## State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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# Minutes of the 766<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 25-10-2023

The meeting of 766<sup>th</sup> State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 25.10.2023 the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey,

2. Shri Paras Nath,

3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma,

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P Member, SEIAA, U.P Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P

## Agenda-A- Minutes of 785th SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 13/09/2023

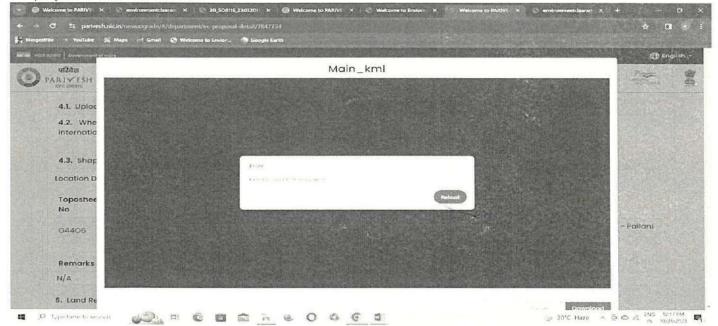
 Expansion of Existing Sugar Unit from 4500 TCD to 7000 TCD along with co gen power from 15.0 MW to 23.0 MW at Village: Khaikheri, Tehsil: Sadar District: Muzaffarnagar, U.P., Shri Alok Mittal, M/s Uttam Sugar Mills Limited, Unit: Khaikheri, 8122/7189/SIA/UP/IND2/435559/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to grant EC to the above project adding the following conditions:-

The project proponent shall follow MoEFCC notification 35 (E) dated 14 January 2016 in letter and spirit.

Sand/Morrum Mining at Ken River Bed at Gata No.-04, Village- Sandikhadar, Tehsil - Pailani, District Banda, U.P., Shri Raj Kumar Sharma, M/s S.S. Infratech, Area- 13.0 ha., 8124/
7322/SIA/UP/MIN/440029/2023.

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that KML of the area cannot be opened online. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for review.





 "Building Stone (Khanda / Gitti / Boulder / Pahadi Lal Morrum) Mine" located at Gata No.- 1078 /36, Village- Gonda, Tehsil- Karwi & District- Chitrakoot, Shri Lakhan Singh, Area- 2.024 Ha., 8126/SIA/UP/MIN/440815/2023.

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant ToR to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that LoI has been issued on 19.09.2022 and based line data has been taken for March 2022- May 2022 which seems erroneous and is not acceptable. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for comments. And a show cause notice be issued to the consultant.

4. "Ordinary Soil Excavation Project" at Gata No.- 06, Village- Baina Tikarhar, Tehsil- Fatehpur, District-Barabanki, Shri Mohd. Shoib, Area: 0.8140 Ha., 8128/SIA/UP/MIN/440873/2023

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that KML of the area has been masked. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for review. And a show cause notice be issued to the consultant.



5. "Ordinary Sand Mine" from riverbed of Ghaghra River at Gata No. - 42ক/36, 42ৱ, 42ব, 42ক/57, 42टमि, 42ক/25(Private Land),Village- Nidura Manjha, Tehsil- Sohawal, District-Ayodhya, Shri Rakesh Kumar, Area –2.560 Ha., 8132/SIA/UP/MIN/440964/2023.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing and 703th SEIAA meeting regarding replenishment study, adding following specific conditions:-

- 1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
- 2. District Mining Officer shall ensure that if mineable quantity mentioned in LOI is amended as per replenishment study report the project proponent shall seek amended/fresh EC.



- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a
  route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of
  Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before
  the start of work.
- 4. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora fauna etc.
- 5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 3,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 7. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 15 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- 8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.

# 6. <u>Building stone Sandstone Mine at Gata No.- 428, Village- Dhuria, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Himanshu Kumar, Area- 0.809 Ha., 8134/7235/SIA/UP/MIN/439521/2023.</u>

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 5
  years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier
  After this period the EC will become null and void.
- 2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 3. Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
- 4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of



Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.

- 5. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora fauna etc.
- 6. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
- 7. Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and grampanchayat.
- 8. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 9. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 1,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 10. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 5 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- 11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- 12. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
- 13. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
- 14. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 15. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
- 16. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.



