



# **Environmental Protection Agency**

## **Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the application for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed project:

***Bibi Khan- W & S Poultry Farm – Poultry Rearing Facility at Lot 3 South Section Canal # 2 Polder, West Bank Demerara.***

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The reasons for its decision include:

1. The proposed site for the facility has been considered as appropriate for the activity by the Central Housing and Planning Authority (CH&PA) and, it is not located within very close proximity to similar activities which may contribute to cumulative environmental impacts.
2. Particulate matter/ dust pollution can be mitigated by the constant wetting of surroundings so as to safeguard residents from this nuisance; employees can utilize PPE where necessary.
3. Odour nuisance can be mitigated by implementing suitable waste management practices, which include:
  - Regularly cleaning and topping up of litter in pens to ensure that litter remains dry and reduce odour emissions into the environment.
  - Used litter will be stored in a covered area and kept dry until it is collected by farmers.
4. Mitigation measures for waste management include:
  - Construction (Rehabilitation): it was indicated that a bin will be rented from a reputable waste disposal company, and placed at the construction area to discard of waste during the rehabilitation phase. This bin will then be removed as often as necessary by the respective disposal company.
  - Operation: To mitigate the impacts from waste generated from the daily operation of the facility, it is expected that for: Solid Waste - The litter is expected to be utilised for farming purposes, and dead birds will be buried or given to pig



farmers. Similarly, for Domestic Waste - These waste materials will be disposed of by Puran Brothers' Disposal Services.

On the other hand, Liquid waste: is generated from the cleaning of the pen and drinking water of the birds. A drainage canal is located immediately to the North of the facility; hence any liquid waste is disposed into this drain.

Hazardous waste: the facility does not utilize or produce hazardous wastes.

5. The project is considered as a small-scale operation. Therefore, the environmental impact significance is expected to remain at a low level throughout the various phases of the project, once all mitigation measures are implemented. As such, it is recommended that this project be exempt from the requirement of any further environmental study.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

### **Project Summary Tab**

<https://epaguyana.org/download/bibi-khan-project-summary-2/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:

The Chairman  
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