

Minutes of the 163rd meeting of State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Odisha, held on 19.10.2016, 20.10.2016, 21.10.2016 and 22.10.2016 at 11.00 a.m.

The 163rd meeting of the SEIAA, Odisha was held under the Chairmanship of Shri S.C Mohanty, Chairman on dated 19.10.16, 20.10.16, 21.10.16 and 22.10.16 in the office chamber of the Chairman, SEIAA, Odisha.

Members Present:

1. Dr. S. P. Das, Member, SEIAA
2. Shri S.K.Sinha, Member Secretary, SEIAA

Discussions were held as per agenda circulated earlier and the following decisions were taken.

1. SEAC Proceedings held on 27.09.2016.

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1.	04-May-16	27.08.16	10419/1646-NCM/05-2016	Kumardeipur Sand Quarry Over lease area of 14.85 Ac or 6.01 ha located at Village-Kumardeipur, Tahasil- Dhenkanal Sadar, District- Dhenkanal of Sri Mahesh Prasad Mishra.	Sand	Dhenkanal	Dhenkanal Sadar	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with EC conditions.
2.	12-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	58235/1683-NCM/08-2016	Jambhra Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 6.968 Ha/17.22 Acres At Village- Kostha, Dhatika, Badada, Tehsil-Suliapada,	Sand	Mayurbhanj	Suliapada	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted,

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				Dist-Mayurbhanj, Odisha of Sri Jhunurani Ghose.				EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with EC conditions.
3.	03-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	58090/1680-NCM/08-2016	Sorisamuli Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 14.625 Acres At Village-Sorisamuli, Tehsil: Jagannathprasad, Dist- Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Ajit Kumar Pradhan	Sand	Ganjam	Jagannath prasad	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with EC conditions.
4.	03-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	58091/1681-NCM/08-2016	Tentulia Sand Quarry Over an Area of 8.34 Ha/20.605 Acres At Village- Tentulia, Tehsil: Jagannathprasad, Dist-Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Baikunthanath Nayak.	Sand	Ganjam	Jagannath prasad	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with

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									EC conditions.
5.	03-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	58088/1678-NCM/08-2016	Kandarsingi Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 7.409 Ha At Village-Kandarsingi, Tehsil: Jagannathprasad, Dist-Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Baikunthanath Nayak.	Sand	Ganjam	Jagannath prasad	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16. There is a bridge existing within the lease boundary. But, the information provided by the proponent is silent about that. From the mining plan it appears that the ultimate quarry boundary is within 200 m of the bridge which violates the stipulated guideline. The proponent is required to furnish information on the above and if necessary furnish modified plan.	Tahasildar be asked to furnish a proper topomap showing location of the proposed mining lease area and the bridge, and their distance, and to carve out a no mining zone along the bridge whose width shall be 500m. on either side. This width stipulation may be reconsidered subsequently, if petitioned to that effect, based on site visit and recommendation of a sub divisional level joint inspection committee as stipulated in the MoEF,

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									guidelines. Revised EMP may be submitted early, curtailing the annual quantum of sand mining according to area curtailment.
6.	03-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	58089/1679-NCM/08-2016	Nimapadar Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 14.625 Acres At Village-Nimapadar, Tehsil: Jagannathprasad, Dist-Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Baikunthanath Nayak.	Sand	Ganjam	Jagannath prasad	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with EC conditions.
7.	12-Aug-16	30-Aug-16	58356/1684-NCM/08-2016	Bramhani River Sand Quarry Over An Area of 5.07 Ha In The Village Anikana Tahasil- Bari, District-Jajpur, Odisha of Ms. Abeda Bibi.	Sand	Jajpur	Bari	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 decided to take decision on the proposal after receipt of the following: i) As per the checklist the embankment is within 200 meter. But, the same is not	Position of river, embankment, road, bridge, human habitation vis-à-vis the proposed lease area have to be correctly shown on a proper map