7. <u>"Sand/Moram Mining Project" located at Yamuna River Bed, Khand No. 5 Village- Naudiha Amilia, Tehsil-Bara & District- Prayagraj, Shri Nagendra Bahadur Singh, Area- 8.0 ha., 8136/SIA/UP/MIN/441097/2023.</u>

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

8. "Charkakhadar Sand/Morrum Mining" on the riverbed of Yamuna River, at Gata No.- 21, Khand No.- 02 ) at Village: Charkakhadar, Tehsil: Baberu, Banda, Shri Kesari Nandan Singh, Area- 11.0 Ha., 8138/SIA/UP/MIN/441201/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Proposed production per annum shall be as per approved replenishment study report.
- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Loi. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Loi.
- 5- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment's or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
  - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
  - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
  - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
  - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
  - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
  - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.

- 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 11,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 16- In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 55 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- 17- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA EMP presentation.
- 18- Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
- 19- Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- Common Biomedical Waste Management & Recycling Facility at Plot No.- 18 KHA/01, Village Kuruhul, District Sonbhadra, Shri Gaurav Singh, M/s Sonbhadra Biomedical Waste Solutions., 7988/ 5726/SIA/UP/INFRA2/433350/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

10. <u>"Sand/Morrum Mining Project", Gata No. 317Mi, Khand No. 05, Village/Ghat- Kurauna, Tehsil- Orai, Distt-Jalaun, Devendra Kumar Gupta, Area-12.12 Ha., 6862/SIA/UP/MIN/70942/2022.</u>

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC.

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"MIG & Mini MIG Group Housing Under Khorabar Awasiya Yojna" at Arazi No.- 911mi, 912mi, 914, 916, 918mi, 896mi, 895, 898, 899, 900 at Khorabar, Deoria Road, District- Gorakhpur, U.P., M/s Gorakhpur Development Authority, Shri Kishan Singh, 8140/SIA/UP/INFRA2/439851/2023.

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC. In addition to the conditions imposed by SEAC, SEIAA added following additional specific conditions:-

- 1- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of solar power plant and solar electrification details within the project.
- 2- The project proponent shall ensure to plant broad leaf trees and their maintenance. The CPCB guidelines in this regard shall be followed.
- 3- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details on quantification of year wise CER activities along with cost and other details. CER activities must not be less 2% of the project cost. The CER activities should be related to mitigation of Environmental Pollution and awareness for the same.



- 4- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of estimated construction waste generated during the construction period and its management plan.
- 5- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of segregation plan of MSW.
- 6- The project proponent shall ensure that waste water is properly treated in STP and maximum amount should be reused for gardening flushing system and washing etc. For reuse of water for irrigation sprinkler and drip irrigation system shall be installed and maintained for proper function. Part of the treated sewage, if discharged to sewer line, shall meet the prescribed standards for the discharge.
- 7- Under any circumstances untreated sewage shall not be discharged to municipal sewer line.
- 8- The project proponent will ensure that proper dust control arrangements are made during construction and proper display board is installed at the site to inform the public the steps taken to control air pollution as per air act 1981 (as amended) and the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, CAQM guidelines.
- 9- The project proponent shall install micro solar power plants
- 10- The project proponent shall install micro solar power plants, toilets in nearby villages, public place or school from CER fund of the project for which E.C is granted in addition to and water harvesting pits and carbon sequestration parks / designed ecosystems.
- 11- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 12- Provision for charging of electric vehicles as per the guidelines of GoI / GoUP should be submitted within the next 3 months.
- 13- PP should display EC granted to them on their website. 6-monthly compliance report should be displayed on their website and to be given every six month to residents / occupants of the building.
- 14- EC is granted with the condition that EC is valid only for the building plan which has been submitted by PP for seeking EC. In case approved building plan is different from the one submitted for seeking EC then this EC will stand null and void.
- "Building Stone (Granite Khanda, Boulder, Bailast (Gitti))" Project at Gata No.- 2561 (Khand No.- 04), Village- Pahra, Tehsil- Mahoba, District- Mahoba, Smt. Shil Singh Chandel, Area: 4.00 ha., 8142/7623/SIA/UP/MIN/441103/2023.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 5
  years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier
  After this period the EC will become null and void.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
- 4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.

