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Minutes of the 675th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 25.11.2022

The meeting of 675th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 25.11.2022 t the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P

2. Shri Paras Nath

Member, SEIAA, U.P

3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Agenda D- 697th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 01/11/2022

 "River bed morrum mining" having lease area- 11.336 ha (28.00 acre) along river Kanhar at Gata No - 1 at Village - Khokha, Tehsil- Duddhi, District- Sonbhadra, M/s Shree Mangal Stone Crusher Private Limited, Mahesh Kumar Garg. File No. 7280/Proposal No. SIA/ UP/MIN/402369/2022

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC-1 to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

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- 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.
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- 4- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 5- KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
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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.

Corporate Office Building At Plot No. 17, Sector-127, Noida, M/s Vaishali Financial Services Pvt. Ltd. File No. 7283/Proposal No. SIA/UP/INFRA2/402567/2022

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC-1 to close/ delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal. A letter shall be send to DM, Gautam Buddha Nagar; CEO, Noida Development Authority; and MS, SPCB to ensure that no construction activity is started until valid EC is obtained and in case construction has been carried out without valid EC then work should be stopped and legal action should be initiated against the PP.

Electronic Assembly Unit by Yingtong Electronic Technology India Private Limited, Gautam Buddha Nagar. File No. 7284/Proposal No. SIA/UP/INFRA2/402531/2022

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Riverbed Sand Mine From Riverbed Of Ghaghra/suryu River Khasra/Gata no. 56 Da Mi Village/ghat- Manjha Salarpur, Tehsil-tanda, District – Ambedkar Nagar, Shri Ravindra Kumar S/o Late Rajkishor(Area:- 5.262 ha.) File No. 7281/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 402747/2022

SEIAA noted that the recommendation of SEAC-1 and opined that the above project is brown field project and as per the provisions of MoEFCC GoI circular no. IA3-22/15/2022-IA-III dated 06.05.2022, this project could have been awarded standard ToR by MS, SEAC-1 himself without the need of appraisal by SEAC/SEIAA. Further SEIAA opined that as this project has already been dealt by SEAC-1 for consideration so let it be examined by SEIAA.

LOI has been issued on 05.03.2020 for a period of 5 years and project proponent has requested "Since transferred EC is valid till 30/01/2023 & the proposed lease period (LoI issued to Ravindra Kumar on 05/03/2020) for 05 years duration therefore the project proponent has applied for issuance of Terms of Reference for remaining lease period."

Thus EC, if issued subsequently will be valid till 04.03.2025.

SEIAA opined to add additional ToR:

- PP/consultant will submit the compliance of earlier EC at the time of EIA presentation.
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- 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 30 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.
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- Environmental Clearance of manufacturing of synthetic organic chemicals for the existing production capacity of 1 TPD Crotonaldehyde under Violation Category at Plot No. A-20, UPSIDC, Phase-2, Industrial Area Sandila, Hardoi, M/s The Lakshmiji Organics Pvt. Ltd. File No. 7282/Proposal No. SIA/UP/IND3/400435/2022
 SEIAA opined as follows
 - a) The said cost estimation issued by CA is not acceptable either in financial/ administrative / vigilance scrutiny/judicial review. Reason being it has neither being issued in light of MoEFCC, GoI OM dated 07.07.2022 nor have CA Firm / Valuer certified that they are competent to analyse construction / production carried out in violation of EC. For industrial projects Director of Industries, UP / Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi are regulatory bodies. A cost estimation for construction and production carried out beyond EC, issued either by Director of industries, UP / Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi or any other competent Government body should be submitted by PP / consultant and this should become the basis for SEAC-1 recommendation.
 - b) PP to submit details of expenditure made beyond the sanctioned EC, if any, issued / verified either by Director of industries, UP/ Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi or any other competent Government body in light of MoEFCC, GoI OM OM dated 07.07.2022. SEAC-1 to examine the documents and submit their recommendation to SEIAA.
 - c) The percentage rate has been halved from 1% to 0.5% on the basis of "information given by the Nodal Officer that as per records available with Directorate and written communication by all concerned in the directorate, no complaint has been received in the Directorate of Environment UP till this date of meeting against the said project regarding starting of construction work at site without obtaining prior environmental clearance." In this regard MoEFCC, GoI OM dated 07.07.2022 clearly states "The percentage rates shall be halved if the PP suo moto reports such violation without such violations coming to the knowledge of the Government either on inquiry or complaint." With regards to Director of industries, UP/Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi, District Administration, etc. can give notices and they are not under any compulsion to mark a copy to Directorate of Environment. Further, construction and production work, without taking EC, was started in this project and it needs to be established that it never came to the knowledge of any of the regulatory / Government bodies either through enquiry or complaint. The burden of proof should be on PP and once PP



