STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (SEAC), ASSAM.

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Minutes of 46th meeting of the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Assam held in the Conference Hall of the Pollution Control Board, Assam, Guwahati-21 at 11:00 A.M. on 29th September, 2022.

List of the members present in the meeting:

Sl no.	Name	Designation	Signature
I	Sri S. K. Seal Sarma,	Chairman, SEAC	Sd/-
2	Prof. B.P Duarah	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
3	Dr. G. C. Sarma	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
4	Sri N.N. Deka.	Member, SEAC	Sd/-
5	Dr. Karabi. B. Saikia	Member, SEAC	Sd/-

The Chairman, SEAC, Assam Sri S. K. Seal Sarma presided over the meeting. Welcoming all the Hon'ble Members, the Chairman stated objective of the meeting specifying that 17 no. of project proposals is included in the agenda for deliberation including presentation by one of the project proponents. The Chairman declares business of the meeting open for deliberation as per agenda note.

<u>Agenda item- 1:</u> Confirmation of the resolutions adopted the 45th meeting of SEAC, Assam. Resolution 45/1:

Minutes of the 45th SEAC meeting held on 30th August, 2022 is placed on the table for perusal of the Hon'ble Members and necessary deliberation. The minutes of the 45th SEAC meeting is approved unanimously after a brief discussion.

Agenda item- 2:

1. Proposal for amendment of EC for mining of Stone from the "Jatinga River Minor Mineral Unit-1(Stone) under Cachar Forest Division" proposed by the Divisional Forest Officer, Cachar Forest Division. SEIAA.1314/2020, (SIA/AS/MIN/274755/2022).

Resolution 46/2:

The proposal for amendment of EC for mining of Stone from the "Jatinga River Minor Mineral Unit-1(Stone)" under Cachar Forest Division proposed by the Divisional Forest Officer, Cachar Forest Division is placed before the SEAC for appraisal, review and discussion. The proposal was previously discussed in the 43rd SEAC meeting held on 6th Aug 2022 and certain additional information sought. On scrutiny, it is seen that the previous EC was granted for five years against "Jatinga River Minor Mineral Unit-1(Stone) comprising 24 hect area in favour of Sri Apurba Rajmumar on 9th Oct. 2020 allowing to extract 1,07,000 cu.m. stone annually. The quantity was considered as per approved Mining Plan as well as recommendation of the DFO, Cachar communicated vide office letter No. B/7(ii)/Jatinga River Minor Mineral Unit-1 (stone)/10282-10283 dated 9th Dec. 2019. The approved quantity was granted considering maximum mining

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depth 2(two) meter from the unmined surface. However, the 2 (two) meter maximum mining depth has not specifically been mentioned in the EC due to overlook.

The EC (amendment) for extraction of 52,000 cu.m. stone was granted from the reserved quantity in favour of the Divisional Forest Officer, Cachar Division on 5th Feb. 2021 with validity for one year considering urgent need of stone materials for Govt. developmental works in the District of Cachar. Further, the earlier approved reserve was calculated to a maximum mining depth at 2 (two) meter.

Detailed deliberation is held and considering the issues discussed above the committee declined the amendment proposal proposed by the DFO, Cachar taking into account on the ecology and environment of the surrounding areas as well as there is no additional mineral reserve to be extracted from the mining area in question.

Agenda item- 2.

2. Proposal of EC for mining of Sand from the "Jhanji River Sand Mining Permit Area, (Miching Ghat & Borbam Ghat)" under Sivasagar Division proposed by Sri Rituraj Borkatoky. SEIAA.3119/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 287527/2022).

Resolution 46/3:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of sand from "Jhanji River Sand Mining Permit Area, (Miching Ghat & Borbam Ghat)" under Sivasagar Division proposed by Sri Rituraj Borkatoky is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and discussion. Total project area is 4.9 hect. and EC is requested for three months validity to utilize the minable materials against Govt. works. Necessary records are scrutinized and appraised. Detailed deliberation is held. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam, recommendation of the concerned DFO and reply on EDS is discussed. Considering all the issues the committee recommended the proposal approving to extract 3405 cu.m sand from the proposed mining site subject to the following condition:

- The validity of the EC will be of three months period from the date of issue of the EC.
- The maximum depth of mining is approved 2 (two) meters from the unmined surface.
- At least 5 (five) meters distance from the high rise bank of the river shall have to be kept as non mining zone to avoid river bank erosion.
- The proponent shall have to follow all the other terms and condition laid down in the approved mining plan.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Sivasagar Forest Division is requested to ensure necessary surveillance to check occurrences of irregularities during the mining operation. The DFO will also arrange to mark the proposed mining site on the ground fixing pillars before actual mining operation as mining is restricted within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. The DFO is also requested to ensure compliance by the proponent of all the terms and condition laid down in the EC during the period of mining operation.

