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**Lr.No.113/PCB/RO.1-RRD/EPH/2017-793**

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To  
The Director,  
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (IA.III Section),  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Aliganj, JorBagh Road,  
New Delhi - 100003

Sir,

Sub:- TSPCB -Regional Office-1, Ranga Reddy Dist. - Environmental Clearance - Proposed Expansion of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamshabad, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana State by M/s GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited – Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) conducted on 28.02.2017- Minutes Recorded – Reg.

- Ref:-
- 1) Industry's application for conduct of Environment Public Hearing dated 20.01.2017.
  - 2) Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, IA Division, ToRs issued vide Lr.Nos. F.No.1 0-35/2016-IA.III, dated 11.07.2016 & 28.11.2016.
  - 3) Environmental Public Hearing conducted on 28.02.2017

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With references to the above cited, Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) on the proposed expansion of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport was held on 28.02.2017, in accordance to EIA Notification, 2006. The EPH proceedings were conducted by the Collector & District Magistrate, Rangareddy District, Telangana.

The following are submitted herewith for kind information and necessary action:

- 1) Minutes of Environmental Public Hearing,
- 2) Statement of Representations received from the Public (54 nos)
- 3) DVD/CD containing the video of EPH proceedings,
- 4) Copy of newspaper advertisement (Notice to Public) dated 25.01.2017.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: as above

Copy Submitted to:

1. The Member Secretary, Telangana State Pollution Control Board, Paryavaran Bhawan, A-III, Industrial Estate, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad, for kind information.
2. The Collector & District Magistrate, Rangareddy District, for kind information.
3. M/s GMR Hyderabad International Airport Ltd., Shamshabad, RR District, Telangana.

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**Minutes of the Environmental Public Hearing held on 28-02-2017 in connection with the proposed Expansion of Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamshabad, Rangareddy District, Telangana.**

File.No.113/PCB/RO.1-RRD/EPH/2017- 793

Date. 22-03.2017

**The following panel members were present:**

S. No.	Name of the Panel Member	
1.	Sri M. Raghunandan Rao, IAS	Collector & District Magistrate, Rangareddy District.
2.	Sri M. Venkanna, Environmental Engineer, Telangana State Pollution Control Board, Regional Office-1, Rangareddy District.	Representative of the T.S. Pollution Control Board.

**The following representatives of M/s. GMR Hyderabad International Airport, Hyderabad were present:**

S. No.	Name & Designation
1.	Sri A. Ravinder Reddy, Head - Projects, GMR Hyderabad International Airport, Hyderabad.
2.	Sri. B. Ramesh Babu, Principal Associate, GMR Group
3.	Sri M. Janardhan Rao ( Environment Consultant) Head & Vice President, VIMTA Labs, Hyderabad

At the outset, the Environmental Engineer, TSPCB, Regional Office-1, Rangareddy in his welcome address requested the people gathered at the venue and public representatives and other officials to participate in the environmental public hearing held in connection with the expansion of existing Rajiv Gandhi International Airport from 12 MPPA to 25 MPPA. He has also invited the Collector, Rangareddy District to conduct the public hearing in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Environment Impact Assessment Notification (EIA), 2006 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India. While explaining the salient features of the EIA Notification, 2006 S. O. (E) No.1533, dated 14-09-2006, he stated that the public hearing is a mandatory process for expansion of any industry listed under 'A' category of the EIA Notification, 2006. The present project is categorized as A and the environmental public hearing is being held to elicit the views, opinion, suggestions and objections if any, on the proposed project. He further stated that paper notifications were published in 'Namaste Telangana' and 'The Hindu' newspapers have wide circulation on 25-01-2017. The Executive Summary and Draft EIA and EMP reports were made

available to all related Government offices and surrounding Gram Panchayaths in addition to the Collectorate of Rangareddy District as stipulated in the EIA Notification, 2006. In response to paper notification, 50 representations in support of project expansion were received from the public as on public hearing date. He informed that the proceedings would be held in transparent manner. The proceedings would be minuted and sent to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC) for further appraisal. He then requested the Collector, Rangareddy District to conduct the proceedings of Public hearing.

