



191-2474553/0194-2490602

Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change

J&K ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY

(at) DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, ENVIRONMENT AND REMOTE SENSING

S.D.A. Colony, Bemina, Srinagar-190018 (May-Oct)/ Paryavaran Bhawan, Transport Nagar, Gladni, Jammu-180006 (Nov-Apr)

Email: jkseiaa@gmail.com, website:www.parivesh.nic.in



MINUTES OF THE 40TH MEETING OF JK ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY HELD ON 27TH May, 2021 AT 1400 Hrs. THROUGH VIDEOCONFERENCING

In pursuance to the Minutes of the 41st Meeting of JK Expert Appraisal Committee held on 20th May, 2021 conveyed vide endorsement No. EAC/JK/20/7388-400 dated 24-05-2021, the 40th Meeting of JK Environment Impact Assessment Authority was held on 27th May, 2021 through video conferencing.

The following attended the meeting:-

- | | |
|---|--------------------------|
| 1. Mr. Lal Chand, IFS(Retd.) | Chairman, JKEIAAA |
| 2. Er. Nazir Ahmad (Retd. Chief Engineer) | Member, JKEIAA |
| 3. Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS, Pr.CCF/Director, EE&RS, J&K | Member-Secretary, JKEIAA |

Following are the deliberations & decisions of the meeting:-

AGENDA ITEM NO.01.

Grant of environment clearance in favour of Shri Raman Kumar s/o Shri Krishan Dutt R/O-Arnas, Distt-Reasi, JKUT for Minor Mineral Block -14 at river Ans downstream Narloo Bridge (Plan no.V), tehsil-Thakrakote, Distt-Reasi, JKUT (area-9.51 ha). Under proposal No.**SIA/JK/MIN/57161/2020.**

Deliberations:

The project has been discussed by the JKEAC. The consultant has given detailed presentation during which the forum was informed that the case had already been presented in the 37th JKEAC meeting but was deferred by committee as the consultant at that time could not present the compliance to Specific ToRs issued by the JK Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority vide letter No. JKEIAA/2020/339/1550-53, dated: 27-12-2020. Besides, it had also been desired that the NOCs of various stakeholders especially Salal Dam Authority be also presented. The Consultant informed that the Letter of Intent was issued to the project by the Geology & Mining Department on 20.07.2020, mining plan approved on 12.09.2020 and ToRs were issued for preparation of the EIA/EMP by JKEIAA on 27.12.2020. JKEAC has observed that bid value alone amounts to ₹ 125 lakhs, therefore project cost can't be only ₹ 97.56 lakhs. Therefore, the Committee has desired that the consultant should revise the project cost and reformulate CER budget. The EMP budget was presented to the tune of ₹ 18.40 lakhs per annum. Various aspects of mining block have been discussed including Lol, its extension, mining depth, replenishment, targeted mineral production and Public Hearing Report. The consultant informed that targeted mineral production has been computed at only 1m depth, for which necessary corrections in the

approved mining plan shall be made and de-novo approval of the updated mining plan obtained from the competent authority within the window of opportunity provided by the JKEIAA. The consultant further informed that Public Hearing of the project was conducted by JKPCB on 26.02.2021. He presented the NOCs of Forest, Fisheries and I&FC Departments. The consultant was asked to present NOC from Salal Dam Authority. He presented copy of a letter dated 08.07.2019 issued by Dy. General Manager, Salal Power Project. The Consultant presented compliance to specific ToRs and displayed duly signed and stamped test reports of baseline data by Panchayat representative and the DMO concerned. The filed photographs showing baseline data collection were also presented before the Committee.

In view of the above deliberations, the Committee recommended the case for grant of Environmental Clearance subject to: -

1. Prior submission of revised Project cost/ PFR/CER budget in accordance with above cited deliberations, physically as well as on Parivesh portal.
2. Revision of mining plan in the light of deliberations of the JKEAC and its de-novo approval by the competent authority prior to grant of EC or as decided by the JKEIAA.
3. Mining Depth of 1m, subject to equal replenishment at the end of December each year in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report formulated by the Geology & Mining Department.
4. Maximum targeted RBM extraction of 159197MT per Annum $[(95100-10\%(\text{buffer}) \times 1.86(\text{Bulk density}) \times 1(\text{mining depth})]$.
5. Mentioning of the geographical coordinates as per letter of intent in the formal Environmental Clearance letter.
6. Prior submission of NOCs from all stake holder departments viz. I&FC Department, Fisheries Department etc.
7. Standard and Specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to JKEAC Minutes of Meeting.
8. Objection if any, to the Salal Dam Authority for which the EC letter be endorsed to the Dy. General Manager, Salal Power Project, Jyotipuram, District Reasi, 182312(J&K) for information.
9. Fulfillment of promises made and assurances given to the public during Public Hearing meeting.
10. Validity of Environmental Clearance for a period of only three years from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.

