STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE - TAMIL NADU

Minutes of the Meeting of 274th State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) held on 19TH May 2022 (Thurs day) at SEIAA Conference Hall, 2nd Floor, Panagal Maligai, Saidapet, Chennai 600 015 for Appraisal of Building and Construction Projects, Townships and Area Development projects & Mining Projects through online and offline mode

Agenda No: 274-1

Minutes of 274th SEAC Meeting Held on 19.05.2022 in response to the minutes of the 502nd SEIAA Meeting on 26th April 2022 regarding the validity of Environmental Clearances for the mining of mineral

In the minutes of the 264th SEAC meeting, the SEAC has unilaterally taken the decision of recommending the validity of Environmental Clearance for Mining of Mineral under 1(a) of EIA notification 2006, based on the EIA Notification S.O. 1807(E) dated 12.04.2022 issued by the MoEF & CC and it is given as follows.

"... The prior Environmental Clearance granted for mining projects shall be valid for the project life as laid down in the mining plan approved and renewed by competent authority, from time to time, subject to a maximum of thirty years, whichever is earlier"....

Further, the SEAC has requested the SEIAA to consider the aforementioned validity period while implementation in case of the proposed mining projects as well as in the following cases:

- 1. In respect of all mining proposals placed in earlier SEAC meetings but minutes not yet approved, the above validity period will be adopted.
- 2. In respect of all mining proposals where the minutes have been approved but EC is yet to be issued by SEIAA, SEIAA may adopt the above validity period.
- 3. In respect of all mining proposals where EC validity has expired before the expiry of life of the project, SEIAA may extend the EC without referring them to SEAC

However, SEIAA, in its 502nd meeting held on 26.04.2022, has requested SEAC to reconsider the above decisions.

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Accordingly, the subject was discussed in SEAC meeting convened on 19.05.2022.

After careful examination, SEAC decided to inform SEIAA that the above decision of SEAC was based on the EIA Notification S.O. 1807(E) dated 12.04.2022 issued by the MoEF & CC and therefore it required no modification.

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Initiatives taken for the safe operation of the quarries consequent to the Tirunelveli quarry accident held on 14.05.2022.

In a recent accident that happened in Tirunelveli district, a total of six men were trapped under boulders in a 300-foot-deep quarry, and four of them lost their lives. It is reported that the quarry was operating beyond the period of lease agreement without following any safety rules and regulations.

SEAC decided to review the situation in this context and convened a meeting with the EIA Coordinators/Functional Area Experts (FAEs)/Qualified Persons (QPs) on 19.05.2022.

During the above meeting, the following matters were deliberated and discussed:

- 1. Formation of Benches.
- 2. Depth of working in the quarries.
- 3. Appointment of statutory competent personnel.
- 4. Adoption of controlled blasting practices.
- 5. Monitoring of quarry working through CCTV cameras.

Based on the various inputs given by the Expert Members and the EIA Coordinators/Functional Area Experts (FAEs)/Qualified Persons (QPs), it has been decided to adopt the following practices during the appraisal of all the rough stone quarries before the SEAC for ensuring the safe environment during the operation.

1. The formation of the benches shall be strictly enforced without any deviation in the fresh/new quarry proposals as per the dimensions mentioned in the Mining

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Plan approved by the competent authority (Asst Director/Deputy Director -Geology & Mining) of the concerned district.

- 2. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC, for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease, which is certified by the concerned authority (Asst. Director of Geology and Mining) who had earlier approved the Mining Plan.
- 3. The certified EC Compliance report shall be submitted to the SEAC during the appraisal of ongoing/existing quarries by the PP.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 5. The EIA Coordinator shall ensure that the structural geology of the proposed quarry site is studied comprehensively by the person who prepare the Mining Plan and it shall be included with the details of exploration activities carried out in the Approved Mining Plan.
- 6. Similarly, the EIA Coordinator shall ensure that the depth of working in the mining plan of their quarry proposals is worked out carefully and it is also logically matching with the area of extent available for the mining operation.
- 7. The EIA Coordinator shall ensure that the minimum width of 12 m shall be maintained in the pit bottom benches while preparing the mining plan for the proposed quarries.
- 8. In order to reduce the impacts due to blasting such as ground vibration and flyrock, the PP shall implement the controlled blasting practices including the adoption of line drilling, under the direct supervision of the statutory competent person (Blaster/Mine Mate/Mine Foreman/II Class & I Class Mines Manager) appointed by him/her for their quarry as per the Metalliferous Mines Regulations (MMR) 1961.

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- 9. For the surveillance of operations in the quarry, the PP shall install the real-time CCTVs at suitable places such that the workings in the quarry are effectively supervised and the regulatory authorities shall be provided access to real-time CCTV coverage.
- 10. During the temporary discontinuance of the workings, the quarry shall be fenced, proper and adequate security personnel at the entrance is provided to prevent the entry of unauthorized person with proper gates under locked. All the above shall be examined by the competent statutory person of the quarry once in a week to ensure that they are in order.
- 11. The PP shall submit the notice required as per section 16 of the Mines Act 1952 in Form I of First Schedule to the Director of Mines Safety (Regional Inspector), Chennai Region within 30 days after obtaining the EC and the acknowledgement letter received from the office of the DMS shall be produced to the SPCB at the execution of CTO.
- 12. The scientific studies shall be carried out for any proposed quarry over the existing pit/quarry by the reputed Govt Scientific Research / Academic Institutions such as Anna University, NITs, IITs, NIRM, CISR laboratories where the depth of the proposed working (or) ultimate depth of working is extended beyond 40 m below ground level (BGL) in case of flat terrain and the excavation extends beyond 30 m above ground level (AGL) in case of outcrops/hilly terrains for evaluating the stability of slopes. A copy of the report shall be submitted to the SEIAA, the concerned AD/DGM, the concerned DEE/TNPCB and the Director of Mines Safety, Chennai.
 - 13. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed fresh quarry lease during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, when the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m BGL in case of the quarry leasehold area is less than 2 Ha and 40 m BGL when the area is more than 2 Ha. It shall be placed as a part of EIA Report.