1. **The Collector and the District Magistrate, RR. District** while inviting the people gathered at the venue has stated that the entire proceedings of the environmental public hearing will be video graphed with the views expressed on the project by the people gathered at the venue. The same will be sent to the MoEF&CC, New Delhi. He stated that the public hearing would be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 issued by the MoEF&CC, New Delhi. The proposed expansion is envisaged to increase the capacity of existing terminal from 12 MPPA to 25 MPPA and enhancement of existing infrastructure for cargo handling capacity to meet the permitted capacity of 3 lakh Tonnes per Annum. He then requested the project proponent to explain the salient features of the proposed expansion of the existing project.

2. **Sri A. Ravinder Reddy, Head - Projects, M/s. GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited**, explained in detail about the of the existing Rajiv Gandhi International Airport at Shamshabad, RR District:

- Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (RGIA) is owned & operated by GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited (GHIAL) which is a joint venture company, promoted by the GMR Group in partnership with Airport Authority of India, State Government of Telangana and Malaysia Airports Holdings Berhad.
- Passenger traffic has grown from 6.2 million passengers in 2008 to 10.5 million passengers in 2015 (CAGR of over 9%).
- Presently, the airport has design capacity of 12 MPPA and cargo handling capacity of 1,00,000 TPA (sanctioned capacity is 3,00,000 TPA).
- Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, New Delhi, granted Environmental Clearance vide letter dated 10th April 2007.

**He gave a detailed account of the key features of the existing Air Port which is as follows:**

- Total Airport Area is 5495 acres with a sanctioned capacity of 12 MPPA and the present Cargo Handling is 1,00,000 Metric Tonnes per Annum (TPA) against the Sanctioned Cargo Capacity : 3,00,000 TPA.



- The length of the Primary Runway (09R-27L) is 4260 m with a width of 60 m and the Secondary Runway (09L-27R) : Length is 3707 m with a Width of 45 m. The existing airport is provided with 4 Nos of Rapid Exits. The Fuel Farm consists of 3 tanks with capacity of 4500 kL each.
- The Area of Passenger Terminal Building is 1,17,339 sq. m
- The Airport is provided with a Car Parking capacity of 3000 Nos.

**The Airport received the following awards of excellence:**

RGIA is the first airport in the world to be awarded LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) Silver Rating for its eco-friendly design by U.S. Green Building Council.

RGIA has become the first airport in the PPP (Public Private Partnership) sector, to achieve IMS certification comprising Quality, Safety and Environment Management systems at one go; International Quality Management standard ISO9001:2008, Environment Management Standard ISO14001:2004 and Occupational Health and Safety Management standard BS OHSAS 18001:2007.

**The proposed expansion includes the following:**

- 4 Nos. of additional rapid exit ways. Additional Taxiway 'B' with a length of 4260 m will be laid connecting to SEZ and also connecting to IRL Plot.
- Dual access Taxiway (TXY-M and TXY -M1) west of Terminal and Dual Taxi lane north of terminal (TXY-M2 and TXY-M3). The Taxiway will be compliant of Code C.
- Increase in Passenger Terminal Building area from 117339 Sq. M to 233250 Sq. M, Contact Stands 31 nos. and Remote stands 43 Nos and increase in bus gates from 10 Nos to 20 Nos.
- The capacity of Passenger Transport Centre (PTC) will be doubled by addition of 1020 Sq. m. The Special Handling Terminal will be relocated.
- The Cargo Terminal Building will be expanded from 14740 Sq. m to 30,000 Sq.m, Four Nos of additional warehouses with 5000 Sq. each.
- 3 New Fuel Tanks with Hydrant facility will be established with a capacity of 6200 KL each.
- Additional compost plant with a capacity of 3 tonnes per day with a built up area of 516 Sq. m.
- The estimated cost of the proposed expansion is Rs. 2629 Crores.

3. **The District Collector** then requested the Environmental consultant to explain in detail the impacts and their mitigation measures proposed.

4. **Sri Janardhan, Head & Vice President, Vimta Labs**, explained the measures proposed to control pollution which is as follows:

- M/s. GHIAL established the RGI Airport at Shamshabad, RR District, Hyderabad.