Decisions:

The JKEIAA upheld recommendations of JKEAC to grant E.C. to project subject to the general and specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to JKEAC meeting, besides Prior submission of NOCs from all stake holder departments viz. I&FC Department, Fisheries Department etc. The EC is further subject to fulfillment of conditions based on recommendations of JKEAC as under:

1. Prior submission of revised Project cost/ PFR/CER budget in accordance with above cited deliberations – both hard copies as also upload on Parivesh portal.

1. Revision of mining plan by restricting mining to depth of 1m only and corresponding revision of maximum targeted RBM extraction of 159197 Metric Tons per Annum as approved by JKEAC and its de- novo approval by the competent authority within a period of 3-months of issue of EC as approved by authority in its MoM issued vide No.: JKEIAA/2016/02/IV/205-09 dated: 11-02-2021.
2. Fulfillment of assurances given to the public during Public Hearing meeting and submission of ATR/ compliance report to JKEIAA.
3. Environmental Clearance shall be valid for a period of only three years from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.
4. Member Secretary shall endorse a copy of EC to Salal Dam Authority, Dy. General Manager, Salal Power Project, Jyotipuram, District Reasi, 182312, J&K for information.
5. Member secretary shall mention geographical coordinates as per letter of intent in the formal Environmental Clearance letter

AGENDA ITEM NO.02.

Grant of environment clearance in favour of M/s Vikesh Kumar S/O Shri Agya Pal R/O-Arnas, Distt-Reasi, JKUT for Minor Mineral Block -11 at river Ans downstream Narloo Bridge (Plan no. II), tehsil- Mahore, Distt-Reasi, JKUT (area- 9.90ha). under proposal No.**SIA/JK/MIN/57162/2020.**

Deliberations:

The project has been discussed by the JKEAC. The consultant has given a detailed presentation during which the forum was informed that the case had already been presented in the 37th JKEAC meeting but was deferred by committee as the consultant at that time could not present the compliance to the Specific ToRs issued by the JK Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority vide letter No. JKEIAA/2020/339/1550-53, dated: 27-12-2020. Besides, it had also been desired that the NOCs of various stakeholders, especially Salal Dam Authority be also presented. various aspects of the mining block were discussed including Lol, its extension, mining depth, replenishment, targeted mineral production and Public Hearing Report. The Consultant informed that the Letter of Intent was issued to the project by J&K G&M Dept. on 20.07.2020 which was subsequently extended to 31.08.2021, mining plan approved on 12.09.2020 and the ToRs for preparation of the EIA/EMP was issued by JKEIAA on 27/12/2020 at a cost of ₹ 98.96 lakhs. The Committee observed that the bid value alone amounts to ₹ 96.60 lakhs as per the submitted documents and therefore, the project cost can't be ₹ 98.96 lakhs only. Therefore, the Committee has desired that consultant should revise the project cost and reformulate the CER budget accordingly. The EMP budget presented is to the tune of ₹ 18.40 lakhs per annum. consultant informed that targeted mineral production has been computed at 1m depth, for which necessary corrections in the approved mining plan shall be made and *denovo* approval of the updated mining plan obtained from the competent authority. The consultant further informed that the Public Hearing of the project was conducted by JKPCB on 01.03.2021. He presented the NOCs of Forest, Fisheries and I&FC Departments. The consultant informed that NOC dated 08.07.2019 from the Salal Dam Authority presented earlier under agenda 01 also applies to this project as both projects are in close vicinity of each other. The Consultant presented compliance to specific

ToRs and displayed duly signed and stamped test reports of baseline data by Panchayat representative and the DMO concerned. The filed photographs showing baseline data collection were also presented before the Committee.