- submits documents, same should be examined by SEAC-1 for making their recommendations.
- d) Penalty @1% to be imposed on PP unless PP submits, to SEAC-1, letter / certificate issued from concerned regulatory / Government bodies viz. Director of industries, GoUP/under authorization Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi, UPPCB, etc. that the violation never came to their notice either through enquiry or complaint. SEAC-1 to examine these documents and submit their recommendation to SEIAA.
- e) SEAC-1 should not direct PP to deposit any amount (s). Once the amount (s) to be deposited is / are finalized, SEIAA will issue necessary orders to PP in this regard.
 Refer back the project to SEAC-1 for deliberation.

Further, SEIAA opined as follows -

- a) PP / consultant to submit compliance report through IRO, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow of existing EC, if any, granted to the project
- b) PP / consultant to submit compliance report through UPPCB of existing CtE and CtO.
- c) PP to submit details of expenditure made beyond the sanctioned EC, if any, issued / verified either by Director of industries, UP/ Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardol or any other competent Government body in light of MoEFCC, GoI OM OM dated 07.07.2022. SEAC-1 to examine the document and submit their recommendation to SEIAA.
- d) PP / consultant to submit point-wise compliance, in a tabular form, of MoEFCC, Gol OM no. 22-21/2020-IA.III dated 07.07.2021 (SoP for identification and handling of violation cases under CIA Notification 2006)
- e) A letter shall be send to DM, Hardoi; Director of industries, GoUP/Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi; and MS, UPPCB to ensure that no construction/production is carried out until valid EC is obtained and in case construction/production has been carried out without valid EC then work should be stopped and legal action should be initiated against the PP.
- f) Without prejudice to any other consequences, action to be initiated u/s 15 read with section-19 of EPA, 1986 against the PP
- g) Project to be closed until EC is granted.
- h) UPPCB neither to renew existing CtE / CtO nor to issue fresh CtE / CtO to the expansion of this project till EC is accorded.

MS, SEIAA to send a copy of this MoM, pertaining to this agenda item, to DM, Hardoi; Director of industries, GoUP/Deputy Commissioner, Industries Hardoi; and MS, UPPCB

 Ordinary Soil Excavation Project at Gata No. 283, Village- Sardar Nagar, Tehsil & District-Moradabad, Uttar Pradesh, Imran Ali, Area: 0.979 Ha. File No. 7287/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/403101/2022

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to issue ToR to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that project proponent shall submit - A copy of Land document, agreement between owner and lease holder, NOC from bank if land is mortgaged



 Residential, Hotel and Commercial project at plot No. G/C-1(part) Tajnagari Phase-2, (Khasra No. 94-98, 1955-1959,1962, 1986-88, 1995, 1996 & Part of Khasra No. 99, 103, 1963, 1994 & 1997) Fatehabad Road, District – Agra, U.P. File No. 7291/Proposal No. SIA/UP/INFRA2/403105/2022

SEIAA opined that MoEFCC, GoI vide OM IA3-22/43/2021-IA.III (E170472) dated 07.03.2022 has given directions for specific meetings of EACs and SEACs involving projects which fall in the Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ). Said OM reads as follows –

F. No. IA3-22/43/2021-IA.III [E- 170472]

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(IA-III Section)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi - 3

Dated: 1st April, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Co-opting an Expert from NEERI for specific meetings of EACs and SEACs involving projects which fall in the Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ) area - reg.

