

BEFORE THE HON. NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL,  
WESTERN ZONE BENCH, PUNE

ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO. 181/2024 (WZ)

EARLIER ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO. 1104/2024(PB) LP

NEWS ITEM TITLED "MAHARASHTRA: 22 WORKERS INJURED IN BOILER  
EXPLOSION AT STEEL FACTORY IN JALNA"  
APPEARING IN INDIA TV DATED 24.08.2024

1. Member Secretary,  
Maharashtra State Pollution Control Board (MSPCB) ..... Respondent No. 1
2. Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jalna, Maharashtra. ... Respondent No. 2
3. Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation,  
Jalna, Maharashtra. ... Respondent No. 3
4. Gajkeshari Steel Mill, through  
its Administrative Head ... Respondent No. 4
5. Directorate of Industrial Safety & Health  
Kamgar Bhavan, 5th Floor, C-20, E-Block  
Opp. RBI, Bandra-Kurla Complex Bandra (E), Mumbai-400051 ..... Respondent No. 5



20/02/2026

## ADDITIONAL AFFIDAVIT ON BEHALF OF OFFICIAL RESPONDENT NO.5

1, Mr. Pramod Surse, Age 46 years, working as Joint Director, Directorate of Industrial Safety and Health, Chh. Sambhajinagar do hereby solemnly affirm and state as under:

1. I say that I am working as Joint Director, Directorate of Industrial Safety and Health .
2. I say that the additional affidavit is being filed in compliance with the interim order dated 07 January 2026 passed by the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Western Zone Bench, Pune, in Original Application No. 1104/2024.
3. I say that pursuant to the said interim order, the Respondent Industry has submitted the following remedial measures, which is verified by visiting along with Deputy Director, DISH.

### 1. Immediate Actions Taken:

#### a. Compensation and Support:

Factory management have processed the compensation payments to the dependents of the deceased workers and provided financial assistant to the injured workers. The compensation details are submitted. (Annexure 1)

#### b. Hospitalization Expenses:

All expenses incurred towards the hospitalization and treatments of the injured workers have been paid by the factory. Details of the said expenses are being submitted separately. (Annexure 2).

### Remedial Measures

- a. Wet charge material, sealed scrap like fire extinguisher, cylinders, containers are all safety hazards that can lead to catastrophic explosions in induction furnace. By diligently examining

screening & treating scrap properly, training & retraining workers are the remedial measures to avoid splashing of material from furnace Dryers and preheaters helps to removal of water and moisture before the scrap enters the furnace. Seal containers contains combustible material will explode before the scrap melts itself.

Triple checks to avoid splashing by such reasons mg-/ has implemented have been implemented to ensure proper segregation of scrap material. Scrap is segregated at the time of unloading, After unloading in the scrap yard and cross-checked by the melter before charging into the furnace. Closed containers and hazardous materials are being identified and segregated with trained manpower to prevent accidents.

**b. Improvement in Safety Curtains:**

Two inductions Furnace are installed in a factory adjacent to each other. When one furnace is working, other is under maintenance for use in next cycle. There should be safely curtains in between so that the workers can be protected from splashing.

A metallic safety curtain of sufficient size has been provided in between the working furnace and the furnace on which maintenance work is carried out, which provides protection to workers from splashing of molten metal. The effectiveness of the safety curtain is reviewed periodically and improvements are carried out wherever necessary.

**c. Safety Equipment and Personal Protective:** Approximate personal protective equipments (PPEs) protect melts shop workers from both metal splash and radiant heat.

The management is taking all reasonably practicable measures for the safety of workers. Heat resistant safety aprons, goggles, helmets, shoes, gloves and other personal protective equipment are being regularly provided. Safety protocols have been revised and additional safety personnel have been appointed to ensure mandatory usage of safety equipment while working near or operating furnaces. Regular safety training sessions are being conducted to reinforce the importance of safety practices.