- 5. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora fauna etc.
- Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area.
   Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
- 7. Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and grampanchayat.
- 8. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 9. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 4,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 10. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 20 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- 11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- 12. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
- 13. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
- 14. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 15. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
- 16. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
- 3. "Building Stone (Granite Khanda, Boulder, Bailast (Gitti))" Project at Gata No.- 339 (KhandNo.- 31), Village-Daharra, Tehsil- Mahoba, District- Mahoba, Shri Abykta Kumar Tripathi, Area: 1.417 ha., 8144/7587/SIA/UP/MIN/441141/2023.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA

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meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 5
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- 6. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
- 7. Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and grampanchayat.
- 8. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 9. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 10. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 10 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- 11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
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- 16. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
- "Ordinary Soil Excavation" Project at Project at Gata No.-121, 122, 412, 413, 422, 424, 425, 426, 129 Kha, 130 Kha & 129/3Ga, Village - Rasoolpur Chaura, Tehsil - Kanth & District- Moradabad, Shri Yashpal Singh, Area: 2.521 Ha., 8146/SIA/UP/MIN/441194/2023.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, but EC will be issued only after submission of original notarized copy of agreement between each land owner and lease holder and clear certified copy of khatauni, adding following specific conditions:-

- 1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
- 2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
- 3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.
- 4. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora fauna etc.
- 5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 3,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 7. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of



water bodies having total surface area of more than 15 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.

- 8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- 9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
- Sasnai Balu/Morrum Mining Project at Arazi No.- 221 Cha, Village Sasnai, Tehsil: Obra, District: Sonbhadra, Shri Sudhakar Pandey, Area- 36.50 ha., 8148/7204/SIA/UP/MIN/441289/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

 "Building Stone (Khandas, Boulder, Gitti) Mining Project" at Gata No: 515, Khand No.:09, Village: Sirbo, Tehsil: Garautha, District: Jhansi, Shri Mahesh Kumar Gupta, Area: 1.618 ha., 8150/6333/SIA/UP/MIN/441306/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC that the matter will be discussed after online information on prescribed portal.

7. <u>Public Grievance received from Shri Rajesh Kumar, regarding the revocation of illegal EC granted to M/s</u>
<u>Jubliant Ingrevia Ltd. Vide letter no. 1795/Parya/SEAC/1188/2011/TA(J) dated 12.10.2013 by SEIAA-UP</u>

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to keep the Environmental Clearance letter no. 1795/Parya/SEAC/1188/2011/TA (J) dated 12/10/2013 in abeyance till further order. And the matter will be discussed after online information on prescribed portal.

8. <u>Discussion on letter dated 08/08/2023 of Smt. Sheela Devi regarding Writ Petition No. 32450/2022 (Writ-C) filed in Hon'ble High Court, Allahabad.</u>

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC that the above compliant letter should be sent to Member Secretary, UPPCB and District Magistrate, Prayagraj to provide factual status on the issues raised in above letter. And the matter will be discussed after receipt of factual report.

 Review of decision of 731th Minutes of meeting dated 24/05/2023 SL No. 16 of M/s Bio World Waste Management (OPC) Private Limited File No 7354.

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC.

## Agenda-B-Minutes of 799th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 16/10/2023

 Hon'ble NGT Order dated 11.08.2023 in O.A. no. 774/2022 Gaurav Garg Vs. Union of India & Ors. And MA no. 63/2023 regarding Existing Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility at Subharti Medical College Campus, Subharti Puram, Meerut, Shri Neeraj Aggarwal, M/s Synergy Waste Management Pvt. Ltd., File No. 7761/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/INFRA2/424451/2023.

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC.



 Discussion on Hon'ble NGT, New Delhi O.A. No. 561/2023 (I.A. No. 744/2023 & I.A. No. 745/2023 Satish Vs. MoEF&CC, & Ors. order dated 05/10/2023, File No. 6599.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to keep EC Identification no. EC21B001UP153109, dated 14/12/2021 for Sand Mining at Gata No. 259 Ga, 258 Ga, & 258 Kha, Village/Ghat-Chivarahiya, Tehsil-Naugarh, Siddharth Nagar, U.P., (Leased Area-2.32 Ha.) in abeyance.

