

State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 634th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 26.07.2022

The meeting of 634th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 26.07.2022 at the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg
2. Shri Paras Nath
3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

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

Discussion:-

SEIAA observed that there is uneven distribution of projects, for their consideration / recommendation for ToR / EC, between SEAC-1 & SEAC-2. In the joint meeting of SEIAA, SEAC-1 & SEAC-2 held on 22.06.2021 mechanism for distribution of cases between SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 was decided and it has been spelt out in para-3 of the MoM of the said meeting, which reads as follows-

3. ***SEIAA/SEAC, Chairman's/Members have a detailed discussion about the bifurcation of work between SEAC-1 & SEAC-2. It was unanimously decided that:***
 - i. ***All the odd number project proposals would be appraised by SEAC-1 and all the even number project proposals would be appraised by SEAC-2. Here it needs to be mentioned that all the project proposals are submitted online and a proposal number is automatically generated on Parivesh Portal of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India.***
 - ii. ***In case it is observed that there is delay in disposing the project proposals by any of the SEACs, the Member-Secretaries of SEIAA and SEACs through mutual consultation, after recording the reasons, may allot some of the cases to another SEAC for disposal.***

In SEIAA meeting no. 571 dated 08.03.2022 with respect to above issue, following observations were recorded and directions were issued –

"General Discussion:-

An analysis of SEAC's meetings from meeting no 611 to 635 has revealed that out of 25 meetings, 17 have been heard by SEAC-1 and only 8 have been deliberated by SEAC-2. Further analysis revealed that few PP / consultants are managing to generate odd numbers for their proposals so that their proposals can be deliberated upon by SEAC-1. In order to curb this practice, it is decided that next 9 meetings, starting from meeting no. 636, will be conducted by SEAC-2 and all the projects having either odd or even



numbers will be deliberated upon by SEAC-2. After these 9 meetings, projects will be allotted to SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 on alternate basis."

This has not been complied with and now the situation has further deteriorated and there is much more skewed distribution of projects between SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for their consideration / recommendation for ToR / EC.

A reference be sent to MS, SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 to look into the issue and ensure equitable distribution of projects between SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for their consideration / recommendation for ToR / EC. A copy of the same be sent to Chairman, SEAC-1 and Chairman, SEAC-2.

Agenda A- 669th SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 28/06/2022

1. Stone (Sandstone)" Mining at Arazi No.-428, Village- Dhuria, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Chhatrabali Singh, Area 1.01 ha., File No. 7138/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/77810/2022

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC-2 to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added 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 Lol. 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 Lol.
- 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.
- 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.



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- (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
- 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.
- 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 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 below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 14- 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.
- 15- 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 10 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six-monthly implementation status will be presented by the Project Proponent before the nominated authority in the district.
- 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 geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 18- 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.



19- Project Proponent in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data on six-monthly basis.

2. Morrum Mining, at Gata No.-557, Village- Ramgarha, Tehsil- Madawara & District Lalitpur., Smt. Punkunvar Raja Bundela, M/s Rajmani Bundela Construction, Area 2.023 ha., File No. 7141/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/276950/2022

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-2 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC-2 but SEIAA replaces the specific condition regarding cluster certificate as "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" and adding following conditions:-

1. Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the Lol 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. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
6. 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. 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.
 9. 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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 14. 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. Stone (Khanda-Boulder/Gitti-Ballast) Mining at Arazi No.-287/5, Village- Ramgarha, Tehsil-Madawara, District-Lalitpur., Shri Pancham Singh Tomar, Area 1.214 Ha., File No. 7142/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/276930/2022

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5. Dolo Stone Mining at Arazi No. 5516Mi, 5517Mi, 5518, 5519Mi, 5521Mi, 5521Kha, 5522Mi, 5529Kha Mi, 5530, 5523, 5534, 5535, 5536, 5537Kha, 5537Ga, 5538, Village-Billi Markundi, Tehsil - Obra, District- Sonebhadra, Shri Shiv Charan Tripathi, Area-2.8787 Ha., File No. 7147/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/78184/2022

SEAC-2 has recommended to issue ToR to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that there is no documents regarding DSR and Certified lease map. Hence the project is referred back to SEAC-2 for review.



6. **Stone (Sand stone) Mining at Gata No.-519, Village- Ghasipur, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Manish Kumar, Area:2.02 ha., File No. 7150/6222/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/78282/2021**

SEAC-2 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in the 1st para of MoM name of consultant is mentioned as - M/s Environmental Research and Analysis, whereas in point no. 28 of the table it is mentioned as M/S Paramarsh. Hence the project is referred back to SEAC-2 for review/comments.

7. **Establishment of New B-heavy Molasses / Sugar Syrup or C-heavy Molasses based distillery having capacity: 100 KLD along with 2.5 MW co gen power at khasra no 1237, 1244, 1238, 1240, 1241, 1243, Village: Mugalpur Urf Agwanpur Mustahk, Tehsil & Distt: Moradabad., Shri Atul Goyal., M/s Dewan Sugar Ltd., File No. 6348/Proposal No. SIA/UP/IND2/63004/2021**

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-2 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC-2. In addition to the conditions imposed by SEAC-2, SEIAA added following additional specific conditions:-

1. The project proponent shall ensure that the distillery shall be on ZLD with incineration of spent wash in slop boiler. As proposed treated waste water should be completely recycled /reused and ZLD should be achieved. Under no circumstances treated waste water and effluent shall not be discharged to any drain/sewer line/ inland surface water/Nala etc.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.

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



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