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Agenda No: 274-3 File No. 9052/200

Proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 4.80.0 Ha in S. F. No. 755 (Part-2) Panchakshipuram Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District by M/s. M.M. Blue Metals-For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72840/2022 Dt: 02.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The SEAC noted the following:

- 1. The Project Proponent, M/s. M.M. Blue Metals has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 4.80.0 Ha in S. F. No. 755 (Part-2) Panchakshipuram Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District Tamil Nadu. It is a Govt. Promboke land.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years is not to exceed 719689 m3 of Rough stone. The annual peak production as per mining plan is 177734 m3 of Rough stone (3rd year) with ultimate depth of 51m.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. The Proponent shall carry out a proper exploration study and the structural features of the proposed quarry shall be included as a part of the EIA report.
- 2. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by

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- 3. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 40 m below ground level.
- 4. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry will be carried out by the statutory competent persons as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 5. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 6. The Proponent shall carry out the cumulative & comprehensive impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry cluster specifically with reference to the environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution & health impacts, accordingly the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 7. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year.
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same/shalf be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.

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- 8. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 9. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 10. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries and/or the water bodies provided as per the approved mining plan.
- 11. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
- 12. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
- 13. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.

14. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air

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- quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 15. A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 16. A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 17. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 18. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report. Executive summery and other related with respect to public hearing should in Tamil Language also.
- 19. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No. 758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
 - 20. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
 - 21. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the

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- 22.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 23.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 24. The specific flora & fauna studies shall be carry out with the help of local School/College students and the same shall be included in EIA Report.
- 25. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 26.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 27. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Reference besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-4 (File No: 9054/2022)

Proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 4.84.40 Ha in S.F. Nos. 855/1, 855/2, 856/1, 858/1A, 858/2A, 858/3A, 859/1, 859/2, 860/1 and 860/2 Tharuvai Village Palayamkottai Taluk, Tirunelveli District Tamil Nadu by Thiru A. Sankaranarayanan @ Sankaran - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/69670/2021 Dt: 02.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022 SEAC noted that the proponent was absent. The Committee, therefore, decided to defer the

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proposal and called for the explanation for not attending the meeting.

Agenda No: 274-5 (File No: 9057/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.46.0 Ha in S.F. Nos. 856, 857 & 861/6A(P) Nathikudi Village, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District Tamil Nadu by Thiru R. Vishnu Prasadh- For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72321/2022 Dt: 01.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The SEAC noted the following:

- 1. The Project Proponent, Thiru R. Vishnu Prasadh has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 4.46.0 Ha in S.F. Nos. 856, 857 & 861/6A(P) Nathikudi Village, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years is not to exceed 356920 m3 of rough stone, 71100 m3 of gravel & 23700 m3 of earth. The annual peak production as per mining plan is 90260 m3 of rough stone (4th Year), 23700 m3 of gravel (1st, 2nd & 3td year) & 7900m3 of earth (1st, 2nd & 3td year) with ultimate depth of 34m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished. SEAC noted that as per G.O Ms No. 14 E&F (FR.5) Dt. 8.2.2021 Tamil Nadu, the Government has, by merging Srivilliputhur Grizzled Squirrel Wild Life Sanctuary & Megamalai Wild Life Sanctuary and adding some additional areas, formed "Srivilliputhu Megamalai Tiger Reserve" under Wild Life (P) Act 1972. The SEAC decided that the PP shall furnish a letter from DFO/Deputy Director/WLW concerned indicating the shortest distance from the proposed site to "Srivilliputhu Megamalai Tiger Reserve"

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Further, SEAC noted that a fire cracker unit is located at a distance of 65m from the project site, hence the PP shall obtain and submit a NOC from the Joint Chief Controller of Explosives, Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO), FRDC Complex, Sivakasi, Virudhunagar District.

On the receipt of the same further deliberation will be done.

Agenda No: 274-6 (File No: 9058/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.25.5 Ha in S.F.Nos. 85/2AIB & 85/2A2 Pachapalayam Village, Sulur Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu by Tmt P. Deepa- For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72602/2022 Dt: 24.02.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The SEAC noted the following:

- 1. The Project Proponent, Tmt P. Deepa has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.25.5 Ha in S.F.Nos. 85/2A1B & 85/2A2 Pachapalayam Village, Sulur Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is 5 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years is not to exceed - 78940 m3 of rough stone & 4928 m3 of gravel. The annual peak production as per mining plan is 18550 m3 of rough stone (3rd Year) and 1680 m3 of gravel(3rd year) with ultimate depth of 37m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

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- 1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 3. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 4. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year.
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
 - 5. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study

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area (core and buffer zone).

- 6. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 7. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
- 8. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
- 9. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act 1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
- 10. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within I km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 11. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 12. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific

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environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.

- 13. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 14. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 15. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 16. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 17. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 18. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 19. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.

20. Impast on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.

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- 21. A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 22.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 23. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 24. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 25. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 26. The specific flora & fauna studies shall be carry out with the help of local School/College students and the same shall be included in EIA Report.
- 27. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 28. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of

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- 29. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 30.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 31. A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 32.Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 33. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 34. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 35. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 36. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic,

employment potential, etc.

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- 37.1f any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 38. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-7 (File No: 9059/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.95.0 Ha in S.F.Nos. 451 (P), 452 (P) & 453 (P) Kattalangulam Village, Thoothukudi Taluk, Thoothukudi District Tamil Nadu by M/s. Golden Blue Metals Pvt Ltd - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72874/2022 DT: 03.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, M/s. Golden Blue Metals Pvt Ltd has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.95.0 Ha in S.F.Nos. 451 (P), 452 (P) & 453 (P) Kattalangulam Village, Thoothukudi Taluk, Thoothukudi District Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 5 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed - 1203696 m3 of Rough Stone and 84162 m3 of gravel. The annual peak production as per mining plan is 288840 m3 of Rough Stone(2nd & 3rd year) and 28054 m3 of gravel (1st, 2nd and 3rd year) with ultimate depth of 50m BGL.

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Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 40 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- Vallanadu Black buck sanctuary lies between ESZ and 10 km distance (7.6 km).
 Hence special conservation measures shall be incorporated in EIA report in consultation with DFO. Tuticorin and funds earmarked to be deposited with DFO.
- 6. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,

a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines

with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?

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- b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
- c) Highest production achieved in any one year
- d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
- e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
- f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
- g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
- h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 7. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 8. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt , fencing etc.,
- 9. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 10. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
- 11. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.

12. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological stuffy considering the

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- 13. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 14. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 15. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 16. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 17. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 18. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.

19. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite

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quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.

- 20. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 21. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 22. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 23.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 24.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 25. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 26. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 27. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 28. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.

