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Minutes of the 803th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 05-03-2024

The meeting of 803th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 05.03.2024 the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey
2. Shri Paras Nath
3. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singh

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P.
Member, SEIAA, U.P.
Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Agenda-A- Minutes of 826th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 23/01/2024

1. Building stone Sand Stone Mining Project at Gata No.-997mi, Sl. No.- 09, Village-Sindhora, Tehsil- Sadar, District- Mirzapur, Smt. Nilama Singh, Area 1.010 ha., 8567/7600/SIA/UP/MIN/453801/2023.

SEIAA noted that Lol to the above project was issued in March, 2021 the project proponent made application for ToR in January, 2023 which was issued on 24.05.2023 and application for EC was made on 07.12.2023. It is noteworthy that the project proponent submitted his application after a gap of almost two years and has not explained the reasons for delay.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
3. Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain

forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.

5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
6. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
7. Mine reclamation plan should be prepared for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
8. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
9. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
10. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
12. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
13. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
14. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
15. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP should carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
16. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.



17. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
 18. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
 19. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
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2. Ordinary Sand Mining Project at Gata No.- 1 & 2, at Village – Swami Ehatmali, Tehsil - Sadar, District- Agra, Shri Mukesh Singh, M/s P.D. Contractor, Area- 6.07 Ha., 8569/7526/SIA/UP/MIN/454689/2023.
SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.
 3. Group Housing Project “Kaveri Swarnim” at Khasra No.- 195, 196, 197 & 198, Mauza: Kakretha, Sikandra, Tehsil & Agra. Shri Vikash Fauzdar, M/s Kaveri, Housing LLP., 8579/SIA/UP/INFRA2/455114/2023.
SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.
 4. “Commercial Building” project at Khasra/Gata No. 122, Village: Toura, Tehsil & District: Agra, Shri Kamal Kumar Keshwani, M/s Shourat Hotels Private Limited., 8599/SIA/UP/INFRA2/455554/2023.
SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.
 5. Building Stone (Gitti, Boulder, Khanda) Sand Stone mine at Araj No./Plot No./Gata No.- 2062 Mi, Khand No.-66, at Village – Bhatauti, Tehsil- Meja, District- Prayagraj, Shri Pawan Kumar Tiwari, Area 2.02 ha., 8573/SIA/UP/MIN/455370/2023.
The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-
 - 1- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
 - 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.

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- 3- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 5- Detailed Mine Reclamation plan and Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat should be submitted along with EIA-EMP.
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 3,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.

- 15- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
- 16- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
- 17- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially girl school under CER activities.
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6. Sand/Morrum Mine from Riverbed of Betwa River, at Khand No.- 25/21, Village- Ichora Jitkari, Tehsil- Sarila, District- Hamirpur, Shri Tejinder Pal Singh Ghuman, M/s Digiana Industries, Area-17.731 Ha., 8575/7894/SIA/UP/MIN/455374/2023.

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2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
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6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved

either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 18,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.

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8. "Ordinary Soil Excavation Project" at Gata No.- 64, 100, Village- Malehpur, Tehsil- Auraiya, District- Auraiya, Shri Rinku Singh, Area – 1.0910 ha., 8581/SIA/UP/MIN/455345/2023.

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10. "Morrum Mining Project" on the riverbed of River Betwa at Khand No. - 25/12, Village- Ichchaura Jhitkari, Tehsil- Sarila & District- Hamirpur, Shri Himashu Meena, Area 19.70 ha., 8585/SIA/UP/MIN/454904/2023.

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11. Educational & Hostel Building "GNIOT" at Plot No.- 6 B, Graeater Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Shri Prashant Mittal, M/s Vinayak Education Society, 7543/SIA/UP/INFRA2/414677/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

12. "Sand/Morrum Mine" from Riverbed of Yamuna River at Gata No.- 468 (Khand-2), Village- Gauhani Kachchar, Tehsil- Sikandra, District- Kanpur Dehat, Uttar Pradesh, Shri Dev Singh, Area- 14.00 ha., 8205/SIA/UP/MIN/442286/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Proposed production per annum shall be as per approved replenishment study report and it should be submitted to SEIAA, UPPCB and IRO, MoEFCC.
- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 5- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.

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- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment's or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
- 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 14,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 16- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
- 17- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP



report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.

18- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially in girl's school under CER activities.

19- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

13. Residential Complex at Plot No-SL-01, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, Shri Dharmendra Kumar Sharma., 8331/SIA/UP/INFRA2/446884/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

14. Revision & Expansion of Group Housing Project "Pratiksha" at Plot No. GH-16A, Sector-1, Greater Noida, Shri Rakesh Kumar, M/s Morpheus Developers Private Limited., 8327/7977/SIA/UP/INFRA2/441444/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

15. Residential Group Housing Project "Paloma Grandeur" at Nawabganj, District -Kanpur, Shri Abhishek Agarwal, M/s Paloma Realty LLP., 7407/SIA/UP/INFRA2/408267/2022

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC to defer the matter and the matter will be discussed only after submission of online request on prescribed portal.

16. "Ordinary Soil Excavation Project" at Gata No.-377, Village- Kapasi, Tehsil-Bakshi Ka Talab, Lucknow, Shri Rahul Verma, Area: 1.7500 Ha., 8185/SIA/UP/MIN/442169/2023.

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, **but EC will be issued only after submission of original notarized affidavit between lease holder and land owner**, adding following specific conditions:-

1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or

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current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.

3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted
5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
7. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
10. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
11. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
12. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

17. Sand/Morrum Mining Project on Dhasan River, Gata No. 1419, Khand No. 01, Village- Motikatra, Tehsil- Garautha, District- Jhansi, Shri Sanjeev Kumar Gupta, Area 24.0 Ha., 7831/6687/SIA/UP/MIN/427673/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The



regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing and 703th SEIAA meeting regarding replenishment study, adding following specific conditions: -

1. SEIAA noted that the project proponent/consultant has submitted that Proposed production/year is 3,60,000 cum and Total proposed production in five years is 1,80,000 cum which is erroneous and should be 18,00,000 cum. This shows the casual approach of the consultant in preparing the report and consultant is advised to be more careful in his future endeavours.
2. District Mining Officer shall ensure that if mineable quantity mentioned in LOI is amended as per replenishment study report the project proponent shall seek amended/fresh EC.
3. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhinyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
6. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
7. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 24,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
8. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
9. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
10. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.



11. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
 12. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
 13. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP should carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
 14. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
 15. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
 16. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
 17. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC
 18. Next year the project proponent shall submit online replenishment study report along with 06 monthly compliance report.
18. **"Sand/ Bajri/ Boulder in mix Form (RBM) Mining Project" at Gata No. – 1/1, Village- Rasoolpur Urf Rasooli, Tehsil- Behat & District Saharanpur, Uttar Pradesh, Area 34.0 Ha., 8411/SIA/UP/MIN/450570/2023.**

SEIAA noted that SEAC has commented that the committee discussed the matter and gone through the Hon'ble NGT order dated 08/11/2023 passed in O.A. No. 188/2023 Gaurav Kumar Vs. State of U.P. & Ors. SEAC has recommended to issue the standard terms of reference for the preparation of EIA as annexed at annexure-3 to the minutes, with the remarks that the EC shall be processed after compliance of Hon'ble NGT order dated 08/11/2023. SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for appraisal and recommendation of DSR strictly as per MoEFCC letter no. F. No. L-11011/13/2021-IA-II (M) dated 04.12.2023.

Agenda-B- Minutes of 827th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 24/01/2024

1. **"Building Stone (Sand Stone)" Project at Gata No.- 428 (S.No.-36), Village- Dhuria, Tehsil- Chunar, Mirzapur, Shri Vijay Kumar Singh, Area : 0.646 ha., 8587/SIA/UP/MIN/455605/2023.**

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to issue the standard terms of reference for the preparation of EIA. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that geo-coordinates mentioned in Lol and MoM of the minutes are different. Hence SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit clarification regarding the above.

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2. "Ordinary Earth Mine at Gata No. - 103, Village- Lakhaura, Tehsil- Haidergarh, District- Barabanki, Shri Awadhesh Kumar Yadav, Area- 0.68 Ha., 8589/SIA/UP/MIN/455627/2023.

