

**STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (SEAC), ASSAM;**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD, ASSAM,**  
**BAMUNIMADAM, GUWAHATI- 781021**

Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting (1<sup>st</sup> sitting) of the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Assam was held on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 from 11.00 AM to 02.00 PM in the Conference Hall of the Pollution Control Board, Assam, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-781021.

**List of the Hon'ble Members/ Officials present in the meeting:**

<i>Sl no.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Designation</i>	<i>Signature</i>
1	Sri Jatindra Sarma, IFS (Retd.)	Chairman, SEAC	Sd/-
2	Dr. Rahul Mahanta	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
3	Sri Arup Barpujary	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
4	Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
5	Dr. S.K. Dutta	Member Secretary, SEAC	Sd/-

The 4<sup>th</sup> meeting (1<sup>st</sup> sitting) of the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Assam was held on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023 from 11-00 AM onwards till 02.00 PM in the Conference Hall of the Pollution Control Board, Assam, for detailed discussions and deliberations on the project proposals as per the agenda circulated to all concerned on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2023.

At the very outset, the Chairman of the SEAC welcomed all the Hon'ble Members of the Committee and officials.

The Chairman drew the attention of all the Members regarding the implementation of the SOP in regards to disposal of cases relating to exploration activities of Hydrocarbons, Oil, Gas etc prepared at the initiatives of the SEIAA on 23.12.2020 and put in public domain (PARIVESH Portal). Upon discussions on the contents of the said SOP it was opined by all the members unequivocally that since there is set of timelines for each individual cases / proposal and the prevailing Guidelines are ought to be adhered to meticulously, therefore, the SEAC has to act and deliberate on all individual proposals on case to case basis and disposed of in terms of merit of each individual cases. It was opined that the SEIAA should revisit the SOP in terms of the latest (up to date ) guidelines and do the needful so that the element of confusion does not remain among the stake holders / Proponents.

It was further discussed in the meeting regarding the probable on going violation cases from projects like Real Estates, Development of Townships, functioning of Brick Kiln Industries, etc and it was felt absolutely necessary that the SEIAA shall make endeavour to get the details of all constructional works with Built up area above 20,000 Sqm from different Regulatory bodies like GMDA, RERA, PCBA etc in case of Buildings and in case of Brick Kilns from the PCBA, District Commissioners etc. Necessary steps may also be taken by the SEIAA to issue Notice for all concerned through widely circulated News Papers, both in English and

Assamese as a measure of necessary awareness in this regard.

The Member Secretary, SEAC briefed the Hon'ble Members about the agenda for the meeting. He further requested the esteemed members for their thorough participation and deliberation to expedite the process of disposal of the cases for onward processing at the level of SEAC and also the SEIAA, as the case may deserve, for timely consideration and disposal.

As per the agenda, the august committee duly reviewed the Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> SEAC Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> Sitting and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sitting) held on 1<sup>st</sup> of December, 2023.

As per the agenda for the 1<sup>st</sup> Sitting, the august committee duly deliberated, discussed and made appraisal and furnished their opinion / views which were unanimously accepted as pointed out against each of the agenda items quoted hereunder:

1. Proposal for EC of mining of Sand in "Debasthan Sand Mining Unit-3 2022-24(Revenue Portion)" proposed by Sri Ram Saha SEIAA. 3607 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/436379 /2023)

**Resolution 4/1:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 5.00 Ha with the recommended quantity of 1,00,000 cu.m Sand in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (50,000 cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Moloi Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 10.04.2023. The quantum of sand to be extracted from the area annually is @ 50,000 cum. The DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 23.06.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department and the District Commissioner concerned are furnished vide letters dated 28.07.2022 and 26.09.2022 respectively. Due discussions and deliberations is held.

On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that though the Mining Plan is prepared in the name of the DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai but the requisite papers together with the Application under Form No 1 was uploaded by the person named Ram Saha of Hojai claiming grant of the EC in his favour who otherwise is no way connected with the case. It is on record that the application was submitted on 11.07.2023 and EDS raised by the SEIAA on 20.11.2023 seeking NOC from the Water Resources Department which was duly complied with as uploaded on 29.11.2023 and accepted by the SEIAA on 04.12.2023.

