STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY(SEIAA) : MEGHALAYA:

Silviculture Building, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong - 793 001

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SEIAA, MEGHALAYA, HELD ON THE 21st October, 2016, AT 1: 30 PM, OFFICE CHAMBER OF THE CHAIRMAN, SEIAA.

The Members present in the Meeting:

- 2. Prof. B.K.Tiwari..... Member, SEIAA
- 3. Shri D. Sathiyan, IFS, CCF, SF & EMember Secy. SEIAA

Proceedings:

The meeting was chaired by the Shri. Toki Blah, IAS (Retd), Chairman, SEIAA. He welcomed Prof. B.K. Tiwari, Member SEIAA, and the Member Secretary. Then he invited the Member Secretary to present the Agenda points for discussion.

First, the Member Secretary informed about the action taken on the decision in the last SEIAA meeting dated 29.08.2016, the Minutes of which were already circulated. The meeting confirmed the Minutes of the last meeting and approved the action taken. Then the following agenda items were taken up for discussion and the following decisions were arrived at, as detailed hereunder:

Agenda 1: Application for Environmental Clearance for the construction of 2 (two) additional floors in the Hotel-cum-Office Complex at Old Shillong Municipal Board Complex, Police Bazaar, Shillong by M/s Maxim Infrastructure & Real Estate Pvt. Ltd.

The Member Secretary, SEIAA, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending Environmental Clearance to M/s Maxim Infrastructure & Real Estate Pvt. Ltd. for construction of 2 (two) additional floors in the Hotel-cum-Office Complex at Old Shillong Municipal Board Complex, Police Bazaar, Shillong. The appraisal report submitted by the SEAC was scrutinized by the SEIAA. The conditions proposed for construction phase, operational phase as well as the general conditions were approved after adding suitable additions and modifications. The SEIAA decided to seek the details of the budget proposed by the PP for undertaking EMP activities and reflect the details in the final EC. It was decided to circulate the draft EC to the SEIAA members for approval, after incorporating these changes. It was decided that a copy of the draft final EC, duly approved and signed on its body by all the members of the SEIAA, shall be kept in the file concerned.

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The Secretary was authorized to issue the Final EC so approved by all the members of SEIAA.

Agenda: 2.1: Application for Brick Earth Mining at Sonamate, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s R.N.A. Brick Industries.

The Member Secretary, SEIAA, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending Environmental Clearance to M/s R.N.A. Brick Industries for Brick Earth Mining at Sonamate, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. The appraisal report submitted by the SEAC was scrutinized by the SEIAA.

The Secretary, SEIAA informed that the SEIAA has sought clarification from the MoEF&CC regarding the requirement of 'mining plan' for such mining of brick earth/ordinary earth projects, which is yet to be received. He informed that, pending receipt of clarification from MoEF&CC, the draft EC was prepared after studying similar ECs issued in respect of brick earth/ordinary earth mining project, issued by other state SEIAAs, like Kerala and Bihar. The draft conditions proposed for the project were approved in the meeting. However, it was decided to wait for a period of 30 days for the clarification and there after to issue the final EC to the PP with suitable additional conditions, relying on the O.M. NO. L- 11011/47/2011-1 AII (M) dated 24-06-2013. It was decided to circulate the draft final EC to the SEIAA members for approval, after incorporating these changes, after a month. It was decided that a copy of the draft final EC, duly approved and signed on its body by all the members of the SEIAA, shall be kept in the file concerned. The Secretary was authorized to issue the Final EC so approved by all the members of SEIAA.

Agenda: 2.2. Application for Brick Earth Mining at Bolgangre (Ambari) Garobadha, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s R.B.I Brick Industries.

The Member Secretary, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending Environmental Clearance to M/s R.B.I Brick Industries for Brick Earth Mining at Bolgangre (Ambari) Garobadha, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.