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- 29.The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No. 758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 30. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 31. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted in proper espacement as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 32.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 33.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 34. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.

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- 35. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 36. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 37. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 38. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 39.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 40. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-8 (File No: 9059/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 0.99.0 Ha in S.F.Nos. 48/2A, 48/2B & 49/1, Aladipatti Village, Aruppukottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District Tamil Nadu by Tmt S. Meenakshi - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72319/2022 Dt: 06.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furfished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

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The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Tmt S. Meenakshi has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 0.99.0 Ha in S.F.Nos. 48/2A, 48/2B & 49/1, Aladipatti Village, Aruppukottai Taluk, Virudhunagar District Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed 66652.5 m3 of Rough Stone and 39250.5 m3 of gravel. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 19255.5 m3 of Rough Stone(5thyear) and 12946.5 m3 of gravel (3rd year) with ultimate depth of 36m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing with the depth restricted up to 30m & quantity – 64842 m3 of Rough stone & 39250.5 m3 of gravel for five years, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the

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- MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The PP shall carry out the blast-induced ground vibration studies in one of the cluster mine through reputed institution such as Anna University, NITs, NIRM, CSIR labs, etc and include the study report as a part of the EIA Report.
- 5. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 6. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 7. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 8. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,

9. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing green belt along

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the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.

- 10. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
- 11. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
- 12. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 13. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 14. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.

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balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.

- 16. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 17. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 18. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 19. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 20. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 21. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 22. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 23.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.

24.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in

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EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.

- 25. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 26. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 27. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report. Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 28. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 29. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 30. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed

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- 31. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted in proper espacement as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 32.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 33.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 34. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 35. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 36. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 37. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 38. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.

39. If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed

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compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.

40. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-9 (File No: 9063/2022)

Proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 2.02.5 Ha in S. F. Nos. 619/5 (P) Karungalakudi Village, Melur Taluk, Madurai District Tamil Nadu by Thiru K. Ilayaraja - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72649/2022 Dt: 26.02.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation, SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Thiru K. Ilayaraja has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 2.02.5 Ha in S. F. Nos. 619/5 (P) Karungalakudi Village, Melur Taluk, Madurai District Tamil Nadu. It is a Govt Poromboke land.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed -221770 m3 of Rough Stone and 2506 m3 of Top soil. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 50420 m3 of Rough Stone (1st year) and 2506 m3 of Top soil (1st year) with ultimate depth of 35m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing with the depth restricted up to 30m & quantity – 180375 m3 of Rough stone & 2506 m3 of Top soil for five years, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA

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study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- I. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 5. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.

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- h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 6. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 7. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 8. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 9. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
 - 10. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act 1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
 - 11. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary

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- data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 12. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 13. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 14. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 15. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 16. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 17. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 18. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 19. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as

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- the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 20. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project. if any, should be provided.
- 21. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 22.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 23.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 24. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 25. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 26. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 27. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 28. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No. 758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No.

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- 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 29. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO. State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 30. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 31. A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 32.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 33. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 34. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.

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- 36. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 37. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 38.1f any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 39. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-10 (File No: 9065/2022)

Proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 3.24.30 Ha in S.F.Nos. 846/1B 846/2, 846/3,846/4 & 845/2 Nathikudi Village, Vembakottai Taluk, Virudhunagar by Thiru V. Sakthivel - For Terms of Reference. District Tamil Nadu

(SIA/TN/MIN/72634/2022 Dt: 05.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

1. The Project Proponent, Thiru V. Sakthivel has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone quarry lease over an extent of 3.24.30 Harin S.F.Nos. 846/18 846/2, 846/3,846/4 & 845/2 Nathikudi Village, Vembakottai Valuk, Virudhunagar District Tamil Nadu. 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) Milling Projects" of

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the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.

3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 10 years not to exceed - 2,60,140 m3 of Rough Stone,52,192.5 m3 of gravel and 34,795 m3 of Earth. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 35925 m3 of Rough Stone (10th year), 11380.5m3of gravel (3™ year) and 7868 m3 of Earth (1st & 2nd year) with ultimate depth of 35m BGL. Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished,

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing with the depth up to 35m at Cross section AB & 20m depth at cross section CD & quantity - 2,56,160 m3 of Rough stone & 52192.5 m3 of Gravel and 34795 for 10 years, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. The PP shall confirm with DFO/Deputy Director/WLW concerned that the shortest distance between "Srivilliputhu Megamalai Tiger Reserve" and the proposed location is beyond 10km.
- 2. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 3. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m below ground level.
- 4. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.

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- 5. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 6. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
 - 7. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
 - 8. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster. Green belt, fencing etc.,
 - 9. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 10. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining

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- operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
- 11. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
- 12. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 13. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 14. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 15. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 16. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.

17. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human

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settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.

- 18. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 19. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 20. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 21. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 22.Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 23.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 24.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 25. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.

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- 26. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 27. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 28. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 29.The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 30. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 31. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner

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- 32.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 33.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 34.Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 35. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 36. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 37. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 38.Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 39.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 40. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the

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Agenda No: 274-11 (File No: 9067/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.98.0 Ha in S.F.Nos.28/1, 29/1, 29/2, 30/1A1, 30/1A2, 30/1B, 30/1C1, 30/1C2, 30/2A, 30/2B, 30/3D, 31/1A, 31/1B, 31/2A, 47/10C, 48/4A, 48/4B &48/4C, Chettipillayarnatham Village, Thirumangalam Taluk, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru P. Kandavelu - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72693/2022 Dt: 25.02.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Thiru P. Kandavelu has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.98.0 Ha in 5.F.Nos.28/1, 29/l, 29/2, 30/1A1, 30/1A2, 30/1B, 30/1C1, 30/1C2, 30/2A, 30/2B, 30/3D, 31/1A, 31/1B, 31/2A, 47/10C, 48/4A, 48/4B &48/4C, Chettipillayarnatham Village, Thirumangalam Taluk, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 10 years not to exceed –864680 m3 of Rough Stone and 80820 m3 of gravel. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 90400 m3 of Rough Stone (3rd year) & 42432m3of gravel (3rd year) with ultimate depth of 42m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and considering safety point of view. SEAC recommended to Remove the section X2-Y2 – GH and reduce the depth of mining last bench in the Section X1-Y1 – EF at pit- 2, accordingly grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing 8,57,950m3 of rough stone and 78,300m3 of Gravel in 10 years with ultimate depth 42m, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

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- 1. The land lease document has not been registered and should be done before submitting the EIA report.
- 2. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 3. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
 - 5. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
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 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same that be submitted.

