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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority
West Bengal
Minutes of SEIAA Meeting
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Subject: **42nd meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)**
Venue:- **Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5th Floor, LB – Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700106**
From :- **07 June 2024**
To :- **07 June 2024**

CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed development of a residential & resort complex project comprising of villas, guest rooms alongwith recreational and hospitality facilities at Dag No. - 155, 161 – 164, 210, 399 – 401, 403 - 414, 418 – 420, 422 – 442, 454, 455, 458 - 460, 462 – 505, 513, 578 – 580, 583 – 586, 588 – 597, 604, 605, Mouza - Somsara & Srirampur, P.S. - Dadpur, P.O. – Hanral, Dadpur Gram Panchayat, Dist.- Hooghly, PIN – 712149, West Bengal by **M/s. Purti Hotels and Resorts Private Limited.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/533/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023** dated **05 October 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. 8(a) Building / Construction projects under Category "B2" of EIA Notification 2006.

SEAC, during its 30th meeting held on 28.02.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance.

The proposal was placed before SEIAA in its 36th meeting held on 27.03.2024 and it was observed that some documents required to be uploaded in the PARIVESH Portal. The project proponent (PP) uploaded their reply on 29.04.2024 which was placed before SEIAA in the 40th meeting held on 13.05.2024 and SEIAA observed the following :

1. Replies submitted by PP in response to ADS raised by the SEIAA in its meeting dated 27.03.2024 is not satisfactory at all. There is no justification provided for use of 2160 KLD ground water for a projected water requirement of 361 KLD (as per NBC, 2016 guidelines) as have been submitted by the PP. Seeing the water scarcity, judicious use of water resources and considering the water conservation for future consumption such over abstraction should not be permitted.
2. PP should also submit conversion of proposed water body in Government land record as a 'water body'/ 'pukur' to claim benefit of reduced green belt area.

The PP uploaded their reply on 27.05.2024.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **Purti Hotels and Resorts Private Limited** located is as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Hooghly

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online proposal no. **SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023**.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission uploaded by the project proponent on 27.05.2024 and decided to ask the PP for a presentation with supporting documents on the two issues mentioned in the earlier ADS raised by SEIAA.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application is deferred for further consideration.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for further consideration.

(2) Proposed expansion of Polymer Grade Product at Plot No. F2/1, Vidyasagar Industrial Park, Kharagpur, West Medinipur, West Bengal by **M/s. Sika India Pvt. Ltd.**

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/IND3/69003/2021, File No. : EN/T-II-1/167/2021, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/IND3/69003/2021** dated **23 July 2022** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL. No. **5(f) Synthetic organic chemicals industry (dyes & dye intermediates; bulk drugs and intermediates excluding drug formulations; synthetic rubbers; basic organic chemicals, other synthetic organic chemicals and chemical intermediates)** projects under Category "**B1**" of EIA Notification 2006.

The PP obtained Auto ToR for the project vide File No. EN/T-II-1/167/2021 dated 22.12.2021 from SEIAA, WB.

SEAC, during its 16th meeting held on 04.10.2023, recommended Environmental Clearance for the proposed project.

The proposal was placed before SEIAA in its 22nd meeting held on 17.11.2023, 29th meeting held on 19.01.2024 and 40th meeting held on 13.05.2024. It was observed that some documents required to be uploaded in the PARIVESH Portal. The project proponent uploaded documents on 15.01.2024 which was considered on 19.01.2024, 24.04.2024 which was considered on 13.05.2024 and it was decided that the PP should submit specific reply to the previous ADS. The PP uploaded their reply on 31.05.2024.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **M/s. Sika India Pvt. Ltd.** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	West Medinipur

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC as well as submission uploaded by the project proponent on 31.05.2024 and decided to approve the application for EC.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1) Letter received from MoEF&CC vide No. 110-105/EPE/158 dated 21.05.2024 regarding review of Action Taken Report for the proposed expansion proposal at Mouza – Mosliya, Vill. – Gourandi, PS & Dist. – Bankura, PIN – 722102, West Bengal by M/s. Concast Bengal Industries Ltd.

SEIAA decided that PP should communicate specific written reason for non-compliance of the EC conditions observed during the monitoring by IRO, Sub-Office, Kolkata, MoEF&CC on 01.04.2024.

- 2) With the permission of the Chairman, SEIAA following issues were discussed :

- a) Violation of environmental conditions at residential complex, 'Swarnamani' at Holding no 33A, Canal Circular Road, Ward no 31, PS- Maniktala, Kolkata- 700054, as observed in the field visit by SEIAA and WBPCB (report enclosed as **Annexure – 1**).

SEIAA decided to ask explanation from PP that why EC should not be cancelled for deliberate violation of EC conditions and working in tower 4 & 5 without obtaining EC.

