Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Integrated Regional Office Bengaluru - 34

MONITORING REPORT

PART I

EP/12.1/ 2017-18/13/KAR

- 1. Name of the Projects
- Setting up Molasses based Distillery at M Chandragi Village, Ramdurg Taluk, Belagavi District, Karnataka by M/s Yaragatti Sugars Pvt Ltd.
- 2. Establishment of non-molasses based distillery of 120 KLPD capacity at Sy. Nos. 181/1, 181/2, 181/3, 181/3, 181/4, 181/5, 185/1, 185/2 of M Chandragi Village, Ramdurg Taluk, Belagavi District, Karnataka by M/s Yaragatti Sugars Pvt Ltd. Amendment in EC
- 2 Clearance letters No.& date
- 1. J-11011/325/2016-IA-II(I) dated 8th January, 2018.
- 2. J-11011/325/2016-IA-II(I) dated 3rd December, 2021.
- 3 Location: District & State/UT

M Chandragi Village, Ramdurg Taluk, Belagavi District, Karnataka.

4 Address for Correspondence:

Authorized Signatory,

M/s Yaragatti Sugars Pvt Ltd (YSPL). Hill Garden, Anna Road, Gokak Belagavi District, Karnataka - 591 307.

5 Date of site visit for this report

21.07.2022

6 Date of previous visit(s) if any

Brief report:

The above-mentioned project was monitored on 21.07.2022 by this office. Mr. Mahesh - AGM – Distillery and others of project persons were present during the inspection.

i. Environmental Clearance: Initially, PA has obtained EC from Ministry vide number J-11011/325/2016-IA II(I) dated 8th January, 2018 for setting up 120 KLPD molasses-based distillery (Rectified Spirit/ENA/Absolute Alcohol) with incineration boiler to generate 5MW power.

Thereafter, PA has obtained EC amendment from Ministry vide number J-11011/325/2016-IA II(I) dated 3rd December, 2021 for establishment of non – molasses based distillery of 120 KLPD (grain & Cane juice) category 'B' to produce Ethanol, 3 MW of power from Co-gen unit, Condensate polishing unit (CPU) for treating spent lees/washing, condensate etc., Raw spent wash shall be forwarded for bio-methanation followed by concentration in MEE & concentrated spent wash shall be dried to form powder in dryer.

During the visit, PA has informed that the project was not established due to court case (W.P. No. 60683/2012(GM-RES)) pending before Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Dharwad Bench. The petition withdrawn by applicant and copy of the order enclosed as <u>Annexure - I</u>.

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ii. Consent for Establishment: Based on the records, PA has obtained Consent for establish from KSPCB, Karnataka vide no vide no CTE 306432/PCBID 38672 dated 15th June, 2018 which is valid up to 27.04.2023 for discharge of effluents under the water (prevention and control of pollution) Act 1974 and emissions under the air (prevention and control of pollution) Act 1981.

During the visit, it was noted that the project site was vacant without any construction activity. Based on the records submitted during the site visit, it was noted that PA has obtained necessary clearance from various departments and has complied following primary EC conditions:

- 1. PA has obtained NOC from Dy. Commissioner, Belagavi vide no Kra. Kamsha/Ka Bhu Su (109)/ vi. va 09/2016-17 dated 18.04.2016 and Kra. Kamsha/Ka Bhu Su(109)/ vi. va 13/2016-17 09. 11.2016 for purchase land 105 acre 09 guntas area for industrial use.
- 2. PA has obtained Industrial Entrepreneur Memorandum (IEM) certificate from Department of Industrial Policy vide no 3832/SIA/IMO/2011 dated 26.09.2016 for the manufacture of Rectified sprit/ Ethyl alcohol/ Extra Natural alcohol/Ethanol.
- 3. PA has obtained consent for establishment vide no CTE 306432/PCBID 38672 dated 15th June, 2018 which is valid up to 27.04.2023.
- 4. PA has obtained NOC from K. Chandragi Gram Panchayat vide no nil dated 20.07.2016 for to establish 120 KLPD distillery.
- 5. PA has submitted copy of the advertisement to this office. As per records, PA has published in Prajavani (Kannada) and Deccan Herald (English) on 12th January, 2018.
- 6. PA has submitted to a copy of EC to M. Chandargi village.
- 7. Six-monthly EC compliance reports are submitted to this office and uploaded on their website.
- 8. PA has uploaded the Environmental clearance copy.