Agenda item- 3.

3. Proposal asking EC for mining of Sand & Stone from "Parkijuli Patkijuli Village Patta Land Sand and Stone Mining Permit Area" under Baksa Forest Division proposed by Sri Santisan Mosahary. SEIAA 3106/2022. (SIA/AS/MIN/284122/2022).

Resolution 46/4:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of sand and stone from the "Parkijuli Patkijuli Village Patta Land Sand and Stone Mining Permit Area" under Baksa Forest Division proposed by Sri Santisan Mosahary is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and discussion. The project area is 4.2 hect under Periodic Patta Land. Necessary documents are examined and appraised. The mining plan approved by the DGM Assam dated 11th April 2022; JVR dated 19-9-2021; report of the E.E., WR Division, Musalpur and recommendation of the concerned DFO are discussed in detail. On examining the records, it is observed that the requirement of materials is too small (3000 cu,m.) compare to the very large estimated available mineable reserve (55000 cum.) at excavation depth of 2 (two) meters as per approved Mining Plan. On the other hand, percentage of sand and stone available in the mine site has not been shown in the estimation. Detailed deliberation is held and the committee resolved to ask the proponent to prepare a fresh mining plan reducing the project area and correlating to the requirement of materials. Further, while estimating the mineable materials the available percentage of each of the categories should be estimated and shown in the Mining Plan.

Agenda item- 4:

4. Proposal asking EC for mining of Sand from "Tituwa P.P. Land Sand Mining Permit Area", under Kamrup West Forest Division proposed by Sri Dipak Rabha. SEIAA.3039/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 263943/2022).

Resolution 46/5:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of sand from "Tituwa P.P. Land Sand Mining Permit Area" under Kamrup West Forest Division proposed by Sri Dipak Rabha is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. The project area is 0.59 hect. and falls in "periodic patta land". Scrutinized the required documents and appraised accordingly. It is observed that the Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam on 16th May 2021, JVR conducted on 13th pt, 2019 and submitted the proposal to this office on 26th March 2022 after a lapse of ten months and reason of such delay is best known to the proponent. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam and other records are deliberated in detail. *The committee after thorough discussion rejected the project proposal on the following reasons*.

- The proposed mine area runs parallel to the Kulsi River embankment only about 35 meter distance and the project might cause failure of the embankment.
- The satellite image and the photograph submitted in the Mine Plan indicate the mineral matters are soil only and not sand as proposed.
- Even if, the minable materials are sand (supposing it to be true), fishery project is not possible in the proposed site as proposed in the Mine Plan.

Agenda item- 5.

5. Proposal of asking EC for mining of Sand from "Jhanji River Sand (Lawjan) Mining Permit Area", Jorhat Division proposed by Sri Rahul Neog. SEIAA. 3118/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 287765/2022).

Resolution 46/6:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of sand from "Jhanji River Sand (Lawjan) Mining Permit Area", Jorhat Division proposed by Sri Rahul Neog is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. Necessary records are scrutinized and appraised. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam and recommendation of the concerned DFO is discussed in detailed. The committee after thorough deliberation recommended the project proposal approving to extract 3000 cu.m sand from the proposed mining site within a period of two years subject to the condition that :(a) Mining depth is approved 2 (two) meters from the unmined surface and (b) excavation is approved leaving a distance of 5 (five) meters from the high rise bank of the river. The proponent is allowed to extract 1500 cu.m. Sand from the proposed mining site annually strictly following all the other terms and condition laid down in the approved Mining Plan.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Jorhat Forest Division is requested to ensure necessary surveillance to guard occurrences of irregularities during the mining operation. The DFO will also arrange to mark the proposed mining site on the ground fixing pillars before actual mining operation as mining is restricted within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. The DFO is also requested to ensure compliance by the proponent of all the terms and condition laid down in the EC during the period of mining operation.

