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**State Environment Impact Assessment Authority**  
**West Bengal**  
**Minutes of SEIAA Meeting**  
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Subject: **55<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)**  
Venue:- **Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, LB – Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700106.**  
From :- **29 November 2024**  
To :- **29 November 2024**

**CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE**

(1) Proposed Dhulkomra Feldspar & Quartz Mine (O. C.) over an area of 1.9384 ha (4.79 Acres) at Plot No: - 564, 566 & 567, J.L. No. - 81, Mouza - Dhulkomra, P.S. - Kankartala, Khairasole, District - Birbhum, West Bengal by **Jayanta Bhattacharyya**.

**Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/298/2023, Type-EC**

**INTRODUCTION**

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023** dated **15 March 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at Sl. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

Earlier the Project proponent (PP) obtained Environmental Clearance vide No. 21/EC/Quartz & Feldspar/Khairasole/Dhulkomra/16 dated 18.01.2017 from DEIAA, Birbhum.

SEAC, during its 46<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 14.08.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with additional conditions.

The proposal was placed before SEIAA in the 50<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 06.09.2024 and after detailed discussion it was decided that the PP is required to upload the area statement of green belt / plantation area proposed to be done in safety zone and outside the safety zone clearly marked with measurement.

The PP uploaded their reply on 23.09.2024. SEIAA considered the submission by the PP and after detailed discussion it was decided that the PP is required to make presentation with NABET accredited consultant on land use as submitted in the Mine Plan, plantation area, over burden dump area, EMP including pollution control measures and detailed break up of need-based activities for local people.

Accordingly, the PP along with their NABET accredited consultant was requested to present their case before SEIAA on 19.11.2024.

During the 54<sup>th</sup> SEIAA meeting held on 19.11.2024, though the PP came to attend the hearing but the representative of their environment consultant organisation i.e. Centre for Envotech and Management Consultancy Private Limited failed to join online for representing the case. Therefore, SEIAA decided that the PP should make the presentation in the subsequent SEIAA meeting. Accordingly, the PP along with their NABET accredited consultant was requested to present their case before SEIAA on 29.11.2024.

## PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **Jayanta Bhattacharyya** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Birbhum

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023**.

## DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for Dhulkomra Feldspar & Quartz Mine (O. C.) over an area of 1.9384 ha (4.79 Acres) at Plot No: - 564, 566 & 567, J.L. No. - 81, Mouza - Dhulkomra, P.S. - Kankartala, Khairasole, District - Birbhum, West Bengal by Jayanta Bhattacharyya falling within the DSR potential zone code BH\_KR\_QRFS\_ZONE\_01 is approved for EC with the following additional conditions:-

- i. The PP is required to undertake dust suppression by water sprinkling immediately after the drilling and blasting operations and workers would be allowed to work only after subsidence of dust in the area.
- ii. A Progressive Greenbelt Plan should be prepared. The PP has to do tree plantation in an area equivalent to 33% of the lease area @2500 trees / ha. PP will complete the plantation in safety zone with 4-5 ft. tall seedlings before starting the mining activity.
- iii. Regular medical check up of the workers should be done. Chest X-ray (PA View) and pulmonary function test of all workers should be done at least once in six months. The report along with comments of the medical officer should be submitted in the six monthly compliance report.
- iv. Workers exposure to dust (average of at least five consecutive days) should be monitored along with silica content of the dust once in six months and should be submitted along with six monthly compliance report.
- v. Workers should use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) equipment during the work.
- vi. The PP shall submit geo-tagged photographs regarding the implementation of CER with actual expenses incurred. The CER and plantation will have to be implemented within first two years of starting of mining operation.
- vii. The EC is valid up to 13.04.2026.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

**The application for EC is Approved.**

## CONCLUSION

**Approved for EC.**

(2) Proposed development of a residential & resort complex project comprising of villas, guest rooms along with recreational and hospitality facilities at Dag No. - 155, 161 – 164, 210, 399 – 401, 403 - 414, 418 – 420, 422 – 442, 454, 455, 458 - 460, 462 – 505, 513, 578 – 580, 583 – 586, 588 – 597, 604, 605, Mouza – Somsara & Srirampur, P.S. – Dadpur, P.O. – Hanral, Dadpur Gram Panchayat, Dist.- Hooghly, PIN – 712149, West Bengal by **M/s. Purti Hotels and Resorts Private Limited.**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023** dated **05 October 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. 8(a) Building / Construction projects under Category "B2" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC, during its 30<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28.02.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance.

The proposal was placed before SEIAA in its 36<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 27.03.2024 and it was observed that some documents required to be uploaded in the PARIVESH Portal. The project proponent uploaded their reply on 29.04.2024 which was placed before SEIAA in the 40<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 13.05.2024 and SEIAA observed the following :

1. Replies submitted by PP in response to ADS raised by the SEIAA in its meeting dated 27.03.2024 is not satisfactory at all. There is no justification provided for use of 2160 KLD ground water for a projected water requirement of 361 KLD (as per NBC, 2016 guidelines) as have been submitted by the PP. Seeing the water scarcity, judicious use of water resources and considering the water conservation for future consumption such over abstraction should not be permitted.
2. PP should also submit conversion of proposed water body in Government land record as a 'water body'/'pukur' to claim benefit of reduced green belt area.