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, **but EC will be issued only after submission of original notarized affidavit between lease holder and land owner**, adding following specific conditions:-

1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
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5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
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 12. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
3. **Building Stone (Granite), Khanda-Boulder/ Gitti- Ballast Mining Project at Arazi No.- 654/3, Khand No.-07, Village: Goramachhiya, Tehsil: Sadar, District: Jhansi, Smt. Priyanka Seth, Area: 1.214 Ha., 8591/SIA/UP/MIN/455644/2023.**

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 3- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 5- Detailed Mine Reclamation plan and Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat should be submitted along with EIA-EMP.
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.



- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
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- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
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- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
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- 16- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
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- 18- Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for



evaluation.

- 19- Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
 - 20- Project Proponent in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data on six-monthly basis.
 - 21- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
4. **"Sand Stone (Gitti- Patthar, Boulder)" Project at Gata No.- 03 (Khand No.- 09) , Village Garha, Tehsil- Bara, Prayagraj, Smt. Vandana Chaurasia, Area : 3.64 ha., 8593/SIA/UP/MIN/446097/2023.**

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that lease deed was done in 2016 for 10 years and EC was issued by DEIAA in 2018. Now the project proponent has submitted an application for EC with new mine plan of 2022 for 58 months. It is not clear whether mining was done on previous EC or not and for which period new EC is being sought. If mining was done on the basis of EC issued by DEIAA then what was the mined quantity? Whether EC given by DEIAA is being revisited or it is fresh EC. The project proponent should also submit Lol document. SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for review.

5. **Gitti, Boulder,(Dolo Stone) Mining Project at Arazi No./Khasra/Gata No 7572 ka,7564 kha/2, 7546kha,7573 ka/1, 7572kha, Village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil –Obra, District – Sonbhadra, Shri Ramesh Singh, Area 0.9918 Ha., 8595/SIA/UP/MIN/455183/2023.**

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in KML it seems the lease area form a cluster. Hence SEIAA opined that a letter be send to DMO, Sonbhadra to clarify this issue.



6. **"Building Stone (Sand Stone)" Project at Gata No.- 428, Village- Dhuria, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Harilal Prajapati, Area : 1.012 ha., 8597/SIA/UP/MIN/455855/2023.**

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for

ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- The project proponent shall ensure that sanctioned Period of Mine lease is up-to 03.01.2027 as per lease deed.
- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with that mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
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 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.

- c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 14- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
 - 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
 - 16- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
 - 17- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity and in consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepare a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of all water bodies within periphery of 5 km. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
 - 18- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
 - 19- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially in girl's school under CER activities.
 - 20- Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP should carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
 - 21- Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
 - 22- Project Proponent in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data on six-monthly basis.
 - 23- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.



7. **"Ordinary Soil Mining Project" at Gata No.- 314/3, Village- Sunwara, Tehsil- Etawah, District- Etawah, Shri Abhishek Kumar, Area: 1.2750 Ha., 8603/SIA/UP/MIN/455963/2023.**

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, **but EC will be issued only after submission of original notarized affidavit between lease holder and land owner**, adding following specific conditions:-

1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted
5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
7. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.



8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
 9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 10. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
 11. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
 12. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
8. **Earth Mining for Maa Taragare Earth Movers at Gata No.-795 of Village-Dhanauli, Tehsil - Sadabad, District- Hathras, Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Area – 0.3800 Ha., 8607/SIA/UP/MIN/456038/2023.**

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. The project proponent will be responsible in case of any land dispute.
2. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
3. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted



6. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
 7. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 1,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
 8. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
 9. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
 10. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 11. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
 12. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
 13. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
9. **Sand/Morrum Mining Project along River Betwa at Gata No.-208, Khand No -01 at Village -Karthara, Tehsil- Orai, District- Jalaun, M/s Anuradha Construction, Shri Vinod Rai, Area- 6.870 ha., 8611/SIA/UP/MIN/455287/2023.**

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. SEIAA also gone through the orders dated 09.02.2024 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Diary no. 4379/2024 arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 27.04.2023 AN no. 07/ 2022 passed by Hon'ble NGT. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Final order of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Diary no. 4379/2024 shall be binding on Project proponent.

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- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 5- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment's or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
- 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly

approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 7,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.