- The Airport is abutting the Bengaluru National Highway. There are 4 water bodies within the 10 Km radius and important one being Himayatsagar, catering to the drinking water needs of Hyderabad city.
- No additional land Acquisition is required for the proposed expansion since the expansion is within the existing land & Existing Terminal.
- Additional power requirement for the proposed terminal expansion is approximately 4 MW and the capacity of existing 5MW solar power plant would be increased to 13 MW.
- No additional DG sets are proposed for the proposed expansion.
- Soil samplings were collected from 8 locations and their pH values are found to be in the range of 7.6 -8.2 and is classified as medium fertility soils depending on the values of Nitrogen, Phosphorus and Potassium.
- 2 Surface water sampling stations and 8 ground water sampling stations were established and the surface water as well as ground water quality do not indicate any industrial contamination.
- It is estimated that about 12,617 KLD of water out of which Potable water requirement is estimated as 7,765 KLD which will be sourced from HMWS&SB and 4852 KLD of non-potable water will be sourced from treated wastewater from STP. Hence, there will not be any additional stress on the local ground/surface water resources.
- Total wastewater generation after expansion is estimated to be about 7162 KLD which will be treated in the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) within the facility. Treated wastewater from the STP will be used for air conditioning, cooling water make-up and green belt development.
- Ambient Air quality stations were established at 9 locations during post monsoon and partly during winter season. As per the studies, the levels of PM<sub>2.5</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>, CO, NH<sub>3</sub>, HC and VOC are within the levels, stipulated by TSPCB.
- Providing suitable green belt / green cover to reduce the impact of air pollution.
- Battery operated ground support vehicles/ equipment.
- Fixed Electric Ground Power (FEGP) for aircraft in place of Auxiliary Power Units.
- Noise Monitoring stations were established at 11 locations and monitored during both day and night times. It is found that the noise levels surrounding the airport were within the permitted levels for that particular category of areas.
- Noise pollution will emanate from Aircraft movement, DG sets and other ground equipment which will be mitigated by taking up preventive measures such as enclosures to the DG sets and by ensuring regular equipment maintenance and other engineering interventions.
- Solid Waste Generation will go up from 9000 tonnes/annum to about 14,342 tonnes/annum. Food waste generated from various sources from the airport is processed and converted into compost in the compost plant within



the airport premises. Compost and STP sludge are being used as manure in place of chemical fertilizers.

- Recyclable waste like paper and plastic is being given to TSPCB approved recyclers.
- Used oil from the vehicles is stored as per Hazardous Storage & Management Rules and handed over to authorized agencies.
- E-waste and bio-medical waste are given to the authorized agencies.
- **There are no ecologically sensitive areas like wildlife sanctuaries within 10 km radius from the existing airport complex.**
- **There are 44 plant species within the study area and no major wildlife exists in study area.**
- Peacocks, the national birds are observed within 10 km radius of the study area. Apart from the peacocks, **there are no wildlife sanctuaries, national parks and biospheres and no migratory paths of birds and animals in 10 km radius.**

5. **The District Collector**, then requested the airport representatives to make their presentation.

6. **The Head Projects, GHIAL** gave out the following details of their activities undertaken by them as part of Corporate Social Responsibility since the inception of airport under the aegis of GMR Varalakshmi Foundation (GMRVF).

- Social development activities are being implemented in six villages: Airport Colony (rehabilitation colony), Gollapally, Mammidipally, Chari Nagar, RN Thanda and Shamshabad.
- Mobile Medical Unit services are provided on regular basis to more than 20 villages surrounding the airport, irrespective of impact zone.
- Skill Development trainings are imparted to the local people to enable them to secure livelihood.
- The first English medium CBSE School "GMR Chinmaya Vidyalaya" was started in the year 2008. The school has a strength of 900 students from pre-school to 10<sup>th</sup> class.
- Vocational training for school dropouts with 100% placement support, benefiting more than 800 youth every year.
- Trained about 800 women in tailoring from surrounding villages
- Women are trained in making jute products and being provided with a work shed, where they produce different products of jute and cloth which are marketed through EMPOWER (Enabling Marketing of Products of Women Entrepreneurs).
- Micro entrepreneurs from affected villages like puncture shop, grocery store, Photocopy facility, saloon etc. are given opportunities to establish their unit at airport and doing good business.

