

Minutes of the sixty-eighth meeting of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, West Bengal held on March 1, 2023 at 14:00 hr at the Conference Room, Paribesh Bhawan, Bidhannagar.

The 68th meeting of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), West Bengal was held on 01.03.2023 at 14:00 hr at the Conference Room, Paribesh Bhawan, Bidhan Nagar. The following members participated:

1)	Dr. Rajesh Kumar, IPS	Secretary, SEAC	Present
2)	Dr. Ashit Kumar Mukherjee	Chairman, SEAC	Present through VC
3)	Dr. Nilangshu Bhusan Basu	Member, SEAC	Present
4)	Prof. (Dr.) Pradip Kumar Sikdar	Member, SEAC	Present
5)	Prof. (Dr.) Aniruddha Mukhopadhyay	Member, SEAC	Present
6)	Prof. (Dr.) Indranath Sinha	Member, SEAC	Present
7)	Shri Shubhendu Bandyopadhyay	Member, SEAC	Present

1) TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS:-

1.1) For Terms of Reference

1.1.1) Mining of Minerals

A. Proposed Keotsa Sand Mine over an area of 3.00 ha (7.41 Acres) on River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 445(P), 662(P)/ JL No.: 88, Mouza: Keotsa, P.S. Mongalkote, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74557/2022
Project Proponent -	Munshi Md. Hasanuzzaman.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining at the MONGALKOTE/KEOTSA/444(P)&OTHS2/D sand block over an extent of 3.00 ha (7.41 Acres) on River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 445(P), 662(P)/ JL No.: 88, Mouza: Keotsa, P.S. Mongalkote, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 05.11.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan that there is total mineable sand reserve is 72300 m³ while the total geological reserves is 90000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.

- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Terms of Reference and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 18.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Purba Bardhaman district. Therefore, the SEAC **recommended** issuance of **Standard Terms of Reference** for EIA preparation for the project with the following additional conditions :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Purba Bardhaman, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 4) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 5) Need-based EMP, prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc.) may also be uploaded.
 - 6) Study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The PP shall, – while applying for environmental clearance, upload in the PARIVESH portal, the EIA/EMP report along with the documents/ submissions/ clarifications sought above.

- B. Proposed Gopiballavpur - I Sand Block MGB – 143 over an area of 4.0 ha (9.38 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 786 (P), J.L. No. 36, Village – Janaghati, Mouza – Janaghati, Post – Janaghati, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74825/2022

Project Proponent -

M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh).

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining at the MGB 143 sand block over an extent of 4.0 ha (9.38 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 786 (P), J.L. No. 36, Village – Janaghati, Mouza – Janaghati, Post – Janaghati, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan that there is total mineable sand reserve is 64000 m³ while the total geological reserves is 64000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Terms of Reference and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 06.04.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that major portion of the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol, properly approved mine plan and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

C. Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 150 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74820/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh).
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining at the MGB-150 sand block over an extent of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 80000 m³ and geological reserve is 80000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has not uploaded properly approved Mine Plan.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Terms of Reference and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 06.04.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. But since the PP has not submitted requisite mandatory documents, therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Paschim Medinipur, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 4) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted.
 - 5) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 6) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 7) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall

be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.

- 8) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
- 9) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

Once the PP's responses on the above queries are uploaded on the "PARIVESH" portal, the SEAC will consider the case further.

D. Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 151 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74818/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh).
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining at the MGB – 151 Sand Block over an extent of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 80000 m³ and geological reserve is 80000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Terms of Reference and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 05.04.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. But since the PP has not submitted requisite mandatory documents, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Paschim Medinipur, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 4) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted.
 - 5) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 6) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 7) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 - 8) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
 - 9) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

Once the PP's responses on the above queries are uploaded on the "PARIVESH" portal, the SEAC will consider the case further.

- E. **Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 153 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1501 (p), J.L. No. 39, Village – Kanchanpur, Mouza – Kanchanpur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74786/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Diljot Singh Sabharwal.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MGB – 153 Sand Block over an extent of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1501 (p), J.L. No. 39, Village – Kanchanpur, Mouza – Kanchanpur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 80000 m³ and geological reserve is 80000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The plot area mentioned in the Lol and the approved Mine Plan is in a mismatch.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 05.04.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. But since the PP has not submitted all the requisite mandatory documents. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Paschim Medinipur, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of

production) onwards may be reestimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.

- 4) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
- 5) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
- 6) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
- 7) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
- 8) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
- 9) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

Once the PP's responses on the above queries are uploaded on the "PARIVESH" portal, the SEAC will consider the case further.

F. Proposed River Bed Sand Mining over an area of 4.74 ha on River Gheesh at Plot No.- 1,2,3,4 & 79,80,103, JL. No.- 20, 12, Mouza-Oodlabari, Uttar Phulbari, P.S- Mal, Dist- Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74654/2022

Project Proponent -

Md. Afajuddin Sarkar.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining over an area of 4.74 ha on River Gheesh at Plot No.- 1,2,3,4 & 79,80,103, JL. No.- 20, 12, Mouza-Oodlabari, Uttar Phulbari, P.S- Mal, Dist- Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 22752 m³ and geological reserve is 47400 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.
- **The validity of the Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan has expired.**

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jalpaiguri district. But since the PP has not submitted requisite mandatory documents, therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Jalpaiguri, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 4) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
 - 5) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 6) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 7) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land

with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.

