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Minutes of the 5th Meeting (1st Sitting) of the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Assam held on 30th January, 2024 from 11.00 AM to 2.00 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>
<i>1</i>	<i>Sri Jatindra Sarma, IFS (Retd.)</i>	<i>Chairman, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>Dr. Raja Rofique Haque</i>	<i>Member, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>Sri. Arup Barpujary</i>	<i>Member, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>Shri Shantanoo Bhattacharyya</i>	<i>Member, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>Dr. Bijoy Sankar Goswami</i>	<i>Member, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>Dr. S.K. Dutta</i>	<i>Member Secretary, SEAC</i>	<i>Sd/-</i>

At the very outset, the Member Secretary, SEAC welcomed the Hon'ble Chairman and all the Members of the Committee. He briefed the house about the agenda for the meeting as circulated and 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 Meetings (1st Sitting and 2nd Sitting) held on 28th December 2023 and ratified the minutes.

As per the agenda for the 1st 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. Desang River Sand Mining Permit Area (Lakhmonighat) proposed by the DFO, Sivasagar Division (SIA/AS/MIN/433632/2023) SEIAA. 3509/2023

Resolution 5/1:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 2.50 Ha with the recommended quantity of **20,000 cu.m Sand** in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan @ **10,000 cum Sand**, annually. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Shri Jyotiprasad 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 04.05.2023. The DFO, Sivasagar Division, Sivasagar 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 furnished.***

Due discussions and deliberations is held. On careful perusal of the records and the KML file it revealed that mining plan is prepared including the curved portion of the river course which need to be excluded from the identified area bounded by the Geo-coordinates, leaving the stretch of **90 mtrs** as a safety zone where no mining or harvesting of sand be allowed (non-mining area). The Committee is of the considered opinion that the stretch of length covering the curved portion is to be left out thereby reducing the mining area accordingly and Geo-coordinates ***be submitted duly authenticated by the concerned DFO before accord of the EC by the SEIAA.***

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **20, 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 the revised GPS coordinates where by 90 m stretch of the curved portion of the river course is excluded; (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 only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person 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 (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 and as revised accordingly duly authenticated.



2. Champa River Sand Gravel Mahal No.1 under Chirang Forest Division proposed by Sri Bipul Wary (SIA/AS/MIN/439405/2023) SEIAA. 3574/2023.

Resolution 5/2:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring **4.54** Ha and the Mining area is **4.52** Ha with the recommended quantity of **7,180** cu.m Sand and **7,575** cu.m 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 21.07.2023. The DFO, Chirang Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 25.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is furnished.*

Due discussions and deliberations is held. The Committee is of the considered opinion that the the Minor mineral in question, quantity being too meagre, be allowed to be extracted within a period of **2(two)** years only.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **7,180** cum of **Sand** and **7,575** cum **Gravel** 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 the revised 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) meters only 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 (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, the DFO 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. DIG/27 (New Tarakuchi) Mining Contract Area of 2023-30 proposed by the Divisional Forest Officer, Digboi Division, Digboi (SIA/AS/MIN/450038/2023) SEIAA. 3591/2023

Resolution 5/3:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring **4.67 Ha** with the recommended quantity of **1,03,635 cu.m Sand** for the period from 2023-2030 while the mining plan as approved by the Director, Geology and Mining Department, Assam vide letter dated 18.08.2023 is for 5 (five) years allowing extraction, as per the approved Mining Plan, **@ 20,727 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. 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 of the opinion that NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned ***and prior to grant of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.***

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **103, 635 cum of Sand** in 5 (five) years **@ 20,727 cum** per 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 the 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 only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person by the SEIAA.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 and as revised accordingly duly authenticated.

4. Dilli River Stone Mining Permit Area, B (V A) proposed by the DFO, Sivasagar Division (SIA/AS/MIN/433794/2023) SEIAA. 3517/2023

Resolution 5/4:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring **3.38 Ha** with the recommended quantity of **11,000 cu.m Stone** for a period of **1(one)** while the mining plan as approved by the Director, Geology and Mining Department, Assam vide letter dated **01.02.2023** is for a year only allowing extraction of **11,000 cum Stone**. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Lakhyajit Sonowal and the proposed mining area was visited by the RQP. The DFO, Sivasagar Division, Sivasagar had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated **02.02.2023**.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. ***The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned 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 **11,000 cum of Stone** 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 the 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)** meters only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person by the SEIAA.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 and as revised accordingly duly authenticated.