The PP uploaded their reply on 27.05.2024. SEIAA considered the submission uploaded by the project proponent on 27.05.2024, during its meeting dated 07.06.2024, and decided to ask the PP for a presentation with supporting documents on the two issues mentioned in the earlier ADS raised by SEIAA.

SEIAA, during its 45<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 05.07.2024, considered the recommendation of SEAC and ADS replies submitted by the PP on 29.04.2024 and 27.05.2024. PP could not justify in the ADS reply permission for extraction of 2160 KLD groundwater against its present requirement of 361 KLD. PP attended the hearing before the SEIAA and submitted a different justification (from ADS reply to SEIAA in PARIVESH portal) for having the preset permission of ground water extraction of 2160 KLD.

PP has replied in ADS to do plantation in additional area however, approved plantation plan of DFO has not been submitted.

Since the project has acquired ground water abstraction permission of 2160 KLD of INDUSTRIAL nature against requirement of 361 KLD, as per the present nature of the project, hence a detail assessment and justification of such huge abstraction permission of industrial nature may be done.

The application for EC was referred back to SEAC for reappraisal.

SEAC, during its 51<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 30.10.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with the additional condition that the PP should limit the abstraction of ground water to a maximum of 361 KLD and get it regularized from the State Water Investigation Directorate. Necessary compliance should be submitted along with six-monthly compliance report.

## **PROJECT DETAILS**

The project of **Purti Hotels and Resorts Private Limited** located in as follows :

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>District</b>
<b>(1.)</b>	West Bengal	Hooghly

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023**.

## DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and the submission made by the PP and approved the EC based on the building permit issued by the Additional Executive Officer, Hoogly Zilla Parishad vide No. HO10D3K74 dated 02.06.2023 with the following additional conditions –

- i. The designated tree plantation area in the DFO approved plan should be used exclusively for tree plantation only, not for any other purpose.
- ii. In case felling of trees is involved in the project, PP should explore the possibility of transplantation of maximum number of trees within the project area. Tree felling will be done when transplantation is not possible. The mandatory plantation area of 20% should exclude the lawn area for individual villas.
- iii. At least 10% of the total parking capacity to be provided with electrical charging points for e-vehicles.
- iv. PP should ensure proper insulation to prevent heating of the water in overhead water tank and distribution pipe.
- v. Unless and until all the conditions of EC are complied with by the PP, ownership and management of the project will not be handed over to any other authority/RWA.
- vi. The PP shall install the following :-
  - 1) Solar smart meter for recording generation.
  - 2) Smart flow water meter with totalizer at inlet for fresh water, for inlet, recycle and discharge of wastewater/ treated wastewater with provision for water quality monitoring at all such points.
  - 3) Sensor based water quality management system.
  - 4) STP with the digital data for inlet / outlet along with discharge quality.
  - 5) Ambient air quality monitoring station.
  - 6) Ambient noise quality monitoring station.
  - 7) Piezometer with automatic water level recorder connected to a display board. Litholog of piezometer to be submitted.
  - 8) Display board for display of all the environmental parameters (air quality, water quality, noise and level changes of unconfined aquifer) and beneficiary of the social component of EMP.
  - 9) Condition no. 1 to 8 shall be implemented before starting of any construction activity.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is Approved.

## CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

## MISCELLANEOUS

1. Presentation on six monthly compliance report of the Phase 2B of the proposed Township Project at Mouza – Kona, Balitikuri, Bankra, Pakuria, Tentulkuli, Khalia & Salap, PO & PS – Domjur, Dist. – Howrah, West Bengal by **M/s. Kolkata West International City Pvt. Ltd.**

**Presentation was done and the PP was asked to submit revised compliance report. SEIAA also decided to make a field visit after the receipt of revised compliance report.**

2. Presentation on six monthly compliance report of the proposed expansion of existing Stand alone Cement Grinding Unit from 0.6 MTPA to 1.8 MTPA at Vill. – Madukunda, Tehsil – Raghunathpur, PO – Sunuri, Dist. – Purulia, PIN – 723121, West Bengal by **M/s. ACC Ltd. (Damodhar Cement Works)**

**PP could not attend the meeting and intimated it to SEIAA via email.**

3. Non submission of six monthly compliance report by project proponents who were issued EC by SEIAA, WB in previous years.

**SEIAA noticed that many project proponents have not uploaded their six monthly compliance report on PARIVESH portal and communicated them to upload the same. In few cases it has been observed that email\_id, mobile no., address given by PP are non responsive. SEIAA decided to communicate the issue to WBPCB for taking necessary action to ensure compliance.**

4. **DIRECTION** vide Memo No. 10283(2)-IM-11/2009 (Part-XI) dated 20.11.2024 issued by West Bengal Pollution Control Board to **M/s. MLA OSL Developers (JV)**, Project : ‘Upwan’ located at R.S. Khatian No. 847, R.S. Plot No. 129, L.R. Khatian No. 1049, L.R. Plot No. 375, Mouza – Gourcharan, J.L. No. – 81, NH – 31, Uttarayan, P.O. & P.S. – Matigara, Siliguri, Dist. – Darjeeling, PIN – 734010, West Bengal.