7. **The District Collector** requested the public gathered at the venue of public hearing to offer their opinion, suggestions and views on the proposed project.
8. **Sri P. Venu Kumar Gowd, Counsellor, r/o Mamidipalli:** While welcoming the proposed expansion, he requested for provision of employment to the local people from his village, whose lands to an extent of 820 acres were acquired for setting up the airport. He felt elated as the name of the area attained international fame and became well known due to construction of international airport. He stated that people were facing hardship due to diversion of agriculture land and consequently the main occupation of the people was lost. He stated that the then Collector assured employment and cattle were supplied to supplement the income on subsidy. Most of the cattle could not survive as the cross breeds were not able to adjust to the local conditions. The people were left with debts and sought debt relief from the District Collector. He expressed his gratitude to the management of GMR for supplying books, uniforms and shoes to the pupil studying in Government School. He requested early completion of 150 feet P-7 road connecting his village. He has appealed to the management to undertake construction of additional class rooms as there is lack of accommodation in the existing premises. The land available in S. No.99 may be utilised for this purpose. He requested the management to assign 10-20% of contract works to the local people without insisting for the past experience, which would provide some sort of gainful employment to the displaced people.
9. **Sri Siddulu, Sarpanch, Gollapalli:** While welcoming the expansion of the Airport, he stated that land owners were paid Rs.4.50 lakhs, Rs.4.0 lakhs and Rs.3.50 lakhs to A, B & C types of lands. He stated that his Village gave most of the land to the airport and both the states Telangana and AP were benefited by the construction of this airport. He complained that there were no purchasers for the land, and the Panchayath also lost revenue due to inclusion of this village in G. O. Ms.No.111. Construction of godowns has been taken up as a source of revenue which is sufficient to meet the wages. He stated that the people could not get the jobs due to lack of education at that time. He lamented that the remaining land could not be sold or utilised for construction purpose due to restrictions imposed in G. O. Ms. No.111. He requested the Government to create conservancy fund and deposit the amount into Gram Panchayath account in view of the prevailing conditions. HMDA is not according permissions to any new constructions as per the condition stipulated in the GO. He thanked the GMR Airports Limited for undertaking infrastructure works in the surrounding villages. He expressed his gratitude to Airport authority for undertaking the construction of tanks to increase the storage capacity which resulted in improvement of Ground water table. He requested that sewage tanks should be sanctioned. He appreciated the GMR Varalakshmi Foundations initiative for adopting students to provide free education. He put forward his request to GMR



Varalakshmi Foundation to enhance the existing adoption quota u from existing 2-3 students per year to 10 students from Gollapally Village, being the major contributor of land to airport.

**At this juncture, the District Collector, Rangareddy District appealed to the public and public representatives to offer their views and suggestions in brief, avoid points already covered, in order to provide opportunity to all speakers. He amply clarified to the public not to dwell upon the issues related to GO. Ms. No.111 in this forum, as their views would not reach the attention of State Government. He informed the public that the State Government had formed a Committee to look into the issues arising out of GO.Ms. 111 and it would be appropriate to present their views before the said committee.**

10. **Sri Sunanda Reddy, Environmentalist, Hyderabad:** He supported the expansion of the existing Airport to cater to the needs of the people. He is of view that the area of the Airport is 5500 acres, out of which an extent of 500 acres are covered by buildings and other utilities. He suggested to develop Rain Water Harvesting structure to collect 30 crore litres of rain water in the remaining area and the RH structures would reduce the pressure on public water supply. Plants of fruit yielding type and medicinal plants to be planted as part of development of green belt. He has suggested the constitution of coordination Committee with representatives from the local stakeholders to take up demand oriented activities those are required by the local communities such as skill development to improve the opportunities for employment using CSR funds.
11. **Sri Md. Ahmadullah, r/o Pahadisheriff:** He supported the proposed expansion of Airport and appreciated the welfare activities undertaken by the GMR Varalakshmi Foundation to help the people in surrounding villages.
12. **Sri R. Sidheshwar, Sarpanch, Shamshabad:** He stated that Shamshabad became a notable place due to International Airport. At the same time, he expressed regrets that after acquisition of land for Airport, Shamshabad became a sewage sink. He felt that every additional flight leaving from the Airport would increase the adverse impact on the life of people due to increased intensity of air and noise pollution. He expressed surprise that GO No.111 prevented development, whereas the Airport could secure permission to expand its operations. He brought to the notice of Collector on the problems faced in Airport colony. He sought development of old PS road which was used during construction phase and now neglected. He expressed that most of the employees working in the airport are residing in Shamshabad and as the existing infrastructure is inadequate and the same needs to be improved on priority. He requested the District Collector to solve problem of disposal of solid waste generated in Shamshabad gram panchayat. He cited the insufficient funds