5. Dilli River Stone Mining Permit Area, C (II A) proposed by the DFO, Sivasagar Territorial Forest Division (SIA/AS/MIN/433793/2023) SEIAA. 3516/2023

Resolution 5/5:

On scrutiny of the proposal it revealed that the area containing the Geo coordinates measuring 2.36 Ha for mining of **10,000 cu m Stone** prepared by the RQP and duly approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt. of Assam is very adjacent to the proposed Mining Permit area as at Sl 4 (within a radius of 500 m) which is remanded back to the proponent on request by the RQP and is, therefore, rejected.

If so advised, the proponent may come up with a fresh proposal under **Category -BI** for the area under mining activity.

6. Lower Kopili River Sand Contract Permit Area proposed by Sri Mongal Rongpi (SIA/AS/MIN/428872/2023) SEIAA. 3478/2023

Resolution 5/6:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.48 Ha with the Mining Area being 2.55 Ha and 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 02.05.2023. The DFO, Hamren Division, Hamren had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 04.05.2023. The LOI was issued in favour of the Proponent on 04.04.2023.

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 of the considered opinion that the stretch of length covering the curved portion is to be left out thereby reducing the mining area accordingly and Geo-coordinates be submitted duly authenticated by the concerned DFO. 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 and grant of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.***

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 the 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 only 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 (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 and as revised accordingly duly authenticated.

7. Kurna River Sand Mahal (Benglangso - Langbungdingpi) proposed by Sri Amar Hanse (SIA/AS/MIN/452326/2023)SEIAA. 3618/2023

Resolution 5/7:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 1.75 Ha with the Mining Area being 1.75 Ha and recommended quantity of **6,000 cu.m Sand** in 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan **@3,000 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 18.08.2023. The DFO, Karbi Anglong East Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 25.09.2023. The LOI was issued in favour of the Proponent on 26.04.2023.

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 of the considered opinion that the stretch of length covering the stretch of 250 m from the Bridge is to be left out thereby reducing the mining area accordingly and Geo-coordinates be submitted duly authenticated by the concerned DFO. Further, the committee is also of the opinion that ***the NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned and grant of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.***

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **6,000 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 the revised GPS coordinates excluding the stretch of 250m from the Bridge as non mining zone ; (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 only 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 (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

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8. Dhansiri Sand / Stone Mahal No.1 (Dhansiri River) proposed by Sri Nasi Daimari (SIA/AS/MIN/448995/2023) SEIAA. 3586/2023

Resolution 5/8:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.84 Ha with the Mining Area being 4.67 Ha and recommended quantity of **60,004 cu.m Sand** and **18,004 cu m 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 22.09.2023. The DFO, Dhansiri Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 19.12.2023. The LOI was issued in favour of the Proponent on 31.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. ***The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is furnished.***

Due discussions and deliberations is held. The Committee is of the considered opinion that the length covering the stretch of 1069 m of the approved mining area needs to be reduced by a stretch of 50m, as non mining zone, to be left out in between thereby reducing the mining area accordingly and Geo-coordinates be submitted duly authenticated by the concerned DFO.

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **60, 000 cum of Sand** and **18,000 cu m Stone** in 5 (five) years @ **12,000 cu m of Sand** and **3,600 cu m 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 the revised revised GPS coordinates excluding the stretch of 50m in between the total stretch of length of mining area as non mining zone; (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 only from the non-mined surface.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 revised GPS coordinates reducing the mining area, as revised by excluding the length by 50m stretch accordingly, duly authenticated by the RQP and certified by the DFO concerned.

9. Karipara (Matia) Mining Unit proposed by the Divisional Forest Officer (T), Goalpara Division (SIA/AS/MIN/451600/2023) SEIAA. 3615/2023

Resolution 5/9:

On scrutiny of the proposal it revealed that the area containing the Geo coordinates measuring 4.76 Ha for mining of 88,028 cu m Sand prepared by the RQP Dr Abhijit Bora and duly approved by the Director, Geology and Mining, Govt. of Assam is reportedly an overlapping area. On request of the Proponent, the DFO, Goalpara Division the project is, therefore, *rejected*.