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- h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 6. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 7. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 8. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 9. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
 - 10. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
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data and documentation in this regard may be provided.

- 12. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 13. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
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- 25. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 26. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
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- 28. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.112/2017 & M.A. No.

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- 29. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 30. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 31. A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
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- local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 36. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
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- 38.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 39. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act. 1986.

Agenda No: 274-12 (File No: 9069/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.70.0 Ha in S.F.Nos.92/3F, 92/3G, 92/3I2, 92/3I3, 92/3J, 92/3K1, 92/3K2, 92/3K3, 92/3K4, 92/3L, 92/3M, 92/3N, 92/3O1, 92/3O2, 92/3P, 92/3Q, 92/3R, 92/3S, 92/3T, 92/3U1, 92/3U2, 92/3U3 & 92/3V of Ponnamangalam Village, Thirumangalam Taluk, Madurai District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru P.Thirugnanasambanthan - For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/72683/2022 Dt: 26.02.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

1. The Project Proponent, Thiru P.Thirugnanasambanthan has applied for Terms for Reference for the Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.70.0 Ha in S.E.Nov.92/3F, 92/3G, 92/3I2, 92/3I3, 92/3J, 92/3K1, 92/3K2, 92/3K3, 92/3K4,

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- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the ElA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 10 years not to exceed -732635 m3 of Rough Stone and 73686 m3 of gravel. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 88480 m3 of Rough Stone (8th year) & 40488m3 of gravel (1st year) with ultimate depth of 47m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing with the depth restricted in section 2 (X2-Y2-EF) & quantity – 732020m3 of Rough stone & 73686m3 m3 of gravel with ultimate depth of 47 for 10 years, subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 40 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.

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- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 5. If the proponent has already carried 0875/9ut the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 5. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 6. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 7. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 8. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral feserves and mineable reserves. planned production capacity, proposed methodology with justifications, the anticipated impact /of/ the mining

operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.

- 9. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
- 10. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 11. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 12. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 13. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 14. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.

15. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human

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settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.

- 16. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 17. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 18. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 19. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 20. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 21. A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 22.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 23. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.

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- 24. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 25. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 26. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 27. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No. 758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 28. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO. State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 29. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted in proper espacement as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner

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- 30.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 31. A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 32. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 33. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 34. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 35. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 36. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 37. If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 38. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Énvironment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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Agenda No: 274-13 (File No: 9087/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 2.11.5 Ha S.F.No.393/1A (P), Belladhi Village, Mettupalayam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru K. Sundararaj - For Terms of Reference.(SIA/TN/MIN/73517/2022 Dt: 12.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Thiru K. Sundararaj has applied for Terms for Reference for the Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 2.11.5 Ha S.F.No.393/1A (P), Belladhi Village, Mettupalayam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 5 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed –292600 m3 of Rough Stone, 32600m3 of gravel and 29648 m3 of Weathered Rock. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 63650 m3 of Rough Stone(4th year), 15410m3 of gravel(1th year) and 13298 m3 of Weathered Rock (1th year) with ultimate depth of 44m BGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.

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- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 35 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The PP shall furnish the proposal for carrying out the controlled blasting techniques involving the line drilling for each blast as well as along the boundary of the lease facing the village/habitations in the EIA report.
- 5. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- 6. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 5. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).

6. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt .

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- 7. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 8. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
 - 9. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
 - 10. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
 - 11. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
 - 12. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts.

 Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.

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- 13. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 14. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 15. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 16. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 17. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 18. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 19. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 20. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 21. A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.

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- 22.A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 23. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 24. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 25. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 26. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 27. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 28. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO. State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of

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- small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 29. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 30.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 31. A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 32. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 33. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 34. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 35. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 36. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic,

employment potential, etc.

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- 37.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 38. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-14 (File No: 9089/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 3.96.0 Ha S.F.Nos.799/1, 800 and 802/3 Karamadai Village, Mettupalayam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu by ThiruK.Sundararaj - For Terms of Reference.(SIA/TN/MIN/73535/2022 Dt: 12.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Thiru K. Sundararaj has applied for Terms for Reference for the Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 3.96.0 Ha S.F.Nos.799/1, 800 and 802/3 Karamadai Village, Mettupalayam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 5 year. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed -645325 m3 of Rough Stone, 54320 m3 of gravel and 54320 m3 of Weathered Rock. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 1,39,560 m3 of Rough Stone(4th year), 22704m3 of gravel (1th year) and 22184 m3 of Weathered Rock (1th year) with ultimate depth of 54m AGL.

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CHĂIRMAM. SEAC TN Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, Considering the environment setting of the proposed site, SEAC decided to carry out on site inspection by the subcommittee constituted by SEAC. On the receipt of the report of the subcommittee further deliberation will be done.

Agenda No. 274-15 (File No: 9104/2022)

Proposed construction of IT/ITEs Building complex at SF.No. 658/3, 659/1A, 659/1B, 660/1 Malumichampatti Village, Madukkarai Taluk, Coimbatore District by M/s. Larsen & Toubro Limited- Terms of Reference (SIA/TN/MIS/73405/2022 Dt: 09.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in this 274th SEAC Meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent gave detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are available in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, M/s. Larsen & Toubro Limited has applied for Terms of Reference for the proposed construction of IT/ITEs Building complex at SF.No. 658/3, 659/1A, 659/1B, 660/1 Malumichampatti Village, Madukkarai Taluk, Coimbatore District.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B" of Item 8(b) " Township & Area development " of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. The proposed construction of Residential Building consists of Block -1 &2-3B+G+11 +terrace each and other utilities. Total land area of the proposed project is 55104.02 Sq.m. The total built-up area of the proposed IT/ITEs development is 171833Sq.m.

based on the presentation and documents/clarifications furnished by the project proponent, SEAC after detailed deliberations, decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (ToR), subject to the following ToRs in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study and details issued by the MoEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP report:

1. The PP shall furnish the commitment letter from competent authority for

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- 2. The PP shall explore the possibility of obtaining the required quantity of water supply from the New Tirupur Area Development Corporation.
- 3. E waste generation details and its disposal methods shall be incorporated in the EIA report.
- 4. The Proponent shall furnish the proposal to achieve minimum of LEED Platinum green building norms.
- 5. The PP has proposed surface car parking involving concretising large area of ground. Instead, the PP shall install a Multi-Level Car Parking (MLCP) and the space released shall be utilised for establishing additional green cover, hence the PP shall furnish the action plan in this regard.
- 6. The PP shall furnish the proposal regarding construction of pond of appropriate size in the earmarked OSR land in consultation with the local body. The pond should be modelled like a temple tank with parapet walls, steps, etc. The pond is meant to play three hydraulic roles, namely (1) as a storage, which acted as insurance against low rainfall periods and also recharges groundwater in the surrounding area, (2) as a flood control measure, preventing soil erosion and wastage of runoff waters during the period of heavy rainfall, and (3) as a device which was crucial to the overall eco-system
- 7. The proponent shall furnish the design details of the STP treatment system.
- 8. As per G.O. Ms. No. 142 approval from Central Ground Water Authority shall be obtained for withdrawal of water and furnish the copy of the same, if applicable.
- 9. Commitment letter from competent authority for supply of water shall be furnished.
- 10. Copy of the village map, FMB sketch and "A" register shall be furnished.
- 11. Detailed Evacuation plan during emergency/natural disaster/untoward accidents shall be submitted.

12. The space allotment for solid waste disposal and sewage treatment & grey water treatment plant shall be furnished.

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- 13. Details of the Solid waste management plan shall be pre pared as per solid waste management Rules, 2016 and shall be furnished.
- 14. Details of the E-waste management plan shallbepreparedasperE-wasteManagementRules,2016andshallbefurnished.
- 15. Details of the Rain water harvesting system with cost estimation should be furnished.
- 16. A detailed storm water management plan to drain out the storm water entering the premises during heavy rains period shall be prepared including main drains and sub-drains in accordance with the contour levels of the proposed project considering the flood occurred in the year 2015 and also considering the water bodies around the proposed project site & the surrounding development. The storm water drain shall be designed in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the Ministry of Urban Development.
- 17. The proposed OSR area should not be included in the activity area. The OSR area should not be taken in to account for the green belt area.
- 18. The layout plan shall be furnished for the greenbelt area earmarked with GPScoordinatesbytheprojectproponentontheperipheryofthesiteandthesamesha libe submitted for CMDA/DTCP approval. The green belt width should be at least 3m wide all along the boundaries of the project site. The green belt area should not be less than 15% of the total land area of the project.
- 19. Cumulative impacts of the Project considering with other infrastructure developments and industrial parks in the surrounding environment within 5 km & 10 km radius shall be furnished.
- 20. A detailed post-COVID health management plan for construction workers as per ICMR and MHA or the State Govt. guideline may be followed and report shall be furnished.
- 21. The project proponent shall furnish detailed base line monitoring data with prediction parameters for modeling for the ground water, emission, noise and traffie.

he proposal for utilization of at least 50% of Solar Energy stall be included in

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23. AspertheMoEF&CCOfficeMemorandumF.No.22-65/2017-IA.lildated: 30.09.2020 and 20.10.2020, the proponent shall furnish the detailed EMP mentioning all the activities as directed by SEAC in the CER and furnish the same:

Agenda No. 274-16 (File No: 9102/2022)

Proposed Re-Construction of 217 PC/HC Quarters for A.R Police along within Existing 596 PC/HC Quarters" at Block No. 49, S.No. 1601/1, 1596/2 & 4 Pudupet Village, Egmore - Nungampakkam Taluk Chennai District by M/s Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation Limited- Terms of Reference under violation category (SIA/TN/MIS/72933/2022 Dt: 04.04.2022).

The proposal was placed in this 274th SEAC Meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent gave detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are available in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, M/s Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation Limited has applied for Terms of Reference for the proposed Re-Construction of 217 PC/HC Quarters for A.R Police along within Existing 596 PC/HC Quarters" at Block No. 49, S.No. 1601/1, 1596/2 & 4 Pudupet Village, Egmore -Nungampakkam Taluk Chennai District.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B" of Item 8(a) " Building & construction" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. The proposed construction of Residential Building consists of Block -1 -Stilt +14 floors, Block 4,5,6,7,8,9,10 (stilt+10), Block 13 (stilt+9), Block 20 (G+2), Block 3 PCHC quarters (stilt+10), Block 14 to 17 PCHC quarters (G+3) and other utilities. Total land area of the proposed project is 39670.2 Sq.m. The total built-up area of the proposed development is 88,742.77 Sq.m.

4. The Auto TOR has been generated vide Lr Dt. 21.4.2022.

5. As the PP has expanded the project without obtaining EC and has also not applied during the window period, this has to be treated as violation case

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under SoP notified by the MoEF & CC outside the window period.

proponent, SEAC noted that, the MoEF&CC has issued office memorandum Dated 28th January, 2022 regarding Observation of Hon'ble Supreme Court with reference to the SoP dated 7th July 2021 for identification and handling of violation cases under EIA Notification 2006 and stated that "93. The interim order passed by the Madras High Court appears to be misconceived. However,

Based on the presentation and documents/clarifications furnished by the project

this Court is not hearing an appeal from that interim order. The interim stay

passed by the Madras High Court can have no application to operation of the

Standard Operating Procedure to projects in territories beyond the territorial

jurisdiction of Madras High Court. Moreover, final decision may have been

taken in accordance with the Orders/ Rules prevailing prior to 7th July, 2021."

The Committee therefore, decided to keep the examination of the proposal in abeyance until final orders are received from Madurai Bench of the High Court of Madras in the matter W.P.(MD) No. 11757 of 2021 titled Fatima Vs Union of India and was interim stayed vide order dated 15th July 2021.

Agenda No: 274-17

(File No: 9103/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.02.0 Ha S.F.No.940/1

(Part-1), Thiyaranadurgam Village, Shoolagiri Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu by

Thiru T.Kesava Moorthy- For Terms of Reference.(SIA/TN/MIN/73797/2022

Dt: 17.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

1. The Project Proponent, Thiru T.Kesava Moorthy has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.02.0 Ha

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- S.F.No.940/1 (Part-1), Thiyaranadurgam Village, Shoolagiri Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu. It is Govt Poromboke land.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 10 years not to exceed –1850770 m3 of Rough Stone, 31857m3 of Top soil. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 236410 m3 of Rough Stone (10th year) and 31857 m3 of Top soil (1st year) with ultimate depth of 76m AGL.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished and considering safety point of view, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

- 1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry lease after it is approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- 2. The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 40 m below ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.

