Minutes of the 356<sup>th</sup> meeting of Expert Appraisal Committee held on 06<sup>th</sup>-07<sup>th</sup>February, 2024 at Narmada Conference Hall, Ground Floor, Jal Wing, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bhag Road, New Delhi for the projects related to Infrastructure Development, all Ship breaking yards including ship breaking units 7(b); Industrial Estate/Parks/Complexes/Areas, Export Processing Zones, Special Economic Zones, Biotech Parks, Leather Complexes 7(c); Ports, Harbors, Breakwaters, Dredging 7(e) and National Highways 7(f).

The 356<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) of Infra-1(IA-III) held at Narmada Conference Hall in the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, New Delhi during 06<sup>th</sup>-07<sup>th</sup>February, 2024 under the Chairmanship of Shri. Manmohan Singh Negi. A list of participants is annexed as **Annexure-A.** 

## 1. OPENING REMARKS OF THE CHAIRMAN.

At the outset, Shri. Manmohan Singh Negi, Chairman, EAC welcomed the Members of the EAC and requested Shri Amardeep Raju, the Member Secretary of the EAC to initiate the proceedings of the meeting with a brief account of the activities undertaken by the Ministry under Infra-1 Division.

# 2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The Committee confirmed the Minutes of  $353^{rd}$  EAC meeting held on  $10^{th}$  and  $12^{th}$  January, 2024.

#### 3. AGENDA WISE CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS

Agenda wise details of proposals discussed and decided in the meeting are as following:

## Agenda Sr. No.3.1

Subject: Rail Connectivity to Vizhinjam International Seaport from Balaramapuram Station at Vizhinjam International Container Transhipment Terminal at Thiruvanathapuram, Kerala – Amendment in Environmental and CRZ Clearance.

# Proposal No. IA/KL/INFRA1/420053/2023 and File No. 11-122/2010-IA.III.

"The EAC noted that the Project Proponent/consultant have given undertaking that the data and information given in the application and enclosures are true to the best of their knowledge and belief and no information has been suppressed in the EIA/EMP report. If any part of data/information submitted is found to be false/ misleading at any stage, the project will be rejected and Environmental Clearance given, if any, will be revoked at the risk and cost of the project proponent."

3.1. The above mentioned proposal was earlier considered by 356th meeting of Expert Appraisal Committee to be held on 06th -07th February, 2024 and  $322^{nd}$  meeting of Expert

Appraisal Committee to be held on 20th - 21stMarch, 2023 the proposal was **deferred** for the want of requisite information/documents. At this instance, the aforementioned proposal was placed before the EAC during its  $356^{\text{th}}$  meeting of Expert Appraisal Committee held on  $06^{\text{th}}$ - $07^{\text{th}}$  February, 2024.

The project proponent requested the meeting to attend the EAC meeting through VC. The committee agreed. However due to technical glitch PP couldn't present the proposal, therefore the committee suggested the Ministry the proposal may consider in the upcoming EAC meeting after official request received from the PP.

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Annexure-A List of the Expert Appraisal Committee (Infra-I) Members participated during 356<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 06<sup>th</sup>-07<sup>th</sup> February, 2024.

S.no	Name	Designation	O6th February,	07 <sup>th</sup> February,
			2024.	2024
1	Shri.Manmohan Singh Negi	Chairman	Present	Present
2	Shri.S.Jeyakrishnan	Member	Present	Present
3	Prof.V.K Jain	Member	Present	Present
4	Dr. Jaya Kumar Seelam	Member	Present	Present
5	Dr.P.K.Dinesh Kumar	Member	Present	Present
6	Shri. PrakashTewari	Member	Present	Present
7	Dr. M.V. Ramana Murthy	Member	Present	Absent
8	Shri. Sharan Deep Singh	Member	Present	Absent
9	Shri Ashok Kumar Patre	Member	Absent	Absent
10	Ms.BinduManghat	Member	Absent	Absent
11	Dr. Niraj Sharma	Member	Present	Present
12	Dr. B. Kishor	Member	Present	Present
13	ShriAmardeepRaju	Member	Present	Present
		Secretary		