10. Huthuti River Sand, Gravel & Boulder Mahal, South Gandabil proposed by Sri Hemanta Basumatary (SIA/AS/MIN/451267/2023) SEIAA. 3613/2023

Resolution 5/10:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.88 Ha with the Mining Area being 4.88 Ha and recommended quantity of **10,715 cu.m Sand-Gravel; 5,000 cu m Gravel; 7,145 cu m Sand and 5,000 cu m Boulder** 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 21.07.2023. The DFO, Chirang Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 22.08.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned 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 **10,715 cu.m Sand-Gravel; 5,000 cu m Gravel; 7,145 cu m Sand and 5,000 cu m Boulder** 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 the GPS ; (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 minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

11. Govt. Permit Area of Barnadi Sand and Stone Mahal No-1(A) proposed by the DFO, Baksa Division, Mushalpur (SIA/AS/MIN/452510/2023) SEIAA 3629/2023

Resolution 5/11:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.98 Ha with the Mining Area being **4.98 Ha** and recommended quantity of **1,10,515 cu m** minor minerals comprising of **39,120 cu m Gravel; 33,463 cu m Sand** and **34,070 cu m Stone** for 5 (five) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Prabal Kumar 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 22.03.2023. The DFO, Baksa Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 29.03.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned 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 **39,120 cu m Gravel; 33,463 cu m Sand** and **34,070 cu m Stone** for 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 the GPS ; (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 minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person by the SEIAA.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

12. Lower Dhansiri S.S. Mahal (A) under Dhansiri Division, Udalguri proposed by Sri Raju Brahma (SIA/AS/MIN/448834/2023) SEIAA. 3559/2023

Resolution 5/12:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.00 Ha with the Mining Area being **4.00** Ha and recommended quantity of **2,142** cu m of **Sand** till 31.10.2024 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, Dhansiri Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction of minor minerals vide letter dated 15.07.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and placed before the Committee. *The requisite NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is submitted by the Proponent.*

Due discussions and deliberations are held. On scrutiny of the approved Mining Plan it revealed that the *mineable reserve of Sand during the awarded mining contract period of 16 months is 90,000 cu m.* The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to call for **records/report** pertaining to the copy of the Contract awarded to the Proponent, the quantity allotted therein for mining as the recommended quantity of **2,142** cu m **Sand** for grant of EC transpires to be too *meagre* without any basis for such a large area (4 Ha) as covered under the approved mining area. The concerned DFO shall also justify as to why the said recommended quantity of Sand is proposed to be extracted by **31.10.2024** only. The DFO shall also clearly point out if any extraction had taken place without the EC for the area in question.



13. Chomna River Sand Mahal No.6 (A), Mining Contract Area (Govt. Land) proposed by Smt Sira Ronghangpi (SIA/AS/MIN/449478/2023) SEIAA. 3590/2023

Resolution 5/13:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 2.75 Ha with the Mining Area being 2.75 Ha and recommended quantity of **6,000 cu.m Sand** in 3 (three) years as per the approved Mining Plan **@2,000 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 23.07.2023. The DFO, Karbi Anglong East Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 01.07.2023. The LOI was issued in favour of the Proponent on 01.12.2022.

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 the NOC from the competent authority ***shall be obtained prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned and grant of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.***

The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is pleased to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **6, 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 the 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 only 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 (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 revised GPS coordinates in terms of the approved Mining Plan.



14. Dikhow River Stone Mining Permit Area, F (III)" proposed by the DFO, Sivasagar Territorial Forest Division (SIA/AS/MIN/418734/2023) SEIAA. 3484/2023

Resolution 5/14:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.30 Ha with the Mining Area being **4.30** Ha and recommended quantity of **10,000** cu m **Stone** for 1 (one) year as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Lakhyajit 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 18.11.2022. The DFO, Sivasagar Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 15.02.2023. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is furnished.*

EDS was raised pertaining to a visible linear structure and the same was attended to by responding as *"The linear structure shown in the map is just a seasonal bamboo foot over bridge that made by local people to connecting the both banks. This is not a permanent or concrete structure or any government issued project."*

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is placed before the Committee for appraisal.