In view of the above deliberations, the Committee recommended the case for grant of Environmental Clearance subject to: -

1. Prior submission of revised Project cost/ PFR/CER budget in accordance with above cited deliberations, physically as well as on Parivesh portal.
2. Revision of mining plan in the light of deliberations of the JKEAC and its de- novo approval by the competent authority prior to grant of EC or as decided by the JKEIAA.
3. Mining Depth of 1m, subject to equal replenishment at the end of December each year in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report formulated by the Geology & Mining Department.
4. Maximum targeted RBM extraction of 165726 Metric Tons per Annum $[(99000-10\% \text{ (buffer)}) \times 1.86 \text{ (Bulk density)} \times 1 \text{ (mining depth)}]$.
5. Mentioning of the geographical coordinates as per letter of intent in the formal Environmental Clearance letter.
6. Prior submission of NOCs from all stake holder departments viz. I&FC Department, Fisheries Department etc.
7. Standard and Specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to JKEAC Minutes of Meeting.
8. Objection if any, to the Salal Dam Authority for which the EC letter be endorsed to the Dy. General Manager, Salal Power Project, Jyotipuram, District Reasi, 182312(J&K) for information.
9. Fulfilment of promises made and assurances given to the public during Public Hearing meeting.
10. Validity of Environmental Clearance for a period of only three years from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.

Decision:

The JKEIAA upheld recommendations of JKEAC to grant E.C. to the project subject to the general and specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to JKEAC meeting. The EC is further subject to fulfillment of conditions based on recommendations of JKEAC as under:

2. Prior submission of revised Project cost/ PFR/CER budget in accordance with above cited deliberations – both hard copies as also upload on Parivesh portal.
3. Revision of mining plan by restricting mining to depth of 1m only and corresponding revision of maximum targeted RBM extraction of 165726 Metric Tons per Annum as approved by JKEAC and its de- novo approval by the competent authority within a period of 3-months of issue of EC as approved by authority in its MoM issued vide No.: JKEIAA/2016/02/IV/205-09 dated: 11-02-2021.
4. Fulfillment of assurances given to the public during Public Hearing meeting and submission of ATR/ compliance report to JKEIAA.

5. Environmental Clearance shall be **valid for a period of only three years** from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.
6. Member Secretary shall endorse a copy of EC to Salal Dam Authority, Dy. General Manager, Salal Power Project, Jyotipuram, District Reasi, 182312, J&K for information.
7. Member secretary shall mention geographical coordinates as per letter of intent in the formal Environmental Clearance letter.

AGENDA ITEM NO.03.

Grant of Environment Clearance in favour of M/S Chandika Minerals Corporation R/O- Village- Lalote, Tehsil & District- Doda JKUT for Gypsum Mining” at Village- Lalote, Tehsi & District Doda, JKUT (Area- 4.70 Ha). under proposal No.**SIA/JK/MIN/202851/2021**

Deliberations: -

The project has been discussed by the JKEAC. The consultant has given a detailed presentation during which he informed that the Gypsum mining lease was granted to the project vide G.O No.265-IND of 2008 dated 21-10-2008 and the lease deed was signed by the Project proponent and the Dept. of G&M on 12-11-2008. It was observed that the contents of lease deed mention the total targeted production at 4049 M Tons at the royalty of ₹ 5,34,468/per annum. The consultant informed that revised mining plan was for 2022-23 with a targeted saleable mineral production of 102321 Metric Tons for five years period. The Committee asked the consultant to present the original approved mining plan but he was not able to present same before the forum. The consultant informed the forum that the mining activity has been stopped from 2016 for want of Environmental Clearance. The Committee asked the consultant as to how he has mentioned the project as a new project in the Form 1M when the mining activity was going on from 2008. The mining lease area emailed by the consultant was examined on the Google Earth platform in conjunction with the digital territorial forest boundary and it was observed that the mining site is within forest area. The consultant was asked to clarify the issue and he presented NOC issued by DFO, Batote vide No.BFD-3662 dated: 20-02-2007, in which it has been mentioned that the mining lease site does not fall in any forest area. Since, the mining lease site has been observed to be well within the forest area, the Committee desired clear-cut clarification from the Head of the Department viz. Principal Chief Conservator of the Forests, as mining activity has continued in the area in the past and as such the status of the land is required to be properly ascertained before proceeding further in the matter. It was also observed that the road leading to the Baglihar Dam site traverses the mining site which is prone to landslide as per features seen on the multi date Google images. It was also observed that the Pre-feasibility Report prescribes mining activity from the year 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23, when the applicant is applying for Environmental Clearance in 2021.

