State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Haryana

Minutes of 161st Meeting of State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Haryana held <u>on 11.07.2023</u>, under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sameer Pal Srow, IAS (Retd.), Chairman, SEIAA, Haryana at Bay's No. 55-58, 1st Floor, Paryatan Bhawan, Sector-2, Panchkula, Haryana.

List of Participants

1. **Prof. R. Baskar,**FGGS School of Sciences.
IGNOU, Delhi

Expert Member, SEIAA

(Attended Meeting through "VC")

2. Shri Pardeep Kumar, IAS
Director, Environment & Climate Change
Department, Haryana

Member Secretary, SEIAA

(Attended Meeting through "VC")

At the outset, the Chairman, State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Haryana (SEIAA), (hereinafter refer to as, "The Authority"), greeted the Members and requested the Member Secretary to give a brief background of the Proposals to be placed before the Authority as "Agenda Items" in the meeting.

"Minutes of the 160th Meeting of SEIAA held on 22.06.2023 were "CONFIRMED" as part of the proceedings of 161st Meeting".

AGENDA ITEMS (Sr. No. 1 to 4)

The Authority took up the following Proposal during 161st Meeting for consideration and made decisions, as detailed below:

Item No. 161.01: Environment Clearance for the Expansion of War Memorial Project, being built up at Ambala Cantt in the Honour of Martyrs of the First War of India's Independence, 1857, "AZADI KI PHELI LADAI KA SHAHEEDI SAMARAK".

1.	Proposal	Grant of EC / Expansion
2.	Project Proponent	M/s PWD B & R, Ambala, Haryana
3.	Location	Ambala Cantt.
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	Category of the Project	8(a)
4.	Project Cost	261.07 Crore, as per Form (I & IA)
4. 5.	Project Cost Project Consultant	261.07 Crore, as per Form (I & IA) M/s Ind Tech House Consult
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The said Proposal was submitted to the Authority, (SEIAA) vide <u>online Proposal</u>

No. SIA/HR/INFRA2/432606/2023 dated 08.06.2023 for grant of <u>Environment</u>

Clearance / Expansion, within the scope and meaning of category 8(a) of EIA

Notification dated 14.09.2006. The Project Proponent has deposited Scrutiny fee of

₹ 2,00,000/- vide DD No. 046645 dated 01.06.2023 (in compliance of Haryana Government,

Environment & Climate Change Department Notification No. DE&CCH/3060 dated 14.10.2021).

Appraisal & Recommendations of SEAC:

The said case was taken up during <u>270th meetings of SEAC held on 21.06.2023</u> and the Appraisal Committee (SEAC) made recommendations to the Authority for Grant of Environment Clearance for Expansion.

Findings and Decision of THE AUTHORITY (SEIAA):

The said Proposal was taken up during 161st Meeting of SEIAA held on 11.07.2023.

After perusal of relevant record and details placed on file, alongwith considering the recommendations of the Appraisal Committee (SEAC), the Authority decided to "GRANT ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE" to the Project Under category 8 (a) within the scope and Meaning of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006 with the following conditions:

- 1. PP shall develop & maintain 26% of the Plot area as Green Area i.e. 22264 Sqms as voluntarily offered by the Project Proponent in the Proposal and the same shall not be reduced/ modified or put to any other use / purpose at any stage i.e. the said area shall be used and utilized for Greenery/ Plantation and green activities. Further may create & develop small lily ponds for the conservation / maintenance of ground water level.
- 2. To encourage & promote Environmental solutions for ambient clear air quality, the PP is advised to install and provide "Electric Charging Stations" to facilitate charging of electrical vehicles of the visitors / commuters, to the extent possible.
- 3. That Project Proponent will make efforts to promote the use of solar energy <u>@ 5</u> to 10 % of the Total Power Requirement.
- 4. Keeping in view the expected volume of visitors/ tourist, the proposed capacity of STP needs to be increased upto 100 KLD with sustainable and latest technology.

Accordingly, the case is disposed of.

Item No. 161.02: Environment Clearance for Affordable Group Housing Project Village Khera & Bhatauli, Sector 20, Yamunanagar - Jagadhri, District Yamunanagar, Haryana by M/s Pandit Land & Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd.

Brief of the case:

The recommendation of SEAC was placed during 126th meeting of SEIAA held on 11.12.2020 and a letter was written to Regional Office, MoEF&CC, GoI, Chandigarh to conduct site visit of the Project, but, no response has been received, so far.

The case was again taken up during 128th meeting of SEIAA held on 26.05.2021 and after going through the communication from MOEF & CC, GOI vide O.M. dated 18.11.2020; so, it has been revealed that guidelines of EAC at Ministry Level. Hence, it is decided that the case be sent back to SEAC for getting the project inspected by their members and take a final view after that.