with gram panchayat and requested for more contribution from Airport. He appealed for adoption of Shamshabad village and opposed the proposed expansion of the Airport.

**13. Sri Sunil Menon, Representative of Cathay-Pacific Airways and Chairman, Hyderabad Airline Operators Committee:** On behalf of all the 23 Airlines operating from RGIA, he welcomed the proposal of airport expansion. He stated that due to spur in developmental activities within Telangana state, Hyderabad Airport witnessed impressive growth in air traffic and to meet the demand, they have increased their connectivity to Hyderabad. He expected that the Airport may attain 15 MPPA level by the end of March, 2017. He stressed the importance of increasing the capacity of Passenger terminal Building (PTB) to improve further efficient operations. He opined that RGIA became central conduit point for the South and Central India and to cater to their needs and hoped the speedy implementation of expansion programme.

**14. Smt Reverend Hana Joseph, CCM Homes, Voluntary Organisation, Shamshabad:** She has stated that 30 destitute girls are provided shelter and food in this orphanage and all are from poorest of poor sections of society. She expressed her gratitude to GMR Varalakshmi Foundation for timely help by way of providing food, clothing and sanitary needs of the girls. The foundation is also helping in supplying books, shoes and other requirements of inmates. She informed that the foundation also imparting training in various skills to secure employment. She requested the M/s. GMRHA Ltd to improve the drain flowing through the Shamshabad which posed a health hazard to the residents. While supporting the proposed expansion, she thanked once again for their timely help to the orphanage maintained by her.

**15. Sri Lawrence, Cargo Handling Agents Association:** While welcoming the expansion proposal, he gave a valuable suggestion that all buildings and roads should follow the norms of green building concept to save power consumption and also reduction in emissions. Carbon foot prints facility could be availed by adopting eco-friendly designs. He is of the opinion that photovoltaic panels shall be installed on all public and private buildings to reduce the emissions of Green House effect. He has also appreciated the steps taken by the Airport authorities in that direction.

**16. Sri Ratnam, Sarpanch, Tondupally:** While welcoming the proposed expansion of the Airport, he raised the issue of vehicles plying at High Speed in the Airport zone on the National Highway and it was virtually impossible and hazardous to cross the road by people on foot. He is of the opinion that a chain link fencing need to be erected on both sides of the National Highway to avert any possible accidents and obstructions to free flow of traffic between Aramghar to Palamakula stretch. Even stray cattle wandering on the road also obstructing



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traffic and free flow of passenger vehicles, thereby contributing to the delay in reaching the Airport in time. There were some instances of missing the flights due to traffic congestion on the road leading to the Airport. It is needless to say that most of the business in Shamshabad is dependent on the airport. He opposed construction of a long flyover connecting NH from Aramgarh to the Airport. He felt that the people from Telangana were not provided jobs and requested to provide permanent employment in the Airport. He requested for adoption of village to ensure all round development. He sought enhancement of compensation payable to the lands acquired for the Airport to Rs.9 lakhs per acre.