- 16- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
- 17- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
- 18- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially girl's school under CER activities.
- 19- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

10. Expansion of existing unit from 70mt/day to 280mt/day having production of 89,600 MTA Billets through Electrical/ Induction Furnace at Khasra No.- 140, 141, 144/240, 144/241, 144me, 189 Village – Dumduma, Tehsil Chunar, M/s Maa Mahamaya Alloys Private Limited., 8217/7182/SIA/UP/IND1/443191/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

11. Expansion of Existing Rolling Mill of 100000 MTPA TMT Bar to Production of 200000 MTPA TMT Bar and 264000 MTPA Billets/Ingot/Rolling Mill at Khasra No. 1417/ 1418/ 1420/ 1422 ,Bisrakh Road, Chhapraula, Greater Noida (West), District- Gautam Budh Nagar, Shri Dhananjay Rathi., 8349/7362/SIA/UP/IND1/447654/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

12. Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Gitty) Sandstone mine at Arajai No. /Plot No. Gata No- 680, 677,671,at Village – Sikikalan, Tehsil- Meja, District- Prayagraj, Shri Suresh Kumar Yadav, Area- 4.048 ha., 8033/7424/SIA/UP/MIN/435345/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

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SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. EC is being granted for mining lease area of 3.569 ha as recommended by SEAC. The project proponent will carry out any mining activity under the area in question (0.479 ha) of gata no. 680 and environmental clearance is subject to final decision of civil misc. writ petition no. 32450/2022 Sheela Devi Vs. State of Uttar Pradesh pending at Hon'ble High Court, Allahabad and project proponent shall comply with the order passed by Hon'ble Court.
2. Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
4. Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
5. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
6. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
7. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
8. Mine reclamation plan should be prepared for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
9. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
10. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 5,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
11. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
12. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-

compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.

13. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
14. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
15. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
16. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP should carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
17. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
18. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
19. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
20. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

13. Building Stone or Granite Khanda, Boulder, Ballast (Gitty) Mine in Gata no.- 339 (Khand No. 38) Village- Daharra, Tehsil- Sadar & District- Mahoba, Shri Jitendra Singh Bhadoriya, M/s V.R. Infrabuild India Pvt. Ltd., Area- 1.619 Ha., 8189/SIA/UP/MIN/440122/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

14. Manufacturing Unit for manufacturing Steel and Steel Products (Forgings) at Khasra No. -225 & 226, Masota Road Lakhan, Pilkhuwa, Hapur, Shri R P Garg, M/s Prakash Projects Pvt. Ltd., 8429/7438/SIA/UP/IND1/450705/2023

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to grant EC adding following conditions:-

1. The project proponent shall install air controlling devices submit for controlling secondary emission from induction furnace.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
3. In any case slag shall not be disposed outside the premises.



15. "Sand/ Morrum Mining" Project at Arai No.- 1/1, Village- Pratappura, Tehsil- Garautha, Jhansi, Smt. Aruna Singh, Area : 16.0 ha., 8417/SIA/UP/MIN/450685/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Proposed production per annum shall be as per approved replenishment study report and it should be submitted to SEIAA, UPPCB and IRO, MoEFCC.
- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference, clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 5- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment's or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted

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- a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
- 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 16,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
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- 18- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially girl school under CER activities.
- 19- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
16. "Sand/ Bajri/ Boulder (RBM) Excavation Project" at Gata No. – 1/1, village – Allauddinpur Bans Aht, Tehsil – Behat & District - Saharanpur, Shri Kamaldeep B Pundir, Area 9.580 Ha., 8419/SIA/UP/MIN/450777/2023.

SEIAA noted that SEAC has commented that the committee discussed the matter and gone through the Hon'ble NGT order dated 08/11/2023 passed in O.A. No. 188/2023 Gaurav Kumar Vs. State of U.P. & Ors. SEAC has recommended to issue the standard terms of reference for the preparation of EIA as annexed at annexure-3 to the minutes, with the remarks that the EC shall be processed after compliance of Hon'ble NGT order dated 08/11/2023. SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for appraisal and recommendation of DSR strictly as per MoEFCC letter no. F. No. L-11011/13/2021-IA-II (M) dated 04.12.2023.

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17. "Ordinary Earth Mine" at Khasra/Gata no.- 1287, 1288, 1289 & 1303 Ka, Village- Malha, Tehsil-Malihabad, District- Lucknow, Shri Neeraj Kumar Saini, Area- 1.39 ha., 8017/SIA/UP/MIN/434309/2023.