**d. Maintenance of Work Areas:**

Scrap material and obstructions are being regularly cleared from furnace platforms, floors and passages Work areas are maintained in safe working condition. Any scattering of scrap material was promptly removed and housekeeping measures have been reinforced.

**e. Regular Audits:**

Regular safety audits are being instituted to ensure compliance with all applicable safety regulations and standards. The factory management has carried out safety Audit as per Maharashtra Factories ( Safety Audit) Rule 2014 dated -12/09/2024.

F. The material is transferred by using magnet. To avoid material fall from height due to failure of electricity, the power backup shall be available to avoid fall of material and will operate immediately. Two generators are used in the factory for to purpose of backup, which will switch on immediately offer failure of electricity.

**VERIFICATION**

I, the above named deponent, do hereby verify that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and nothing material has been concealed there from.



**Mr. Pramod Surse**  
Joint Director

Directorate of Industrial Safety and Health  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Kamgar Kalyan Bhavan, Kotwalpura,  
Chh.Sambhajinagr.

**JOINT DIRECTOR**  
**INDUSTRIAL SAFETY AND HEALTH**  
**MARATHWADA REGION**  
**CHHATRAPATI SAMBHAJINAGAR**

Cin No. : U27100MH2004PTC144222

**GAJKESARI STEELS & ALLOYS PVT. LTD.**

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Date: 12.02.2026

To,  
The Joint Director  
Industrial Safety and health  
Chh.Sambajinagar

**Subject: Remedial Measures Carried Out in Our Factory**

Respected Sir,

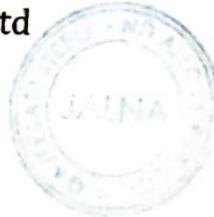
With reference to the above subject, we have taken all necessary remedial measures as a suggest by you after the accident in our factory.

The details are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,  
For Gajkesari Steels and Alloys Pvt Ltd

  
Authorized Signatory



GAJKESARI STEELS AND ALLOYS PVT LTD  
 PLOT NO F-18/19 ADDL MIDC PHASE II  
 JALNA-431203

ANNEXURE -1

Details Compensation paid to the dependents

Sr. No.	Patient Name	Salary	Body Effect Part	Burn Percentage	status	Patient Period	Days in Hospital	Compensation Amount	Insurance Amount Direct Deposited to WC Court	TOTAL
1	Ranjit Pralapati	15000.00	Major	84 to 88	Death	24-08-2024	4	1588425.00	600000.00	2188425.00
2	Pitvasu Jena	16500.00	Major	83 to 87	Death	24-08-2024	4	1,493900.00	661000.00	1954900.00
3	Ramdayal Durve	17000.00	Major	80 to 85	Death	24-08-2024	4	1660275.00	550000.00	2210275.00
4	Krishana Yadav	15500.00	Major	72 to 80	Death	24-08-2024	3	1477850.00	250000.00	1727850.00
5	Ramshreeth	30000.00	Major	75 to 80	Death	24-08-2024	1	1270800.00	700000.00	1970800.00
6	Manat Vitke	16000.00	Major	70 to 75	Death	24-08-2024	6	1459800.00	600000.00	2059800.00
7	Kamrinal Ulkey	16000.00	Face/Chest/Upper Limb/Back	47 to 50	Death	24-08-2024	53	1544625.00	600000.00	2144625.00
8	Tulsiram Durve	16000.00	Major	67 to 70	Discharge	24-08-2024	35			
9	Sunil Oraon	15500.00	Face/Back/Upper Limb/Lower Limb	52 to 55	Discharge	24-08-2024	29			
10	Sonu Uhake	15500.00	Face/Chest/Upper Limb/Lower Limb	55 to 56	Discharge	24-08-2024	30			
11	Suraj Oraon	17000.00	Back/ Upper Limb	36 to 40	Discharge	24-08-2024	2			
12	Manojkumar Rai	14000.00	Upper Limb	4 to 5	Discharge	24-08-2024	2			
13	Moh. Raffiquddin Mod. Usman	15500.00	Right Upper Limb/Right Lower Limb	35 to 40	Discharge	24-08-2024	93			
14	Shubham Shailendra Rai	15000.00	Back/ Upper Limb/ Lower Limb	45 to 50	Discharge	24-08-2024	3			
15	Guddu Ram Rai	15000.00	Face/Back/Upper Limb/Lower Limb	35 to 37	Discharge	24-08-2024	46			
16	Manoj Kumar Bisaram Rai	12000.00	Face/Back/ Right Upper Limb	27 to 30	Discharge	24-08-2024	46			
17	Vijal Kumar	25000.00	Chest/Lower Limb	10 to 12	Discharge	24-08-2024	14			
18	Alhuddin Ansari	16000.00	Leg Fracture	0	Discharge	24-08-2024	12			
19	Ashok Ramprasad	22000.00	Leg Fracture	0	Discharge	24-08-2024	10			