SEIAA decided to request WBPCB to initiate action against the PP for violation of the conditions of EC and to stop the ongoing work of tower 5 for which no EC has been issued by SEIAA.

SEIAA also decided to bring to the notice of the KMC that the 4th tower has already been occupied, which has neither EC nor Consent from WBPCB. Hence, surely, they have not got any completion certificate from KMC to allow occupancy to the residents. Appropriate action may be initiated on the part of KMC with intimation to the all concerned. Local police authority should also be informed of this violation for taking appropriate action.

List of the projects which were placed before the SEIAA, WB in the forty second meeting held on 07.06.2024 and the Summary Decisions thereof:

Sl. No.	Proposal	Summary Decision
CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF EC		
1.	Proposed development of a residential & resort complex project comprising of villas, guest rooms alongwith recreational and hospitality facilities at Dag No. - 155, 161 – 164, 210, 399 – 401, 403 - 414, 418 – 420, 422 – 442, 454, 455, 458 - 460, 462 – 505, 513, 578 – 580, 583 – 586, 588 – 597, 604, 605, Mouza - Somsara & Srirampur, P.S. - Dadpur, P.O. – Hanral, Dadpur Gram Panchayat, Dist.- Hooghly, PIN – 712149, West Bengal by M/s. Purti Hotels and Resorts Private Limited. Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/INFRA2/446647/2023	Deferred for further consideration
2.	Proposed expansion of Polymer Grade Product at Plot No. F2/1, Vidyasagar Industrial Park, Kharagpur, West Medinipur, West Bengal. by M/s. Sika India Pvt. Ltd. Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/IND3/69003/2021	Approved for EC
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2.	Violation of environmental conditions at residential complex, 'swarnamani' at Holding no 33A. Canal Circular Road. Ward no 31, PS- Maniktala, Kolkata- 700054, as observed in the field visit by SEIAA and WBPCB.	SEIAA decided to communicate to PP, WBPCB, KMC and police authority for taking necessary action.

**Field visit report to the project site of 'Swarnamani' holding no 33A, Canal Circular Road,
Ward no 31, PS- Maniktala, Kolkata- 700054.**

Name & Address of the project site	Residential complex 'Swarnamani' at holding no 33A, Canal Circular Road, Ward no 31, PS- Maniktala, Kolkata-700054.
Date & Time of inspection	24.04.2024 at 3 pm
Name of the Inspecting Officers	Mr Anindya Dasgupta, Environmental Engineer, WBPCB Dr. Rajarshi Chakraborty, Environment Officer, Environment Department, GoWB
Person(s) met during inspection	Pushpendu Bikash Maity , Asst Manager Abhinandan Sarkar
Reason of inspection	A complaint letter was sent to SEIAA, WBPCB and Environment Department by Mr Ankur Sharma against filling up of waterbodies and flouting of environmental norms.

Background of the project:

The project had obtained Environmental Clearance vide memo no 484/EN/T-II-I/057/2010 dated 26.02.2016 for tower 1, 2 &3. The project proponent had applied for TOR (terms of reference) under violation category for tower 4 and 5, and obtained the TOR vide no 1294/EN/T-II-I/368/2023 dated 10.07.2023.

The project has 5 towers no 1 to 5 the summary for which is as follows

Tower No	Storey	Flats	Occupancy	Status	Remark (Provided)
01	B+G+24 with Club & Gym	46	Occupied	Complete	With STP(No1), Solar panel, Rainwater Harvesting, Drainage
02	B+G+25	68	Occupied	Complete	With STP(No1), Solar panel, Rainwater Harvesting, Drainage
03	B+G+25with Club & Gym	73	Occupied	Complete	With STP(No1), Solar panel, Rainwater Harvesting, Drainage
04	B+G+32 with Club, Gym & Banquet	96	Occupied	Complete	With STP(No1), Rainwater Harvesting, Drainage
05	B+G+34 with Club, Gym & Banquet	60	Not Occupied	Internal work & STP remaining	Upcoming STP(No2)

Following observations were made –

1. During field visit it was found that both tower 4 and tower 5 have been constructed. However internal work is yet to be completed in Tower 5. Tower 4 thus has been completed and some flat-owners have started living in it. Photographs of tower 4 & 5 are attached as Figure 1 and 2.
2. As per the building plan sanctioned by Kolkata Municipal Corporation vide building permit no 2020030046 dated 05.11.2020, there are five waterbodies within the project boundary. During the field visit, it was found that all the five waterbodies are in existence with water contained in each of them. The photographs taken during the field visit showing the present condition of the waterbodies are given in Figure 3.
3. One STP (SBR, Multigrade filter, Carbon bed) has been constructed to cater to tower 1, 2, 3 & 4 (figure 4). The capacity of the STP was mentioned by representatives of project proponent as 250 KLD. It was further mentioned that a separate STP of Cap 160 KLD for tower 5 would be constructed.
4. No compost plant has been installed within the project site.
5. During field inspection, it was found that at some locations car parking has encroached upon the area for plantation as marked in the sanctioned building plan. (figure 5 & 6).
6. Some work towards concretisation of pavement work was going on during field visit.
7. Residual construction materials, debris & 01 mixing machine has been found remaining at the site along with 02 Black DG sets which may be removed.
8. 02 Green DG sets (500,650) are also existing at the site.