This *bona fide* of the applicant seeking EC have escaped the notice of both offices of the SEIAA and the SEAC while scrutiny before acceptance of the proposal and, thereafter, placing the same for the appraisal by the SEAC.

The Committee felt it expedient to consider the case afresh in the next meeting on receipt of the report of the DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai who actually ought to have been the Project Proponent with due compliance of formalities.

Therefore, the matter is proposed to be listed afresh in the next sitting for appraisal by the Committee.





**2. Proposal for EC of mining of Sand in "Hongkram (Adarsha) Borpani River Sand Contract Permit Area" proposed by Sri Sonjoy Dera SEIAA, 3538 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/440071/2023)**

**Resolution 4/2:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 3.74 Ha with the recommended quantity of 5,000 cu.m Sand in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (2,500 cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 29.07.2023. The quantum of sand to be extracted from the area annually is @ 2,500 cum. The DFO, Hamren Division, Hamren had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 02.08.2023. Letter of Intent has been issued in favour of the Proponent 31.05.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. ***The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished.*** Due discussions and deliberations is held. On careful perusal of the records it revealed that a linear structure is existing in the upstream at a distance of 105 mtrs and the Committee is of the considered opinion that the stretch of length from the structure is to be maintained as a safety zone where no mining or harvesting of sand be allowed. Further, the committee is also of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area and submitted to the SEIAA for record where no mining or harvesting of sand had been allowed in the past. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the proponent.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of 5, 000 cum of Sand in 1 (one) year subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Hamren shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities/ illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.





**3. Proposal for EC of mining of Sand in "Bhogdoi Bhaskar Nagar, Kachagaral Mining Permit Area for Sand" proposed by Sri Phoenix Enterprise SEIAA. 3627 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/453919/2023)**

**Resolution 4/3:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.55 Ha with the recommended quantity of 7,000 cu.m Sand in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (3,500 cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Lakhyajoti Sonowal and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 29.11.2023. The DFO, Jorhat Division, Jorhat had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 29.11.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department dated 27.10.2023 is furnished. Due discussions and deliberations is held.

**The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of 7, 000 cum of Sand in 1 (one) year** subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2 ( two) meters from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Jorhat Division shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities/ illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**4. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand in "Jora Simolu Sand Mining Permit Unit 2023-25 (Revenue Portion)" proposed by Sri Ram Saha SEIAA. 3632 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/453361/2023)**

**Resolution 4/4:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.40 Ha with the Mining area approved being 3.71 Ha with the recommended quantity of 54,886 cu m Sand in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (27,443 cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt. of Assam vide letter dated 10.11.2023. The

DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 16.11.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department is found wanting and the District Commissioner concerned has furnished the NOC vide letter dated 19.09.2023. Due discussions and deliberations is held by the SEAC.

**On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that though the Mining Plan is prepared in the name of the DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai but the requisite papers together with the Application under Form No 1 was allegedly uploaded by the person named Ram Saha, as Applicant, of Hojai claiming grant of the EC in his favour who otherwise is no way connected with the case. It is on record that the application was submitted on 25.11.2023 and accepted by the SEIAA on 26.12.2023.**

This *bona fide* of the actual applicant seeking EC have escaped the notice of both office of the SEIAA and the SEAC while scrutiny before acceptance of the proposal and, thereafter, placing the same for appraisal by the SEAC.

The Committee found it expedient to consider the case afresh in the next meeting on receipt of the **report of the DFO, Nagaon South Division, Hojai who actually ought to have been the Project Proponent** with due compliance of necessary formalities as required.

Deliberating on the issue the Committee also noted that concerned DFO shall be asked to attend SEAC meeting in few cases, as decided by the Committee. Therefore, the matter is proposed to **be listed afresh in the next sitting for appraisal** by the Committee on compliance of the official formalities.

**5. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand in "Nakhula Beat Sand Permit Area No. 4(Rev. Portion)" proposed by the DFO, Nagaon Division SEIAA. 3612 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/451222/2023)**

**Resolution 4/5:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.10 Ha with the recommended quantity of 32,000 cum Sand in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (16,000 cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Moloi Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 18.08.2023. The DFO, Nagaon Division, Nagaon had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 26.10.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished. Due discussions and deliberations is held. The committee is also of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining or harvesting of sand had been allowed in the past. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the proponent.