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 **10,000** cu m **Stone** for 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 the GPS ; (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 minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person by the SEIAA.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, the DFO 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

15. Hongkram-2 Borpani River Sand Contract Permit Area proposed by Sri Maan Hanse (SIA/AS/MIN/ 448695/ 2023) SEIAA. 3575/2023

Resolution 5/15:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.93 Ha with the Mining Area being 0.93 Ha and 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 31.07.2023. The DFO, Hamren Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction vide letter dated 02.08.2023.

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 of the opinion that the NOC from the competent authority shall be obtained ***prior to allowing mining in the area by the DFO concerned and grant of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.***

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 the 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 only from the non-mined surface.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.



16. Jhanji River Sand Mining Permit Area (Miching Ghat) proposed by the DFO, Sivasagar Territorial Division (SIA/AS/MIN/427245/2023) SEIAA. 3522/2023

Resolution 5/16:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.22 Ha with the Mining Area being 4.22 Ha and recommended quantity of 20,000 cu m Sand for 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyotiprasad 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 19.10.2022. The DFO, Sivasagar Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 02.02.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is placed before the Committee for appraisal. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is furnished.*

Further, on scrutiny of the KML file it revealed that a bridge is existing near to the project area requiring maintenance of adequate safety zone as non mining area thereby revision of the mining area reducing the area in terms of the AMMC, Rules 2013 (as amended), as necessary, and to submit the same duly certified by the DFO, the Proponent. The concerned RQP needs to get the Geo coordinates accordingly after due physical verification with the personnel of the Water Resources Department and competent Forest officials not below the rank of a Forest Ranger and submit the same for accord of the EC by the SEIAA, Assam.

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 20,000 cu m Sand 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 the revised 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 minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, the DFO 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 revised GPS coordinates as shall be submitted reducing the area in terms of the approved Mining Plan.



17. 4 No. Rongbong Pathar Gaon P.P. Land Sand Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Sunit Saikia (SIA/AS/MIN/440291/2023) SEIAA. 3540/2023

Resolution 5/17:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.42 Ha with the Mining Area being 0.42 Ha and recommended quantity of 4,098 cu m Sand for 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyotiprasad 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 05.08.2023. The DFO, Golaghat Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 07.08.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is placed before the Committee for appraisal. On scrutiny of the supporting documents for the project it is found that the following documents are found wanting: *i) JVR of current year as the JVR of the year 2020 can not be treated as authentic; ii) NOC from the Patta holders duly Registered in sub Registry Office is required to be submitted; iii) Certificate showing that the land in question is unfit for agricultural purposes from the Agriculture Department.*

Due discussions and deliberations is held. The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is of the opinion that on receipt of the above information supported with necessary documents may recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of 4,098 cu m Sand for 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 the GPS coordinates ; (b) the proponent may be permitted to extract the approved quantity of minor mineral with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface area.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, the DFO 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

18. Upper Subansiri Dirpai Grant Sand & Gravel Govt. Permit Area (Kadam) proposed by the Divisional Forest Officer, Dhemaji Division, Dhemaji (SIA/AS/MIN/427176/2023) SEIAA. 3463/2023

Resolution 5/18:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 2.98 Ha with the Mining Area being 2.66 Ha and recommended quantity of 49,192 cu m minor minerals comprising of Sand- Gravel for 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 20.03.2023. The DFO, Dhemaji Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 30.03.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned 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 **49,192 cu m Sand-Gravel** 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 the GPS ; (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 minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only 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 with necessary application for due transfer to the authorized person by the SEIAA.

It has been pointed out by the Member Secretary, SEAC that for mining in river beds and in flood plains the Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) are essentially required to be obtained from the PCBA in terms of the guidelines circulated by the CPCB / MoEF & CC for non manual extraction which need to be adhered to by the concerned DFO.

The Divisional Forest Officer 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

19. 1No. Dongsipara P.P. Land Sand, Gravel & Boulder Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Samuel Marak SIA/AS/MIN/419911/2023 SEIAA. 3535/2023

Resolution 5/19:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 3.97 Ha with the Mining Area being **3.83 Ha** and recommended quantity of minor minerals comprising of **17,000 cu m Sand-Gravel; 8,000 cu m Gravel** and **8,970 cu m Boulder** for 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 21.01.2023. The DFO, Chirang Division had

requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 01.02.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is also furnished in the form of JVR.* It revealed from the KML file that a linear structure exist near to the mining area (80m away) under the proposal. The Committee is of the considered opinion *that the DFO shall undertake verification of the same with the concerned PWD authority and shall submit a report indicating the distance of the linear structure with Geo coordinates from the nearest point of the proposed mining area* for further consideration of the matter by the SEIAA, Assam.