The project proponent now intends to go for expansion of Distillery capacity from 120KLPD to 400 KLPD for meeting the <u>National Demand of Bioethanol under the Ethanol Blending Program (EBP)</u>. Hence has sought the certified compliance report. Based on the records, observations made during the inspection and information provided by PA, the project is in zero phase. Photographs showing the present status of the project site are enclosed as Fig. 1-4. Most of the EC conditions are pertains to construction/operation phase. Hence, the point wise EC compliance status cannot be ascertained at this stage.

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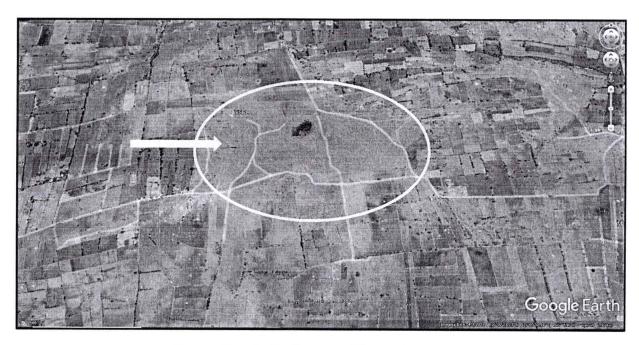


Fig. 1. Google Earth map of the project area.

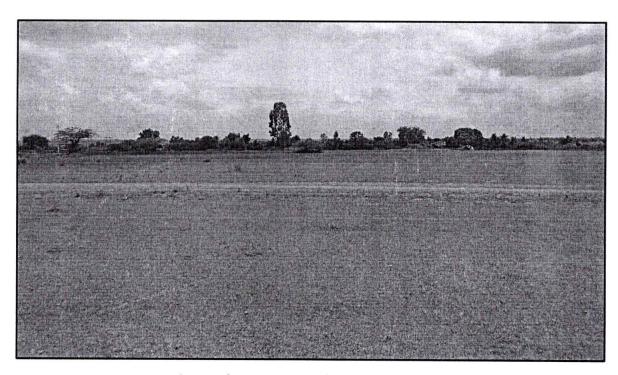


Fig. 2. The project site during the site visit.

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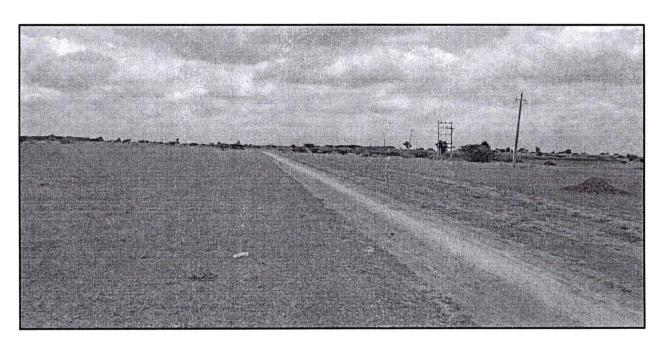


Fig.3. Access roads from M Chandragi village to project site.

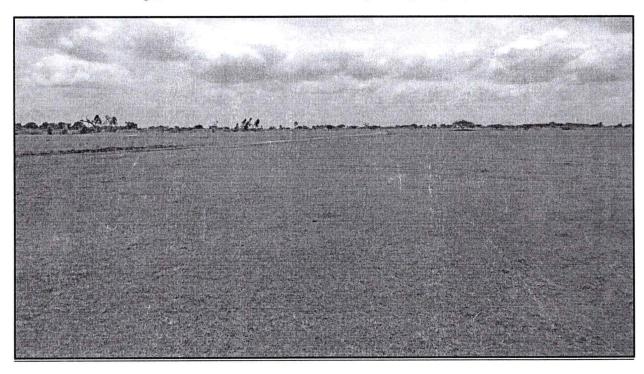


Fig.4. Project area during site visit.