The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of **32,000 cum of Sand** in **2 (Two)** years subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface.

The Committee is also of the opinion that necessary formalities for transfer of the EC has to be done in the event the mining is not done by the DFO himself as the Project Proponent so that the entire accountability in mining is vested on the lessee / proponent with the same terms and conditions stipulated in the EC as per the EIA Notification, 2006. Due formalities are required to be completed before allowing mining by the DFO filing application for due transfer by the SEIAA.

It also came to light during the course of discussion as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Division shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**6. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Stone in "DIG/X Stone Mining Contract Area of 2023-30" proposed by the DFO, Digboi Division SEIAA, 3582 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/450067/2023)**

**Resolution 4/6:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.53Ha and the Mining area being 4.36 Ha with the recommended quantity of 60,475 cum Stone in 5 (Five) years as per the approved Mining Plan (a) (12,095cum Stone annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 18.08.2023. The DFO, Digboi Division, Digboi had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 21.08.2023.

*Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished.* Due discussions and deliberations is held. The committee is also of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining / harvesting of Stone had been allowed in the past and submit the same to the SEIAA for record. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the prospective proponent / LOI holder.





The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal **is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity **of 60, 475 cum of Stone in 5 (Five) years** subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Stone with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface.

The committee is also of the opinion that necessary formalities for transfer of the EC has to be done in the event the mining is not done by the DFO himself as the Project Proponent so that the entire accountability in mining is vested on the lessee / prospective proponent with the same terms and conditions stipulated in the EC as per the EIA Notification, 2006 and guidelines issued by the MoEF and CC in November 2023. Due formalities are required to be completed by issuing the NOC to the Lessee before allowing mining by the DFO enabling filing of Application for due transfer of the EC by the SEIAA.

It also came to light during the course of discussion as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Digboi shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**7. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand, Sand-Gravel in "Champa Mohal No.2" proposed by Bansho Moshahary under the DFO, Haltugaon Division SEIAA.3616 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/451686/2023)**

**Resolution 4/7:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 3.76 Ha and the Mining area being 3.31 Ha with the recommended quantity of 22,215 cum Sand and 33,325 cum of Gravel in 5 (Five) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 18.07.2023. The DFO, Haltugaon Division, Haltugaon had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 28.09.2023 while the LOI was issued on 20.07.2022.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished. Due discussions and deliberations is held. The committee is also of the opinion that **NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area** by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining / harvesting of Stone had been allowed in the past. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO





concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the LOI holder.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend** for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **22,215 cum of Sand** in **3 (Three) years** { **@ 7,405 cum Sand, annually**} and **33,325 cum Gravel** {**@ 11,108 cum Gravel, annually**} subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand and Gravel with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Haltogaon shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**8. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand, Stone in "Pasnoi River Samugaon (Orang Mahal" proposed by Amit Dewry under the DFO, Dhansiri Division SEIAA. 3621 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/435954/2023)**

**Resolution 4/8:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring **4.09 Ha** and the Mining area also being **4.09 Ha** with the recommended quantity of **42,500 cum Sand** and **25,000 cum of Stone** in **5 (Five) years** as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 23.06.2023. The DFO, Dhansiri Division, Udalguri had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 03.07.2023. The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is furnished 08.12.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined by the SEAC. The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of **42,500 cum of Sand** in **3 (Three) years** {**@ 14,166 cum Sand, annually**} and **25,000 cum Stone** {**@ 8,333 cum Stone, annually**} subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand and Stone with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface.





It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**9. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand in "DIG/28 (Rod Duba) Mining Contract Area of 2023-30" proposed by the DFO, Digboi Division SEIAA, 3583 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/450045/2023)**

**Resolution 4/9:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.46 Ha and the Mining area being 3.77 Ha with the recommended quantity of 83,665 cum Sand in 5 (Five) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ (16,733cum Sand annually). The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 18.08.2023. The DFO, Digboi Division, Digboi had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 21.08.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. **The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished.** Due discussions and deliberations is held. The committee is also of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining / harvesting of Sand had been allowed in the past and submit the same to the SEIAA for record. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the prospective proponent / LOI holder

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to **recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of 83,665 cum of Sand in 5 (Five) years subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface.