The Ministry issued an OM of even number dated 7th March, 2022 regarding co-opting an Expert from NEERI for specific meetings of Expert Appraisal Committees (EACs) and State Level Expert Appraisal Committees (SEACs) involving projects which fall in the Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ) area, in line with the order dated 8th December, 2021 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition No. 13381 of 1984, titled M.C. Mehta vs Union of India & Ors.

 In this regard, NEERI has nominated Dr. S.K. Goyal, Chief Scientist & Head. CSIR - NEERI, Delhi Zonal Centre as its representative for the meetings of EACs and SEACs involving projects which fall in the TTZ area. His contact details are as follows:

> Dr. S.K. Goyal Chief Scientist & Head CSIR-NEERI, Delhi Zonal Centre A 93/94, Naraina Industrial Area, Phase I New Delhi – 110 028 Mob: 09423400470, E-mail: sk_goyal@neeri.res.in

- Member Secretaries of the EACs at the Central level and the concerned SEACs at the State level, may ensure co-opting Dr. S.K. Goyal, as representative of NEERI during specific meetings of EACs and SEACs wherein projects falling in the TTZ area are listed for appraisal.
- This is issued with approval of the competent authority.

(A K Agrawal) Director

To

- 1. Chairperson / Member Secretaries of all EACs
- 2. Chairperson / Member Secretaries of concerned SEACs
- 3. All Officers of IA Division, MoEFCC
- 4. TTZ Division, MoEFCC

Copy for information to:

- Dr. S.K. Goyal, Chief Scientist & Head, CSIR-NEERI, Delhi Zonal Centre
- 2. PPS to Secretary, MoEFCC
- 3. PPS to AS(TK)/JS(SKB)
- 4. Website, MoEF&CC / Guard File



SEAC-1 has carried out this appraisal without associating representative from NEERI, thus appraisal done by SEAC-1 is rejected.

Morrum Mining at Khand Sankhya-22/7, Village- Rirua Basariya, Tehsil- Sarila, District-Hamirpur, U.P., M/s Exsand Private Limited. Lease area: 12.00 ha. File No. 7292/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/403297/2022

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- "Sai Next Generation Diagnostics" at Plot no. HO- 01, sector-10, Greater Noida, Dist. Gautam Buddh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh by M/s Sai Next Generation Diagnostics Pvt. Ltd. Shri Pankaj Sharma. File No. 6911/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIS/292903/2022

SEIAA opined that there is no merit in the proposal seeking amendment in EC as there is inconsistency in data/figures given by PP/consultants, hence SEIAA rejects the request for amendment in EC



10. Common Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility (CHWTSDF) at Khata 446, Gata 552K, 555K, 594K, 555, Gata 706G (706평), 694, 695, 696, Village Kumbhi, Tehsil Akbarpur, District Kanpur Dehat, M/s Bharat Oil & Waste Management Ltd, Shri S.K Kukreja. File No. 6298/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIS/292935/2022

SEIAA opined that the project proponent to submit the details of amendment required in tabular form in three categories i.e. conditions given by SEIAA, conditions given by SEAC-1 and standard condition issued by MoEFCC, Gol. SEAC-1 to review only the conditions given by SEAC-1 and make recommendation accordingly, rest are beyond their domain

 Building stone (Sand stone) mining project at Gata No. 588, Village-Jigana, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh, Shri Shishir Pandey, Area- 2.02 ha. File No. 5364/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/47746/2019

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-1 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/Hortlculture 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 3,000 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.
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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.

- 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.
- 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.
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- 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.

Assistant Nodal/Nodal Officer SEIAA, UP

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

> (Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA

(Paras Nath) Member SEIAA (Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg) Chairman SEIAA