Agenda item- 6.

6. Proposal asking EC for Irrigation "Amreng Irrigation Project (medium)" under Hamren Irrigation Division proposed by Sri Semson Singh Terang Rongsaiso, Executive Engineer, Karbi Anglong. SEIAA.3124/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/273772/2022).

Resolution 46/7:

The project proposal requesting EC for the "Amreng Irrigation Project (medium)" under Hamren Irrigation Division proposed by Sri Semson Singh Terang Rongsaiso, Executive Engineer, Karbi Anglong was placed before the SEAC in the 45th Meeting held on 16th Sept. 2022. The committee after due scrutiny and deliberation resolved to invite the proponent to give detail presentation on the project proposal. Accordingly, the proponent was invited and given presentation before the committee elaborating detailed activities proposed therein. The proponent and their consultant participated in the deliberation following the presentation. After detailed deliberation following the presentation on the project and for better assessment of the project activities following additional details are sought from the project proponent.

- (a) The up-to-date DPR with hard copy of the proposed area to be irrigated, layout plan is required.
- (b) The discharge data of the Amreng River is required.
- (c) Design of the proposed barrage, delineation of the pondage area, contour map of the pondage and proposed irrigation area shall have to submit.
- (d) A detail Land Use/Land Cover map indicating homestead, plantation, residential area and areas to be irrigated. Also delineate the boundary of the cultivable command area.
- (e) Detail Toposheet nos. covering the irrigated area on 1:50000 scales are needed.
- (f) Requirement and design of the fish ladder proposal has to be furnished.

- (g) No. of household and persons that will be directly benefitted by the project is required.
- (h) A shaded relief map of the command area is required.
- (i) Since during deliberation the project a drastic change in the land use pattern is indicated, especially the existing cropped area of 2896.80 ha. is indicated to be increased to 14076 ha. which class of land will be converted and how many cycles of cropping is expected in a year should be projected distinctly.
- (j) The probable impact of irrigation to local sources of surface/ sub surface water should be
- (k) Detail estimation /budgeting of water requirement for the project during different seasons of in a year.

Agenda item- 7.

7. Proposal asking EC for mining of Ordinary Clay from "Outside Dikhow River Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area, (K), Samshanghat" under Sivasagar Forest Division proposed by Sri Gobin Boruah. SEIAA.2056/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 251644/2022). Resolution 46/8:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of ordinary clay from "Outside Dikhow River Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area, (K), Samshanghat" under Sivasagar Forest Division proposed by Sri Gobin Boruah was placed before the SEAC in the 39th meeting held on 18th June 2022 for scrutiny and appraisal. Detailed discussion is held and the committee resolved to ask additional information on the proposal for consideration. The committee discussed on the reply to the ADS furnished by the proponent. It observed that the reply on ADS furnished by the proponent is incomplete. The committee is required the following information:

- The map containing the boundary of the project site and the samshanghat area need to be clearly indicated therein.
- Supporting photographs with GPS camera of the Samshanghat and the proposed mine site should also accompany the ADS reply.

The proponent is requested to furnish proper reply on the ADS at their earliest.

Agenda item- 8.

8. Proposal asking EC for mining of Ordinary Earth from "Patta Land Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area" at Khola Kitte Khalarpar Mouza, under Karimganj Division SEIAA.3126/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 282254/2022). proposed by Abdul Jalil.

Resolution 46/9:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of ordinary earth from the "Patta Land Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area" at Khola Kitte Khalarpar Mouza, under Karimganj Division proposed by Abdul Jalil is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. Necessary documents are scrutinized. Due deliberation held on the Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam, recommendation of the concerned DFO and reply on EDS furnished by the proponent. Detailed deliberation is held and the committee requires the following additional information for taking onward needful action.

The reserve estimation in mound like area (tilla) needs contours, so the contour map of the project area is required. The proposed site's one part is already excavated as clearly visible in the Google map. This requires field surveyed contouring of the project site at least at one meter interval. Page 5 of 11

• The unmined part of the proposed project site appears to contain primary forest area. Specific report from the concerned DFO with respect to the standing tree/ tree cover in the proposed site is required.