In view of the above deliberations, the Committee has recommended the case for rejection of Environmental Clearance in the present form and desired following documentation from the project proponent before considering the case in future:

1. To submit the case as existing project instead of new project with revised Form-1M &PFR.

2. To submit year-wise CA audited accounts duly attested by Director, Geology & Mining w.r.t total revenue earned and royalty paid to the Geology & Mining Department subsequent to signing of mining lease deed in 2008 till date.
3. To submit year-wise details of quantity of extracted mineral subsequent to signing of mining lease deed from 2008 onwards till date duly attested by the Director, Geology & Mining Department.
4. To submit details and proof of CSR activities with details of expenditures made under each activity from the commencement of mining activity in the area till date, as per CSR Policy Rules.
5. To submit copy of original approved mining plan which was followed for extraction of gypsum from 2008 to the time when the revised mining plan was approved by the Geology & Mining Department on 17/11/2018 and reasons for such revision of mining scheme to be explicitly obtained from G&M Dept.
6. To submit revised Pre-feasibility Report with production details conceptualized from the year, application is submitted with complete documentation for grant of Environmental clearance.
7. To ensure that the approved mining plan period corresponds to the period applied for grant of Environmental Clearance.
8. To obtain NOC from the Baglihar Dam Authority w.r.t impact of mining activity on the road leading to the Dam site.
9. To obtain clarification from the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests w.r.t title of land under the mining lease site. In case the mining site is found to be outside forest, the geographical coordinates of Forest pillar vis-à-vis nearest pillar coordinate of the mining lease site with distance between the two, may be got mentioned in such clarification.

Decision: -

The JKEIAA agree to recommendations of JKEAC for rejection of EC to this project in the present form. However, the PP may resubmit the case for appraisal after fulfillment of conditions laid down by JKEAC in deliberations here in above along with the documents recommended by JKEAC.

AGENDA ITEM NO.04.

Grant of Terms of Reference in favour of Shri Sanjay Mehta S/O Shri Ram Mehta R/O House No. 04, Opp Jain Nagar, Talab Tillo, Jammu JK UT for River Bed Material Lease Area- 8.36 Hectare Mineable Area- 5.84 Hectare Mining Project - Category-"B1" Village: Lamberi, Tehsil Nowshera, District- Rajouri, JK UT under proposal No. SIA/JK/MIN/62637/2021

Deliberations:

The project has been discussed/appraised by JKEAC. The consultant gave a detailed presentation during which detailed deliberations were held on various aspects of project like Lol, mining depth, replenishment study, active water channel and surface plan. The consultant informed that the Lol was granted on 25-11-2020 and the mining plan was approved on 08-04-2021 at a project cost of ₹ 316.9 lakhs. The consultant informed that though the total area of the mining block is 8.36 ha, yet the actual minable areas per approved mining plan is only 5.84 ha. after excluding area under active water channel. The Consultant was asked to ensure calculation of targeted

mineral production at only 1m depth and ensure rectification of details in the mining plan and its denovo approval by competent authority. The Committee examined mining block on Google Earth platform during which it was observed that neighboring land from pillar coordinate F to G shows features indicative of an upland with land erosion problem due to scouring activity of the nallah. Therefore, the Committee desired that the EIA report should dedicate a full-fledged chapter to this aspect of the mining block and suggest mitigation measures to combat soil erosion due to scouring activity of the Nallah.

In view of the above deliberations, the committee unanimously recommended the case for grant of following Terms of Reference subject to: -

1. Revision for recommended mining area of 5.84 Ha after exclusion of active water channel and mining depth of only 1m.
2. Revision of mining plan in the light of deliberations of the JKEAC and its de-novo approval by the competent authority prior to grant of EC/ToR or as decided by the JKEIAA.
3. Standard and Specific ToRs as mentioned in Annexure -A to the Minutes of JKEAC Meeting.

Decision:

The JKEIAA upheld recommendations of JKEAC to grant terms of Reference to the project subject to standard and specific conditions. The TOR is further subject to revision of mining plan by restricting mining area to 5.84 Ha after exclusion of active water channel and mining depth of only 1m, within a period of 3 months from the date of issue of EC as approved by authority in its MoM issued vide No.: JKEIAA/2016/02/IV/205-09 dated: 11-02-2021.