The committee is also of the opinion that necessary formalities for transfer of the EC has to be done in the event the mining is not done by the DFO himself as the Project Proponent so that the entire accountability in mining is vested on the lessee / prospective proponent with the same terms and



conditions stipulated in the EC as per the EIA Notification, 2006 and guidelines issued by the MoEF and CC in November 2023. Due formalities are required to be completed by issuing the NOC to the Lessee before allowing mining by the DFO enabling filing of Application for due transfer of the EC by the EIAA.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Dighoi shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**10. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand and Gravel in "1.82 Ha Dikrong River Bagan Nallah Sand & Gravel Mining Permit Area" proposed by M/S. S.P. Singla Constructions Pvt. Ltd under the DFO, Lakhimpur Division SEIAA. 3549 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/434206/2023)**

**Resolution 4/10:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.82 Ha and the Mining area being 1.82 Ha with the recommended quantity of 8,000 cum Sand and 8,000 cum Gravel in 1 (One) year as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr. Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 29.04.2023. The DFO, Lakhimpur Division, Lakhimpur had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 08.05.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. **The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished.** Due discussions and deliberations is held. The committee is also of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining / harvesting of Sand had been allowed in the past and submit the same to the SEIAA for record. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the prospective proponent / LOI holder.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend** for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of 8,000 cum of Sand and 8,000 cum of Gravel in 1 (one) year subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates, (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials; (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) metres from the non-mined surface and (d) mining shall be allowed in the upstream of the river leaving a stretch of 250 mtrs from the linear structure (RCC Bridge), as a safety zone.



It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Lakhimpur shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**11. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand and Gravel in "Durgam (Lower) Sand & Gravel Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Ramasankar Sahu under the DFO, Lakhimpur Division SEIAA, 3619 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/452343/2023)**

**Resolution 4/11:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.91Ha and the Mining area being 1.91 Ha with the recommended quantity of 14,000 cum Sand and 4,000 cum Gravel in 2(Two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 11.07.2023. The DFO, Lakhimpur Division, Lakhimpur had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 02.09.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department and the District Commissioner, Lakhimpur are furnished dated 20.12.2023 and 15.05.2023 respectively. Due discussions and deliberations is held.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of **14,000 cum of Sand and 4,000 cum of Gravel in 1 (one) year** subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2(two) metres from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Lakhimpur shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.



12. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand and Stone in "Govt. Permit Area Of Barnadi Sand and Stone Mahal No-1(A)" proposed by the DFO, Baksa Division SEIAA. 3629 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/452510/2023)

**Resolution 4/12:-**

For consideration in the next meeting as the Agenda could not be uploaded due to technical issues

13. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand, Sand-Gravel, Boulder and Ordinary Earth in "Ranisundari Sand, Gravel, Boulder & Earth Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Prabin Champramari under the DFO, Chirang Division SEIAA. 3608 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/436427/2023)

**Resolution 4/13:-**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.83 Ha and the Mining area being 1.83 Ha with the recommended quantity of 30,008 cum Sand, Sand-Gravel, Gravel / Boulder, Ordinary Earth in 2 (Two) years. As per the approved Mining Plan the recommended quantities for mining / harvesting as prescribed during the aforesaid period @ Sand- 3,950 cum; @ Sand-Gravel- 10,770 cum; @ 9,230 cum Gravel / Stone @ 4,615 cum Boulder and @ 1,535 cum Ordinary Earth. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr. Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 22.06.2023. The DFO, Chirang Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 03.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department is furnished vide letter dated 17.03.2023. The land classification status has also been furnished by the Circle Officer vide letter dated 06.03.2023 including recommendation of the Council Authority.

All the papers relating to the project proposal are examined and due discussions and deliberations are held by the SEAC.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for quantities of @ Sand- 3,950 cum; @ Sand-Gravel- 10,770 cum; @ 9,230 cum Gravel / Stone @ 4,615 cum Boulder and @ 1,535 cum Ordinary Earth in 2 (Two) years subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2(two) metres from the non-mined surface.





