# India probes Mumbai bomb blasts

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INDIA'S home minister said yesterday that crude bombs hidden to cause maximum injuries were used in the triple Mumbai blasts that killed 17, as investigators began their hunt for the perpetra-

Home Minister P Chidambaram refused to speculate about the group behind the coordinated attacks at rush-hour on Wednesday in India's commercial hub, saying authorities

claim of responsibility.

"All groups hostile to India are on the radar. We are not ruling out anything, we are not ruling in anything. We are looking at evervone." he said after visiting the scene of the blasts.

The bombs made of ammonium nitrate went off within 15 minutes of each other in two crowded commercial areas of south Mumbai and a central residential

"I think they chose the places because of the density of the pophad received no prior warning or ulation and the very congested na-

ture of these areas," Chidambaram said. "They chose places where even a low-intensity blast could have a great impact.

The official death toll stood at 17, he said, though the figure could rise. A total of 131 injured were admitted to hospital, of whom 23 were in a serious condition.

While the perpetrators were not known, initial suspicions fell on two Islamist groups that have targeted India in the past: the home- grown Indian Mujahideen and the Pakistan-based Lashkare-Taiba (LeT). - Sapa-AFP

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA):** PROPOSED THYSPUNT TRANSMISSION LINES INTEGRATION PROJECT (TTLIP) (DEAT REF NO'S: 12/12/20/1211: 12/12/20/1212 and 12/12/20/1213

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, under Government Notices No R385, R386 and R387 of 21 April 2006, Section 24 (5) read with Section 44 of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), the public is hereby notified that the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) will be made available in hard copy for review and comment at the venues below.

The public is hereby notified that the DEIR will be made available for review and comment from Monday 18 July 2011 to Thursday 01 September 2011 (end of business) at the venues below. The document will also be available on the SiVEST website (http://www.sivest.co.za/Download.aspx then browse to the folder "9250 - Eskom Thyspunt EIA") and CD (on written request).

VENUE	ADDRESS	CONTACT PERSON	TELEPHONE
Oyster Bay Estate	Elf Street, Oyster Bay	Ms Elmarie Meyer	082 568 1759
St Francis Library	1 Assisi Drive, St Francis Bay	Mrs K De Groot	042 222 2259
Humansdorp Library	9 Bureu Street, Humansdorp	Mrs M Loggenberg	042 200 8315
Jeffrey's Bay Library	33 Da Gama Road, Jeffrey's Bay	Mrs C Rudd	042 200 2174/2173
Hankey Library	1 Hoof Street, Hankey	Mrs S Kleinhans	042 284 0302
Loeries Hill	Loeries Hill Community Hall, Judy Street, Loeries	Mr W Smit - 073 955 6080	042 287 0651
Thornhill Hotel	8 Old Cape Road, Thornhill	Mr J Allers	042 286 0653
Allan Ridge Library	Kamesh Road, Ultenhage	Ms Maria Mathews/ Margaret Gongo	041 994 1314
Motherwell Library	c/o Umnulu & Ngqokweni Streets, Motherwell (NU9)	Mrs Marianne Terblanche	041 462 0298

## NOTIFICATION OF AND INVITATION TO PUBLIC OPEN DAYS

Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) are also invited to attend any of the Public Open Days (POD) to be held as follows:

DATE	VENUE	TIME
M-4-05 htt 2014	Oysler Bay Community Hall, Oysler Bay (GPS: 34°10'06.47S 24°39'16.36"E)	
Monday 25 July 2011	Humansdorp Secondary School: Kruisfontein (GPS: S34°01'28.97"\$ 24°44'49.19")	
Tuesday 26 July 2011	Loerie Hill Community Hall, Judy Street, Loeries (GPS: S33"52.555' E025"01.146') Ferry Hotel, Gamtoos (GPS: S33"54.996' E25"01.622')	09:00 - 12:00
Tuesday 20 July 2011	Ferry Hotel, Gamtoos (GPS: S33°54.996' E25°01.622')	16:00 - 19:00
Wednesday 27 July 2011	Ankersvas Primary School, Rocklands Road (R334) (GPS: S33°51.620' E025°18.993')	16:00 - 19:00
Thursday 28 July 2011	Sea Vista Community Hall, Sea Vista (St Francis Bay) (GPS: S34°10.454' E024°49.097')	09:00 - 12:00
	De Viswijf, Jeffreys Bay (GPS: S34°3'27" E24°55'24.24")	16:00 - 19:00
Saturday 30 July 2011	Elukhayisweni Library, Ponana Tini Road, Khayelitsha (GPS; S33°49:265' E025°22.961')	09:00 - 12:00
	Babs Madlakane Community Hall, KwaNobuhle	14:00 - 17:00
Monday 1 August 2011	Henry Fassy Community Hall, KwaDwesi	14:00 - 17:00
Tuesday 2 August 2011	Lucky Look Creche, 2 - 6 Bonito Street, Tiryville, Uitenhage	16:00 - 19:00
Wednesday 3 August 2011	Uitenhage Golf Course, Uitenhage (GPS: 33°44'33.61S 25°24'44.75"E)	16:00 - 19:00
Thursday 4 August 2011	Raymond Mhlaba Sports Centre, Motherwell (GPS: S33°48.809' E025°35.480')	09:00 - 12:00
	Ngedle Community Centre, Ngedle Street, Motherwell	16:00 - 19:00

The purpose of the Public Open Days are to present the environmental findings as per the DEIR, present the revised Northern and Southern Corridors and associated EIA Team-preferred alignment, provide I&APs the opportunity to raise any further comments and/or concerns they might have regarding this proposed project and to discuss any aspect of the proposed project with members of the EIA Team present. Please note the EIA Team has determined an EIA Team-preferred alignment and this will also be presented at the Public Open Days.

Please direct enquiries or comments in writing to the Public Participation Consultants below:

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