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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority West Bengal Minutes of SEIAA Meeting

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Subject: 58th meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)

Venue:- Conference Room of West Bengal Pollution Control Board, Paribesh Bhawan, 10A, Block - LA,

Sector-III, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700106.

From:- **03 January 2025**To:- **03 January 2025**

CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed Upardanga Granite Stone Quarry over an area of 1.0 ha (2.471 Acres) of capacity 19564.36 MT/year at Mouza - Talsankra, J.L. No. - 163, Plot No. - 3310, P.S. - Raghunathpur, Dist. - Purulia, Pin - 723101, West Bengal by M/s. Todi Minerals Private Limited.

Proposal No.:- SIA/WB/MIN/442652/2023, File No.: EN/T-II-1/527/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/442652/2023 dated 14 September 2023 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.

Earlier the Project proponent (PP) had obtained Environmental Clearance vide No. 966/EN/T-II-1/008/2013 dated 17.04.2015 issued by SEIAA and Consent to Operate from WBPCB vide No. CO134679, Memo No. 290-WPBA/Red/Pol/Cont/192/05 dated 17.07.2023 which is valid upto 31.05.2028.

The Lease Deed has been executed on 28.07.2005 for a period of 20 years. Therefore, the lease period is valid only upto 27.07.2025.

SEAC, during its 54th meeting held on 30.11.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with additional conditions. The EC shall remain valid only upto 27.07.2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of M/s. Todi Minerals Private Limited located in as follows:

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

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/442652/2023.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for Upardanga Granite Stone Quarry over an area of 1.0 ha (2.471 Acres) of capacity 19564.36 MT/year at Mouza - Talsankra, J.L. No. - 163, Plot No. - 3310, P.S. - Raghunathpur, Dist. - Purulia, Pin - 723101, West Bengal by M/s. Todi Minerals Private Limited

falling within the DSR potential zone code PUR_GR_ZONE_15 is approved for EC with the following additional conditions:-

- i. The EC is valid upto 27.07.2025.
- ii. The PP is required to undertake dust suppression by water sprinkling immediately after the drilling and blasting operations and workers would be allowed to work only after subsidence of dust in the area.
- iii. A Progressive Greenbelt Plan should be prepared. The PP has to do tree plantation in an area equivalent to 33% of the lease area @2500 trees / ha. PP will complete the plantation in safety zone with 4-5 ft. tall seedlings before starting the mining activity.
- iv. Regular medical check up of the workers should be done. Chest X-ray (PA View) and pulmonary function test of all workers should be done at least once in six months. The report along with comments of the medical officer should be submitted in the six monthly compliance report.
- v. Workers exposure to dust (average of at least five consecutive days) should be monitored along with silica content of the dust once in six months and should be submitted along with six monthly compliance report.
- vi. Workers should use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) equipment during the work.
- vii. The PP shall submit geo-tagged photographs regarding the implementation of CER with actual expenses incurred. The CER and plantation will have to be implemented within EC validity period.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(2) Proposed Modification of "Aerotropolis Township" at Village: Andal, Dakshinkhanda, Tamla, Patsaora, Taluk: Durgapur, District: Paschim Bardhhaman, West Bengal by M/s. Bengal Aerotropolis Projects Limited.

Proposal No.: SIA/WB/INFRA2/450748/2023, File No.: EN/T-II-1/182/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/450748/2023** dated **13 December 2023** 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. **8(b) Townships/ Area Development Projects / Rehabilitation Centres** under Category "**B1**" of EIA Notification 2006.

Earlier the PP had obtained Environmental Clearance vide No. EN/2041/T-II-1/025/2009 dated 11.08.2011. The PP obtained ToR from SEIAA, WB vide No. 788/EN/T-II-1/182/2023 dated 25.04.2023 against proposal no. SIA/WB/INFRA2/419254/2023.

SEAC, during its 55th meeting held on 11.12.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with the following conditions:-

i. The exclusive tree plantation area should be done only according to the DFO approved plantation plan for the project of 324.41 acre which is 24.43% of the net plot area 1327.90 acre.