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								reflected in the mining plan. It should be clarified. ii) Neat copy of the checklist and mining plan to be submitted without over writing. iii) As it appears within the lease area there exists a road / bridge and human habitation nearby. Safety measures have to be taken. Please clarify the position in the mining plan as well.	drawn to scale, and their distances be correctly mentioned by Tahasildar /PP. Appropriate safety measures for embankment, road bridge, habitation have to be built into the mining plan.
8.	22-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	16893/1688-NCM/08-2016	Kantarabali Sand Bed Over An Area Of 8.62 Ha At Village-Kantarabali, Tahasil - Rayagada, District -Rayagada, Odisha of Sri Akhya Kumar Rana.	Sand	Rayagada	Rayagada	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16. A road passes through the lease area. No impact to be clarified by mining plan with safety zones.	Tahasildar may be asked to clarify if there is a road / road bridge passing through the lease area and the likely impact of granting the lease in this area. This may call for a revised mining plan after leaving out no

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									mining zone of 500 m. on either side of the bridge.
9.	22-Aug-16	25-Aug-16	16894/1689-NCM/08-2016	Kantarabali Stone Quarry Over An Area Of 8.093 Ha At Village-Kantarabali, Tahasil - Rayagada, District -Rayagada, Odisha of Sri Akhya Kumar Rana.	Stone	Rayagada	Rayagada	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	As recommended by SEAC, EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar be asked to monitor on ground strict compliance with EC conditions.
10.	23-Aug-16	29-Aug-16	56866/1691-NCM/08-2016	Ghodar River Sand Quarry over An Area Of 15.00acres / 6.07 Ha At Village-Ghodar, Tahasil - Titilagarh, District-Balangir, Odisha of Sri Manoj Kumar Goel.	Sand	Balangir	Titilagarh	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 clarification may be sought as regards to the exact distance from embankment, why the mining plan and checklist are over written?	Tahasildar to provide a clear map drawn to scale, locating therein the proposed lease area, both the embankments of the river, and bridge passing nearby if any, and intimate correctly the distance of the embankments

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									and the bridge from the lease area. He has to furnish a undertaking to monitor closely on the ground rigorous compliance with all conditions of EC when the same is granted.
11.	26-Aug-16	31-Aug-16	16985/1692-NCM/08-2016	Jamala Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 17.10 Ha At Village-Jamala, Tahasil- Padampur, District-Bargarh, Odisha of Sri Umesh Chandra Naik	Sand	Bargarh	Padampur	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	Tahasildar to clarify the average width of the river at the proposed lease site, and clarify whether the lease area extends right upto the river embankment on any side or on both the sides. For safety of embankment there has to be a reasonable strip of safety zone between the

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									embankment and the lease area boundary, where there should be no mining. Whether such a safety zone has been carved out may be clarified. The correct distance of the lease area from the Debrigarh Sanctuary in Bargarh district may be indicated.
12.	26-Aug-16	31-Aug-16	17008/1693-NCM/08-2016	Lakhamara Sand Quarry Over An Area of 8.33 Ha At Village-Lakhamara, Tahasil - Padampur, District-Bargarh, Odisha of Sri Bholanath Meher.	Sand	Bargarh	Padampur	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	Tahasildar to clarify the average width of the river at the proposed lease site, and clarify whether the lease area extends right upto the river embankment on any side or on both the sides.

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									For safety of embankment there has to be a reasonable strip of safety zone between the embankment and the lease area boundary, where there should be no mining. Whether such a safety zone has been carved out may be clarified. The correct distance of the lease area from the Debrigarh Sanctuary in Bargarh district may be indicated.
13.	30-Aug-16	31-Aug-16	17104/1699-NCM/08-2016	Benipali Sand Bed Over An Area Of 6.2831 Ha At Village- Benipali, Tehsil-Bellaguntha, Dist- Ganjam, Odisha of Smt. Gitanjali Jena.	Sand	Ganjam	Bellaguntha	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	EC granted, coterminous upto expiry of lease period. Tahasildar has to monitor on the ground rigorous

