

State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 590th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 22.04.2022

The meeting of 590th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 22.04.2022 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

Nodal Officer SEIAA informed that agenda is prepared by Secretariat and approved by MS SEIAA which is hereby put up for the consideration of SEIAA and placed files and documents related to below mentioned projects before SEIAA.

Agenda:A:-Review

1. **Sand/Morrum Mining from Baghain river bed at Gata No. 190/2, Village-amiyari, Tehsil-Rajapur, Chitrakoot, M/s Avdhesh Tripathi, Area 1.391 ha., File No. 6861/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/250929/2022**

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 582nd meeting. In the MoM additional conditions were not mentioned. Hence SEIAA reviewed the case and added the following condition:-

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC but the 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 6 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 6 months 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. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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
8. 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.