The status of the mining already done in the proposed site should also be clearly explained

along with GPS camera photographs.

The proponent is requested to attend the above points at his earliest.

Agenda item- 9.

9. Proposal asking EC for mining of ordinary clay from "Charmajuli Pam Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area" under N.K Forest Division proposed by Sri Tarun Barman. SEIAA.3027/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/256407/2022).

Resolution 46/10:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of ordinary clay from "Charmajuli Pam Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area" under N.K Forest Division proposed by Sri Tarun Barman is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, review and appraisal. The project proposal was discussed in detail in the previous SEAC meeting and certain additional information sought including view of the concerned Water Resources Department with regards to vulnerability of the proposed mining site.

The Water Resouces Department, Assam vide letter No. GED/Tech/NOC/2020/937/Pt.—IV/266 dated 29th March 2022 clearly certified that mining site cannot be within 500 meter from the Brahmaputra River bank. Since the present mining proposal falls very much within the 500 meter non mining zone area demarcated by the Water Resources Department as such the mining project proposal is rejected.

Agenda item- 10.

10. Proposal of EC for mining of Ordinary Earth from "Patta Land Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area at Duhalia Hill Part II Mouza, under Karimganj Division proposed by Sangita Singha. SEIAA. 3074/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/275108/2022).

Resolution 46/11:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of Ordinary Earth from "Patta Land Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area" at Duhalia Hill Part II Mouza, under Karimganj Division proposed by Sangita Singha is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and deliberation. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam, report of the concerned DFO and land records furnished therein is discussed in detail. On thorough scrutiny some discrepancies is noticed in the records furnished by the proponent and the committee needs clarification on the following points:

• The letter addressed to the DFO, Karimganj by the C.O. Patherkandi (No. PCG-5/2022/529 dated 25th March, 2022) did not mention the Patta No.

• The DFO, Karimganj in his letter dt. 7th April 2022 mentioned single Patta & Dag No. i.e. Patta NO. 5; Dag No 301. The JVR conducted on 11th March 2022 has also sounded similar. The letter stated that Dag No, 301 has no tree. The letter also mentioned Dag No. 303 where the tree cover status is silent in this Dag.

It is learnt from the trace map the Dag No. 301 & 303 are not contiguous plot of land.

The KML file submitted for the proposed mining area indicates that the entire area is

- forest covered. Detailed report with regards to status of tree cover in the proposed site is required with certification of the concerned DFO after due field verification.
- A single co ordinate is given for the proposed area which does not indicate the proposed area.

The proponent is requested to furnish suitable reply/clarification to the points discussed above at his earliest for taking needful action by the committee.

Agenda item- 11.

11. Proposal of E.C for mining of Brick earth from "Manaha Brick Earth Mining Permit Area" under Nagaon Division proposed by Sri Pranab Talukder. SEIAA.3079/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/275289/2022)

Resolution 46/12:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of Brick Earth from "Manaha Brick Earth Mining Permit Area" under Nagaon Division proposed by Sri Pranab Talukder is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and deliberation. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam vide letter dt. 28th March 2022, recommendation of the concerned DFO and reply furnished on EDS are discussed in detail. The committee after due deliberation recommended the proposal approving to extract 4000 cu.m. brick earth from the proposed mining site within a period of 1 (one) year subject to the condition that the mining depth is approved 1 (one) meter on both the proposed plots. The proponent shall have to strictly follow all other terms and condition laid down in the approved mining plan in course of mining operation.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Forest Division is requested to ensure necessary surveillance to guard occurrences of irregularities during the mining operation. The DFO will also arrange to mark the proposed mining site on the ground fixing pillars before actual mining operation as mining is restricted within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. The DFO is also requested to ensure compliance by the proponent of all the terms and condition laid down in the EC during the period of mining operation.

Agenda item- 12.

12. Proposal asking EC for mining of Sand & Gravel from "Nangalbhanga Huthuti Sand & Gravel River Mahal" under Chirang Division proposed by Sri Rupen Brahma. SEIAA.3121/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 290849/2022).