AGENDA ITEM NO.05

Grant of Environment Clearance in favour of Shri Rouf Ahmad S/O Shri Gh. Qadir Dar R/O Dangerpora, Awantipora, District Pulwama, JK UT for Minor Mineral Block No-12, Chadoora Foot Bridge to Sogam Bridge Upstream Dhoodh Ganga Nallah Village Tehsil Chadoora to Sogam Budgam District Budgam JK UT over an Area 4.90Ha. under proposal No. SIA/JK/MIN/185116/2020.

Deliberations:

The Project has been discussed/appraised by the JKEAC. The consultant has given a detailed presentation, during which it was informed that the case falls under B2 category as its area is less than 5ha. He presented cluster certificate issued by Joint Director(K), G&M Dept. in favour of the project. He further informed that the G&M Dept. granted letter of intent in favour of the project proponent on 14-08-2020 at a bid value of ₹ 155.79 lakhs. The mining plan was approved for the project on 10-1-2020. The deliberations were made on various aspects of the project like, mining depth, replenishment, surface plan and haulage route. The mining block was examined on Google Earth platform. It was observed that a bridge lies at a distance of 288 m downstream of the mining block. Besides, a foot bridge and another bridge lies within the mining block with boundary pillar C, D, A9 and A10. It was also observed that another bridge is at a distance of 280mts. upstream from the mining block. The consultant was asked as to how this mining block has been carved out in such an unprofessional manner. In response, the consultant presented

the copy of surface plan of the approved mining plan showing areas beyond pillar O, X, F and A7 as 'blocked'. However, the Committee did not entertain this and viewed it as an effort of course correction because the targeted mineral production has been calculated at 4.90 ha, when the resultant area after exclusion of area to maintain safe distances to the bridges is only 3.80 ha instead of 4.90 ha. Therefore, the Committee desired that areas designated as 'Blocked' through insertion by the approving authority on the mining plan should be excluded from the mining block through a revised surface plan with issuance of a proper corrigendum to the approved mining plan, highlighting new coordinates of the resized/reduced mining block by the competent authority. The Pre-feasibility report also came under discussion during which it was observed that the consultant has shown multiple haulage routes passing through human settlements and productive agricultural land and horticultural plantations. Therefore, it was desired that the pre-feasibility report shall immediately be revised by the consultant and a single haulage route be planned and identified on the map/satellite image which has least environmental impact on the area, giving its length and adequately planned budget for its maintenance in the EMP budget. The Environmental Management Plan /CER plan also came under discussion and budget under various heads was found to be inadequate. Therefore, it was desired that the consultant shall have to earmark adequate budget under green belt development, dust suppression, haulage route maintenance and the pollution monitoring.

In view of the above deliberations, the Committee recommended the case for grant of Environmental Clearance subject to: -

1. Prior submission of revised PFR/EMP/CER budget and revised haulage route map depicting single exit point, its length and local environmental setting with least environmental impact, in accordance with above cited deliberations.
2. Updated version of EMP /PFR be submitted physically as well as on Parivesh portal before grant of Environmental Clearance.
3. Revision of mining plan with resultant area of 3.80 ha and calculation of targeted mineral at 1m mining depth in the light of deliberations of the JKEAC and its de-novo approval by the competent authority prior to grant of EC or as decided by the JKEIAA.
4. Mining Depth of 1m subject to equal replenishment at the end of December each year in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report formulated by G&M Dept.
5. Maximum targeted RBM extraction of 59850 Metric Tons per Annum $[(38000-10\%(\text{buffer}) - 15\% (\text{active water channel}) \times 2.1(\text{Bulk density}) \times 1(\text{mining depth})]$.
6. that revised geographical coordinates excluding blocked area identified on surface plan corresponding to 3.80 ha instead of 4.90 ha are furnished by G&M Dept. for incorporating same in the formal EC letter by JKEIAA.
7. Prior submission of NOCs from all stake holder departments viz. I&FC dept., Fisheries Dept., and other stake holder departments.
8. Standard and Specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to the Minutes of JKEAC Meeting.
9. Validity of Environmental Clearance if issued will be for a period of only three years from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.