**SEIAA decided to write to the PP for compliance of the directions of the WBPCB and submit an undertaking of compliance to WBPCB and SEIAA.**

5. Validity of ECs issued by DEIAA.

**In the light of the order issued by the Hon’ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal Nos. 3799-3800/2019 dated 12-11-2024 and subsequent O.M. of MoEF&CC dated 26.11.2024, SEIAA decided that the validity period of EC granted by DEIAA would be counted from the date of starting of lease period till the end of lease period or five years whichever is earlier. In cases where lease has not been executed, no validity period would be ascertained and the PP has to apply afresh to SEIAA with relevant documents.**

6. **Field visit report**

Sl. No.	Name of the sites	Subsequent action to be taken
1.	Housing Complex “Emami City” at 2, Jessore Road, JL NO. 19, Mouza – Dum Dum House, South Dum Dum Municipality, Ward No. 7, PO & PS – Dum Dum, Kolkata – 700 028, West Bengal.	SEIAA decided to communicate the matter to SWID and SDDM and PP for taking necessary action. SEIAA decided to communicate to all the ULBs and UDMA to update SEIAA about the availability of potable water

		that they can provide for the coming residential, commercial and industrial projects.
2.	<b>Proposed expansion of Township and Area Development project “One-10” at R.S. and L.R. Dag Nos. 444/1477 Mouza- Thakdari, J.L. No. 19, P.S.- New Town, Ward No.27 under Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation, Dist. North 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700102 by M/s. Lakshmi Group Reality (p) Ltd. &amp; Ors</b>	<b>SEIAA decided to communicate the PP and ULB to update about the status of water supply to the project from ULB.</b>
3.	<b>Proposed expansion shopping mall ‘QUEST MALL’ at 33, Syed Amir Ali Avenue, PS - Karaya, KMC Ward No. - 64, Kolkata – 700 017 by M/s. CESC Limited.</b>	<b>SEIAA completed the field visit.</b>
4.	<b>Field visit of joint inspection by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) and West Bengal Pollution Control Board (WBPCB) to the projects in and around Siliguri town.</b>	<b>SEIAA decided to intimate the Siliguri Police Commissionerate about the violations regarding construction work by projects which getting EC and to request to stop any further work in those projects. The building plan sanctioning authorities i.e. Matigara Panchayat Samity / Siliguri Municipal Corporation would be requested not to provide any completion certificate to those violation projects. The State Water Investigation Directorate (SWID) would be informed about illegal withdrawal of ground water in projects visited for taking necessary action from their end.</b>

**List of the projects which were placed before the SEIAA, WB in the fifty fifth meeting held on  
29.11.2024 and the Summary Decisions thereof:**

Sl. No.	Proposal	Summary Decision
<b>CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE</b>		
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2.	Proposed development of a residential & resort complex project comprising of villas, guest rooms along with recreational and hospitality facilities at Dag No. - 155, 161 – 164, 210, 399 – 401, 403 - 414, 418 – 420, 422 – 442, 454, 455, 458 - 460, 462 – 505, 513, 578 – 580, 583 – 586, 588 – 597, 604, 605, Mouza – Somsara & Srirampur, P.S. – Dadpur, P.O. – Hanral, Dadpur Gram Panchayat, Dist.- Hooghly, PIN – 712149, West Bengal by <b>M/s. Purti Hotels And Resorts Private Limited</b> .  Proposal No. :- <b>SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023</b>	<b>Approved for EC</b>
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2.	Presentation on six monthly compliance report of the proposed expansion of existing Stand alone Cement Grinding Unit from 0.6 MTPA to 1.8 MTPA at Vill. – Madukunda, Tehsil – Raghunathpur, PO – Sunuri, Dist. – Purulia, PIN – 723121, West Bengal by <b>M/s. ACC Ltd. (Damodhar Cement Works)</b>	<b>PP could not attend the meeting</b>
3.	Non submission of six monthly compliance report by project proponents who were issued EC by SEIAA, WB in previous years.	<b>SEIAA decided to communicate the issue to WBPCB for taking necessary action to ensure compliance.</b>
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	Dist. – Darjeeling, PIN – 734010, West Bengal	
5.	Validity of ECs issued by DEIAA	<p><b>In the light of the order issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal Nos. 3799-3800/2019 dated 12-11-2024 and subsequent O.M. of MoEF&amp;CC dated 26.11.2024, SEIAA decided that the validity period of EC granted by DEIAA would be counted from the date of starting of lease period till the end of lease period or five years whichever is earlier. In cases where lease has not been executed, no validity period would be ascertained and the PP has to apply afresh to SEIAA with relevant documents.</b></p>