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Environmental Engineer, WBPCB

R. Chakraborty 5.6.24

(Dr. Rajarshi Chakraborty)
Environment Officer,
Environment Department, GoWB

Photographs taken during the field visit

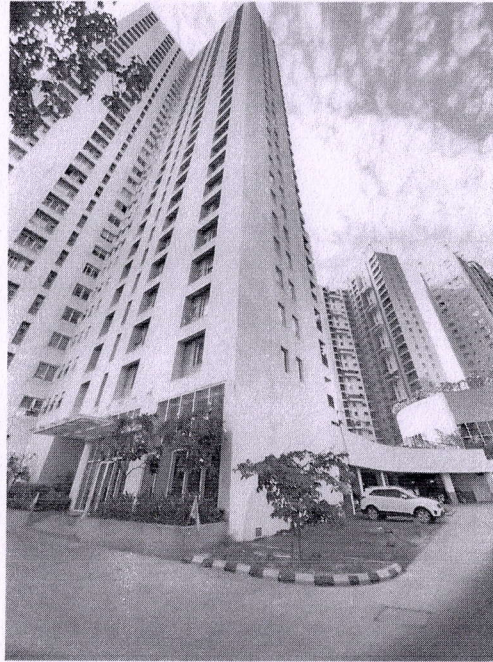


Figure 1: Tower 4.

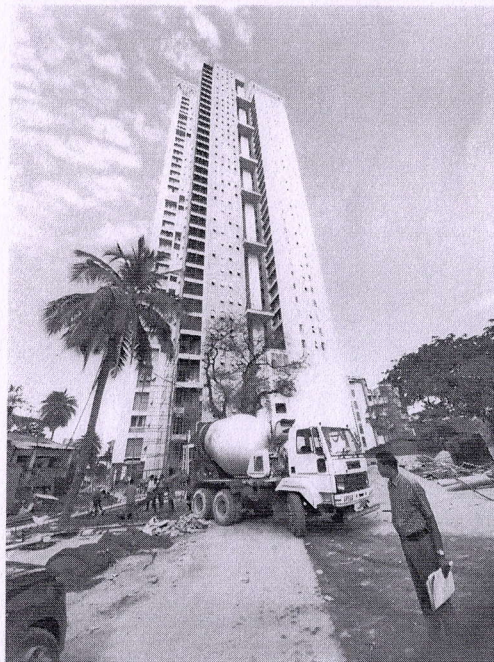


Figure 2: Tower 5.