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- 5. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.
- 4. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 5. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster, Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 6. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 7. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.

The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization that indicating the

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appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.

- 9. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.
- 10. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 11. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 12. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 13. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 14. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. fand use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Imparting any, of change

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- 15. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 16. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 17. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 18. Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 19. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 20.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc..) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 21. A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 22. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.

23. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.

24. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive suffinery and other

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related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.

25. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.

- 26. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).
- 27. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 28. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted in proper espacement as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner

29.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.

30.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the

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- 31. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 32. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 33. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.
- 34. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 35. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 36.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 37. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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Agenda No: 274-18 (File No: 9104/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.24.5 Ha S.F.No.940/1 (Part-2), Thiyaranadurgam Village, Shoolagiri Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru N. Narayanan- For Terms of Reference.(SIA/TN/MIN/73796/2022 Dt: 17.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Thiru N. Narayanan has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 4.24.5 Ha S.F.No.940/1 (Part-2), Thiyaranadurgam Village, Shoolagiri Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu. It is Govt Poromboke land.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 10 year. The production as per mining plan for 10 years not to exceed –1445070 m3 of Rough Stone and 39300 m3 of Top soil. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 156000 m3 of Rough Stone (3rd year) and 39300 m3 of Top soil (1rd year) with ultimate depth of 76m (66m AGL +10m BGL).

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC decided to recommend the proposal for the grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) with Public Hearing subject to the following TORs, in addition to the standard terms of reference for EIA study for non-coal mining projects and details issued by the MOEF & CC to be included in EIA/EMP Report:

1. In the case of proposed lease in an existing (or old) quarry where the benches are not formed (or) partially formed as per the approved Mining Plan, the Project Proponent (PP) shall prepare and submit an 'Action Plan' for carrying out the realignment of the benches in the proposed quarry gase after it is

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- approved by the concerned Asst. Director of Geology and Mining during the time of appraisal for obtaining the EC.
- The Proponent shall submit a conceptual 'Slope Stability Plan' for the proposed quarry during the appraisal while obtaining the EC, as the depth of the working is extended beyond 30 m above ground level.
- 3. The PP shall furnish the affidavit stating that the blasting operation in the proposed quarry is carried out by the statutory competent person as per the MMR 1961 such as blaster, mining mate, mine foreman, II/I Class mines manager appointed by the proponent.
- 4. The EIA Coordinators shall obtain and furnish the details of quarry/quarries operated by the proponent in the past, either in the same location or elsewhere in the State with video and photographic evidences.
- Cauvery North WL sanctuary lies between ESZ and 10 km distance (6.7 km).
 Hence special conservation measures should be incorporated in EIA report in
 consultation with DFO, Hosur and funds earmarked to be deposited with
 DFO.
- 6. If the proponent has already carried out the mining activity in the proposed mining lease area after 15.01.2016, then the proponent shall furnish the following details from AD/DD, mines,
 - a) What was the period of the operation and stoppage of the earlier mines with last work permit issued by the AD/DD mines?
 - b) Quantity of minerals mined out.
 - c) Highest production achieved in any one year
 - d) Detail of approved depth of mining.
 - e) Actual depth of the mining achieved earlier.
 - f) Name of the person already mined in that leases area.
 - g) If EC and CTO already obtained, the copy of the same shall be submitted.
 - h) Whether the mining was carried out as per the approved mine plan (or EC if issued) with stipulated benches.

4. All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution

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Imagery/Topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology, lithology and geology of the mining lease area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).

- 5. The PP shall carry out Drone video survey covering the cluster. Green belt, fencing etc.,
- 6. The proponent shall furnish photographs of adequate fencing, green belt along the periphery including replantation of existing trees & safety distance between the adjacent quarries & water bodies nearby provided as per the approved mining plan.
 - 7. The Project Proponent shall provide the details of mineral reserves and mineable reserves, planned production capacity, proposed working methodology with justifications, the anticipated impacts of the mining operations on the surrounding environment and the remedial measures for the same.
 - 8. The Project Proponent shall provide the Organization chart indicating the appointment of various statutory officials and other competent persons to be appointed as per the provisions of Mines Act'1952 and the MMR, 1961 for carrying out the quarrying operations scientifically and systematically in order to ensure safety and to protect the environment.
 - 9. The Project Proponent shall conduct the hydro-geological study considering the contour map of the water table detailing the number of ground water pumping & open wells, and surface water bodies such as rivers, tanks, canals, ponds etc. within 1 km (radius) along with the collected water level data for both monsoon and non-monsoon seasons from the PWD / TWAD so as to assess the impacts on the wells due to mining activity. Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided.

10. The proponent shall furnish the baseline data for the environmental and ecological parameters with regard to surface water/ground water quality, air

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- quality, soil quality & flora/fauna including traffic/vehicular movement study.
- 11. The Proponent shall carry out the Cumulative impact study due to mining operations carried out in the quarry specifically with reference to the specific environment in terms of air pollution, water pollution, & health impacts. Accordingly, the Environment Management plan should be prepared keeping the concerned quarry and the surrounding habitations in the mind.
- 12. Rain water harvesting management with recharging details along with water balance (both monsoon & non-monsoon) be submitted.
- 13. Issues relating to Mine Safety, including slope geometry in case of Granite quarrying, blasting parameters etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 14. Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated. Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.
- 15. Details of the land for storage of Overburden/Waste Dumps (or) Rejects outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be provided.
- 16. Since non-saleable waste /OB / intermediate waste etc. is huge in the granite quarry, the Proponent shall provide the details pertaining to management of the above material with year wise utilization and average moving inventory be submitted.
- 17. Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' (or) the Project areas which attracts the court restrictions for mining operations, should also be indicated and where so required, clearance certifications from the prescribed Authorities, such as the TNPCB (or) Dept. of Geology and Mining should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.

