

MINUTES OF 18th MEETING OF STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (SEIAA), U.T. CHANDIGARH HELD ON 29TH SEPTEMBER, 2022 AT 04:00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, CHANDIGARH POLLUTION CONTROL COMMITTEE (CPCC), GROUND FLOOR, PARYAVARAN BHAWAN, SECTOR 19 B, CHANDIGARH TO APPRAISE THE ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE OF THE PROJECTS NAMELY:

“Proposed General Housing Scheme at Plot No. 1 & 2 at I.T. Habitat at RGCTP by Chandigarh Housing Board”.

A meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Union Territory, Chandigarh was held on 29th September, 2022 at 04.00 P.M. in the Conference Hall, Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee (CPCC), Ground Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh under the Chairmanship of Sh. Srishti Pal Vasudeva, IFS (Retd.) to appraise Environmental Clearance to the above referred project.

Following members were present in the meeting:

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| 1. Sh. Jatinder Singh Kamyotra,
Ex-Director, CPCB | Member |
| 2. Sh. Debendra Dalai, IFS,
Director, Department of Environment,
Chandigarh Administration | Member Secretary |
| 3. Sh. Brij Bhushan,
Scientist 'SD', Department of Environment
Chandigarh Administration | Secretary, SEAC |

The meeting started with Chairman, SEIAA, Chandigarh (U.T.) welcoming all those present. The Member Secretary, SEIAA apprised the authority members on the project placed in the agenda for the meeting. It was informed that the project proposal was considered by the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its 48th & 49th meetings held on 25.08.2022 & 26.09.2022 respectively for consideration of the Final EIA Report submitted in compliance to the Terms of Reference issued by SEIAA, Chandigarh, vide Letter No. ED-2022/EC/751 dated 05.05.2022 and the reply submitted by the Project Proponent (PP) in compliance to the Additional Details Sought (ADS) raised during the 48th meeting of SEAC. As per the procedure and on the basis of documents enclosed with the application form and the additional clarification furnished in response to the observations of the SEAC, Chandigarh, in writing and verbally during the presentations, the SEAC after detailed discussions decided to forward the proposed project to the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Chandigarh, for further necessary action, subject to certain conditions.

The Chairman, SEIAA, Chandigarh, then invited the Project Proponent (PP) to make the presentation of the project. The team of Chandigarh Housing Board headed by Sh. Rajiv Singla, Chief Engineer with other officials and Project Consultant, Eco-Laboratories and Consultant Private Ltd., nominated by the PP made the presentation. Members of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) raised queries, sought clarifications and based on the presentation and responses on the queries raised by the members, following observations (which were made known to the PP during the presentation itself) have been made by the authority.

Conditions by SEIAA:


1. Administrative approval for the diversion of Barsati Nallah falling in the construction area from concerned Administrative Department of Chandigarh Administration is required to be submitted by the PP. The approval must include diversion of the existing Barsati Nallah and not the channelization of Barsati Nallah, as repeatedly stated during the SEAC/SEIAA meetings based on the technical study report done by ATCON Engineers.
2. As per the Letter No. 13554 dated 27.01.2022, the PP is required to submit a clarification on the matter of litigation involving the portion of land that is located in the State of Haryana and is needed for the construction of an artificial channel (an open RCC drain) to divert the Barsati Nallah.
3. The status of Wildlife Clearance from National Board of Wildlife (NBWL) may be followed up and intimated to this authority on receipt.

The PP consented to submit their reply regarding the deficiencies/observations at their earliest possible so as to enable the authority to proceed further in the matter.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.


Sh. Jatinder Singh Kamyotra
(Member)


Sh. Debendra Dalai (IFS)
(Member Secretary)


Sh. Srishti Pal Vasudeva (IFS)
(Chairman)