Member Secretary SEAC pointed out that Consent to Establish (CTE) and Consent to Operate (CTO) is required to be obtained by the Project Proponent from PCB, Assam for the Mining Activity as per the Provision of the Air Act, 1981

Due discussions and deliberations are held. The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is of the considered opinion that the proposal at hand be recommended for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **17,000 cu m Sand-Gravel; 8,000 cu m Gravel and 8,970 cu m Boulder** for 2 (two) years *on receipt of the report containing the clarifications from the concerned DFO as may deem proper taking in to account the ground realities and* 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 the GPS and (b) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of river bed minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

20. No.1 Bhawraguri P.P. Land Mahal under Haltugaon Forest Division proposed by Sri Jaysat Narzary (SIA/AS/MIN/428892/2023) SEIAA. 3473/2023

Resolution 5/20:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 4.18 Ha with the Mining Area being 3.95 Ha and recommended quantity of minor minerals comprising of **14,000 cu m Sand and 6,000 cu m Gravel** for 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 21.04.2023. The DFO, Haltugaon Division had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 21.04.2023.



Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised. *The NOC from the Water Resources Department concerned is also furnished in the form of JVR.*

Due discussions and deliberations are held. The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is of the considered opinion to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **1,400 cu m Sand** and **6,000 cu m Gravel** for 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 the GPS and (b) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

21. Bhalakhowa Sand Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Ashok Sangma (SIA/AS/MIN/425334/2023) SEIAA. 3471/2023

Resolution 5/21:

The Project Area as allotted is measuring 0.27 Ha with the Mining Area being 0.27 Ha and recommended quantity of minor minerals comprising of **2,496 cu m Sand** for 1 (one) year as per the approved Mining Plan. 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 21.12.2023. The DFO, Kamrup West Division, Bamunigaon had requested for the grant of the EC for the proposal allowing extraction minor minerals vide letter dated 03.04.2023.

Necessary documents submitted in support of the proposal is examined and appraised.

Due discussions and deliberations are held. The Committee after due deliberation and appraisal is of the considered opinion to recommend for grant of the EC by the SEIAA for a quantity of **2,496 cu m Sand** for 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 the GPS and (b) the proponent is permitted to extract the approved quantity of minor minerals with maximum mining depth of up to 2 (two) meters only from the non-mined surface.

The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure due vigilance in the mining area to avert any kind of irregularities / illegalities during the mining period. Further, DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO 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 in terms of the approved Mining Plan.

22. Sastri Gaon Brick Earth Mining Permit Area proposed by Munmun Roy (SIA/AS/MIN/435474/ 2023) SEIAA. 3551/2023

Resolution 5/22:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth for Sastri Gaon Brick Earth Mining Permit Area **proposed by Munmun Roy** under Nagaon South Division, Hojai is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.

The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.15 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **1,000 cu m** for 6 (six) 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 on 31.05.2022. The DFO, Nagaon South Division had recommended the proposal on 21.07.22.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend for the proposal for 6 (six) months only approving to **extract 1,000 cu.m of Ordinary Earth from the proposed site** with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the **Zigzag** technology for production of bricks.

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon South Division, Hojai is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

23. Niz-Tetelia Brick Earth Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Bapan Karmakar (SIA/AS/MIN 408790/2022) SEIAA. 3531/2023

Resolution 5/23:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth for Niz-Tetelia Brick Earth Mining Permit Area **proposed by Sri Bapan Karmakar** under Nagaon Division is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.



The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.69 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **11,780 cu m** for 1 (one) year as per the approved Mining Plan. 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 on 04.08.2022. The DFO, Nagaon Division had recommended the proposal on 20.09.22.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend for the proposal for **1 (one) year** only approving to **extract 11,780 cu.m of Ordinary Earth** from the proposed site with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the **Zigzag** technology for production of bricks.

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the **PARIVESH** portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Division is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

24. M/S Co-operation Brick Industry Mining Permit Area proposed by M/S Co-operation Brick Industry (SIA/AS/MIN/438063/2023) SEIAA. 3569/2023

Resolution 5/24:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth for M/S Cooperation Brick Industry Mining Permit Area proposed under Sivasagar Division is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.