18. Desertption of water conservation measures proposed to the adopted in the

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- 19. Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be indicated.
- 20.A tree survey study shall be carried out (nos., name of the species, age, diameter etc.,) both within the mining lease applied area & 300m buffer zone and its management during mining activity.
- 21. A detailed mine closure plan for the proposed project shall be included in EIA/EMP report which should be site-specific.
- 22. Public Hearing points raised and commitments of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project and to be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC with regard to the Office Memorandum of MoEF& CC accordingly.
- 23. The Public hearing advertisement shall be published in one major National daily and one most circulated vernacular daily.
- 24. The PP shall produce/display the EIA report, Executive summery and other related information with respect to public hearing in Tamil Language also.
- 25. As a part of the study of flora and fauna around the vicinity of the proposed site, the EIA coordinator shall strive to educate the local students on the importance of preserving local flora and fauna by involving them in the study, wherever possible.
- 26. The recommendation for the issue of "Terms of Reference" is subjected to the outcome of the Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi in O.A No.186 of 2016 (M.A.No.350/2016) and O.A. No.200/2016 and O.A.No.580/2016 (M.A.No.1182/2016) and O.A.No.102/2017 and O.A.No.404/2016 (M.A.No.758/2016, M.A.No.920/2016, M.A.No.1122/2016, M.A.No.12/2017 & M.A. No. 843/2017) and O.A.No.405/2016 and O.A.No.520 of 2016 (M.A.No. 981/2016, M.A.No.982/2016 & M.A.No.384/2017).

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- 27. The purpose of Green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics. A wide range of indigenous plant species should be planted as given in the appendix-I in consultation with the DFO, State Agriculture University and local school/college authorities. The plant species with dense/moderate canopy of native origin should be chosen. Species of small/medium/tall trees alternating with shrubs should be planted in a mixed manner.
- 28. Taller/one year old Saplings raised in appropriate size of bags, preferably ecofriendly bags should be planted as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/Horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner
- 29.A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP .Report.
- 30.A Risk Assessment and management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 31. Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 32. Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 33. The Socio-economic studies should be carried out within a 5 km buffer zone from the mining activity. Measures of socio-economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time

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frames for implementation.

- 34. Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 35. Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 36.If any quarrying operations were carried out in the proposed quarrying site for which now the EC is sought, the Project Proponent shall furnish the detailed compliance to EC conditions given in the previous EC with the site photographs which shall duly be certified by MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai (or) the concerned DEE/TNPCB.
- 37. Concealing any factual information or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this Terms of Conditions besides attracting penal provisions in the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Agenda No: 274-19 (File No: 9106/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.30.0 Ha S.F.No.360/1B (Part) Arasampalayam Village, Kinathukadavu Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu by Tmt.S.Manonmani- For Terms of Reference. (SIA/TN/MIN/73759/2022 Dt: 18.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- The Project Proponent, Tmt.S.Manonmani has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.30.0 Ha S.F.No.360/1B (Part) Arasampalayam Village, Kinathukadavu Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.

3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 5 years. The production as per mining

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plan for 5 years not to exceed -38925 m3 of Rough Stone and 6794 m3 of Gravel. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 10260 m3 of Rough Stone (3rd year) and 2408 m3 of Gravel (1st year) with ultimate depth of 27m.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC noted that the proposed site seems to be an agricultural land with cultivation seen around the site. The SEAC decided that the PP shall furnish the land use conversion certificate from the competent authority. On the receipt of the same further deliberation will be done.

Agenda No: 274-20 (File No: 9107/2022)

Proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.43.0 Ha S.F.No.360/1B (P), 360/1E, 360/1G Arasampalayam Village, Kinathukadavu Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru V. Somasundaram- For Terms of Reference(SIA/TN/MIN/73834/ 2022 Dt: 18.03.2022)

The proposal was placed in 274th SEAC meeting held on 19.5.2022. The project proponent has given a detailed presentation. The details of the project furnished by the proponent are given in the website (parivesh.nic.in).

The project proponent gave detailed presentation. SEAC noted the following:

- 1. The Project Proponent, Thiru V. Somasundaram has applied for Terms for Reference for the proposed Rough stone & gravel quarry lease over an extent of 1.43.0 Ha S.F.No.360/1B (P), 360/1E, 360/1G Arasampalayam Village, Kinathukadavu Taluk, Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu.
- 2. The project/activity is covered under Category "B1" of Item 1(a) "Mining Projects" of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
- 3. As per the mining plan, the lease period is for 5 years. The production as per mining plan for 5 years not to exceed -48923 m3 of Rough Stone and 1350 m3 of Gravel. The Annual peak production as per mining plan is 10345m3 of Rough Stone (5th year) and 1350m3 of Gravel (1st year) with ultimate depth of 32m.

Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, SEAC decided that the PP shall furnish certified compliance report of the existing

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Environmental Clearance issued from MoEF&CC/TNPCB. On the receipt of the same further deliberation will be done.

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List of Native Trees Suggested for Planting

- 1. Aeglemarmelos-Vilvam
- 2. Adenaantherapavonina-Manjadi
- 3. Albizialebbeck-Vaagai
- 4. Albiziaamara-Usil
- 5. Bauhinia purpurea Mantharai
- 6. Bauhinia racemosa Aathi
- 7. Bauhinia tomentosa-Iruvathi
- 8. Buchananiaaillaris-Kattuma
- 9. Borassusflabellifer- Panai
- 10. Buteamonosperma Murukkamaram
- 11. Bobaxceiba- Ilavu, Sevvilavu
- 12. Calophylluminophyllum Punnai
- 13. Cassia fistula-Sarakondrai
- 14. Cassia roxburghii- Sengondrai
- 15. Chloroxylonsweitenia Purasamaram
- 16. Cochlospermumreligiosum- Kongu, Manjalllavu
- 17. Cordiadichotoma- Mookuchalimaram
- 18. Cretevaadansonii-Mavalingum
- 19. Dilleniaindica- Uva, Uzha
- 20. Dilleniapentagyna-SiruUva, Sitruzha
- 21. Diospyrosebenum- Karungali
- 22. Diospyroschloroxylon-Vaganai
- 23. Ficusamplissima- Kalltchi
- 24. Hibiscus tiliaceous-Aatrupoovarasu
- 25. Hardwickiabinata- Aacha
- 26. Holopteliaintegrifolia-Aayili
- 27. Lanneacoromandelica Odhiam
- 28. Lagerstroemia speciosa Poo Marudhu
- 29. Lepisanthustetraphylla- Neikottaimaram
- 30. Limoniaacidissima Vila maram
- 31. Litseaglutinosa-Pisinpattai
- 32. Madhucalongifolia Illuppai
- 33. Manilkarahexandra-UlakkaiPaalai
- 34. Mimusopselengi Magizhamaram
- 35. Mitragynaparvifolia Kadambu
- 36. Morindapubescens-Nuna
- 37. Morindacitrifolia- VellaiNuna
- 38. Phoenix sylvestre-Eachai
- 39. Pongamiapinnata-Pungam
- 40. Premnamollissima- Munnai