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted
5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
7. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will

ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.

9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
10. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
11. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
12. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

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1. Group Housing Project "NRI Heights" At Plot No.-1, in Nri City, Mainawati Marg, District-Kanpur, Shri Deepak Mishra., 8608/SIA/UP/INFRA2/456151/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project comes under violation category. SEIAA also gone through OM F. No. IA3-3/4/2024-IA.III (E230791) dated 08.01.2024 which states that:-

5. However, the Hon'ble Supreme Court in W.P (C) no 1394/2023 title Vanashakti vs. Union of India has stayed the operation of both OMs dated 07.07.2021 and 28th January 2022.

Hence SEIAA opined that EC cannot be granted in light of the above and a letter may be send to MoEFCC regarding guideline for disposal of violation cases where ToR has been granted or penalty/ bank guarantee has been submitted by project proponent before the decision of Hon'ble court since such violation cases were being dealt by SEIAA till now as per extant orders and OMs.

2. Sandstone Khanda, Boulder, Gitti Mining Project at Araj No - 188/1 Village- Lahaura, Tehsil-Chunar, District-Mirzapur, Shri Hemant Singh, Area - 1.47 Ha., 8610/7909/SIA/UP/MIN/456249/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

3. Gitti, Boulder (Sandstone) Mining Project At Araj No.-295/1/2 (Khand-2) Village-Sukrit, Tehsil-Robertsganj, District- Sonbhadra, Shri Ashwani Kumar Mishra, Area 1.8210 Ha., 8612/7930/SIA/UP/MIN/456322/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

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SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier After this period the EC will become null and void.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
3. Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
4. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
6. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
7. Mine reclamation plan should be prepared for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
8. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
9. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
10. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
12. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.



13. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
 14. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
 15. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
 16. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
 17. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
 18. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
 19. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC
4. Khanda-Boulder/ Gitti (Dolostone) Mine at Gata No.- 5471, 5472 ka., 5424, 5425, 5426, 5427 ka., 5428, 5429, Village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil- Obra, District- Sonbhadra, Shri Arun Kumar, Area 2.02 ha., 8614/SIA/UP/MIN/456397/2023.
- SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC that the complaint letter dated 15/01/2024 of Shri Rafat Ali, Advocate, Allahabad High Court, Chamber No. 25, District- Prayagraj, U.P along with annexure should be sent to District Magistrate, Prayagraj to provide factual report on the issues raised in complaint letter.
5. "Morrum Mining Project" on the riverbed of River Betwa at Khand No. - 25/17, Village- Ichchaura Jhitkari, Tehsil- Sarila & District- Hamirpur, Shri Rasmeet Singh Malhotra, Area- 12.145 ha., 8616/SIA/UP/MIN/456415/2023.
- SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.
6. "Morrum Mining Project" on the riverbed of River Betwa at Khand No.- 22/6, Village Rirua Basariya, Tehsil- Sarila & District- Hamirpur, Shri Chandershekhar Chaurasia, Area 23.0 ha., 8618/SIA/UP/MIN/456422/2023.
- SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

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7. Building stone (Khanda, Gitty, Boulder, Red Morrum) Mining Project in Gata No-715, Khand No-22, at Village - Gonda, Tehsil-Karwi, District- Chitrakoot, Shri Santosh Kumar, M/s Santosh Kumar Contractor, Area- 2.0240 ha., 8620/SIA/UP/MIN/456465/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 3- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with that mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 5- Detailed Mine Reclamation plan and Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat should be submitted along with EIA-EMP.
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.



- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
 - 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
 - 14- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 3,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
 - 15- The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
 - 16- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
 - 17- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially girl school under CER activities.
 - 18- Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
 - 19- Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
 - 20- Project Proponent in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data on six-monthly basis.
 - 21- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
8. **"Sand/Morrum Mining" on the riverbed of Betwa River at Gata No.- 596 Khand No.- 01, Village- Basrehi, Tehsil- Kalpi, District- Jalaun, Shri Balwant Singh, M/s Parihar Construction Partner, Area- 16.194 ha., 8622/SIA/UP/MIN/456527/2023.**

SEIAA gone through the order dated 09.02.2024 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Diary no. 4379/2024 arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated

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27.04.2023 AN no. 07/ 2022 passed by NGT. The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for ToR had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of ToR by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts ToR is being granted to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Final order of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Diary no. 4379/2024 shall be binding on Project proponent.
- 2- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 3- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 4- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with that mentioned in DSR and Lol. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and Lol.
- 5- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipment's or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 10- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 11- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
 - (i) If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
 - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.