Resolution 46/13:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of Sand, Sand-gravel and gravel from the "Nangalbhanga Huthuti Sand & Gravel River Mahal" under Chirang Forest Division proposed by Sri Rupen Brahma is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. Documents furnished by the proponent along with the proposal are scrutinized and appraised. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam vide letter dt. 25th Aug. 2022 and concerned DFO's letter dt. 20th July 2022 is discussed. Due deliberation is held and the committee requires the following additional information/clarification for consideration the project proposal.

(i) The recommended sand = 1260 cu.m for 4 years.

Gravel

= 1260 cu. m. for 4 years.

Sand Gravel

= 10000 cu.m. for 4 years.

However, the conclusion part of the Mine Plan recommends:

Sand = 315 cu.m. per yearGravel = 1500 cu m. per year.Sand Gravel = 2500 cu.m. per year.

- (ii) How sand and gravel are different from sand-gravel in the estimation?
- (iii) How and where the 6% boulders will be treated in the mining site?

The proponent is requested to respond to the above points at the earliest possible for taking requisite action by the SEAC, Assam.

Agenda item- 13.

13. Proposal of EC for mining of Sand Gravel from "Joypur Sand Gravel Mahal", under Parbatjhora Division proposed by Sri Manoj Narzary. SEIAA 3102/2022. (SIA/AS/MIN/288616/2022).

Resolution 46/14:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of Sand Gravel from "Joypur Sand Gravel Mahal" under Parbatjhora Forest Division proposed by Sri Manoj Narzary is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and deliberation. Necessary documents submitted by the proponent along with the proposal are scrutinized and appraised. The project area is 4.96 hect., whereas the minable area is estimated 3.72 hect. and estimation of material is done on minable area. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam and report of the concerned DFO is discussed in detailed. Detailed deliberation is held. It is seen that estimation of the minable materials i.e. percentage of sand and gravel is not shown while estimating its volume. The committee desires the following information for consideration of the project proposal.

• Need to submit sieve method to estimate showing sand & gravel percentage with laboratory photographs.

The proponent is requested to respond to the above noted point at the earliest for taking needful action at this end.

Agenda item- 14.

14. Proposal asking EC for mining of Brick earth from "M/S TMB Brick Industry Mining Permit Area" under Kamrup West Division proposed by M/S TMB Brick. SEIAA.3129/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/187165/2022).

Resolution 46/15:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of brick earth from the "M/S TMB Brick Industry Mining Permit Area" under Kamrup West Division proposed by M/S TMB Brick is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and deliberation. The project area is 0.556 hect. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam vide letter Dt. 13th Nov. 2020. Report on JVR dt. 5th Aug. 2020- and recommendation of the ADC, Kamrup dt, 3rd Aug. 2020 are discussed. Replies submitted by the proponent with respect to the quarries raised on EDS/ ADS are also discussed in detailed. After due deliberation the committee recommended the proposal approving to *extract* 4000 cu.m brick earth from the proposed mining site within a period of two years subject to the

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condition that the **mining depth is approved 1.5 meter** from the unmined surface. The proponent is allowed to extract **2000 cu.m brick earth annually** strictly following all other condition laid down in the approved mining plan.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Kamrup West Forest Division is requested to ensure necessary surveillance to guard occurrences of irregularities during the mining operation. The DFO will also arrange to mark the proposed mining site on the ground fixing pillars before actual mining operation as mining is restricted within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. The DFO is also requested to ensure compliance by the proponent of all the terms and condition laid down in the EC during the period of mining operation.

Agenda item- 15.

15. Proposal asking EC for mining of Ordinary Clay from "Outside Dikhow River Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area, Otengabari, under Sivasagar Division proposed by Mahamod Hussain. SEIAA.3015/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 281210/2022).

Resolution 46/16:

The project proposal asking for mining of ordinary clay from the "Outside Dikhow River Ordinary Clay Mining Permit Area, Otengabari, under Sivasagar Division proposed by Mahamod Hussain is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam dt. 18th April 2022; report of the ADC (R), Sivasagar; JVR dt. 27th Feb.2022 and report of the C.O. Sivasagar have been discussed in detailed. The proposed site falls on the bank of the river and as such the committee requires comment/view of the concerned Executive Engineer, Water Resources Department with regard to the proposed mining site on vulnerability of River Bank erosion.

