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Minutes of the 711th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 27.03.2023

The meeting of 711th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 27.03.2023 the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Shri Paras Nath

Member, SEIAA, U.P.

2. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Chairman SEIAA did not participate in the meeting. 711th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) meeting was convened and conducted in reference to the letter no. 135/81-7-2023-103(parya)/2007 dated 7-2-2023 of Department of Environment Forest and Climate Change, GoUP.

Agenda:-A -Minutes of 728th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 17/02/2023

 Building Stone Gitti/ Boulder(Sandstone) Mining Project at Araji No.- 282mi (Khand-2) Village- Sukrit, Tehsil- Robertsganj, District- Sonbhadra, Shree Tiwari, Area 1.0926., File No. 7536/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414327/2023

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC 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 LoI. 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 LoI.
- 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.
 - (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
 - Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, Gol, 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- 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.
- 15- 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.
- 16- 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 17- 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.

18- 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.

"Building Stone (Khanda, Giiti, Boulder, Ballast) Mining Project" at Araji No.:712, Khand No.:01, Village:Chhikhara, Tehsil & District: Mahoba, State: Smt. Beena Bajpai, Area: 2.024 Ha., File No. 7535/6971/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414237/2023

SEIAA noted that SEAC in its 718th meeting examined all the documents and noted that QCI-NABET vide its letter dated 20-10-2022 has withdrawn suspension of accreditation to M/s Globus Environment Engineering Services (GEES), Lucknow, U.P. The committee strongly feels that QCI-NABET is the final authority in case of Environment Consultant. SEIAA/SEAC/DoE has no power to go beyond the decision of QCI-NABET. In this regard committee strongly opines' that "Globus Environment Engineering Services, U.P." should be permitted to present their cases before SEAC. SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
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- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- 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 3000 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.
- 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 15 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.
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3. Sand/Morrum Mining in Ken river at Gata No. 333/7, Khand No. 05, Village-Marauli Khadar, Tehsil- Banda, Banda, U.P., M/s Descon Buildtech Pvt. Ltd., Shri Sanjeev Kumar Gupta, Area 23.0 ha., File No. 7537/ 6959/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/412261/2022

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. (Except Sand mining) SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC but EC be issued after submission of legible copy of Khasra map with geo-coordinates. SEIAA added following specific conditions:-

- District Mining Officer shall ensure that if mineable quantity mentioned in LOI is amended as per replenishment study report the project proponent shall seek amended/fresh EC.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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.
- 4. 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.
- 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.
- 6. 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 23,000 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 should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 7. 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 115 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.
- 8. 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. Noncompliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
- 10. 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.

- 11. 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 12. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
- 13. 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.
- (5) "Building Stone (Granite Khanda, Boulder, Bailast (Gitti))" Project at Araji No.- 224, Village- Paharetha, Tehsil- Charkhari, District- Mahoba, Shri Upendra Shukla, Area: 0.558 ha., File No. 7541/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414577/2023

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-1 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC 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:-

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
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- (6)" Building Stone (Granite Khanda, Boulder, Bailast (Gitti))" Project at Gata No.- 35, 35/2, Village- Damaura, Tehsil- Mahoba, District- Mahoba, Shri Neeraj Yadav, Area: 1.849 ha., File No. 7542/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414611/2023

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-1 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC 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.



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(8) Sand Mining Project at Gata No.- 565, Village- Patti Kalan, Tehsil- Swar, District-Rampur, Shri Balvinder Singh, Area: 1.380 ha., File No. 7544/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN /414649 /2023

In light of discussion held in 731st SEAC meeting and SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-1 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC 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:-

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(9) Sand/Morrum/Bajri Excavation Project At Gata No. – 1/1/1 Laat No. 38, Village – Nunivari Aehatmal, Tehsil - Behat & District – Saharanpur, Shri Dhan Singh, Area – 24.29 Ha., File No. 7546 / Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/411393/2022

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

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- 12- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
- 13-PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
- 14- 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 25,000 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.
- 15- 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 125 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.
- 16- 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.
- (10) Billi Markundi Gitti, Boulder, (Dolo Stone) Mining Project at Khasra No.- 7536 Ga
 Mi, (Khand No.- 4.970), Village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil Obra, District Sonbhadra, Shri
 Chandra Gupta, Area-4.970 Ha., File No. 7553/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414769/2023

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/ delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

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 (11) Building Stone (Sand stone) Mining Project at Arazi No.- 428, Village- Dhuriyan, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Smt. Sushma Srivastava, Area- 1.21 Ha., File No. 7554/6073/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/414981/2023

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

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI 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.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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.
- 4. 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.
- 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.
- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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 should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 9. 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 10 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.
- 10. 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.



- 11. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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 georeferenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 14. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
- 15. 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.
- 10. (13) Dorma Kachhar and Shahpur Kachhar Morrum Mining Project on the riverbed of Yamuna River at Khasra/ Gata No.- 120 & 397 (Khand No.- 15/26 to 15/29) Village-Dorma Kachhar and Shahpur Kachhar, Tehsil- Manjhanpur, District-Kaushambi, Shri Durgesh Sahu, Area – 20.0ha., File No. 7593/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/416055/2023

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to issue ToR. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in LOI submergence of the area in water is not mentioned and on the date of presentation validity of consultant had expired. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the case to SEAC for review.

Nodal Officer SEIAA, UP

MoM prepared by Secretariat in consultation with MS& Member on the basis of decisions taken by SEIAMduring the meeting.

(Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA

(Paras Nath) Member SEIAA