- 17. Sri Chandramohan Reddy, Head Master, ZPH School, Mamidipally:** He supported the expansion of the Airport as such an important public conveyance. He is highly appreciative for rendering necessary help to the pupil of local school by GMR Varalakshmi Foundation. He stated that computer training facilities were established in his school and pupils were imparted knowledge based on use of computer and latest technology. He is thankful that the Foundation is paying wages to the computer instructors and other staff engaged for this purpose. He requested the Airport Authorities to construct a new school on 2 acres site or expand the existing one by constructing additional class rooms and a link road to the school as several students from the surrounding villages would be able to utilise the best ever facilities created with the assistance of GMR Foundation.
- 18. Sri Srinivas Gowd, Vice-MPP, Shamshabad:** He supported the proposed expansion and appreciated the assistance rendered by the GMR Foundation by way of supplying books, shoes. He stated that the drainage posed the problem and really in bad shape. He requested the District Collector to pay a visit to the Airport Colony.
- 19. Sri Dayanand Gowd, r/o Shamshabad:** He stated that the people from surrounding villages gave their lands with a hope of getting permanent employment. Most of the persons were settled in the vicinity of the Airport and were subjected to air pollution. They were paid Rs.65,000/- per acre at the time of acquisition of land. He demanded payment of compensation on par with the A, B and C categories. He alleged that no permanent jobs were provided in the Airport as promised. Some of them are engaged as casual labourers by the contractors of the Airport on temporary basis and are made to work for about 12 hours a day. The resettlement colonies are presently depending on the drinking water supplies made by the GMR Airport, since the Government hasn't provided any other source of water supply to meet their regular needs. No cremation ground was earmarked in the new colonies. Sewerage system is absent and sewage is let out openly and poses health hazard. He demanded development should be undertaken on priority basis in the resettlement colonies and demanded rightful compensation to the lands acquired for locating the Airport.

**20. Sri Venu Gowd, MPP, Congress Party:** He expressed his resentment over the venue of Public hearing and felt that the same should have been held at Mandal head-quarters, Shamshabad. He demanded that the present hearing should be wound up and cancelled as people couldn't express freely in the project site, owned by the developer. He questioned the probity in permitting the expansion against the spirit of GO.Ms.No.111 which prohibited even construction of a dwelling for local inhabitants. He expressed surprise that airport was permitted to expand whereas the constructions made by the people were demolished. He also raised the issue of non-intimation of the public hearing to any of the political parties. He objected the veracity of the views expressed by the Head Master of Mamidipally High School, who is a non-resident of this area. He put forward the demand before the District Collector to take disciplinary action against the said Head Master for his unauthorized attendance in the public hearing. He has contended that an extent of 143 Acres of legal free hold land is available in Survey No. 725 at Shamshabad and requested the District Collector to consider this location for establishment of District headquarters as well as other offices. He alleged that the GMR Varalakshmi Foundation did precious little to the people except supply of books and shoes. He opined that farmers became labourers after losing their land. He demanded improvement of road connectivity to Shamshabad. He expressed his resentment over the way public hearing was being held and turned this as a fake one. He opposed to any permission accorded to the expansion of airport.

**21. Sri Narasimha Reddy, President-BJP, Rangareddy District:** He Stated that the airport came into operation in 2004. The people from the surrounding villages handed over the land with a hope of better living and in the interest of the development of the area. He wanted a survey to be conducted on the socio-economic status of the land oustees. He questioned the re-settlement of people in surrounding villages against the spirit of GO.Ms.No. 111. He demanded to know the particulars of the local people employed in the airport. He alleged that local people were not given any permanent employment and engaged as wage earners only. The wages paid to them are not commensurate to lead a decent living. He has contended that the Shamshabad road has developed potholes and the employees working in the Airport are leading miserable life on account of poor accessibility. He demanded the Government to amend the G. O. Ms. No.111 to remove discrimination.

**22. Sri Vijay Reddy, Environmentalist, Nalgonda:** He stated that Art.21 of the Constitution vested the people with the right to living which means people can live on agriculture or animal husbandry. As per the provisions of Company Act, Government of India, 5% of the total profit of the organization/Industry shall be allocated for CSR activities. It is pertinent to note that the GMR group is taking up various community welfare activities through their foundation. He suggested to constitute a committee with members from surrounding villages instead of



GMR Varalakshmi Foundation to oversee the CSR activities. It is understood that the wages paid to the workmen is not commensurate with the living standards and requested to enhance the wage from Rs.8,000/- to Rs. 10,000/-. He suggested obtaining baseline data of 2002 and comparing the changes to ascertain the progress actually made on account of loss of occupations on agriculture and conversion of a large chunk of land of about 5,500 acres for non-agriculture purposes and its consequential effect on the inhabitants. Impact on ecology should be ascertained by way of increase or decrease of number of peacocks in this region. Rain Water Harvesting structures to conserve rain water shall be taken up to reduce the dependence on external sources. He demanded that his suggestions should be incorporated in the final EIA and EMP report.