The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.48 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **4,000 cu m** for 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyotiprasad 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 on 04.07.2023. The DFO, Sivasagar Division had recommended the proposal on 20.07.23.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend for the proposal for **2 (two) years** only approving to **extract 4,000 cu.m of Ordinary Earth** from the proposed site with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined



ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the **Zigzag** technology for production of bricks.

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Sivasagar Division is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

25. M/S Jeet Brick Field Mining Permit Area proposed by the M/s Jeet Brick Industry (SIA/AS/MIN/434380/2023)SEIAA.3532/2023

Resolution 5/25:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth by M/S Jeet Brick Field Industry **proposed** under Sivasagar Division is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.

The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.40 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **2,500 cu m** for 1 (one) year as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyotiprasad 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 on 12.01.2023. The DFO, Sivasagar Division had recommended the proposal on 16.06.2023.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend for the proposal for **1 (one) year** only approving to **extract 2,500 cu.m of Ordinary Earth** from the proposed site with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the **Zigzag** technology for production of bricks.

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Sivasagar Division is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

26. Sastri Gaon Brick Earth Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Bijoy Mazumder
SIA/AS/MIN/435133/2023 SEIAA. 3550/2023

Resolution 5/26:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth for Sastri Gaon Brick Earth Mining Permit Area proposed under Nagaon South Division, Hojai is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.

The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.19 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **1,000 cu m** for 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 on 31.05.2022. The DFO, Nagaon South Division had recommended the proposal on 21.07.2022.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend for the proposal for **6 (six) months only approving to extract 1,000 cu.m of Ordinary Earth from the proposed site with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the Zigzag technology for production of bricks.**

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon South Division, Hojai is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

27. 2- Na-Konwar Gaon Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Prabhat Gogoi (SIA/AS/MIN/452184/2023) SEIAA. 3617/2023

Resolution 5/27:

The project proposal requesting for grant of the EC for mining of Ordinary Earth for 2-Na-Konwar Gaon Ordinary Earth Mining Permit Area proposed by Sri Prabhat Gogoi under Sivasagar Division is placed before the SEAC for appraisal and detailed discussion.

The Project Area as allotted for mining is measuring **0.19 Ha** with the recommended quantity of Ordinary Earth measuring **2,078 cu m** for 2 (two) years as per the approved Mining Plan. The Mining Plan was prepared by the Registered Qualified Person (RQP) Sri Jyotiprasad

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 on 11.09.2023. The DFO, Sivasagar Division had recommended the proposal on 27.10.2023.

Necessary documents furnished by the proponent along with the approved Mining Plan in support of the proposal are discussed in detail.

Due deliberation is held and the Committee is pleased to recommend the proposal for **1 (one) year** only approving to **extract 2,078 cu.m of Ordinary Earth** from the proposed site with the condition (i) that maximum mining depth is allowed up to 2 (two) meters from the non-mined ground surface strictly following all the terms and conditions laid down in the approved mining plan; (ii) the Proponent shall also invariably obtain the latest CTE / CTO from the PCB, Assam and (iii) the Proponent shall strictly follow the **Zigzag** technology for production of bricks.

The Proponent further must ensure raising Green Belt around the premises in consultation with the DFO for planting suitable evergreen species of plants all along the periphery of the plot of land which need to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Sivasagar Division is required to ensure due vigilance on the mining operation to avoid occurrence of irregularities during the mining period. Further, the DFO is to ensure that mining be allowed only within the approved mining site and not beyond the limit of the same. Accordingly, DFO shall arrange to mark the boundary of the mining site on ground fixing permanent pillars, painted yellow inscribing the Geo-coordinates therein on the pillars, following the GPS coordinates mentioned in the approved mining plan.

Compliance by the proponent of all the terms and conditions stipulated in the EC shall have to be ensured by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



Chairman
SEAC, Assam

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Dated 14 / 02 / 2024

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- 1) The Chairman, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Assam for favour of kind information.
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- 4) Concerned DFOs of various Forest Divisions for their information and needful compliance.
- 5) Accountant cum Cashier of the office of the SEIAA, Assam for his information.
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Member Secretary
SEAC, Assam