It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chirang shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**14. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand and Stone in "Nunoi Sand/Stone Mahal No.1 (Gitiburi)" proposed by Sri Hemen Basumatary under the DFO, Dhansiri Division SEIAA, 3494 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/431076 /2023)**

**Resolution 4/14:-**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring **4.91Ha** and the Mining area being **4.91 Ha** with the recommended quantity of **30,000 cum Sand** and **20,000 cum Stone** in **5 (Five)** years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 10.04.2023. The DFO, Dhansiri Division, Dhansiri had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 02.09.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. The NOC from the Water Resources Department is not furnished.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to **recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of **30,000 cum of Sand** and **20,000 cum of Stone** in **3 (Three)** years @ **10,000 cum of Sand** and @ **6,665 cum of Stone** annually subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand and Stone with maximum mining depth of up to 2(two) metres from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Dhansiri shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.





**15. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand, Gravel, Sand-Gravel, small sized Boulder in "Garumara Char Pt-II Sand, Gravel, Sand-Gravel, And Small Size Boulder Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Delowar Hussain SEIAA. 3402 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/421402/2023)**

**Resolution 4/15:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 2.42 Ha with the Mining area approved being 2.42 Ha with the recommended quantity of 9,000 cu.m Sand, Gravel, Boulder and Sand-Gravel in 3 (Three) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Moloi Bora and it is not clear if the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 11.03.2022. The DFO, Parbatjhora Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 15.03.2022.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question, NOC by the land owner are examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations is held by the SEAC.

**On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that:**

- i) apparently the plot of land is situated in the heart of the river which need to be ascertained clearly by the competent Revenue authority.*
- ii) the land documents furnished are not legible.*
- iii) the Registered Deed of Agreement from the Sub Register Office regarding the NOC by the joint land Patta holders giving authority to the proponent for allowing removal of minerals is found wanting which need to be submitted.*
- iv) the JVR copy as furnished needs clarity and the same has to be done afresh by the concerned Range Officer and the Circle Officer as per procedure and scanned copy be submitted by the DFO.*

The Committee is of the opinion that above documents/information are required to be furnished accordingly for consideration by the Committee in due course.

**16. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand in "Dhodang Gaon P.P. Land Sand Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Porag Saikia SEIAA. 3571 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/438760/2023)**

**Resolution 4/16:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 2.50 Ha with the Mining area approved being 2.50 Ha with the recommended quantity of 24,000 cu.m of Sand in 2 (Two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 04.07.2023. The DFO, Golaghat Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 31.07.2023.



Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question, NOC by the land owner are examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations is held by the SEAC.

**On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that:**

- 1) apparently the status / classification of the plot of land need to be ascertained clearly by the competent Revenue authority and accordingly be submitted.*
- 2) the Registered Deed of Agreement from the Sub Register Office regarding the NOC by the joint land Patta holders giving authority to the proponent for allowing removal of minerals is found wanting which need to be submitted.*

The Committee is of the opinion that above documents / information are required to be furnished accordingly for consideration by the Committee in due course.

**17. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Clay in "Sukhchar Part I Patta Land Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area On Brahmaputra River Bed" proposed by Roish Mollah SEIAA. 3579 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/437137/2023)**

**Resolution 4/17:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.55 Ha with the Mining area approved being 0.55 Ha with the recommended quantity of 10,738 cu.m of Ordinary Earth in 1 (One) year as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Prabal Kr Goswami and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 23.11.2022. The District Commissioner had recommended for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 30.12.2022. Status of land had also been furnished by the Circle Officer on 24.02.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question, NOC by the land owner are examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations is held by the SEAC.

**On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that:**

- 1. apparently the status / classification of the plot of land need to be ascertained clearly by the competent Revenue authority and accordingly be submitted.*
- 2. the Registered Deed of Agreement from the Sub Register Office regarding the NOC by the joint land Patta holders giving authority to the proponent for allowing removal of minerals is found wanting which need to be submitted.*

The Committee is of the opinion that above documents / information are required to be furnished accordingly for consideration by the Committee in due course.