**23. Sri K. Ganesh Goud, Advocate, Peddagollapalli:** He opined that the expansion of existing Airport would result in additional acquisition of land in addition to the existing extent of 5495 acres of land. He wanted to know the extent of land proposed to be acquired for expansion of the existing Airport and direction of expansion envisaged.

**24. Sri Bikshapathi, r/o Airport Colony:** He supported the proposed expansion and appreciated the GMR Foundation for undertaking several skill development activities. He has cited his own example who is presently living as photographer with studio.

**25. Sri K. Narasimha Gowd, r/o Airport Colony:** He applauded the contribution of GMR Foundation in implementing welfare activities and in imparting skill development training. He wanted that infrastructure to be improved in the surrounding villages. He pointed out about poor sewerage system. He lamented against the demolition of Committee Hall in Airport Colony as the structure was constructed without permission of the competent authority. He cited the example of poor working conditions and Rs. 150/- is paid as wages to women labourers working under the contractors. While supporting the expansion of the Airport, he demanded payment of minimum stipulated wages to workmen.

**26. Sri. J. Ravinder, Para-Legal Voluntary Organisation:** While supporting the proposed expansion, he alleged that the local contractors from surrounding villages were not considered for the award of works within airport. He requested the Airport authority to consider them as a special case and award works under the expansion project.

**27. Sri. C Sailu, NGO, Nalgonda:** He supported the expansion of the Airport from 12 MPPA to 25 MPPA and cargo handling from 1 lakh TPA to 3 lakh TPA. He appreciated the work undertaken by GMR Foundation for improving the living standard of the people and urged the Airport authority to take up developmental activities in the surrounding villages. He requested the large scale planting of trees in surrounding area by engaging the women, which would help in providing productive employment to the deprived section of people.

- 28. Sri Janardhan Reddy, NGO & Social Activist:** While supporting the expansion of the existing airport, he wanted the Airport authority to bestow their attention to the problems enumerated by the land oustees as well as villagers. He sought the Authority to give priority to award works to the local contractors.
- 29. Sri Prabhu, r/o Gollapalli:** He initiated his speech with the problem of traffic being faced while commuting between Shamshabad and his village. He alleged that there was no food to eat as the people lost their livelihood due to acquisition of their land for the establishment of Airport. The amount released by Government to Gram Panchayaths are not reaching the deprived villagers. There are no other venues for employment to the land oustees. The people were settled in the vicinity of the Airport were exposed to the day and night operations of flights. He cited his own example of dumbness due to noise levels. He complained over Fire Engines not reaching in time to his village when any fire takes place. He requested for a fire station in his village. He once again brought to the notice of Collector on the difficulty faced while turning to his village road from Bengaluru highway and requested for acquiring the extent causing congestion.
- 30. Sri H. Madhu Babu, Environmentalist:** While supporting the expansion of the Airport, he urged the Authority to take effective steps to protect the environment during expansion of airport. He acknowledged the good work done by GMR Foundation and requested to consider the possibility of involving other social NGOs also for widening the scope of CSR activities.
- 31. Sri Chennakesava Reddy, NGO, Nalgonda:** While supporting the proposal for expansion of the airport, he requested the airport to implement the suggestions given by him. He suggested that land oustees and farmers should be given direct employment and assist them to compensate the loss of livelihood. He stressed the need to conserve the flora and fauna within the 10 Km radius around the impact zone. Peacocks should be protected as this is our national bird. The Airport authorities should ensure payment of minimum wages of Rs. 350/- by their contractors, to meet the ends of justice.
- 32. Sri S. Venkat Reddy, NGO, Nalgonda:** He stated that Telangana Government accorded priority for improving the infrastructure including expansion of existing facilities. He stressed the need to maintain the good environment for better and healthy living. He pointed out that industrialists were primarily responsible for degradation of environment, consequently, the responsibility of restoration of quality of environment rested with them only. He cited the established principle of "Polluter Pays" in support of his argument. He alleged that minimum wages were not paid to the workers and demanded justice. He also cited the example of non-provision of service roads to the NH-65 which resulted in frequent accidents as NH-65 was constructed by the same Group. He demanded that CSR funds should be utilised for development of local infrastructure such as roads,



drinking water supply and sewerage systems. He stressed the need to implement Harita Haram programme implemented by the Government. The same programme should be supported under CSR, which would reduce the adverse impacts of pollution and ensure healthy environment to the local residents. He demanded employment to the local people and recommended to MoEF to accord permission for airport expansion.

