

# **State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Bihar**

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Ref. No. - 408

Patna, Date:- 01/07/2024

## **Minutes of the 56<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEIAA, Bihar, constituted on 12-08-2021 convened on 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2024**

A meeting of SEIAA was convened on Tuesday, 25.06.2024. Following members were present in the meeting.

### **Present: -**

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| 1. Shri Atul Aditya Pandey | - | Chairman.        |
| 2. Shri Arun Prakash       | - | Member.          |
| 3. Shri Abhay Kumar, IFS   | - | Member Secretary |

### **Agenda Item No.- 01**

Proposed Sand Mining Project on Kiul River at Lakhisarai Block No. – 05 Sand Ghat of District – Lakhisarai, Area – 32.0 Ha. (File No.: SIA/1(a)/2534 (Amend.)/2022, Proposal No.: SIA/BR/MIN/307984/2024).

- **Proposal discussed in SEAC** on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 and recommended for Amendment in Environmental Clearance with Standard conditions along with special conditions.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

In view of the consideration of SEAC and its recommendation to grant of Amendment in Environmental Clearance (EC), the SEIAA resolved to grant Amendment in EC as recommended by SEAC. The rest of the conditions of Environmental Clearance issued previously vide F. No. SIA/1(a)/2268/2023, dated 28.08.2023 (EC Identification No. EC23B001BR110268) shall remain unchanged.

### **Agenda Item No.- 02**

Sand Mining Project on Morhar River at Block No. – 36 (Gaya Morhar – 23) Sand Ghat of District – Gaya, Area – 12.5 Ha., (File No. – SIA/1(a)/2420/2023), Online Proposal No.: SIA/BR/MIN/445879/2023).



- **Proposal discussed in SEAC** on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 and recommended for Environmental Clearance with Standard conditions along with special conditions.

- **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

The SEIAA perused the report submitted by the committee constituted by the District Magistrate, Gaya. The observations of the committee at the site of inspection and the conclusion there upon does not appear logical.

The project is referred back to SEAC for re-appraisal.

**Agenda Item No.- 03**

Sand Mining Project on Morhar River at Block No. – 29 (Gaya Morhar – 16) Sand Ghat of District – Gaya, Area – 17.0 Ha., (File No. – SIA/1(a)/2451/2023), Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIN/456553/2023).

- **Proposal discussed in SEAC** on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 and recommended for Environmental Clearance with Standard conditions along with special conditions.

- **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

In the view of consideration of SEAC and its recommendation to grant of Environmental Clearance (EC), the SEIAA resolved to grant EC with standard conditions in addition to special conditions i.e. (a) The proposed plantation consisting of mixture of indigenous and fast growing species of trees must be done and proper care must be taken to ensure 100% survival. Plantation of a minimum of 5 feet tall plants must be done in the 1<sup>st</sup> year of lease period and properly maintained till the validity of Environmental Clearance and preserve the existing tree at the proposed site. (b) The Project Proponent shall execute and conduct measurable Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) activities like facilities for drinking water supply, infrastructure creation, solar power, Rain Water Harvesting, Solid Waste Management Facilities, sanitation, essential furnitures for the local government schools and Anganwadi Kendras. A display board must be placed for the information to the public (with intimation to the concerned District Magistrate and the concerned district level officers of the concerned departments) for records and information, with copy marked to the Bihar State Pollution Control Board (BSPCB), Patna. (c) Under the



Corporate Environment Responsibilities the modalities of all expenditure on skill development programme need to be done in consultation with and guidance of Bihar Skill Devolvement Mission, with intimation to the concerned District Magistrate, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority and Bihar State Pollution Control Board, Patna. (d) Project Proponent has to fix display board on each mining site mentioning thereupon various activities to be done under Environment Management Plan (EMP). (e) The Project Proponent must do the sand mining limited to 01 meter (one meter) depth by manual excavation with total production capacity limited to 1,02,000 CUM/Year. (f) The Project Proponent must maintain existing ponds nearby, if any. (g) Proper care should to be taken during transportation of sand from the sand mining site. There should be freeboard of atleast 03 inches from the body level of the vehicle, so that the sand doesn't get spilled over on the road and doesn't affect the air quality as well. (h) Observing the increase in the number of deaths due to lightning in Bihar, the SEIAA resolved to direct the Project Proponent to install lightning arrestor in the area concerned to protect the inhabitants from hazards like lightning. (i) The Proponent must submit untreated high resolution satellite images with stereoscopic 3D view from the National Remote Sensing Center (NRSC), Hyderabad for the month of June and December every year, along with the respective half-yearly compliance report in hard and soft copy. The conditions be fulfilled along with standard conditions as imposed by the SEAC (Annexure – A) in its MoM (Ref. No. 358, dated 21.06.2024).

#### **Agenda Item No.- 04**

**Sand Mining Project on Morhar River at Block No. – 38 (Gaya Morhar – 25) Sand Ghat of District – Gaya, Area – 18 Ha., (File No. – SIA/1(a)/2411/2023), Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIN/445945/2023).**

- **Proposal discussed in SEAC** on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 and recommended for rejection from Environmental Clearance.
- **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

In the view of consideration of SEAC and its recommendation for rejection of Environmental Clearance (EC), the SEIAA resolved to reject the proposal for Environmental Clearance as mentioned in the SEAC in its MoM (Ref. No. 358, dated 21.06.2024).

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### **Agenda Item No.- 05**

Checklist provided by SEAC for Ordinary Earth / Clay Mining Projects.

- **The checklist was discussed in SEAC** on 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 and was recommended for approval for Ordinary Earth / Clay Mining Projects.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

In the view of consideration of SEAC and its recommendation for approval of checklist for Ordinary Earth / Clay Mining Projects, the SEIAA resolved to approve the checklist for Ordinary Earth / Clay Mining Projects in addition to special conditions mentioned as under:-

- a) Provide Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) along with the proposal.
- b) Provide purpose / requirement of Ordinary Earth / Clay mining.
- c) Provide the distance between the Ordinary Earth / Clay mining site and the place where it will be used.
- d) Other directions as mentioned in the Office Memorandum L-11011/47/2011 – IA.II (M), dated 24.06.2013.

### **Any Other Matter**

Discussion regarding MoEF&CC, GoI, Office Memorandum vide No. IA.3-22/1/2022-IA.III, dated 14.06.2024.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

The matter was discussed, it was decided to appraise all the concerned project proponents in the state of Bihar to strictly abide by the MoEF&CC, GoI. Office Memorandum vide No. IA.3-22/1/2022-IA.III, dated 14.06.2024.

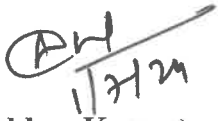
### **Any Other Matter**


Discussion regarding Kishanganj Unit – 03 and Kishanganj Unit – 04 Sand Ghat proposals.



➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

The matter was discussed. A request letter seeking opinion of MoEF&CC, GoI may be sent. The MoEF&CC may be appraised that the proposal is pending since July 2023.

  
(Abhay Kumar)  
Member Secretary, SEIAA

  
(Arun Prakash),  
Member, SEIAA

  
(Atul Aditya Pandey)  
Chairman, SEIAA

