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**State Environment Impact Assessment Authority**  
**West Bengal**  
**Minutes of SEIAA Meeting**  
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Subject: **72<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)**  
Venue:- **Conference Room of the New Administrative Building of Environment Department, Govt. of West Bengal at IB-180, Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700106.**  
From :- **30 May 2025**  
To :- **30 May 2025**

**CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE**

- (1) Proposed river bed sand mining project over an area of 4.80 ha (11.86 Acres) on Chel River at Mouza-Odlabari, Paschim Damdim, RS Plot No.- 1183 (Part), 13, 16, 17 (All Part), J.L. No.-20, 39, P.S.- Mal, Dist-Jalpaiguri, West Bengal by **Utpal Paul**.

**Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/264679/2022, File No. : EN/T-II-1/094/2023, Type-EC**

**INTRODUCTION**

The project proponent (PP) made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/264679/2022** dated **31 March 2022** 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.

Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC during its 71<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 21.05.2025 observed that the PP already applied in the PARIVESH 2 (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/525866/2025) for the same project under ToR which has been considered in this meeting and ToR was recommended. Hence, the SEAC recommended that the present proposal for EC may be forwarded to SEIAA for rejection.

**PROJECT DETAILS**

The project of **Utpal Paul** located in as follows :

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

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/264679/2022**.

**DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

**SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that though SEAC recommended the proposal for rejection but the Recommendation Status of the proposal in portal is showing as the proposal is recommended by SEAC.**

**Recommendation of SEIAA**

**The application for EC is referred back to SEAC for uploading it under rejection category.**

## CONCLUSION

**Referred back to SEAC.**

## **CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF TOR PROPOSALS**

(1) Proposed River Bed Sand Mining over an area of 4.74 ha on River Gheesh at Plot No.- 1,2,3,4 & 79,80,103, JL. No.- 20, 12, Mouza-Oodlabari, Uttar Phulbari, P.S- Mal, Dist- Jalpaiguri, West Bengal by **Md. Afajuddin Sarkar**.

**Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/74654/2022, File No. : EN/T-II-1/091/2023, Type-ToR**

## INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/74654/2022** dated **06 September 2023** seeking Terms of reference (TOR) 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** projects under Category "**B**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC, during its 71<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 21.05.2025, recommended issuance of Standard Terms of Reference for EIA preparation for the project with additional conditions.

## PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **Md. Afajuddin Sarkar** located in as follows :

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

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/74654/2022**.

## DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

**SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that though SEAC recommended the proposal for ToR but the Recommendation Status of the proposal in portal is showing as the proposal is rejected by SEAC.**

## Recommendation of SEIAA

**The application for ToR is referred back to SEAC for uploading it under recommended category.**

## CONCLUSION

**Referred back to SEAC.**

## MISCELLANEOUS

1. Discussion on projects pending with SEIAA which had applied under 'Violation Category'.

Sl. No.	Project proposal for EC
1.	SANKALPA SITE II by <b>WEST BENGAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED</b> (SIA/WB/MIS/264277/2022)

2.	SANKALPA SITE III by <b>WEST BENGAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED</b> (SIA/WB/MIS/293146/2022)
3.	Extension of Neotia Getwel Multi Specialty Hospital at Uttarayan Township, Matigara, Siliguri, West Bengal by <b>AMBUJA NEOTIA HEALTHCARE VENTURE LIMITED</b> (SIA/WB/INFRA2/451548/2023)
4.	Housing Complex by <b>Fort Builders</b> (SIA/WB/INFRA2/449289/2023)

**SEIAA decided to seek the guidance from the MoEF&CC to dispose the violation cases.**

2. Email received on 15.04.2025 regarding URGENT WHISTLEBLOWER COMPLAINT: Large-Scale Environmental Violations, Illegal Wetland Encroachment, Unauthorized High-Rise Construction, Severe Ecosystem Damage, and Regulatory Discrepancies – Project Lumina and Crossroads and other big projects, Matigara, Uttarayan, Siliguri, West Bengal, India (Geographic Coordinates Provided Below) additional documents w.r.t to earlier complaint having subject Whistleblower Complaint Regarding Large-Scale Exploitation of Wetlands & Catchment Areas in Matigara, Darjeeling.

**It was noted that necessary action has already been taken by CTO, EKWMA (who has forwarded the complaint to DM, Darjeeling for taking necessary action).**

3. Email received from Dipranjan Ganguly <deepganguly@gmail.com> on 25.05.2025 regarding SEVERE POLLUTION AND UNBEARABLE CONDITION DUE TO DTC SOJON CONSTRUCTION WORK JOKA KOLKATA REF DOCKET NO: PCB8192 AND DOG BITING BY STRAY DOGS UNBEARABLE CONDITION.

**SEIAA decided to forward the complaint to WBPCB for necessary action. PP is also requested to provide their response with respect to the complaint raised.**

4. Complaint received from Mr. Ankur Sharma through email on 27.05.2025 against filling of water bodies/wetlands/canals and flouting of environmental norms at “Gardenium” R.S. & L.R. Dag nos. 5104 to 5116, 5134, 5136, 5139, 5140, 5146, 5147, 5148, 5149, 5150, 5167, 5168, 5169, 5170, 5172/5202, 5173, 5175, 5179, 5182 to 5187, Mouza – Matiagachha, P.S. - Rajarhat, Pargana - Anowarpur, Kirtipur – II Gram Panchayat, North 24 Parganas, PIN - 700135.

**SEIAA decided to forward the complaint to WBPCB for necessary action.**

5. Email received from ADM DLLRO Jalpaiguri on 29.05.2025 regarding Corrigendum of the office Memo. No. 75/MM/DLLRO/JAL/2025 dated. 09.04.2025 regarding uploading of files related to Environmental Clearance (EC) issued by DEIAA in the PARIVESH Portal.

**SEIAA decided to communicate the order of Hon’ble Supreme Court for taking necessary action by ADM DLLRO Jalpaiguri.**

**List of the projects which were placed before the SEIAA, WB in the seventy second meeting held on 30.05.2025 and the Summary Decisions thereof:**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Summary Decision</b>
<b>CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE</b>		
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<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>		
1.	Discussion on projects pending with SEIAA which had applied under 'Violation Category'.	<b>SEIAA decided to seek the guidance from the MoEF&amp;CC to dispose the violation cases</b>
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5.	Email received from ADM DLLRO Jalpaiguri on 29.05.2025 regarding Corrigendum of the office Memo. No. 75/MM/DLLRO/JAL/2025 dated. 09.04.2025 regarding uploading of files related to Environmental Clearance (EC) issued by DEIAA in the PARIVESH Portal.	<b>SEIAA decided to communicate the order of Hon’ble Supreme Court for taking necessary action by ADM DLLRO Jalpaiguri</b>