- ii. The organized green space to be developed as per URDPFI guidelines should not overlap with the exclusive tree plantation area.
- iii. Dag Nos. recorded as waterbody in the RoR/Porcha should be kept entirely as waterbody. No part of the designated waterbodies should be encroached upon. Water bodies should not be lined and their embankments should not be cemented. The water bodies are to be kept in natural conditions without disturbing the ecological habitat.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of M/s. Bengal Aerotropolis Projects Limited located in as follows:

S. No.	State	District	
(1.)	West Bengal	Paschim Bardhhaman	

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. SIA/WB/INFRA2/450748/2023.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that SEIAA will visit the site.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The application for EC is deferred for site visit.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for site visit.

(3) Proposed Hotel cum Commercial Complex at South Side of Uttorayan "The New Township", Siliguri, Plot No. – 759, 803, 805, 808, 809, 810, 811, Khatian No. – 1262, JL No. – 86, Mouza – Ujjanu, Block & PS – Matigara, under Patharghata Gram Panchayat, Dist – Darjeeling, West Bengal by **M/s. Global Mercantile Private Limited.**

Proposal No.: SIA/WB/INFRA2/453862/2023, File No.: EN/T-II-1/548/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/453862/2023** dated **30 November 2023** 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. **8(a) Building / Construction** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC, during its 55th meeting held on 11.12.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of M/s. Global Mercantile Private Limited located in as follows:

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

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. SIA/WB/INFRA2/453862/2023.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the PP should make a presentation before the SEIAA regarding the following points:

- 1) Location of services with respect to the jhora passing dividing the project site.
- 2) Permission of construction of bridge or cross over on the jhora to connect both the sides.
- 3) Justification of doing entire plantation in one corner of the plot.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The PP should upload the copy of the presentation in the portal subsequent to which PP along with consultant would be asked to present before the SEIAA.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for additional submission.

(4) Proposed Kharia China Clay Mine at J.L. No.- 145, Plot No. - 4412 to 4418, 4420 to 4427, 4429-4449, 5056 to 5064, 5066, 5067, 5071, 5072, 5074 to 5081, 5083 to 5092, 5095, 5096, 5098 to 5106, 5109 to 5118, 5122 to 5136, Mouza-Kharia, PO & PS- Md. Bazar, District- Birbhum, West Bengal by **M/s. N.P. Minerals.**

Proposal No.: SIA/WB/MIN/41581/2019, File No.: EN/T-II-1/078/2019, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/41581/2019** dated **05 December 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 "**B1**" of EIA Notification 2006.

Earlier the PP obtained ToR vide No. 1211/EN/T-II 1/078/2019 dated 19.07.2021issued by SEIAA, WB against proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/41581/2019.

SEAC, during its 56th meeting held on 18.12.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with additional conditions.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of M/s. N.P. Minerals located in as follows:

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

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/41581/2019.**

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the application for Kharia China Clay Mine at J.L. No.- 145, Plot No. - 4412 to 4418, 4420 to 4427, 4429-4449, 5056 to 5064, 5066, 5067, 5071, 5072, 5074 to 5081, 5083 to 5092, 5095, 5096, 5098 to 5106, 5109 to 5118, 5122 to 5136, Mouza- Kharia, PO & PS- Md. Bazar, District-Birbhum, West Bengal by M/s. N.P. Minerals falling within the DSR potential zone code BH MB CC ZONE 09 is

approved for EC with the following additional conditions:-

- i. The PP is required to undertake dust suppression by water sprinkling immediately after the drilling and blasting operations and workers would be allowed to work only after subsidence of dust in the area.
- ii. A Progressive Greenbelt Plan should be prepared. The PP has to do tree plantation in an area equivalent to 33% of the lease area @2500 trees / ha. PP will complete the plantation in safety zone with 4-5 ft. tall seedlings before starting the mining activity.
- iii. Regular medical check up of the workers should be done. Chest X-ray (PA View) and pulmonary function test of all workers should be done at least once in six months. The report along with comments of the medical officer should be submitted in the six monthly compliance report.
- iv. Workers exposure to dust (average of at least five consecutive days) should be monitored along with silica content of the dust once in six months and should be submitted along with six monthly compliance report.
- v. Workers should use Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) equipment during the work.
- vi. The PP shall submit geo-tagged photographs regarding the implementation of CER with actual expenses incurred. The CER and plantation will have to be implemented within first two years of starting of mining operation.
- vii. The validity of EC will be for 5 years. However, the PP may apply for extension of EC with revised mining plan before expiry of 5 years.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

(5) Proposed expansion of production capacity of Single Super Phosphate Plant from 0.132 MTPA to 0.264 MTPA at JL No. 86, Mouza - Dewanmaro Ayma, P.O. - Hariatara, P.S. - Kharagpur (Local), Dist. - Paschim Medinipur, PIN - 721304, West Bengal by M/s. Sai Fertilizers Ltd.