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- 41. Premnaserratifolia- Narumunnai
- 42. Premnatomentosa-PurangaiNaari, PudangaNaari
- 43. Prosopiscinerea Vannimaram
- 44. Pterocarpusmarsupium Vengai
- 45. Pterospermumcanescens-Vennangu, Tada
- 46. Pterospermumxylocarpum Polavu
- 47. Puthranjivaroxburghii-Puthranjivi
- 48. Salvadorapersica- UgaaMaram
- 49. Sapindusemarginatus- Manipungan, Soapukai
- 50. Saracaasoca Asoca
- 51. Streblusasper-Pirayamaram
- 52. Strychnosnuxvomica-Yetti
- 53. Strychnospotatorum TherthangKottai
- 54. Syzygiumcumini Naval
- 55. Terminaliabellerica- Thandri
- 56. Terminalia arjuna- Venmarudhu
- 57. Toona ciliate Sandhanavembu
- 58. Thespesiapopulnea- Puvarasu
- 59. Walsuratrifoliata-valsura
- 60. Wrightiatinctoria- Vep

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Appendix-II Display Board (Size 6' x5' with Blue Background and White Letters)

காங்கங்களில் குவாரி செயல்பாடுகளுக்கான கற்றுச்சூழல் அனுமதி **கீழ்கண்ட நிடந்தனைகளுக்கு உட்பட்டு** வழங்கப்பட்டுள்ளது ஊகுகு------, தேதியிடப்பட்டு, சுற்றுச்சூழல் அனுமதி _ ்தேதி வரை செல்லத்தக்கதாக உள்ளது. குவாரியின் எல்லையைச் சுற்றி வேலி அமைக்க வேண்டும் பகமை பகுதி வளர்ச்சி மேம்பாட்டுக்கான கருங்கத் திட்டம் சுரங்கப்பாதையின் ஆழம் தரைமட்டத்திலிருந்து <u>மீட்டர்க்கு</u> மிகாமல் **இருக்க வேள்**டும் காற்றில் மாசு ஏற்படாதவாறு கரங்க பணிகளை மேற்கொள்ள வேண்டும். வாகணங்கள் செல்லும் பாதையில் மாசு ஏற்படாத அளவிற்கு தன்னனே முறையாக நடப்பட்டு தண்ணீர் லாரிகளின் முலமாக அவ்வப்போது தெளிக்க வேண்டும். பரசமரிக்கப்படவேண்டிய மரங்கள் இரைச்சல் அளவையும் தூசி மாகபாட்டையும் குறைப்பதற்காக குவாரியின் எல்லையை எ**ன் எசிக்**கை: சுற்றி அடர்த்தியான பசுமை பகுதியை ஏற்படுத்த வேண்டும். கரங்கத்தில் வெடி வைக்கும்பொழுது நிலஅதிர்வுகள் ஏற்படாதவாறும் மற்றும் கற்கள் பறக்காதவாகும் பாதுகாப்பு நடவடிக்கைகளை உள்ளிப்பாக செயல்படுத்தப்பட வேண்டும். கரங்கத்தில் இருந்து ஏற்படும் இரைச்சல் அளவு 85 டெசிபல்ஸ் (dBA) அளவிற்கு மேல் ஏற்படாதவாறு தகுந்த கட்டுப்பாடுகளை மேற் கொள்**ள வேண்டும்**. சுரங்க சட்ட விதிகள் 1955ன் கீழ் சுரங்கத்தில் உள்ள பணியார்களுக்கு தகுந்த பாதுகாப்பு கருவிகள் வழங்கவதோடு சுகாதாரமுள்ள கழிப்பதை வசதிகளை செய்து தர வேண்டும். கிராமம் அல்லது பஞ்சாயத்து வழியாக வாகனங்கள் செல்லும் சாலையை தொட**ர்ந்து ந**ன்கு பரா**யரிக்க வேண்டும்**. கரங்கப்பணிகளால் அசுகில் உள்ள விவசாயப் பணிகள் மற்றும் நீர்நிலைகள் பாதிக்கப்படக் கூடாது. நீரநிலைகள் ாதிக்கப்படாமல் இருப்பதை உறுதி செய்யும் வகையில் நிலத்தடி நீரின் தரத்தினை தொடர்ந்து கண்காளரிக்க வேண்டும். சுரங்கத்திலிருந்து கனிம் பொருட்களை எடுத்துச் செல்வது கிராம் மக்களுக்கு எந்தத் கிரமத்தினையும் ஏற்படுத்தாதவாறு பாதுகாப்போடும் மற்றும் சுற்றுதழல் பாதிக்கவாத வண்ணம் வாகனங்களை இயக்க வேண்டும். கரங்கப்பணிகள் முடிக்கப்பட்டவுடன் சுரங்க முடல் திட்டத்தில் உள்ளவாறு கரங்கத்தினை முட வேண்டும். சுரங்க நடவடிக்கைகளை முடித்தபின்னர் சுரங்கப் பகுதி மற்றும் சுரங்க நடவடிக்கைகளால் இடையூறு ஏற்படக்கூடிய வேறு எந்தப் பகுதியையும் மறுகட்டுமானம் செய்து தாவரங்கள் விலங்குகள் ஆகியவற்றின் வளர்ச்சிக்கு ஏற்ற வகையில் பசுமைப்பகுதியை உருவாக்க வேண்டும். (முழுமையான நிபந்தனைகளை அறிய பா**ரிவேஷ்** (http://parivesh.nic.in) என்கிற **இணையதளத்தைப் பார்வையிடவும். மேலும் எந்**தவித சுற்றுகு_.ஓல் சார்ந்த புகார்களுக்கு சென்னையில் உள்ள சுற்றுச்துழல் மற்றும் வன அமைச்சகத்தின் ஒருங்கிணைந்த வட்டார அலு வலகம்: 044 – 38223325 (அல்லது) தமிழ்நாடு மாக கட்டுப்பாடு வாரியத்தின் மாவட்ட கற்றுச்சூழல் பொறியானரை அணுகவும்.

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