The Secretary, SEIAA informed that SEIAA has sought clarification from the MoEF&CC regarding the requirement of 'mining plan' for such mining of brick earth/ordinary earth projects, which is yet to be received. He informed that, pending receipt of clarification from MoEF&CC, the draft EC was prepared after studying similar ECs issued in respect of brick earth/ordinary earth mining project, issued by other state SEIAA, like Kerala and Bihar. The conditions proposed for the project were approved in the meeting. However, it was decided to wait for a period of 30 days for the clarification and there after to issue the final EC to the PP with suitable additional conditions, relying on the O.M. NO. L- 11011/47/2011-1 AII (M) dated 24-06-2013. It was decided to circulate the draft final EC to the SEIAA members for approval, after incorporating these changes, after a month. It was decided that a copy of the draft final EC, duly approved and signed on its body by all the members of the SEIAA, shall be kept in the file concerned. The Secretary was authorized to issue the Final EC so approved by all the members of SEIAA.

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<u>Agenda: 2.3:</u> Application for Brick Earth Mining at Bolganggre, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s Bharat Brick Industries.

The Member Secretary, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending Environmental Clearance to M/s Bharat Brick Industries for Brick Earth Mining at Bolganggre, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. The appraisal report submitted by the SEAC was scrutinized by the SEIAA.

The Secretary, SEIAA informed that SEIAA- has sought clarification from the MoEF&CC regarding the requirement of 'mining plan' for such mining of brick earth/ordinary earth projects, which is yet to be received. He informed that, pending receipt of clarification from MoEF&CC, the draft EC was prepared after studying similar ECs issued in respect of brick earth/ordinary earth mining project, issued by other state SEIAA, like Kerala and Bihar. The conditions proposed for the project were approved in the meeting. However, it was decided to wait for a period of 30 days for the clarification and there after to issue the final EC to the PP with suitable additional conditions, relying on the O.M. NO. L- 11011/47/2011-1 AII (M) dated 24-06-2013. It was decided to circulate the draft final EC to the SEIAA members for approval, after incorporating these changes, after a month. It was decided that a copy of the draft final EC, duly approved and signed on its body by all the members of the SEIAA, shall be kept in the file concerned. The Secretary was authorized to issue the Final EC so approved by all the members of SEIAA.

Agenda: 2.4.: Application for Brick Earth Mining at 2nd Asinagre, Garobadha, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s Kallu Valley Bricks Industry (D.A.S.)

The Member Secretary, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending Environmental Clearance to M/s Kallu Valley Bricks Industry (D.A.S.) for Brick Earth Mining at 2nd Asinagre, Garobadha, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. The appraisal report submitted by the SEAC was scrutinized by the SEIAA.

The Secretary, SEIAA informed that SEIAA has sought clarification from the MoEF&CC regarding the requirement of 'mining plan' for such mining of brick earth/ordinary earth projects, which is yet to be received. He informed that, pending receipt of clarification from MoEF&CC, the draft EC was prepared after studying similar ECs issued in respect of brick earth/ordinary earth mining project, issued by other state SEIAA, like Kerala and Bihar. The conditions proposed for the project were approved in the meeting. However, it was decided to wait for a period of 30 days for the clarification and there after to issue the final EC to the PP with suitable additional conditions, relying on the O.M. NO. L- 11011/47/2011-1 AII (M) dated 24-06-2013. It was decided to circulate the draft final EC to the SEIAA members for approval, after incorporating these changes, after a month. It was decided that a copy of the draft final EC, duly approved and signed on its body by all the members of the SEIAA, shall be kept in the file concerned. The Secretary was authorized to issue the Final EC so approved by all the members of SEIAA.



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Agenda: 3: Application made by the Meghalaya Cements Ltd., Khliehjari Lime Stone Mine, East Jaintia Hills for correction of the error (regarding the production capacity) in the TOR issued owing to the wrong entry in the Form- I submitted by them-regarding.

