State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 545th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 25.12.2021

The meeting of 545th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 25.12.2021 at the Directorate of Environment. Following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P

2. Shri Paras Nath

Member, SEIAA, U.P.

3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Nodal Officer, SEIAA-UP informed that in light of minutes of the meeting of joint meeting of SEIAA, SEAC-1 & SEAC-2 held on 22.06.2021, minutes of the below meeting appraised by SEAC-2 have been vetted by SEAC-1. Nodal Officer SEIAA placed before SEIAA files and documents related to below mentioned projects.

Agenda-A: -Complaints/letters - Nil

Agenda-B: Replies- Nil

Agenda-B:- Minutes of 605th SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 10/12/2021

 Stone (Sandstone) Mining at Gata No./Araji No./Plot No.-141) Village- Chiraiya, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Arun Kumar Tripathi, M/s Sriram Infrastructure., Area: 2.02 ha. File No. 4774/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/35126/2019

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the 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. A letter shall be send to DM, Mirzapur to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained.

 Riverbed Sand / Morrum Mining At Gata No. 531 Anga, Khand- 04, Village- Sasnai, Tehsil-Obra, Sonbhadra, Shri Rai Bahadur Singh, Area 12.146 Ha. File No. 6668/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/68800/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC to issue the additional ToRs to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. The SEIAA also added the following points to TOR;-

Certified lease map with geo-coordinates shall be submitted along with EIA.

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- 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 3- 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.
- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 5- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 6- KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 7- 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.
- 8- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipments 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.
- 9- 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.
- 10-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 -
 - 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.
- 11-In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 12-Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
- 13- Replenishment study, duly approved by the competent authority for approving DSR for the district should be submitted.
- 14-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



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approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 13,000 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.

- 15- 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 65 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.
- 16- Project Proponent / Consultant has given an affidavit that the project area doesn't fall within the boundary of Critically Polluted Area (CPA). If the affidavit given by PP / Consultant is found to be false then ToR / EC will be cancelled and legal actions will be initiated against them. Further, certificate from concerned RO, UPSPCB that area doesn't attract CPA and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of evaluation of EIA-EMP report by SEAC.(
- 17- 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.
- 18- 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- Stone (Sand stone) Mining at Araji no-.708Ka Village-Chandlewan Kalan, Tehsil-Sadar, Mirzapur. Shri Devendra Pratap Singh, Area: 0.809 Ha. File No. 6669/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/68790/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC to issue the additional ToRs to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. The SEIAA also added the following points to TOR;-

- 1- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 2- 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.
- 3- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 4- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.

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- 5- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 6- KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 7- 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.
- 8- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipments 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.
- 9- 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.
- 10-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.
- 11-In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 12-Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
- 13-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 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 below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 14-In consultation with District Environment Authority or an authority nominated by concerned DM, Project Proponent will prepare a conservation and management plan for the rejuvenation and management of water bodies having a total surface area of not less than 5 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank

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account and six-monthly implementation status will be presented by the Project Proponent before the nominated authority in the district.

- 15- Project Proponent / Consultant has given an affidavit that the project area doesn't fall within the boundary of Critically Polluted Area (CPA). If the affidavit given by PP / Consultant is found to be false then ToR / EC will be cancelled and legal actions will be initiated against them. Further, certificate from concerned RO, UPSPCB that area doesn't attract CPA and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of evaluation of EIA-EMP report by SEAC.
- 16-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.
- 17- 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- Soil Excavation at Gata No.-106, 107, 17, 18, 450, Village- Nak Phulha, Tehsil-Raebareli, Shri Bhuvenesh Pratap Singh, Area: 1.2550 Ha. File No. 6672/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/238050/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the 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. A letter shall be send to DM, Raibareili to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained.

 Earth Excavation from Khasra/Gata Nos. 175,235 at Village- Kuakheda Khalsa, Tehsil-Thakurdwara, Moradabad,Shri Amit Kumar,Area- 3.107ha. File No. 6674/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/166740/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the 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. A letter shall be send to DM, Moradabad to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained.

 Building Stone Mining at Gata No.-Araji /Plot No.-428, Village-Dhuria, Tehsil-Chunar, Mirzapur, Gyanendra Pratap Singh, M/s Jai Maa Vaishno Stone Works, Area: 1.01 ha. File No. 5426/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/49056/2019

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project for along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC adding following specific condition as follows:-

 This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.