**18. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth in " Sahar Sarnia Part-II P.P. Land Earth Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Neelamani Patgiri SEIAA. 3566 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/406555/2023)**

**Resolution 4/18:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.10 Ha with the Mining area approved being 0.10 Ha with the recommended quantity of 2,800 cu.m of Ordinary Earth in 1 (One) year as per the



approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 07.09.2022. The District Commissioner, Kamrup (Metro) had issued NOC on 01.11.2023 and the DFO, Kamrup East Division recommended for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 20.09.2022.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question are examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations are held by the SEAC.

On deliberation the Committee decided to visit and inspect the site which happen to be a hillock in order to ascertain the method / steps to be deployed in removal of the Ordinary Earth by the Proponent without causing pollution in the adjoining area and also probable impediments likely to arise due to earth cutting in the surrounding environment.

A sub-committee shall inspect the site assisted by the RQP Dr Abhijit Bora who has prepared the Mining Plan and submit their report with suggestions / recommendations containing mitigation measures as may be required for the purposes.

**19. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Clay in " Maukuchi P.P. Land Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Mridul Deka SEIAA. 3545 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/439600/2023)**

**Resolution 4/19:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.00 Ha with the Mining area approved being 1.00 Ha with the recommended quantity of 4,750 cu.m of Ordinary Earth in 5 (Five) months as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 14.12.2022. The District Commissioner had recommended for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 20.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question, NOC by the land owner are examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations is held by the SEAC.

**On careful scrutiny of the papers connected with the case it revealed that:**

*The Registered Deed of Agreement from the office of the Sub- Registrar regarding the NOC by the joint Patta holders giving authority to the proponent for allowing removal of Ordinary Earth is found wanting which need to be submitted.*

On receipt of the aforesaid information, if found in order, the Committee is of the considered opinion that the SEIAA may grant the EC to the Proponent allowing removal / mining of the mineral under the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Ordinary Earth with maximum mining depth of up to 1.5 ( One and half) metres from the non-mined surface.

It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, North Kamrup Division, Rangia shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**20. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Sand and Gravel in "Khagrabari Village Patta Land Sand-Gravel Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Amar Narzary under the DFO, Chirang Division SEIAA, 3543 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/440381/2023)**

**Resolution 4/20:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.47Ha and the Mining area being 1.47 Ha with the recommended quantity of **14,346 cum Sand, Sand- Gravel and Gravel** [ @ 3,816 cum Sand, @ 9,210 cum Sand-Gravel and @ 1,320 cum of Gravel ] in 2(Two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 02.05.2023. The DFO, Chirang Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 10.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. Due discussions and deliberations is held.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is **pleased to recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for a quantity of **14,346 cum Sand, Sand- Gravel and Gravel** [ @ 3,816 cum Sand, @ 9,210 cum Sand-Gravel and @ 1,320 cum of Gravel ] in **1 (one) year** subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) the active bank of the river is not disturbed / damaged because of mining operation and transportation of mining materials and (c) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed Sand with maximum mining depth of up to 2(two) metres from the non-mined surface.

***The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is not furnished. Due discussions and deliberations is held.*** The committee is also of the opinion that **NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area** by the DFO concerned in case the area under the proposal is a fresh area where no mining / harvesting of Sand had been allowed in the past and submit the same to the SEIAA for record. In case, the area under the proposal is an old one where mining activity had been allowed in that case the DFO concerned needs to submit / send a certificate to that effect to the SEIAA before allowing mining by the prospective proponent / LOI holder.





It also came to light during the course of discussion, as has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate (CTE / CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the State PCB in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chirang shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**21. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Stone in "Boulagog P.P. Land Stone Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Jitu Amsi SEIAA, 3584 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/450331/2023)**

**Resolution 4/21:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.11 Ha with the Mining area approved being 1.11 Ha with the recommended quantity of 20,000 cu.m of Stone in 2 (Two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 18.06.2022. The DFO, Hamren Division had recommended for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction / mining vide letter dated 21.06.2022. Status of land had also been furnished by the Circle Officer on 24.02.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal regarding ownership, possession of land in question, NOC by the land owner are examined and appraised. During scrutiny it came to light that the area in question was mined showing extraction of 30,000 cum of stone by M/S Melo SDR (J/V) in 2 (Two) years time required for the use by the Railway Department. The DFO had furnished the information as sought for with a clarification vide letter dated 28.10.2022 that no cluster mining is taking place in the area within radius of 500m from proposed area.