3. Namami Gange Sewa Foundation letter regarding -Common Biomedical Waste Management & Recycling Facility at Plot No.- 18 KHA/01, Village Kuruhul, District Sonbhadra, Shri Gaurav Singh, M/s Sonbhadra Biomedical Waste Solutions., 7988/ 5726/SIA/UP/INFRA2/433350/2023.

SEIAA gone through the letter dated 30.06.2023 regarding the above subject and opined to refer the letter to SEAC for review.

4. CPC Power India Pvt. Ltd. letter regarding- Common Bio Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF) VRBA Bio Waste Solution Pvt. Ltd. E-46, Industrial Area, Ramnagar, Phase-1, District- Chandauli, Shri Ratan Deo Singh, M/s VRBA Bio Waste Solution Pvt. Ltd., 7624/7222/SIA/UP/INFRA2/417371/2023.

SEIAA gone through the letter dated 29.06.2023 regarding the above subject and opined to refer the letter to SEAC for review.

MoEFCC letter dated 28.06.2023 regarding CTE of Common Bio Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF)
 VRBA Bio Waste Solution Pvt. Ltd. E-46, Industrial Area, Ramnagar, Phase-1, District- Chandauli, Shri Ratan
 Deo Singh, M/s VRBA Bio Waste Solution Pvt. Ltd., 7624/7222/SIA/UP/INFRA2/417371/2023.

SEIAA gone through the letter dated 28.06.2023 regarding the above subject and opined to refer the letter to UPPCB for necessary action.

6. Letter of M/s Bala Ji Trading Co. dated 27.06.2023 regarding adjustment of royalty.

SEIAA gone through the letter dated 27.06.2023 regarding the above subject and opined to refer the letter to DGM for necessary action.

 Group Housing Project "Nirala Aspire" at Plot No. GH-03, Sector-16, Greater Noida, U.P., Shri Iftikhar Ahmed, M/s Nirala Housing Pvt. Ltd., File No. 7794/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/ INFRA2/ 426001/2023.

SEIAA noted that this project has operated in violation without seeking EC under MoEF, GoI Notification S.O. 1533(E) dated 14.09.2006. SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies under the provisions of MoEFCC, GoI vide OM no. 22-21/2020-IA.III dated 07.07.2021 which has laid down Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for Identification and handling of violation cases. SEIAA also added the following points to ToR-

- The State Government/SPCB to take action against the project proponent under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and further no consent to operate to be issued till the project is granted EC.
- 2. Direction to be issued under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to stop the violating activities till the EC is obtained.
- 3. The project proponent shall be required to submit a bank guarantee equivalent to the amount of remediation plan and natural and community resource augmentation plan with the SPCB prior to the grant of EC. The quantum shall be recommended by the EAC and finalized by the regulatory authority. The bank guarantee shall be released after successful implementation of the EMP, followed by recommendations of the EAC and approval of the regulatory authority.
- 4. Assessment of ecological damage with respect to air, water, land and other environmental attributes. The collection and analysis of data shall be done by an environmental laboratory duly notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, or an environmental laboratory accredited by NABL, or a laboratory of a Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).
- 5. Preparation of EMP comprising remediation plan and natural and community resource augmentation plan corresponding to the ecological damage assessed and economic benefits derived due to violation.

- 6. The remediation plan and the natural and community resource augmentation plan to be prepared as an independent chapter (13) in the EIA report by the accredited consultants.
- 7. Budget of remediation plan and natural and community resource augmentation plan corresponding to the ecological damage shall be completed within three years and to be prepared accordingly.
- 8. All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- Copy of all the analysis reports duly signed by analyst approved by NABL or MoEF&CC shall be annexed with the EIA report and original analysis reports should be presented at the time of presentation.
- 10. MOU signed between the project proponent and the consultant should be submitted.
- 11. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain the forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per law under the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit along with EIA.
- 12. Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 13. Provision for charging of electric vehicles as per the guidelines of GoI / GoUP should be submitted.
- 14. SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.

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MoM prepared by Secretariat in consultation with Chairman & Members on the basis of decisions taken by SEIAA during the meeting.

(Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey) Chairman SEIAA (Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA (Paras Nath) Member SEIAA