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									compliance with all EC conditions.
14.	31-Aug-16	31-Aug-16	17106/1700-NCM/08-2016	Baranga Sand Bed Over An Area Of 6.00 Ha At Village-Baranga , Tehsil- Chatrapur, Dist-Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Nishakanta Nayak	Sand	Ganjam	Chatrapur	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 recommended to grant EC valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period.	EC granted, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Tahasildar to monitor compliance with EC conditions.
15.	31-Aug-16	31-Aug-16	17113/1701-NCM/08-2016	Tankachhai Sand Bed Over An Area Of 5.6180 Ha At Village-Tankachhai, Tehsil-Purusottampur, Dist- Ganjam, Odisha of Sri Srikatna Kumar Panda.	Sand	Ganjam	Purushotta mpur	The SEAC in its meeting held on 27.09.16 decided to take decision on the proposal after receipt of the following: i) Nearest embankment is adjacent as per the map but in checklist it is 700 meter. It should be clarified.	Tahasildar to furnish correct information on the distance of the embankment from the lease area and the width of the river at the lease site.

2. Clarification / Information received by SEIAA from Tahasildar in response to the clarification sought by SEAC.

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1	22-Apr-16	13.10.16	10351/1623-NCM/04-2016	Chudangaur Road Metal Quarry Over An Area Of 15.592 Acres Or 6.310 Ha Located At Village-Chudangapur, Tahasil-Sana Khemundi, Dist-Ganjam of Sri Abhaya Kumar Nayak	Stone	Ganjam	Sana Khemundi	The proposal was placed in the 158 th meeting of SEIAA and the SEIAA sought information in revised checklist has to be furnished by the Tahasildar. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the information sought by SEIAA.		The proposal may be transmitted to SEAC for appraisal.
2	20-Aug-16	15.10.16	14526/1686-NCM/08-2016	Kumunibahali - A Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 20.00 Ac. Or 8.09 Ha In The Village Kumunibahali, Tahasil-Padampur, District-Bargarh, Odisha of Sri Makardhwaj Patel	Sand	Bargarh	Padampur	The proposal was placed in the 159 th meeting of SEIAA and decided to be treated under the cluster approach. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.		The proposal may be transmitted to SEAC for appraisal.
3	20-Aug-16	15.10.16	15355/1687-NCM/08-2016	Kumunibahali -B Sand Quarry Over An Area Of 20.02 Ac. or 8.10 Ha In The Village Kumunibahali, Tahasil-Padampur, District-Bargarh, Odisha of Sri Makardhwaj Patel.	Sand	Bargarh	Padampur	The proposal was placed in the 159 th meeting of SEIAA and decided to be treated under the cluster approach. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.		The proposal may be transmitted to SEAC for appraisal.
4	27-Mar-16	13.10.16	10279/1563-NCM/03-2016	Maulabhanja River Sand Bed Over Lease Area Of 39.556 Acres Or 16.0081 Ha At Village-	Sand	Ganjam	Sanakhemundi	The SEAC in its meeting held on 25.04.16 decided that the Toposheet indicates that river and major road cross each		The proposal may be transmitted to SEAC for

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				Moulabhanja, Tahasil-Sana Khemundi, Dist-Ganjam of Sri Laxmi Sethi.				other and the lease area include the point of crossing. Hence, there may be a bridge at point of crossing. The concerned Tahasildar may verify the same and furnish a certificate about presence of bridge near lease area and exact distance of the same from lease area. Decision on grant of EC to be taken after receipt of above certificate from the concerned Tahasildar. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.		appraisal.
5	09-Jan-16	13.10.16	39147/1103-NCM/01-2016	Paitary (B) Stone Quarry Mine Project Having An Area Of 10.11 Ha With Proposed Production Capacity Of 12500 Cum At Village Paitary (B), Tehsil Chhatrapur, District Ganjam of Sri Manmohan Moharana.	Stone	Ganjam	Chhatrapur	The SEAC in its meeting held on 18.07.16 observed that from the reply furnished by the project proponent, vide letter no. GPL/EST/2016/51, dated 10.05.2016, it is revealed that the mine has never been operated in the past due to some local problems. As such the same reduced level (RL) has been shown in the approved mining plan. It has been further reported that the said local		Send to SEAC for appraisal.