They are not liable for any specific Compensation Amount However the company has paid regular salary for the period under treatment & Recovery



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JALNA-431203

DETAILS OF EXPENSE INCURRED TOWARDS THE HOPITALIZATION AND TREATMENTS OF WORKERS

Sr. No	Patient Name	Status	Hospital Bill	Medical Bill	Lab/Blood/X-ray	Total	Hospital	Patient Period	Day
1	Ranjit Prajapati	Death	152900.00	96946.00	23750.00	273596.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	4
2	Pitvasu Jena	Death	180400.00	91780.00	27400.00	299580.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	4
3	Ramdayal Durve	Death	138000.00	56355.00	20300.00	214655.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	4
4	Krishana Yadav	Death	149000.00	65338.00	22350.00	236688.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	3
5	Ramshreth Ram	Death	57400.00	23243.00	5700.00	86343.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	1
6	Manat Vathe	Death	391500.00	334741.00	60618.00	786859.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	6
7	Tulsiram Durve	Dishcharge	1819600.00	2868078.00	134500.00	4822178.00	Bembe	24-08-2024	43
8	Kantilal Ulkey	Death	847900.00	656211.00	171000.00	1521211.00	Dahiphale	24-08-2024	35
9	Sunil Oraon	Dishcharge	242880.00	107878.00	102000.00	452758.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	29
10	Sonu Uhake	Dishcharge	49760.00	26770.00	0.00	76530.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	3
11	Suraj Oraon	Dishcharge	2656800.00	1648788.00	18750.00	4324338.00	Dahiphale	27-08-2024	90
12	Manoj kumar Rai	Dishcharge	290160.00	107953.00	106400.00	504513.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	30
13	Ajruddin Ansari	Dishcharge	65220.00	156352.00	439400.00	660972.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	46
14	Moh. Raffiquddin Mod. Khan	Dishcharge	19790.00	59182.00	55000.00	133972.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	12
15	Shubham Shailendra Rai	Dishcharge	2425800.00	1231338.00	19550.00	3676688.00	Dahiphale	01-09-2024	85
16	Guddu Ram	Dishcharge	130740.00	59910.00	0.00	190650.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	7
17	Manoj Kumar Bisaram Rai	Dishcharge	49850.00	37910.00	44000.00	131760.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	3
18	Vishal Kumar	Dishcharge	2032800.00	1459612.00	13450.00	3505862.00	Dahiphale	27-08-2024	71
19	Ashok Ramprasad	Dishcharge	99040.00	143702.00	437000.00	679742.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	46
			18730.00	0.00	0.00	18730.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	2
			70040.00	51204.00	87000.00	208244.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	34
			26909.00	39954.00	55000.00	121863.00	Om Hosp.	24-08-2024	10
						<b>Gr.Total</b>			
						<b>2,29,27,732.00</b>			



Whichever scrap truck comes from outside, it is properly checked as to which scrap material has come.



जो भी बाहर से स्कैप का ट्रक आता है, प्रॉपर तरीका से चेक किया जाता है कि कौन सा स्कैप मैटेरियल आया है



Scrap is unloaded from the truck using magnets or grippers.