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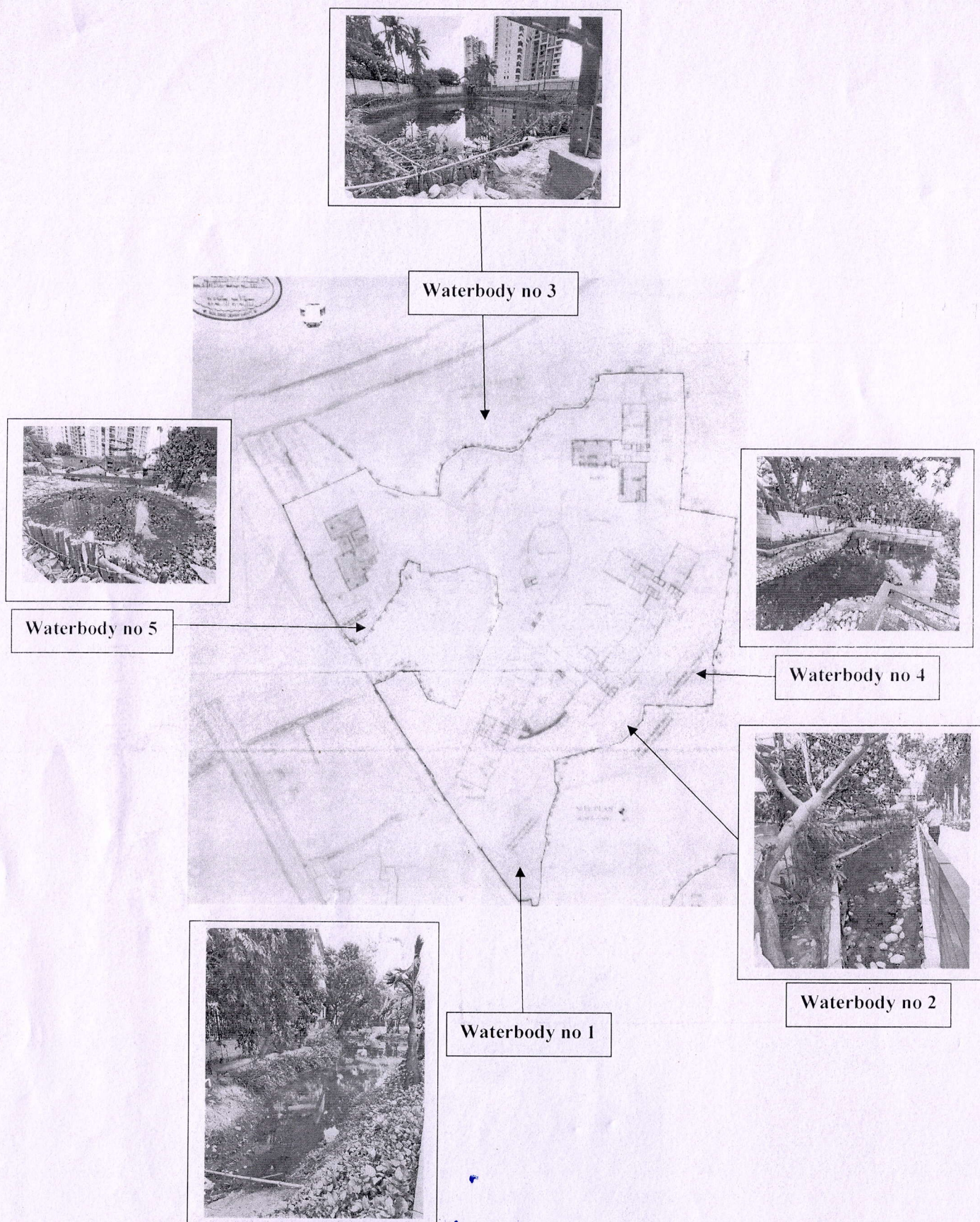


Figure 3. Position of the waterbodies with respect to the sanctioned plan and their condition on the day of field visit.

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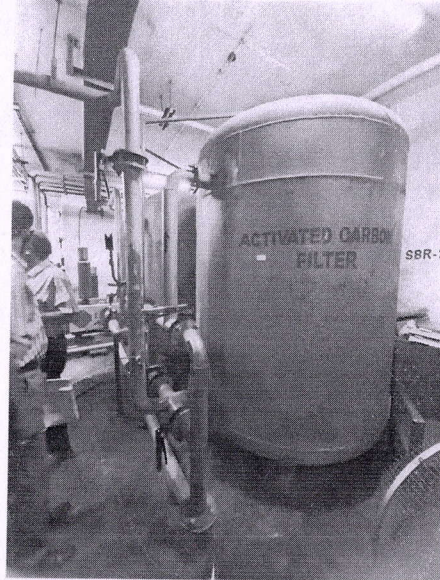


Figure 4: STP installed at the project site.

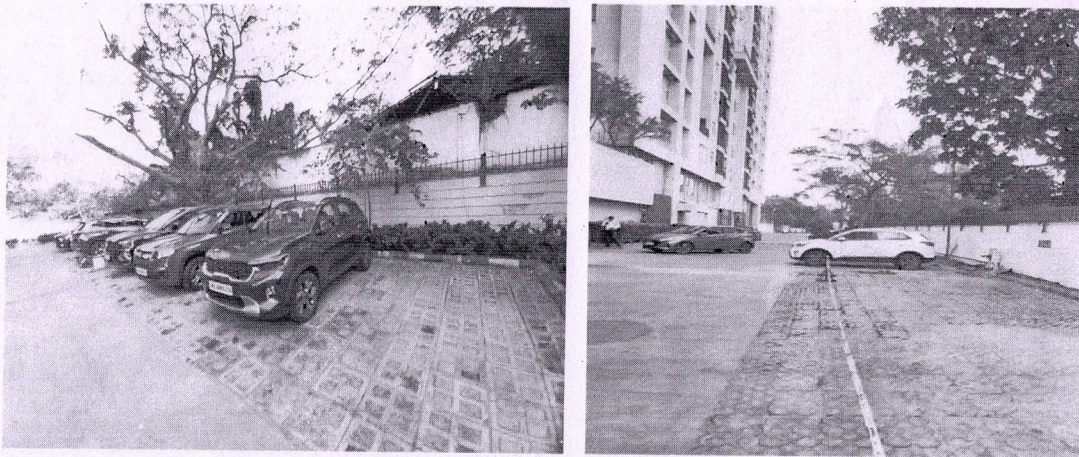


Figure 5 & 6: Parking area encroaching tree plantation area.

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