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								problems still exist and lifting of stone during the applied period is not possible. In view of the above, the SEAC opined that it is premature to issue environmental clearance as long as the local problems continue. The proponent may apply afresh with approved mining plan when conducive condition is restored. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary observation.		
6	02-May-16	17.10.16	11307/13-MIS/05-2016	Proposal for proposed Municipal Solid Waste Management facility project, at Raidandia, Tahasil-Udala, Dist-Mayurbhanj Of Udala NAC (TOR).	Industry	Mayurbhanj		The SEAC decided to take decision on the proposal after receipt of the following information /documents. "Certificate from concerned DFO about the exact distance of the processing plant from boundary of the notified Kuldiha Wildlife Sanctuary". Now the Executive Officer, Udala NAC, has submitted the necessary information.		The reply from DFO may be transmitted to SEAC for necessary action.
7	15-Apr-16	18.10.16	10961/1595-NCM/04-2016	Gunakhal Sand Bed Over An Area Of 12.53 Acres Or 5.07 Ha At Village- Gunakhal,	Stone	Rayagada	Kolnara	The proposal was placed in the meeting of SEIAA held on 11.08.16 & 12.08.16 and it was decided that the		Send to SEAC for appraisal.

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				Tehsil-Kolnara, Dist-Rayagada, Odisha of Sri Nakula Senapati				ahasildar to be asked to clarify the distance of the nearest mining correctly and submit the new checklist format. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.		
8	09.01.16	18.10.16	5925/1124 -NCM/01-2016	Proposal for Environmental Clearance for Taburaput Decorative Stone Mines over an area of 7.551 ha, at -village Tabarput, Tahasil –Nuagarh, Dist– Gajapati of N. Saroja.	Decorative Stone	Gajapati	Nuagarh	The SEAC in its meeting held on 19.07.16 recommended to grant environmental clearance valid from the date of EC accorded upto the lease period with condition as applicable for decorative stone mines. The proposal was placed in the 161 st meeting of SEIAA and it was decided that the PP/ Director of Mines to intimate the map (radial) distance of the project site from the nearest Interstate boundary. Now the Mining Officer, Ganjam Cercle, Berhampur has submitted the necessary clarification.	EC granted with usual conditions applicable to decorative stone mining, coterminous with expiry of lease period. Mining Officer has to monitor on the ground rigorous compliance with EC conditions, and promptly report any violation /deviation.	

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9	24-Mar-16	17.10.16	9523/1562-NCM/03-2016	Samasingha and Sodamal Sand Bed A Over Lease Area Of 9.105 Ha/22.50 Acres Located At Village-Samasingha & Sodamal, Tahasil- Kolabira, District- Jharsuguda of Sri Rudra Mahapatra	Sand	Jharsuguda	Kolabira	<p>The SEAC in its meeting held on 25.04.16 decided to take decision on the proposal after receipt of following.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exact distance of the other mine to be mentioned and certificate from Tahasildar that there is no other mines within 500 meter from the periphery of the proposed mine lease area to be furnished. 2. As per enclosed toposheet, there appears to be bridge within the lease area.Exact distance of bridge to be informed by the concerned Tahasildar. <p>The proposal was placed in the 151st meeting of SEIAA and decided that the Information/Certificate as specified by SEAC may be called for from the Tahasildar.</p> <p>Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.</p>		<p>Tahasildar may be asked to specify the exact distance of the other mine, if any, which is located within a distance of 500 m from the lease area; and also to remove the discrepancy in the reported figures for the distance of the bridge from the lease area boundary. If the bridge passes through the lease area, a proper map drawn to scale may be submitted to show the exact location of the</p>

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10	16.03.16	14.10.16	50814/1545-NCM/02-2016	Kurulu Nadi Sand Bed over an area 12.724 acres at village Heruguda, Kadalimunda, Tahasil Kundra in the dist Koraput of Narendra Kumar Pradhan.	Sand	Kundra	Koraput	The SEAC in its meeting held on 18.07.16 could not locate fresh toposheet showing the lease area though the Tahasildar has mentioned that fresh toposheet has been submitted. Fresh toposheet may be re-submitted. Now the Tahasildar has submitted the necessary clarification.		Send to SEAC for appraisal. Tahasildar may be asked to submit checklist information on revised format.