मैग्नेट या ग्रिपर के द्वारा ट्रक  
से स्कैप उतार के नीचे रखा जाता है।



After placing it down,  
it is checked by the  
Grader & helpers to  
ensure that no closed remain in it.



इसे नीचे रखने के बाद,  
ग्रेडर और हेल्पर इसे चेक करते हैं  
ताकि यह पक्का हो सके कि इसमें  
कोई बंद चीज न रह जाए।



Whatever closed material is found inside the scrap is cut using gas cutting.



जो भी बंद मटेरियल स्क्रेप के अंदर मिलता है उसको गैस कटिंग से कटिंग किया जाता है।



The scrap is sent to the furnace through magnets and graper.



स्क्रेप को मैग्नेट और ग्रेपर के  
जरिए फर्नेस भेजा जाता है।



After sorting the scrap,  
it is put into a bundle  
press machine from where  
bundles come out.



स्क्रेप को छांटने के बाद,  
इसे बंडल प्रेस मशीन में डाला जाता है,  
जहां से बंडल निकलते हैं।



The workers who stay on the furnace are given proper PPE's and full body apron. A pull pit has been made for additional protection from the furnace.



फर्नेस पर रहने वाले वर्कर्स को सही च्च और फुल बॉडी एप्रन दिया जाता है। फर्नेस से एक्स्ट्रा प्रोटेक्शन के लिए एक पुल पिट बनाया गया है।



A dug house is used  
above the furnace..



फर्नेस के ऊपर डग हाउस  
का प्रयोग होता है।



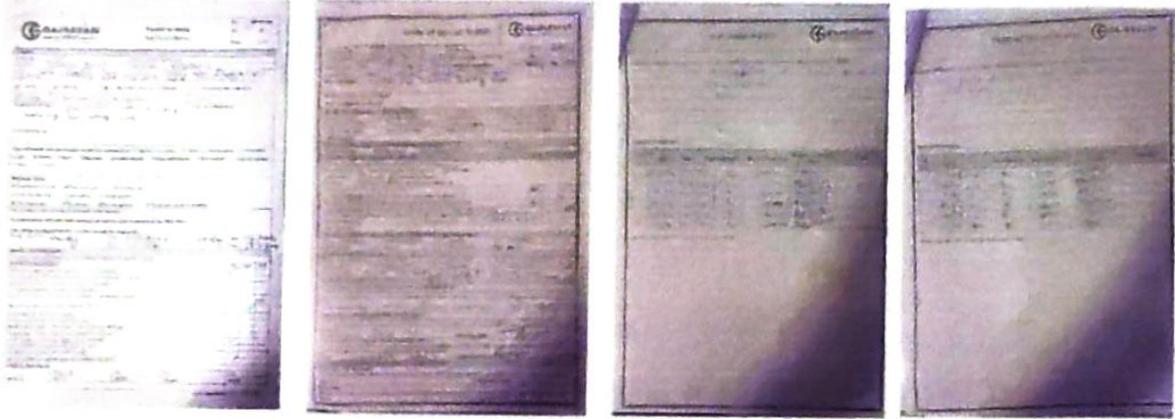
TBT Training  
Checklist is done  
on regular basis in  
the company.



कंपनी में टीबीटी ट्रेनिंग  
चेकलिस्ट रेगुलर बेसिस  
पर किया जाता है।



A work permit system has been implemented within the company.



