politicians are like chain link, there is domination on each other. Not only police officers many .senior officers have lost their lives, we are seeing this in media. We have no objection for industries, we are having resentement on land compensation. Hon'ble Ballari Court has fixed rate, we honour it. You should make payment accordingly and you should give written commitment regarding this. We	

	Why they are not saying this why are they not from this land. It is shame to Government as women are beaten by police in case of Mahadayi protest. We have given may representation regarding Sathavahan company to pollution control Board, but no action is taken. Jindal company is establishing Tar factory, we are already facing health problems, whether such factory is required under this situation. We don't know what disease will come from inhaling smoke from Tar factory. Even doctor cannot identify it. Whether cammon man's problem is solved only through protest. Why no law exits in the state to address this matter? why no officials to look into this? You ask for our problems. Have you solved our problems? whether protest is the only way to address our problems. Why can't you get us justice. We have pain, hence we protest, but police come with lathi (sticks). Only protest has become our daily life. As long as we take money for vote our state and nation will not develop. Think about our villagers and farmers. If you commit in writing fullfil our legitimate demand as per Hon'ble Court orders, we and entire district farmers will support you. I conclude my speech.	
11	Sri. Nagadeva, Kuduthini: I will speak about basic issue. Everyone knows that, how Brahmini steel company has cheated us. There are proposed NMDC and Mittal Company surrounding us and Brahmini steel company which is now changed its name to Uttam Galva also exists nearby. The NMDC and Mittal companies have given compensation of Rs 18.0 lakhs, 23 lakhs, 16 lakhs and 8 lakhs per acre. 5400 acres land has been given to Brahmini steel company. This company has given only Rs 5.0 lakhs per acre. Why this disparity in giving compensation? What is our fault? Whether our lands are not worth enough? We will carryout agricultural activity in our land and your compensation of Rs 5.0 lakhs will last forever. I request you to give NOC after verifying all these facts. I conclude my speech.	The Govt. of Karnataka has approved the transfer of name of the company from M/s. Brahmani Industries Ltd. in favour of Uttam Galva as per Govt. order no CI 122 SPI 2010, Bangalore dated 27.08.2011 and is enclosed as Annexure of the EIA/EMP report.
12	Smt. Gouramma, Kolagal: Devadasis were given 2 acres of land, which is taken away from us. There is	KIADB has aquired the land as per KIADB land acquisition act after following all the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, Land Revenue Act,

injustice to us. We don't want to give our lands to factories. There is disparity in justice. You give us land or money, we have approached every one, but didn't get justice. Nobody care for us, we don't have food. If we go to hospital, they demand Rs.200/- for injection, from where we should bring money, we have no husband, give us justice, give us land or money. I conclude my speech`

Land Reform ACT, Land Grant rules and other acts and rules. As such, there is no lapse in the acquisition of the land and the lands have been duly handed over the company by KIADB and the registration is under process. We would like reemphasize that everything as regards the land acquisition is in order and the KIADB/Govt. of Karnataka has exercised their powers to acquire the land as per the provisions of the acts and rules

(Refer letter No. KIADB/DO/BLY/65/2013-14 dated 31.05.2013)