3. Eight nos. of new Minor Mineral Projects received by SEIAA from Tahasildar and the project proponent.

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1.	28-Aug-16	17.10.16	17010/1694-NCM/08-2016	Mardarajpur Road Metal Quarry over an Area of 19.187 Acres or 7.764 Ha At Village- Mardarajpur , Tahasil - Polasara , District - Ganjam , Odisha of Sri Guru Swain.	Stone	Ganjam	Polasara	Send to SEAC for appraisal
2	23-Sep-16	17.10.16	16999/1709-NCM/09-2016	Jakara Stone Quarry over Lease Area of 40.781 Acres or 16.503 Ha Located In Village Jakara Under Polasara Tahasil of Ganjam District of Sri Ganapati Bhuyan.	Stone	Ganjam	Polasara	Send to SEAC for appraisal
3	04-May-16	17.10.16	50812/1647-NCM/05-2016	Raikala Stone Quarry Over lease area of 14.910 acres/6.034 ha located at Village-Raikala, Tahasil-Patna, District- Keonjhar of Sri Satyendra Kumar Mishra	Stone	Keonjhar	Patana	Send to SEAC for appraisal
4	20-Aug-16	14.10.16	13651/1685-NCM/08-2016	Bhatagada Decorative Stone Over 38.96 Acres or 15.766 Hectares in Village Bhatagada, Tahasil-Dasapalla, Nayagarh District of M/s Maa Chandeswari Granties	Decorative Stone	Nayagarh	Dasapalla	The concerned Minign Officer/PP may be asked to locate the proposed lease area on a proper map drawn to scale, showing the boundary of the nearest Sanctuary thereon, and indicate the correct map distance of the lease area from the nearest point on this sanctuary boundary.

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5	24-Sep-16	03.10.16	58683/1712-NCM/09-2016	Peta Decorative Stone Mine over lease area of 24.664 acres or 9.981 ha located in village Peta under Motu Tahasil of Malkangiri district of Sri K.Sirinivasa Rao	Decorative Stone	Malkangiri	Motu	Send to SEAC for appraisal
6	14-Sep-16	05.10.16	17248/14-IND2/09-2016	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. Balasore depot Somnathpur Industrial Estate, P.O: Somnathpur, Balasore District, Odisha – 756 019, Khata No 4, Somnathpur Mouza - Palasandh Balasore, Odisha. construction of 2x200 KL Ethanol above ground tankage, 1X100 KL Biodiesel underground tankage and Conversion of 858 KL tank from HSD to Biodiesel storage facilities at Balasore installation of M/s Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.	Industry	Balasore	Nil	Send to SEAC for appraisal
7	20-Sep-16	03.10.16	17336/16-IND2/09-2016	Proposed Set up of LPG Bottling Plant of storage capacity of 3 X 300 MT located at Barkani Village ,Bolangir Block ,Bolangir district of M/s Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.	Industry	Bolangir	Nil	Send to SEAC for appraisal

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8	14.10.16	18.10.16	17433/1721-NCM/10-2016	Purunagada Sand Quarry over an area of 14.122 acres or 5.715 ha. at village Purunagada, Tahasil Chakapad, Dist-Kandhamal of Sri Sujit Kumar Dash.	Sand	Kandhamal	Chakapad	Tahasildar may be asked to submit a proper map drawn to scale locating thereon the proposed lease area and the boundary of the nearest sanctuary (Kotgarh), and indicate the map distance between the two. He is also required to report the width of the river and distance of the river embankment near the lease site from the lease area boundary.

