## STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (SEIAA)-DELHI

OFFICE OF DELHI POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE

3rd FLOOR BLOCK-1, DMRC IT PARK BUILDING, SHASTRI PARK, DELHI-110053

## Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) held on 04.09.2024.

The 79th meeting of State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held on 04.09.2024 at 5 PM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sarvagya Kumar Srivastava through virtual online mode. The following members of SEIAA were present in the meeting:

Sh. Sarvagya Kumar Srivastava

- In Chair

Sh. K.S. Jayachandran

- Member Secretary

Ms. Reena Gupta, Member SEIAA was not present in the meeting.

DPCC Officials namely Sh. Amit Chaudhary (EE)and Sh. Manish Kumar Awasthi (JEE) assisted the SEIAA:

## The SEIAA during 79th meeting held on 04.09.2024 deliberated as follows:

1. Ms. Reena Gupta, Member SEIAA did not attend the meeting despite serving her meeting notice and agenda of the meeting.

- 2. At the outset SEIAA Secretariat officers informed the SEIAA members that EIA Cell officers visited IA division of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, and Govt. of India (MoEF&CC) on 3.9.2024 and met the senior officers there. A letter addressed to the Jt Secretary, MoEF&CC was handed over. Through the said letter the MoEF&CC was apprised of the peculiar situation that minutes of SEIAA could not be generated on PARIVESH 2 portal as an expert member of SEIAA Delhi was not cooperating and attending the meetings of SEIAA.
- 3. Considering the fact that tenure of SEIAA Delhi is expiring on 05.09.2024 and Certificates could not be generated on PARIVESH portal 2 prior to this date the MoEF&CC was requested to develop a solution by making architectural changes in the PARIVESH 2 to enable SEIAA Delhi to liquidate the pendency of cases which have already been decided by the two members of SEIAA (Chairman SEIAA & Member Secretary SEIAA) due to non participation of Expert Member of SEIAA Delhi. This situation was also apprised to MOEFF & CC vide letter no DPCC/MS/SEIAA-IV-02-98/2021-22/2695 dated 14.08.2024. Advise/ Technical solution was sought. However, no reply was received. The MoEF&CC informed EIA officers on 03.09.2024 that they have forwarded the letters to Policy division of MoEF&CC. The Policy division officer was also contacted and it was opined by him that there is a mandatory requirement of completion of 3 member's quorum in SEIAA and 2 members SEIAA will not constitute the necessary Quorum and decision of SEIAA will not be valid. Further, issuance of EC based on 2 members SEIAA may lead to unnecessary legal complications. It was suggested by MoEF&CC officers that

(Sarvagya Kumar Srivastava)

(Reena Gupta)

(K.S. Jayachandran)

Chairman, SEIAA

Member, SEIAA

Member Secretary, SEIAA

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OM no F.No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III E 177258] dated 02.08.2023 may complied by the SEIAA and send all the cases decided by the two members SEIAA meeting and other pending cases in totality to the MoEF&CC, Govt. of India. It will lead to zero pendency at SEIAA Delhi end.

4. To avoid legal complication, all the condition and situation to be arises in future, it was decided that all cases (PARIVESH 1 and PARIVESH 2 decided in the last SEIAA meeting held 30.08.2024 may be forwarded to SEIAA at the level of Govt. of India, as per OM no F.No. IA3-22/10/2022-IA.III E 177258) dated 02.08.2023. The decision of SEIAA meeting held on dated 30.08.2024 uploaded on PARIVESH Portal 1 may be withdrawn from the PARIVESH PORTAL-1 and forwarded to the MoEF&CC for consideration of SEAC recommendation. Henceforth, No EC Certificates TOR shall be issued by present SEIAA Delhi as MoEFF&CC will take necessary action on these cases of PARIVESH-1 & PARIVESH-2 portals.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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(Sarvagya Kumar Srivastava)

Chairman, SEIAA

(Reena Gupta)

Member, SEIAA

(K.S. Jayachandran)

Member Secretary, SEIAA