Minutes of the 9th meeting of the Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority held on 14-03-2002 at Committee Room, 5th floor, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32

The following were present:

1) Shri Ravi Budhiraja.
Principal Secretary,
Environment & Energy Department
Govt. of Maharashtra,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.

Member

Chairman

Shri D.K. Shankaran
 Principal Secretary (Revenue)
 Department of Revenue & Forest,
 Govt. of Maharashtra,
 Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.

Member

Dr.Leela Bhosale,
 Department of Botany,
 Shivaji University,
 Kolhapur

Member

4) Dr.Hrishikesh Samant, Lecturer, Department of Zoology, St.Xavier's Colllege, Mumbai

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Member-Secretary

5) Dr. Munshi Lal Gautam, Member Secretary, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Mumbai-1.

Shri Ramanand Tiwari, Principal Secretary, Urban Development, Govt.of Maharashtra, Member, Shri S. Ayyappan, Member and Shri S.K. Gupta, Head of the Deptt.., C.E.S.E., I.I.T. Powai, Mumbai Member could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was sought by them, which was granted by the Chairman.

The matter placed before the Authority were discussed in detail. Following is the gist of the discussions and decision taken.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the 8th Meeting of the Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority held on 8.2.2002.

The minutes of the 8th meeting of the Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority held on 8.2.2002 were circulated amongst the members vide letter bearing No.MCZMA/144, dated 2.03.2002 with a request to forward suggestions, comments if any. No comments/suggestions were received from the members. The minutes were read and confirmed.

Item No.2: In the High Court of Judicature at Mumbai
Writ Petition No.2269 of 2001 filed by
Om Namo Sujalam Safalam Co.Op. Hsg.Soc. Ltd. & Ors
V/s
Chief Executive Officer, Slum Rehabilitation Authority & Ors.

The Member Secretary of the Authority gave a brief background of the Petition. He informed that the Petitioner has challenged the CRZ remarks made in respect of property bearing Survey No.378. Hissa No.1 (Part) of village Kole Kalyan, CTS Nos.7627, 7627/1 to 852 totally admeasuring 27,530 Sq.yards (2300 sq.mtrs.). The Petitioners are developing the plot under the Slum Rehabilitation Scheme. As per the Petitioners, first phase of 2 buildings under the SRA Scheme is already completed and the IOD & CC for the remaining buildings have already been issued and sanctioned. The Petitioners have alleged that the Slum Rehabilitation Authority vide letter dated 13.2.2001 for the first time informed the Petitioners their inability to approve the amended plan for SRA scheme as the plot under reference is affected by Coastal Regularity Zone.

It was further informed that the Hon'ble High Court vide its order dated 12.2.2002 referred the matter to the Authority to ascertain whether the Petitioner's land is affected by CRZ notification and to make a report to the Court within a period of 6 weeks.

After hearing the Petitioners as well as the report of the Respondent, it was decided to visit the area in question by the members of the Authority and then submit a report to the Hon'ble High Court. It was decided to request the Hon'ble High Court to give time upto 30th June, 2002.

Item No.3: To extend an opportunity of hearing to the representatives of Gorai Machhimar Sahakari Sanstha & Bombay Environmental Action Group as well as the Respondent M/s.Pan India Paryatan Ltd.

The item could not be discussed and was deferred to the next meeting.

Item No.4: Proposal for redevelopment of slum properties bearing CTS Nos.30(pt), 31(pt) of Village Juhu and CTS No.195 (pt) of Village Andheri under Slum Rehabilitation Scheme for New Sangamner C.H.S. Ltd., and New Kapas Wadi Juhu Ekta Co.Op. Hsg. Society Ltd.,

The item could not be discussed and was deferred to the next meeting.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.