The Member Secretary, circulated a copy of SEAC's letter dated 18.10.2016, recommending correction as prayed for by M/s- Meghalaya Cements Ltd. for correction of the error (regarding the production capacity) in the TOR issued, owing to the wrong entry in the Form- I submitted by them. The Project Proponent on 23.08.16 sent an application informing that the error was made by them in Form-I, sl. 3 where the production capacity was wrongly mentioned as 2,24,407 TPA instead of 22,40,704 TPA, which was reflected in the TOR issued by the SEIAA vide letter No. SEIAA/(PR-19/2012/)Pt/PR-5/2015/30/186-192 dtd. 23.06.2016 and prayed for suitable corrections in the approved TOR. The matter was referred to SEAC for technical scrutiny and the report submitted by the SEAC was scrutinized by the SEIAA in the meeting. The views and comments of the SEAC was approved unanimously by the SEIAA. Accordingly, the SEIAA decided to convey that in the TOR issued to the project vide letter No. SEIAA/(PR-19/2012/) Pt/PR-5/2015/30/186-192 dated 23.06.2016, at para 2, the words 'production of 2,24,407 TPA' shall stand corrected as ' production of 22,40,407 TPA'.

Agenda: 4: Fresh applications for EC

The SEIAA scrutinized the following fresh applications received from 5(five) project proponents seeking EC for mining of Minor Minerals. It was decided by the SEIAA that since the DEIAA/DEAC are yet to be functional in the districts, it would continue to deal with these applications also. Accordingly the SEIAA unanimously decided to send the following applications which were already scrutinized by the SEIAA's Secretariat to SEAC for appraisal, as they were found to be in order.

- 1) 'Brick Earth Mining' at Bolganggre, Mukdangra, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s RDS Brick Industries.
- 2) 'Brick Earth Mining' at Sonamate, P.O. Garobadha, South West Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s RPS Brick Factory, Sonamate Village.
- 3) 'Brick Earth Mining' at 1st Dalupara Mukdangra Village South West Garo Hills, by M/s KDS Brick Industries.
- 4) 'Brick Earth Mining' at Damagre Village, P.O.Dalmagre West Garo Hills by M/s Kolpo Bricks Factory, Damalgre.
- 5) 'Brick Earth Mining' at Sonamate, P.O. Garobadha, South Garo Hills, Meghalaya by M/s M.A.S. Brick Factory, Sonamate Village.

Agenda: 5. Miscellaneous /Other matters.

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MOEFCC's letter seeking examination of the 'specific condition' no. XII regarding utilization of 'Calorific Waste', prescribed in the EC already issued by the SEIAA to the 'Expansion of Cement Plant (from 900TPD to 2600 TPD) along with 10MW Captive Power Plant at Thangskai village, East Jaintia Hills, by M/s Meghalaya Cements.

The Member Secretary circulated the copy of the letter from the Regional Office, of MoEF&CC, Shillong, No.RONE/E/IA/ML/IN/23/3395 dtd. 15.09.2016 wherein the regional Office has recommended for review of stipulation No. XII of specific condition on utilization of 'Calorific Waste', stipulated in the EC letter No.SEIAA/Project-2/2007/18 dtd.25.03.2009, granted by SEIAA to Meghalaya & Cement Ltd., East Jaintia Hills.

The matter was scrutinized by the SEIAA. The SEIAA unanimously decided -(1) to seek information/data from the project proponent about the types and list of calorific hazardous wastes that were used in the plant rotary kiln; and (2) to seek advice/guidance from MSPCB/experts regarding the effect/impacts of above hazardous waste in the cement plant kiln. The meeting also granted ex-post facto approval to the action taken by the SEIAA Secretariat, of referring the matter to SEAC for technical scrutiny.

The meeting ended with the vote of thank from the Chair.

Shrift Bah, IAS (Retd.), Chairman, SEIAA, Meghalaya.

Memo. No. SEIAA/(ESTT-2/2008)/PT/16/2015/129/365 Dated Shillong, the 24th October, 2016. Copy to:

- 1. The Member, SEIAA, Meghalaya for information.
- 2. Concerned file for record.

Member Secretary, SEIAA, Meghalaya.