- c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
- 15- Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 17,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
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- 17- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.
- 18- The project proponent shall submit along with EIA the details of School in the vicinity of project area in which rooftop solar plant, toilets will be constructed specially girl school under CER activities.
- 19- These TORs shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.
9. Building Stone/Sand Stone Mine at Gata No.- 533क, Village- Rampur Saktegarh, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Rahul Singh, Area 2.023 ha., 8624/7658/SIA/UP/MIN/453736/2023.
- SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC to defer the matter and the matter will be discussed only after submission of online request on prescribed portal.
10. "Building Stone or Granite Khanda, Boulder, Ballast (Gitty) at Gata/Arazi No-339 (Khand no.-37), Village- Daharra, Tehsil- Sadar & District- Mahoba, Shri Jitendra Singh Bhadoriya, M/s V.R. Infrabuild India Pvt. Ltd., Area - 1.619 ha., 8626/7858/SIA/UP/MIN/456790/2023.
- SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

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11. "Sand / Bajri / Boulder (RBM) Mining Project" at Gata No. 1, located in village Akbarpur Bans Aht, Tehsil – Behat, Saharanpur, Shri Rajendra Kumar, Area 17.90 Ha., 8396/SIA/UP/MIN/450259/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

12. "Sand / Bajri / Boulder (RBM) Mining Project" at Gata No.-1/1 M, Village-Aslampur Bartha khand-2, Tehsil Behat & District Saharanpur, Shri J.K Singhal, Area 28.16 Ha., 8398/SIA/UP/MIN/450286/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

13. "Building Stone Gitti/ Boulder (Sand Stone)" Project at Gata No.- 295/1/2 (Khand No.- 03), Village- Sukrit, Tehsil- Robertsganj, Sonbhadra, Shri Ajay Kumar Singh, M/s A.K.S. Highway Projects Pvt. Ltd., Area : 1.8210 ha., 8296/7720/SIA/UP/MIN/445619/2023.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines and leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, adding following specific conditions:-

1. The project proponent shall submit steps taken for reclamation of abandoned mines in 06 monthly compliance report.
2. Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
4. Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
5. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
6. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.



7. Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
8. Mine reclamation plan should be prepared for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
9. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
10. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
11. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
12. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
13. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
14. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
15. **Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.**
16. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
17. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
18. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
19. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.

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20. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC

14. Ordinary Earth Excavation/Mining project at Gata No.-498 in Village: Kathwara, Tehsil: Bakshi Ka Talab, District- Lucknow, Shri Pramod Singh., (Leased Area: 0.759 Ha.), 8404/SIA/UP/MIN/450468/2023.

As per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted to the title proposal.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing, **but EC will be issued only after submission of original notarized affidavit between lease holder and land owner**, adding following specific conditions:-

1. If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate.
2. Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the Lol has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
3. A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted
5. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
6. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or district plantation committee, for planting at least 1,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.



7. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity.
8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
10. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
11. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
12. This EC shall be subject to any order from any court/tribunal or any guidelines issued by MOEFCC.

Agenda – D- Reply

1. **Proposed commercial complex at Plot No.- 08, Sushant Golf City, Ansal API, Tehsil – Sarojini Nagar, District Lucknow, U.P. developed by M/s Urbanac Developers & Co. File no- 8346.**

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in the 790th meeting in which SEIAA found that fire NoC is given in the name of Chinmay whereas EC is applied for Urbanac Developers. Further the project proponent was asked to submit layout plan mentioning the location of STP and discharge point details, agreement between project proponent and Ansal Water supply for fresh water. The project proponent has submitted his reply vide letter dated 19.11.2023 but reply is not satisfactory. Hence SEIAA opined that the project proponent should submit relevant and complete information. The project proponent has submitted his reply vide letter dated 03.02.2024. SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall seek and submit fire NoC within one month. The EC is granted but shall be issued only on submission of fire NOC.