Due discussions and deliberations are held by the SEAC. Upon deliberation on the issue of mining in the area by the proponent in the past and to ascertain the status of the area it was decided that a sub-committee is formed and a detail study / inspection of the site is made to find out mitigation measures taken to ameliorate the surrounding environment, green belt raised as a part of ECR activity etc and furnish report in due course for further needful action by the Committee.

**22. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of sand in "4 No. Rongbong Pathar Gaon P.P. Land Sand Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sunit Saikia under the DFO, Golaghat Division SEIAA, 3540 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/440291/2023)**

**Resolution 4/22:**

For consideration in the next meeting as the Agenda could not be uploaded due to technical issues



**23. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Stone and Ordinary Earth in "Sila P.P. Land Ordinary Earth & Stone Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Ranjit Boro under the DFO, N K Division, Rangla SEIAA, 3628 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/453038/2023)**

**Resolution 4/23:**

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.54Ha and the Mining area being 0.54 Ha with the recommended quantity of 30,000 cum of **Ordinary Earth and 10,000 cum of Stone in 2 (Two) years.** As per the approved Mining Plan the recommended quantities for mining as prescribed during the aforesaid period @ Stone- 5,000 cum and @ 15,000 cum- Ordinary Earth, **annually.** The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Dr Abhijit Bora and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP while the same was approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam vide letter dated 10.11.2023. The DFO, N K Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 14.11.2023. Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised.

All the papers relating to the project proposal are examined and due discussions and deliberations are held by the SEAC.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to **recommend for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA for quantities of @ Stone- 5,000 cum and @ 15,000 cum- Ordinary Earth, **annually for 2 (Two) years** subject to the conditions that the proponent shall have to strictly follow all terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan and also subject to the conditions that: (a) mining shall be confined and limited to the area falling within GPS coordinates; (b) *adequate precautions are to be taken to prevent dust pollution by way of erecting green shed net around the area and (c) make provision for use of sprinkler to control air pollution / spread of muddy dust as a result of mining.*

The Divisional Forest Officer, N K Division shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, he is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, he shall also ensure marking the boundary of the mining site on the ground fixing permanent concrete pillars, painted yellow with the coordinates depicted there in on the pillars / posts, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

**24. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in "Rangadukua Village Patta land Brick Earth Mining Permit Area" proposed by Parbin Sultan under the DFO, Kamrup West Division, Bamunigaon SEIAA, 3527 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/261435/2022)**

**Resolution No. 4/24:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.56 Ha for mining of 3,000 cum of Brick Earth in 2 (two) Years. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 18.02.2022 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Sri Prabal Kr Goswami. The DFO, Kamrup West Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 08.3.2022.

The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee. The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant



of the EC by the SEIAA approving to use 3,000 cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one) year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan*

**25. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in " Khorapara Brick Earth Mining Permit Area" proposed by Padam Chettri under the DFO, Kamrup West Division, Bamunigaon SEIAA. 3526 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/418845/2023)**

**Resolution No. 4/25:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.30 Ha for mining of 2,928 cum of Brick Earth in 1 (One) Year. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 05.12.2022 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Dr Abhijit Bora. The DFO, Kamrup West Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 18.01.2023. The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to **recommend the proposal for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA approving to use 2,928cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one) year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly. *The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan*



**26. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in " M/S TATA Brick Industry Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Bipul Bhuyan under the DFO, Jorhat Division, SEIAA. 3500 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/422743/2023)**

**Resolution No. 4/26:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.28 Ha for mining of 2,496 cum of Brick Earth in 1 (One ) Year. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 14.09.2022 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Sri Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa. The DFO, Jorhat Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 15.12.2022.