- 8) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
- 9) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

Once the PP's responses on the above queries are uploaded on the "PARIVESH" portal, the SEAC will consider the case further.

- G. Proposed Keotsa Sand Mine over an area of 3.52 ha (8.71 acres) on the River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 647(P), 648(P), 649(P), 650(P), 651(P), 652(P), 653(P), 654(P), 656(P), 657(P), 659(P), 662(P), JL No.: 88, Mouza- Keotsa, P.S.- Mongalkote, District-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74652/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Raikamal Chakraborty.

Environmental Consultant -

**M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management
Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.**

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MANGALKOTE/KEOTSA/444(P)& OTHS 12/C Sand Block over an extent of 3.52 ha (8.71 acres) on the River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 647(P), 648(P), 649(P), 650(P), 651(P), 652(P), 653(P), 654(P), 656(P), 657(P), 659(P), 662(P), JL No.: 88, Mouza- Keotsa, P.S.- Mongalkote, District-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 05.11.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 89400 m³ and geological reserve is 105600 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of original and valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Purba Bardhaman district. Therefore, the SEAC **recommended** issuance of **Standard Terms of Reference** for EIA preparation for the project with the following additional conditions :-
 1. Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 2. Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 3. Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Purba Bardhaman, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 4. A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
 5. Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 6. A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 7. A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 8. A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
 9. A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The PP shall, – while applying for environmental clearance, upload in the PARIVESH portal, the EIA/EMP report along with the documents/ submissions/ clarifications sought above.

All the documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

- H. **Proposed Naga Tentul Sand Mine over an area of 3.97 ha (9.82 Acres) on the River Dwarkeswar at Plot No: 1963(P), 1962(P), 1924, 1926, 1925, 1922, 1921, 1920, 1935(P), 1958(P), 1929(P), 1930, 2644(P), 2697(P), 1816(P) 1815(P), 1824(P), 1825(P) J.L. No.-131, Mouza: Naga Tentul, P.S.- Indus, District: Bankura, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74645/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Krishna Som

of M/s. New Kalimata Sand Supply.

Environmental Consultant -

Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of 0122DR021 Sand Block over an extent of 3.97 ha (9.82 Acres) on the River Dwarkeswar at Plot No: 1963(P), 1962(P), 1924, 1926, 1925, 1922, 1921, 1920, 1935(P), 1958(P), 1929(P), 1930, 2644(P), 2697(P), 1816(P) 1815(P), 1824(P), 1825(P) J.L. No.-131, Mouza: Naga Tentul, P.S.- Indus, District: Bankura, West Bengal.
- The Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan uploaded by the PP in the portal is not approved / certified by the competent authority. Moreover, the PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the cardinal geo-coordinates of the proposed project area (reported in the approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan) when plotted, show that entire plot area **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Bankura district. Also, the PP has not uploaded (i) approved Mine Plan, (ii) valid Lol and (iii) cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project at this stage. However, the PP may approach

with revised and approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents showing that the project area falls within the potential mining zone of the approved DSR of Bankura district.

I. Proposed Simuliya Sand Mine over an area of 2.04 ha (5.04 Acres) on River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 442(P), 443(P), 488(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74632/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Madan Mohan Mondal.
Environmental Consultant -	Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining over an area of 2.04 ha (5.04 Acres) on the River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 442(P), 443(P), 488(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 15.12.2016 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 49200 m³ per annum and total geological reserve is 61200 m³ per annum.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded a copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Birbhum district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

- J. **Proposed Simuliya Sand Mine over an area of 4.66 ha (11.48 Acres) on the River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 443(P), 452(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, WB.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74636/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Madan Mohan Mandal.

Environmental Consultant -

Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of BIR/MD BAZAR/SIMULIYA/030/2016 Sand Block over an extent of 4.66 ha (11.48 Acres) on River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 443(P), 452(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 15.12.2016 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 117057 m³ per annum and total geological reserve is 139800 m³ per annum.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Birbhum district. Also, the PP has not uploaded (a) valid Lol and (b) cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

- K. **Proposed Amirpur Sand Mine over an area of 3.48 ha (8.59 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No: 735, J.L. No.-85, Mouza –Amirpur, P.S.- Burdwan, Dist –Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74633/2022

Project Proponent -

M/s. K90 Prop Deal Pvt. Ltd.

Environmental Consultant -

Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of BWN-II/AMIRPUR/735/C Sand Block over an extent of 3.48 ha (8.59 Acres) on the River Damodar at Plot No: 735, J.L. No.-85, Mouza –Amirpur, P.S.- Burdwan, Dist –Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 85500 m³ and the geological reserve is 104400 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the **major portion of the plot area** for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Purba Bardhaman district. Also, the PP has not uploaded (a) valid Lol and (b) cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC) decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project at this stage. However, the PP may approach with revised and approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents showing that the project area falls within the potential mining zone of the approved DSR of Purba Bardhaman district.