2. **Proposed "Novotel Hotel" project at Khasra No.- 2021, 2041 Mauza Basai Mustkil, Tajganj, Tehsil & District: Agra. U.P. by M/s Pyramid Estates Private Limited. File no- 8422.**

SEIAA noted the above project was taken in its 793th meeting in which it was opined that reply from project proponent shall be sent to UPPCB for comments on category of the project. UPPCB vide letter dated 29.02.2024 has sent categorization of industries. The CPCB vide letter no.8-29016/ROGW/IPC-VI/2020-21 dated 30.04.2020 has categorized hotels as non-industry category. In present case the waste water discharge is more than 100 KLD but because hotels are non- industry so this may not be treated as "Red" category of industry. However suitable conditions are being imposed on the project proponent to ensure the boilers and gensets are using fuels which will not cause air pollution. In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and

specific conditions as suggested by SEAC. In addition to the conditions imposed by SEAC, SEIAA added following additional specific conditions:-

- 1- Any order of any Court of law shall be binding on Project proponent.
- 2- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of solar power plant and solar electrification details within the project.
- 3- The project proponent shall ensure to plant broad leaf trees and their maintenance. The CPCB guidelines in this regard shall be followed.
- 4- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details on quantification of year wise CER activities along with cost and other details. The CER activities should be related to mitigation of Environmental Pollution and awareness for the same like water harvesting pits and carbon sequestration parks / designed ecosystems .At least one school in the vicinity of project area should be provided with rooftop solar plant, toilets in public place or in school of nearby villages and if there is a girl's school then girls toilet properly equipped with overhead water tank should be constructed.
- 5- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of estimated construction waste generated during the construction period and its management plan.
- 6- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of segregation plan of MSW.
- 7- The project proponent shall ensure that waste water is properly treated in STP and maximum amount should be reused for gardening flushing system and washing etc. For reuse of water for irrigation sprinkler and drip irrigation system shall be installed and maintained for proper function. The waste water should not be discharged in any water body. Part of the treated sewage, if discharged to sewer line, shall meet the prescribed standards for the discharge.
- 8- Under any circumstances untreated sewage shall not be discharged to municipal sewer line.
- 9- The project proponent will ensure that proper dust control arrangements are made during construction and proper display board is installed at the site to inform the public the steps taken to control air pollution as per air act 1981 (as amended) and the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, CAQM guidelines.
- 10- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam,2023 and submit before the start of work.
- 11- If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 12- Provision for charging of electric vehicles as per the guidelines of GoI / GoUP should be submitted within the next 3 months.
- 13- PP should display EC granted to them on their website. 6-monthly compliance report should be displayed on their website and to be given every six month to residents / occupants of the building.


- 14- EC is granted with the condition that EC is valid only for the building plan which has been submitted by PP for seeking EC. In case approved building plan is different from the one submitted for seeking EC then this EC will stand null and void.
 - 15- The project proponent shall install organic bio converter.
 - 16- Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
3. Proposed CBTWF in Muzzafarnagar at Khasra No.- 539/3, Village- Makhiyali, District- Muzafarnagar, U.P., M/s Rudra Waste Management (P) Ltd. File no- 5832 .
SEIAA noted the above project was taken in its 732th meeting in which it was noted that clear gap analysis has not been submitted only information obtained through RTI has been forwarded. Hence SEIAA opined that a letter shall be send to UPPCB for clear gap analysis report.
4. Appeal no- 06/2022 (IA No- 29/2022) Prabhakar Rai & ors. Union of India.
SEIAA gone through the order dated 06.02.2024 of NGT in Appeal no- 06/2022 (IA No- 29/2022) Prabhakar Rai & ors. Union of India, which states that:-
".... 3 In view of the facts and circumstances of the case we consider response of SEIAA, Uttar Pradesh, CPCB and UPPCB to the observations made in the report of the Joint Committee to be essential for just and proper adjudication of the question involved in the case. UPPCB is also directed to provide information about other CBWTF established in residential area and also as to adverse environmental impact of the same if any reported...."
SEIAA gone through the report of the joint committee received in the office vide letter no. H98915/C6/Gen658/ 06/2022 (IA No- 29/2022) dated 07.08.2023 and accepted the report of the joint committee.

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