The proponent is requested to furnish the report as asked above at the earliest to take needful action at this end.

Agenda item- 16.

16. Proposal asking EC for mining of Ordinary earth from "Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area from Patta Land at Dhirerchar Pt-II Village, Aie Valley Division proposed by Zakir Ahmed. SEIAA.3130/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 250437/2022).

Resolution 46/17:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of ordinary earth from the "Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area from Patta Land at Dhirerchar Pt-II Village" under Aie Valley Division, Bongaigaon proposed by Zakir Ahmed is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, appraisal and discussion. Required documents submitted by the proponent along with the proposal are scrutinized and appraised. Detailed discussion is held. The Mining Plan approved by the DGM, Assam dt. 21st Dec. 2021 and land records are examined including the report of the C.O. Chapar. The committee after due deliberation resolved to get the following additional information/clarification from the proponent for consideration of the proposal.

- The DFO's letter addressed to the SEIAA, Assam bears no seal and signature and which was not issued from the office of the DFO, Aie Valley Division.
- The land records speaks the quoted Dag nos. of the proposed land is under Ezmali Patta

- with three other copattadar where as the land agreement signed between one pattadar with the proponent. Proper registered land deed is required.
- Clarification is required how the ordinary earth will be transported across the river channel of the river Brahmaputra. Proper transport plan for carriage of mining materials is to be shown in a map.

The proponent is requested to furnish report/clarification on the above noted points at his earliest for taking needful action at this end.

Agenda item- 17.

17. Proposal asking EC for mining of Stone from "Amsorli Stone Mining Permit Area" under Hamren Forest Division proposed by CI EM Hanse. SEIAA.2010/2022, (SIA/AS/MIN/ 252136/2022).

Resolution 46/18:

The project proposal asking EC for mining of stone from the "Amsorli Stone Mining Permit Area" under Hamren Forest Division proposed by CI EM Hanse is placed before the SEAC for scrutiny, review and appraisal. The proposal was discussed in detail in the 42nd SEAC meeting held on 30th July, 2022 and resolved to conduct field inspection before taking further decision as part of the proposed site appeares under on going mining. Accordingly the subcommittee headed by the Chairman, SEAC, Assam physically inspected the proposal mining site with assistance of the Range Officer, Ouguri Range on 24th Sept. 2022. Going through the documents furnishd by the proponent along with the proposal and in the light of site inspection the following additional information is required by the committee for taking further needful action in granting EC as requested.

- 1. The volume of over burden is required to be calculated since considerably thick overburdens are noticed over the proposed site.
- 2. Demarcation of dumping site is needed for the overburden.
- 3. The history of the earlier (abandoned) mining activity should be given.
- 4. It is stated in Para -14 of the Mining Plan report that the mining will be done "along with some overburden" which need clarification since its reserve estimation is not done.
- 5. Contour map and step mining plan diagrams are missing in the mine plan report and need to be submitted.

The proponent is requested to respond at the earliest on the above points.

Item 3:

Regarding shifting of one well location within the approved block proposed by the ONGC under proposal No.SIA/AS/IND 2/159905/2020.

Resolution:

The proposal asking by the ONGC for shifting of NL EC 18 under Cachar District PML was discussed in the 41st SEAC meeting held on 16th July 2022. Necessary EC was granted by the SEIAA, Assam against 38 nos. of well locations under Cachar District PML on 15th March 2022 vide EC id: EC22B002AS164966 and the NL EC 18 location falls with the same PML. The committee going through the proposal asked the ONGE authority to furnish detail coordinates of

the new location delineating on the map being additional information. The ONGC has furnished reply on the ADS raised thereon. Now, the committee after detail discussion recommended the proposal for shifting of location of NL EC 18 to the new location ARAA having coordinate 24⁰35'38.31" N/92⁰56'6.92" E.

The 46th SEAC meeting is ended with vote of thanks from the Chair.

Chairman, SEAC, Assam. Bamunimaidam, Ghy-21

Dated: 11th Oct. 2022.

Memo No. SEIAA.33/2013/Pt.-I

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- 1) The Chairman, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Assam for favor of kind information.
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Chairman, SEAC, Assam Bamunimaidam, Ghy-21