**33. Sri Nanda Kishore, r/o Shamshabad:** He complained about non-intimation of the public hearing to the local people and alleged that majority of the public who attended from surrounding villages are beneficiaries of the GMR Varalakshmi foundation. He further stated that air pollution caused greater impact by degradation of health. He demanded for the establishment of 100 bed hospital to cater to the needs of the people of surrounding villages. Several casual workers were engaged and wages were under paid. Even the drivers from the local areas were not accorded priority. The land oustees should be provided with facilities and demanded the provision of foot over bridges at Shamshabad. The airport authority is in the habit of changing the contractors for various works which resulted in displacement of contract labourers. This resulted in loss of livelihood to some of the members. He demanded appointment of labour, PF and ESI officials specially to look after the problems of contract labour. Shamshabad RR Colony is not assigned any door numbers, consequently the residents were deprived of water supply connections. He invited the attention about the congestion on the ramp and the discomfort faced by the passengers arriving and departing from airport. He complained against the traffic police for imposing hefty fines due to traffic violations arising out of inadequate service roads. He demanded rail connectivity to airport and RTC bus connectivity for the benefit of common people.

**34. The District Collector, Rangareddy District requested the airport representatives to offer their replies/clarifications to the issues raised by various speakers during the course of meeting.**

**35. Sri Ramesh Babu, Principal Associate, GMR Group:** In response to the views expressed by the speakers in the meeting, he offered point-wise replies to the issues related to the airport, which is as follows:-

- Regarding GO.Ms. No.111, the matter was clarified by the District Collector in his remarks during the course of proceedings.
- Regarding employment opportunities, he has clarified that an action plan will be implemented to fulfil the aspirations of the people.
- With respect to the demands made on the infrastructure facilities such as Roads, Sewerage & Drainage, Burial grounds, Dumping Yards and Community Halls, he has agreed that these are genuine requirements and he assured to pursue with the concerned Government Authorities.
- The airport is in the forefront in implementation of Pollution Control measures. The conditions stipulated by the MoEF&CC and TSPCB are being


implemented without any deviations and it is assured that the same will be continued in future also.

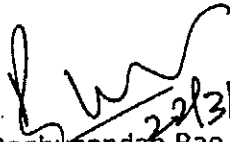
- Several requests from local sarpanches and representatives of local bodies have been received. The demands will be looked into and will be placed before the Board of Directors for taking appropriate decisions.
- Regarding additional land acquisition for expansion purpose, it is clarified that no additional acquisition of land is envisaged for the present expansion. The expansion involves mainly the extension of existing terminal building and associated facilities.
- Regarding the congestion at the ramp, the present expansion will address all these problems and increase the facilities to the passengers.
- Suggestions regarding the adoption of villages will be placed before the Board of Directors for their consideration.
- The scope of CSR activities will be examined in depth as suggested by several speakers and required improvements will be effected.
- Regarding Vijayawada Highway, it is clarified that the constructions have been carried out as per the scope of work framed by NHAI and any further changes in the scope of work need to be made by NHAI only.
- Regarding payment of minimum wages, it is clarified that the airport is complying with all the statutory rules and regulations. The records are always made available for verification by the Department concerned. A commitment has been given to comply with the rules and regulations governing the minimum wages.

The District Collector in his concluding remarks stated that 26 speakers offered their views. Several public representatives, environmentalists and social activists have dwelt at length on important issues which are noted for taking necessary action by deputing the officers concerned for detailed field verifications. All issues raised during the proceedings will be looked into by the District Administration as well as the Government.

The District Collector concluded the public hearing on positive note with an assurance that the views expressed by the people gathered at the venue will be minuted and all written representations received in connection with the PH will also be enclosed for sending it to the Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Govt. of India, New Delhi for taking further action.

**Representations received in this connection are enclosed herewith. List of the public participated in the public hearing is appended.**

  
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