कंपनी के अंदर वर्क  
परमिट सिस्टम  
लगाया गया है।



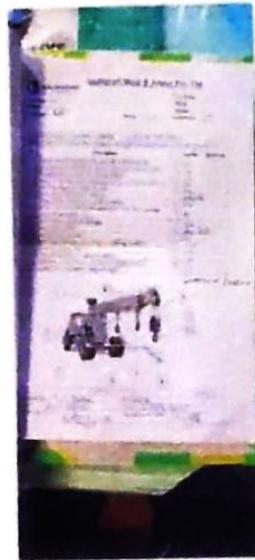
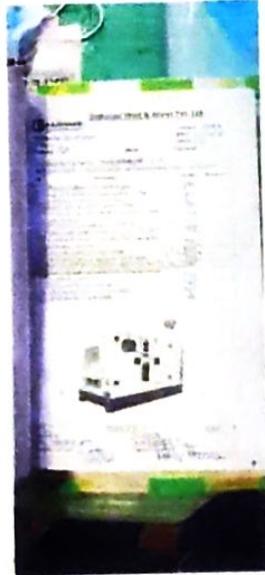
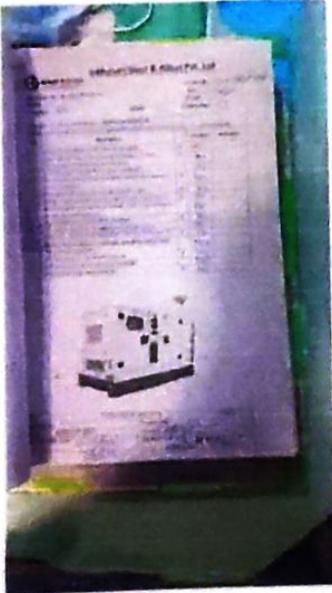
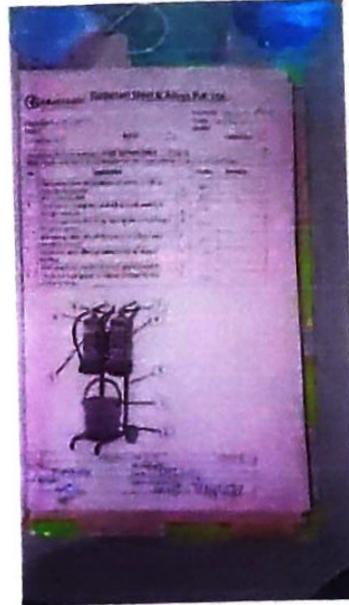
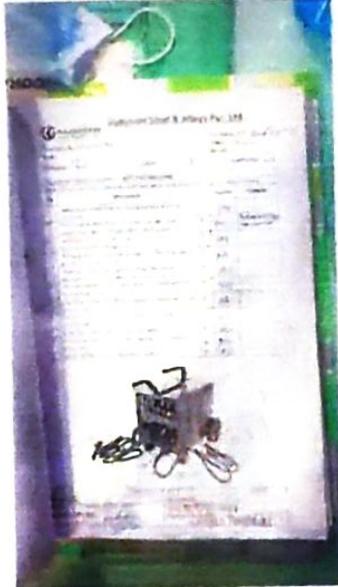
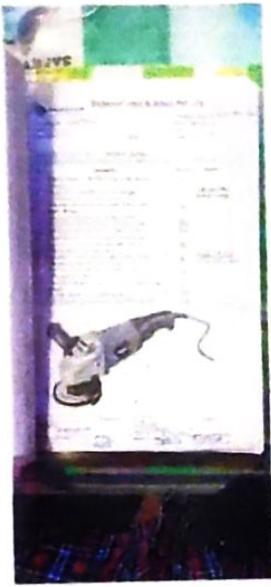
To ensure that the environment inside the company does not become dirty, arrangements for bathroom and toilet have been made inside the company. A freezer has also been installed for water.



कंपनी के अंदर का माहौल गंदा न हो, इसके लिए कंपनी के अंदर बाथरूम और टॉयलेट का इंतजाम किया गया है। पानी के लिए एक फ्रीजर भी लगाया गया है।



We fill up the checklist of the equipment that remains, which is as follows..



जो इक्विपमेंट रहता है उसका हम लोग चेकलिस्ट फिल अप करते हैं जो इस प्रकार है।



A shining board with slogan and speed meter has been installed inside the company..



कंपनी के अंदर स्लोगन और स्पीड मीटर का शाइनिंग बोर्ड लगाया गया है।