The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant of the EC by the SEIAA approving to use 2,496cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one )year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan*

**27. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in " Majgaon Village Brick Earth Quarry" proposed by M/S Tata Brick Field (II) under the DFO, Sonitpur East Division, Biswanath Chariali SEIAA. 3465 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/418926/2023)**

**Resolution No. 4/27:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.65 Ha for mining of 2,400 cum of Brick Earth in 2 (Two) Years. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 03.02.2023 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Dr Abhijit Bora. The DFO, Sonitpur East Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 12.01.2023.

The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant of the EC by the SEIAA approving to use 2,400cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one )year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place e.g. public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to



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**28. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in " Brick Earth Mining Permit Area at No. 1 Jogipara Pathar" proposed by Hazrat Ali under the DFO, Kamrup West Division SEIAA. 3533 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/401274/2022)**

**Resolution No. 4/28:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.78 Ha for mining of 3,000 cum of Brick Earth in 1 (One) Year. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 15.03.2022 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Dr Maloi Bora. The DFO, Sonitpur East Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 25.08.2022. The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant of the EC by the SEIAA approving to use 3,000cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one) year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan.*

**29. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in "M/S R B Factory Brick Industry Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Riju Chetia under the DFO, Sivasagar Division SEIAA. 3570 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/438217/2023)**

**Resolution No. 4/29:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.43 Ha for mining of 4,000 cum of Brick Earth in 2 (Two) Years. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 04.07.2023 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Sri Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa. The DFO, Sonitpur East Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 20.07.2023.

The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it **appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA approving to use 4,000cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 2 (Two) years. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan.*

**30. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in "M/S DA Brick Field MPA" proposed by Sri Seikh Ahmed under the DFO, Dibrugarh Division SEIAA. 3552 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/434585/2023)**

**Resolution No. 4/30:**

The project area approved for mining is 0.39 Ha for mining of 1,900 cum of Brick Earth in 2 (Two) Years. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 18.02.2023 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Sri Lakhyajyoti Sonowal. The DFO, Dibrugarh Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 02.05.2023.

The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee. The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to recommend the proposal for grant of the EC by the SEIAA approving to use 1,900cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1(One) year. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place eg in public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan.*

**31. Proposal for grant of the EC for mining of Brick Earth in "Morangaon Brick Earth Mining Permit Area" proposed by Sri Hazrath Shekh under the DFO, Sonitpur East Division SEIAA. 3560 /2023 (SIA/AS/MIN/448803/2023)**





**Resolution No. 4/31:**

The project area approved for mining is 1.10 Ha for mining of 10,736 cum of Brick Earth in 2 (Two) Years. The Director, Geology and Mining, Govt of Assam approved the Mining Plan on 23.02.2023 as prepared by the Registered Qualified Person Dr Abhijit Bora. The DFO, Sonitpur East Division has recommended for grant of the EC vide letter dated 23.06.2023. The records as submitted pertaining to the case by the proponent are placed before the committee.

The issue has been deliberated thoroughly. The Committee after due deliberation and considering the recommendation made in the Mining Plan deem it appropriate to **recommend the proposal for grant of the EC** by the SEIAA approving to use 10,736cum of Brick Earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 2(Two)years. **The proponent shall have to obtain CTE/CTO from the PCBA and also adopt strictly the zigzag technology for operating the kiln brick.**

The DFO will ensure compliance of CER (Corporate Environment Responsibility) by way of raising green belt around the area with suitable species of plants or in and around the place e.g public places, Institutions etc as may be decided in consultation with the proponent. The cost for establishment up to its maintenance up to the 5<sup>th</sup> year need to be worked out proportionately for 30% of the area or 2% of the total cost of the project / under the project. This may also be carried out through local organization, NGOs etc as shall be decided by the concerned DFO. Such activities need to be uploaded in *PARIVESH* Portal with the compliance reports to be submitted half yearly.

*The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan*

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



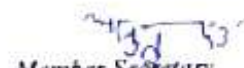
**Chairman  
SEAC, Assam**

Dated: 05 / 01 / 2024

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- 1) The Chairman, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Assam for favour of kind information.
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- 3) All Members, SEAC, Assam for favour of kind information.
- 4) Concerned DFOs for their information and compliance.
- 5) Accountant cum Cashier of the office of the SEIAA, Assam for his information.
- 6) Office copy for each proposal in question.



**Member Secretary  
SEAC, Assam**