Decision:

The JKEIAA upheld recommendations of JKEAC to grant E.C. to the project subject to the general and specific conditions as mentioned in Annexure-B to JKEAC meeting, besides Prior submission of NOCs from all stake holder departments viz. I&FC Department, Fisheries Department etc. The EC is further subject to fulfillment of conditions based on recommendations of JKEAC as under:

1. Prior submission of revised PFR/EMP/CER budget and revised haulage route map depicting single exit point, its length and local environmental setting with least environmental impact, in accordance the deliberations of JKEAC.
2. Updated version of EMP /PFR be submitted physically as well as on Parivesh portal before grant of Environmental Clearance.
3. Revision of mining plan by restricting mining to depth of 1m only and corresponding revision of maximum targeted RBM extraction of 59850 Metric Tons per Annum as approved by JKEAC and its de-novo approval by the competent authority within a period of 3-months of issue of EC as approved by authority in its MoM issued vide No.: JKEIAA/2016/02/IV/205-09 dated: 11-02-2021.
4. Submission of revised geographical coordinates excluding blocked area identified on surface plan corresponding to 3.80 ha instead of 4.90 ha are furnished by G&M Dept. for incorporating same in the formal EC letter by JKEIAA.
5. Environmental Clearance if issued shall be valid for a period of three years only from the date of commencement of the mining operations duly certified by the District Mineral Officer concerned with intimation to the JKEIAA and JKPCB in view of non-availability of replenishment data in the District Survey Report.

AGENDA ITEM NO.06.

Representation from one Sh. Paramjit Singh (Project Proponent) regarding Environment Clearance for Minor Mineral Blocks under proposal Nos: **SIA/JK/MIN/52028/2020 (8.00 ha)**, **SIA/JK/MIN/52027/2020 (9.65 ha)**, **SIA/JK/MIN/51865/2020 (9.85 ha)**.

Deliberations and Decision:

The Authority deliberated on the representation of PP with regard to grant of EC for above Projects. The PP in his representation has sought waving of condition of clarification/ NOC from FCR in light of FCR letter dated: 22.10.2020 on the plea that land owner has executed irrevocable Power of Attorney in favour of the PP & no sale deed has taken place; hence the question of NoC from the Financial Commissioner Revenue does not arise. They have also sought waving of submission of revised mining plan on the basis of parity of EC granted to mining blocks Nos.07, 08 & 09 in Udhampur. The PP has also submitted the other documents sought as per the MoM of JKEAC and JKEIAA.

During the deliberations it was observed that the opinion given by Sr. AAG at para-1 of FCR letter No: FC-LS/Misc-288/2020, dated: 22.10.20 states that land recorded as "Gair Mumkin Khad" could not be sold by owners & no document relating to transfer of such land can be admitted for registration. On the other hand, DC Kathua has verified land in all 3 cases as private land & classified as "Gair Mumkin Darya" & issued NOC for extraction of minerals by PP. The Department of Geology and Mining has issued and extended Lol on the basis of these documents. Further

there is ambiguity in the revenue classification of “Gair Mumkin Khad” and “Gair Mumkin Darya”. Also, there is no clarification on the permissibility of irrevocable POA in the FCR letter No: FC-LS/Misc-288/2020, dated: 22.10.20.

Therefore, the JKEIAA thought it prudent to forward the representation to JKEAC advising it to review its earlier recommendations on the basis of documents submitted by the PP. The JKEIAA shall take a final view after receipt of recommendations from JKEAC. Accordingly, the Member Secretary shall forward the representation of PP along with enclosed documents to JKEAC.

The Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd/-
Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS PCCF/Director,
Member Secretary, JKEIAA, EE&RS

Sd/-
Nazir Ahmad (Rtd. Chief Engineer)
Member, JKEIAA

Sd/-
Lal Chand, IFS (Rtd.)
Chairman, JKEIAA

No: JKEIAA/2016/02/V/1312-1316

Dated: 27 / 05 /2021

Copy by email to:

1. Mr. Lal Chand, IFS (Rtd.), Chairman, JKEIAA, for information.
2. Er. Nazir Ahmad (Rtd. Chief Engineer), Member, JKEIAA, for information.
3. Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS PCCF/Director, EE&RS, Member Secretary, JKEIAA, for information.
4. The Secretary, JK Expert Appraisal Committee for information.
5. Website(s)



(Staff Officer) 27/05/2021

to PCCF/Director/Member Secretary JKEIAA
Ecology, Environment & Remote Sensing, J&K