4. Consideration of Old proposal.

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1.	11.01.2016	19-Jan-16	7853/05-IND/01-2016	Exemption of Public Hearing for proposed expansion project "LPG Import Facility" at village, Bhitagarh, Paradip, Tahasil Kujng, District-Jagatsinghpur, State-Odisha by M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.	Industry	Jagatsinghpur	Kujanga	The TOR for the proposal has been issued by SEAC vide letter no. 358/SEAC -28 dated 19.05.2016. Now the proponent has requested for exemption of Public hearing for the proposed project.	The proposal be transmitted to SEAC for appraisal.

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2.	Manual	Manual	SEIAA/15/2013	Proposal for construction of Multi Speciality Hospital Building at Chandrasekahrpur, Bhubaneswar in the district of Khordha of M/s Utkal Healthcare Pvt. Ltd.	Building	Khordha		<p>The SEAC in its meeting held on 25.08.2014 has observed a violation case of EP Act, 1986. The SEAC had recommended SEIAA Odisha to deal with the violation matter in accordance with MoEF Govt. of India OM dated 12.12.2012 and 27.06.2013.</p> <p>The proposal was placed in the meeting of SEIAA held on 09.09.2014 and was decided that Govt. may be moved to initiate appropriate action for violation case. The proposal was again placed in the meeting of SEIAA held on 22.01.16 & 25.01.16 and was decided to await the result of the court hearing which was fixed on 8.01.16 on the proposal.</p> <p>Now a letter has been</p>	Now that prosecution has been initiated by the Collector, Khordha, the proposal may be transmitted to SEAC.

Sl. No.	Date of receipt of the Proposal		File.No	Name of the Project	Category of proposal	District	Tahasil	Present Status	Observations / Orders of SEIAA Meeting
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								received from Govt. of Odisha, F&E Deptt. in this regard.	
3.	28.09.16	13.10.16	17415/1713-NCM/09-2016	Proposal for Gandhargola Decorative Stone Mines over an area of 9.919 ha. at village Gandhargola in the district of Bolangir of M/s Medlay Minerals India Limited.	Decorative Stone	Bolangir		The proponent has submitted the Final EIA /EMP report on basis of ToR issued by SEAC vide letter no. 1539/SEAC-187 dated 05.09.2013.	The proposal may be transmitted to SEAC for appraisal.

Any other item with the permission by Chairman

1. A representation has been received from the villagers of Jariput in the district of Khurda regarding illegal blasting operation of mining leases.

Decision of SEIAA: The Authority decided that the Honorable High Court have already passed order on a PIL on this matter and issued direction to the SPCB. We may write to SPCB to let us know what compliance, if any, has been made by them on the court's orders.

2. Memorandum


In March, 2013 the SEAC had laid down the stipulation prohibiting sand mining within 200 meters of any existing structure such as a bridge. It also laid down that sand quarrying shall not be carried out within 1/5th of the width of the stream bed from the bank. Both these restrictions have been adopted by SEIAA.

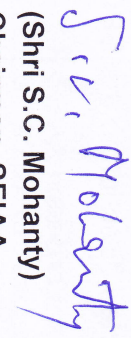
In December, 2013 MoEF in their office memorandum dated the 24th December laid down the rule that an appropriate safety zone should be worked out on case to case basis by the SEAC / SEIAA for carrying out mining in proximity of any bridge or embankment. The MoEF &CC in their guidelines dated 15.03.2016 have now stipulated that for protection of infrastructure, mining shall not be undertaken in a mining lease located in 200-500 meters of a bridge. There may be scope for reconsideration of this stipulation however, if a specific proposal to that effect is mooted, backed by the findings of a sub-divisional level joint inspection committee, which may take into account the structural parameters, locational aspects, etc. of any particular case; and on consideration of their recommendation special exemption may be granted for carrying out sand mining within this zone of 200-500 meters from the bridge.

SEIAA considers it as appropriate to prohibit sand mining upto 500 meters from any bridge as a general case, and to apply the special consideration as indicated above only when there is specific proposal to that effect in any particular case.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chairman.


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Chairman, SEIAA