Proposal No.: SIA/WB/IND3/404103/2022, File No.: EN/T-II-1/014/2020, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/IND3/404103/2022** dated **15 May 2023** 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. **5(a) Chemical fertilizers** under Category "**B1**" of EIA Notification 2006.

Earlier the PP obtained ToR vide No. EN/T-II-1/014/2020 dated 21.07.2020 issued by SEIAA, WB against proposal no. SIA/WB/IND2/49987/2020.

SEAC, during its 56th meeting held on 18.12.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with the additional condition that the greenbelt area should be raised in at least 33% of the plot area which is 2.805 ha (28050 sqm.).

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of M/s. Sai Fertilizers Ltd located in as follows:

S. No.	State	District	
(1.)	West Bengal	Paschim Medinipur	

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. SIA/WB/IND3/404103/2022.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and decided that the PP should upload a presentation on the following points and then make the presentation before SEIAA:

- 1) Details of tree plantation with area and species marked specifically.
- 2) Details of environment management plan including measures taken on pollution control.
- 3) HAZOP and risk analysis.
- 4) Offsite and onsite emergency preparedness plan.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The PP should upload the copy of the presentation in the portal subsequent to which PP along with consultant would be asked to present before the SEIAA.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for additional submission.

List of the projects which were placed before the SEIAA, WB in the fifty eighth meeting held on 03.01.2025 and the Summary Decisions thereof:

Sl. No.	Proposal	Summary Decision
CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL O		EARANCE
1.	Proposed Upardanga Granite Stone Quarry over an area of 1.0 ha (2.471 Acres) of capacity 19564.36 MT/year at Mouza - Talsankra, J.L. No 163, Plot No 3310, P.S Raghunathpur, Dist Purulia, Pin - 723101, West Bengal by M/s. Todi Minerals Private Limited.	Approved for EC
	(Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/442652/2023)	
2.	Proposed Modification of "Aerotropolis Township" at Village: Andal, Dakshinkhanda, Tamla, Patsaora, Taluk: Durgapur, District: Paschim Bardhhaman, West Bengal by M/s. Bengal Aerotropolis Projects Limited.	Deferred for site visit.
	(Proposal No. SIA/WB/INFRA2/450748/2023)	
3.	Proposed Hotel cum Commercial Complex at South Side of Uttorayan "The New Township", Siliguri, Plot No. – 759, 803, 805, 808, 809, 810, 811, Khatian No. – 1262, JL No. – 86, Mouza – Ujjanu, Block & PS – Matigara, under Patharghata Gram Panchayat, Dist – Darjeeling, West Bengal by M/s. Global Mercantile Private Limited	Deferred for additional submission
	(Proposal No. SIA/WB/INFRA2/453862/2023)	
4.	Proposed Kharia China Clay Mine at J.L. No 145, Plot No 4412 to 4418, 4420 to 4427, 4429-4449, 5056 to 5064, 5066, 5067, 5071, 5072, 5074 to 5081, 5083 to 5092, 5095, 5096, 5098 to 5106, 5109 to 5118, 5122 to 5136, Mouza- Kharia, PO & PS- Md. Bazar, District- Birbhum, West Bengal by M/s. N.P. Minerals	Approved for EC.
	(Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/41581/2019)	
5.	Proposed expansion of production capacity of Single Super Phosphate Plant from 0.132 MTPA to 0.264 MTPA at JL No. 86, Mouza - Dewanmaro Ayma, P.O Hariatara, P.S Kharagpur (Local), Dist Paschim Medinipur, PIN - 721304, West Bengal by M/s. Sai Fertilizers Ltd.	Deferred for additional submission
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