Thereafter, the case was taken up during 217th meeting of SEAC held on 20.07.2021. The discussion was held on the MoEF Notification 18.11.2020 and the decision of SEIAA in its meeting regarding the projects to be get inspected by the members of SEAC. As per the orders of SEIAA vide its 128th MOM dated 26.05.2021. A Committee was formed comprising of the following:-

- 1. Sh. S.K. Mehta, Member SEAC
- 2. Sh. R.K. Sapra, Member SEAC

The Committee shall visit the project site and submit the report regarding the status of the project in view of the details as mentioned above within 30 days positively.

The sub-committee submitted the report of site visit and thereafter, the case was taken up in 229th meeting of SEAC.

- As per the site shown which lies inside the gate of Ansal Housing Complex Jagadhari, no construction was found there.
- The affidavit was sought from PP for verification of site but has

- not given the Affidavit.
- Hence no proper inference may be drawn regarding the status of construction at the site due to non-cooperation by PP.

It was deliberated that in the above project received on dated 17.07.2019 and in spite of taking up in various meeting of SEAC no reply has been received even after lapse of more than six months and further non-cooperation by PP during the site visit of subcommittee, the committee unanimously decided to send the case to SEIAA and recommended that in accordance in the MoEF&CC OM Dated 18.11.2020, the MS should write to the Regional Office of the Ministry to carry out a site inspection so as to check if construction/operation of the project has started.

Lastly, the case was taken up in 133rd meeting of SEIAA and the Authority decided to request MS, HSPCB to direct RO, HSPCB, Yamuna Nagar to carry out the spot inspection and submit its report at the earliest possible but the report is awaited.

The case was taken up in the 137thmeeting of SEIAA held on 26.03.2022; after deliberations;

"the Authority decided to issue a reminder letter to Member Secretary, HSPCB for seeking the report from the concerned Regional Officer and also decided to refer back this case to SEAC to make recommendations after the receipt of report from the concerned agency."

The case was taken up in 243rd Meeting of SEAC, Haryana. This case was referred back by SEIAA vide letter dated 07.04.2022 to make recommendations after the receipt of report from the concerned agency. The spot inspection report from RO, HSPCB, Yamuna Nagar not received yet, therefore, case was deferred.

The case was taken up in 251st meeting of SEAC held on 10.10.2022. During scrutiny of documents, it was observed that the prescribed **scrutiny fee has not been deposited by the PP** in this case. The site inspection report not received. The committee decided to send the case to SEIAA with a request to write a reminder letter to MS, HSPCB to direct concerned RO to conduct site inspection and submit the report at the earliest as well as **PP be directed to submit the pending prescribed scrutiny fees.**

Findings and Decision of THE AUTHORITY (SEIAA):

The matter was taken up during 161st Meeting of SEIAA held on 11.07.2023.

The Authority after having examined the relevant record placed on the file alongwith perusal of the recommendations made by the Appraisal Committee (SEAC) as well as the Site Inspection Report dated 17.05.2023 submitted by Regional Officer, Yamunanagar, HSPCB and CTE dated 27.01.2022, issued by Haryana State Pollution Control Board, decided to de-list the case pending since 2019.



<u>Item No. 161.03:</u> Environment Clearance for proposed Affordable Residential Plotted Colony under DDJAY Scheme at Sector 106, Daultabad, Gurugram, Haryana by M/s Magic Eye Developers Pvt. Ltd.

Proposal for the said Project was submitted to the SEIAA vide online Proposal No. SIA/HR/MIS/261584/2022 dated 14.03.2022 for Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) under Category 8(a) of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006.

The case was considered during 237th meeting of SEAC held on 12.04.2022 but the PP requested in writing vide letter dated 12.04.2022 for the deferment of the case which was considered and acceded by the SEAC.

The case was taken up during 242nd and 251stmeeting of SEAC. Neither the PP nor consultant has appeared before the Committee. However, it was brought to the notice of Committee that the consultant of this case has expired in a road accident. The Committee decided to defer the case and shall be taken up as and when request is received from PP.

Then the case was taken up during 259th meeting held on 19.01.2023. Neither PP nor consultant appeared before the committee. It has been brought to the notice of the Committee that the consultant representing the case, has expired in a road side accident. The committee decided that direction be issued to PP to make alternative arrangements to pursue its case before the committee and shall appear before the committee in the next meeting relevant part of minutes shall also be conveyed to PP via speed post and email. The case was deferred for next meeting.

The case was taken up during 262nd meeting held on 14.03.2023. Neither PP nor any representative on his behalf has appeared before the committee to represent the case. The committee has taken a serious view in this regard and decided that PP may be given one more opportunity to appear before the SEAC to represent their project either themselves or through their authorized representative and shall also submit the relevant documents in support of their case, otherwise, their case will be referred to SEIAA for further necessary action as per OM dated 18.11.2020.