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- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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.
- 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.
- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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 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.
- 9. 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.
- 10. Project Proponent / Consultant has given an affidavit that the project area doesn't fall within the boundary of Critically Polluted Area (CPA). If the affidavit given by PP / Consultant is found to be false then EC will be cancelled and legal actions will be initiated against them. Further, mining should not commence without obtaining certificate from DM, Mirzapur that area doesn't attract CPA and a copy of the same should be submitted to SEIAA.
- 11. 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.

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- 12. 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 13. 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.
- Building Stone, Mining at Gata No-505 (Khand-01), Area Village- Patha, Tehsil-Garautha, Jhansi, M/s Ratan Stone Gramudyog 1.618 Ha. File No. 6681/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/238642/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Building Stone Mining at Araji No./Plot No. Gata No-1251, Khand No.-05, Village-Kohdar, Tehsil-Meja, Prayagraj, Shri Hemandas Gawri, M/s J.H. Traders, Area 8.097 ha. File No. 6272/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/62454/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project for along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC adding following specific condition as follows:-

- This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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.
- 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.
- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- 7. 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.

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- 8. 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 9,000 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.
- 9. 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 45 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.
- 10. 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. Noncompliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.

Sand/Morrum Mining at Gata No.-523, Village-Khakuora, Tehsil-Mauranipur, Jhansi, Smt. Ratna Jadaun, Area-20.0 Ha. File No. 5673/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/53382/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project for along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC adding following specific condition as follows:-

- Validity period of this EC is co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
- 2. In the absence of replenishment study, keeping in mind various orders issued by Hon'ble NGT and development works in the State, initially EC will be operational for a period of one year from the date of issue of EC and permissible quantity and area shall be strictly limited to quantity and area mentioned in LoI or mining plan, whichever is lesser, and maximum mineable depth will be limited to as approved in the mining plan.
- 3. For subsequent years, Project Proponent shall submit fresh annual replenishment study to SEIAA, UP for amendment in EC for mineable quantity and maximum permissible depth for mining based on scientific findings of replenishment study. Such study shall be placed before SEAC for appraisal for next three years to assess rate of deposition and accordingly, mineable production capacity and depth can be prescribed based on trends analysis, provided it is found scientifically satisfactory by the SEAC. The placing of the study report SEAC is mandatory for initial three years.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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



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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.

- 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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 20,000 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.
- 9. 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 100 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.
- 10. 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.

River Bed Sand Mining at Gata No.-28, 67, 73, 76, Khand No.-02, Village-Nawada, Tehsil-Mauranipur, Jhansi., Shri Jitendra Singh, Area: 14.0 ha. File No. 6527/6572/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 67050/2020

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC that the Secretariat sent a letter to District Magistrate, Jhansi to provide a factual report regarding issues raised in e-mail dated 08/12/2021 of Mr. P.K. Sahi, Advocate, Paryavaran Shakti Foundation, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg, New Delhi. Further, a letter shall be send to DM, Jhansi to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained.

11. मेसर्स बामदेव स्मार्ट सॉल्यूशन प्रा० लि०, 266ए,/22, रामलीला रोड, बाकर रोड, बॉदा के पत्रांक-98, दिनांक 01-11-2021 पर विचार-विमर्श।

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC-2 where SEAC-2 has desired certain information and action from PP and after submission of clarification project will be evaluated by SEAC-2.



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12. श्री रामबाबू श्रीवास, पूर्व सदस्य नगर पंचायत, नरैनी बॉदा के पत्र दिनांक 01-12-2021 पर विचार-विमर्श।

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC that a letter should be sent to District Magistrate, Banda, CMO, Banda and Regional Officer, UPPCB, Banda to provide a factual report in the matter of the compliant letter dated 08/05/2021 of Shri Rambabu, Narani, Banda.

Common Bio-medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBWTF) at Khasra No.-1035, Village-Bharesar, Kada, Tehsil- Sirathu, Kausambi., Shri Samridhi Karvariya, Director, M/s Topsy Turvy Retail Pvt.Ltd. File No. 5801/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIS/56134/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in the minutes at point no. 5(4) in front of landuse broun field project is mentioned. Project proponent shall clarify the same. SEIAA also opined that a clarification from RO UPPCB shall be sought regarding CPCB guidelines for establishment of CBWTF.

Nodal Officer SEIAA, UP

> (Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA

(Paras Nath) Member SEIAA (Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg) Chairman SEIAA