The committee further decided to communicate the decision of committee to PP on their official email as well as speed post and deferred the case for next meeting.

The case was taken up during 266th meeting held on 28.04.2023. However, still neither PP nor consultant appeared in the meeting. It is observed by the committee that the case has been fixed in several meetings of SEAC but neither PP nor Consultant appeared before the committee to represent their case. Moreover, it was informed to the Committee that the consultant engaged in this case has expired in a road side accident and the case is pending since long for procuring appearance of PP/consultant. In this regard, the instructions issued by MoEF & CC vide OM dated 18.11.2020 also brought to the notice of the Committee which reads as under:

e) "in case a Project Proponent or his consultant did not attend the meeting or does not reply to the queries raised for more than six month, the MS should write to the Regional Office of the Ministry to carry out a site inspection so as to check if construction/operation of the project has started."

The committee after having a detailed discussion on the circumstances of the case as well as keeping in view the above mentioned instructions issued by the MoEF & CC, unanimously decided to send the case to SEIAA for taking further necessary action.

The recommendations of SEAC were taken up during 157th Meeting of SEIAA held on 11.05.2023.

After having gone through the details & record placed on the file along with considering the recommendations of SEAC, the Authority decided to call for a report from Haryana State Pollution Control Board, Panchkula through the concerned Regional Officer to verify the actual status of construction at the project site, before proceeding to conclude the proceedings as per OM dated 18.11.2020 issued by MOEF & CC, GOI.

Accordingly, case is deferred.

Findings and Decision of THE AUTHORITY (SEIAA):

The matter was taken up during 161st Meeting of SEIAA held on 11.07.2023.

After perusal of relevant record and details placed on file alongwith considering the recommendations of the Appraisal Committee (SEAC), the Authority upon having seen the Site Inspection Report dated 12.07.2023 of Regional Officer, Gurugram (North), HSPCB, deemed it appropriate to initiate action for the violations

and non-compliances made on the part of Project Proponent. Accordingly, the Authority has decided to issue a Show-Cause Notice under Section 5 of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 within the scope & meaning of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006. Whereas, the Authority is satisfied that due to violation and non-compliances, PP is required to apply for Grant of Environment Clearance for the said project under Violation Category.

Accordingly, the instant proposal is de-listed. However, proceedings under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 within the scope & meaning of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006, shall continue to be relevant.



Item No. 161.04: Terms of Reference (TOR) (under violation category) for Hospital Component of "Adesh Medical College & Hospital (formerly known as Adesh Haryana University)" located at Village-Mohri, Tehsil Shahbad, District- Kurukshetra, Haryana by M/s Adesh Medical College & Hospital c/o M/s Adesh Welfare Society.

1.	Proposal	For Approval of Terms of Reference
	ENTRY TO VICTOR	(under Violation Category)
2.	Project Proponent	M/s Adesh Welfare Society
3.	Location	Village-Mohri, Tehsil Shahbad,
	&	District- Kurukshetra, Haryana
	Category of the Project	8(a)
4.	Project Cost	(Hospital Component)
		Land Cost: Rs. 3.37 Crore
		Construction & Other Cost: Rs. 82.59 Crore
5.	Project Consultant	M/s Eco Laboratories and Consultants
		Pvt. Ltd
6.	NABET, ACCREDITATION	: NABET/EIA/2223/SA 183
		Validity: 17/12/2023

Proposal for the said Project was submitted to the SEIAA vide online Proposal No. SIA/HR/INFRA2/410224/2022 dated 15.12.2022 for approval of Terms of Reference (ToR) (under Violation) of EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006. The Project Proponent has deposited Scrutiny fee of ₹ 1,50,000/- vide DD No.218664 dated 18.11.2022 (in compliance of Haryana Government, Environment & Climate Change Department Notification No. DE&CCH/3060 dated 14.10.2021).

Appraisal & Recommendations of SEAC:

The said case was taken up during 258th, 260th & 271st meetings of SEAC held on 03.01.2023, 07.02.2023 & 30.06.2023 and SEAC recommended the Project to SEIAA for Grant of Terms of Reference and additional Terms of Reference (under violation) for undertaking EIA and preparation of Environment Management Plan (EMP).

Findings and Decision of THE AUTHORITY (SEIAA):

The recommendations of SEAC were taken up during 161st Meeting of SEIAA held on 11.07.2023.

The Authority after having gone through the details & record placed on the file alongwith considering the recommendations of the Appraisal Committee (SEAC), decided to approve the **Terms of Reference (TOR) under Violation Category,** in the instant case.

Accordingly, TOR Granted & case is disposed of.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.