If and when the Project Proponent applies afresh fulfilling the aforementioned requirements, the SEAC will reconsider the proposal.

- L. **Proposed Patharhira Part – I Sand Block over an area of 4.32 ha (1.75 Acre) on the Chenga River at Plot No: - 363(P), 366(P), 367(P), 368(P), 373(P), 374(P), Mouza- Patharhira, J.L. No-25, P.S – Phasidewa. District: - Darjeeling, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74629/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Pradip Arora of M/s. Falcon Abasan Pvt. Ltd.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining over an extent of 4.32 ha (1.75 Acre) on the Chenga River at Plot No: - 363(P), 366(P), 367(P), 368(P), 373(P), 374(P), Mouza-Patharhira, JL. No-25, P.S – Phasidewa. District: - Darjeeling, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 11200 m³ and geological reserve of 17500 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The accredited consultant appearing for the presentation along with the PP is M/s. RSP Green Development & Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. However, all the documents uploaded in the portal are in the name of M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited which is also a NABET accredited consultant.
- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Darjeeling district. Also, the PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

M. Proposed Guabari Part – I Sand Block over an area of 2.13 ha (5.261 acres) on the Dumuria River at Plot No: 268, 291 - 293, 296, 297 (F), J. L. No: 69, Mouza: Guabari, P.S-Khoribari, Dist - Darjeeling, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74621/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Pradip Arora of M/s. Falcon Abasan Pvt. Ltd.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Guabari Part – I Sand Block over an extent of 2.13 ha (5.261 acres) on the Dumuria River at Plot No: 268, 291 - 293, 296, 297 (F), J. L. No: 69, Mouza: Guabari, P.S-Khoribari, Dist - Darjeeling, West Bengal.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 28.02.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 12780 of sand and geological reserve of 31950 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The accredited consultant appearing for the presentation along with the PP is M/s. RSP Green Development & Laboratories Pvt. Ltd. However, all the documents uploaded in the portal are in the name of M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited which is also a NABET accredited consultant.
- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Darjeeling district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

- N. Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 34 over an area of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) on the River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1869 (p), J.L. No. 248, Village – Kuliana, Mouza – Kuliana, PO – Malincha, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal, Pin – 721 517.**

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/74626/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Animesh Senapati.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 34 over an extent of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) on the River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1869 (p), J.L. No. 248, Village – Kuliana, Mouza – Kuliana, PO – Malincha, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal, Pin – 721 517.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 25.03.2022 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 76760 m³ and geological reserve is 100000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jhargram district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

O. Proposed Jujuti Sand Mine over an area of 3.69 ha (9.12 Acres) on River the Damodar at Plot No: 951(P), 1101(P), J.L. No.-123, Mouza: Jujuti, P.S. Galsi, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/74598/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Mukunda Mohan Khan.

Environmental Consultant -

Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of GALSI – II/JUJUTI/951(P), 1101(P)/A Sand Block over an extent of 3.69 ha (9.12 Acres) on the River Damodar at Plot No: 951(P), 1101(P), J.L. No.-123, Mouza: Jujuti, P.S. Galsi, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 31.01.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 88560 m³ and geological reserve is 110700 m³.

- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no litigation pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the ToR presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the entire plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Purba Bardhaman district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project.

1.2) For Environmental Clearance

A. Proposed Malyan Sand Mine over an area of 1.55 ha (3.83 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at Plot No: 68(P) & 69(P), JL No.: 625, Mouza: Malyan, P.S.-Keshpur, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.

Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/261651/2022

Project Proponent - Shri Sitesh Dhara.

Environmental Consultant - M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MKB-18 Sand Block over an extent of 1.55 ha (3.83 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at Plot No: 68(P) & 69(P), JL No.: 625, Mouza: Malyan, P.S.-Keshpur, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' prepared for riverbed sand mining at the site by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 31.01.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is total mineable sand reserve of 22000 m³ and geological reserve is 31000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**

- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 23.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

B. Proposed Chakdaulat Sand Mine over an area of 1.47 ha (3.63 Acres) on River Kangshabati at Plot No: 324 (P), JL No.: 285, Mouza: Chakdaulat, P.S.- Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.**Proposal No.****SIA/WB/MIN/261297/2022****Project Proponent -****Mr. Iyamin Mondal.****Environmental Consultant -****M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.*****Activities:***

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MSB-73 Sand Block over an extent of 1.47 ha (3.63 Acres) on River Kangshabati at Plot No: 324 (P), JL No.: 285, Mouza: Chakdaulat, P.S.- Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 16.09.2020 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve is 23200 m³ and the geological reserve of sand is 29400 m³.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 23.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall completely within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. Also, **the PP has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered. However, the PP may approach with revised and approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents showing that the project area falls within the potential mining zone of the approved DSR of Paschim Medinipur district.

C. Proposed Raghunathpur Sand Mine over an area of 4.89 ha (12.08 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at Plot No: 1041(P), 1003(P) & 1002(P), JL No.: 271, Mouza: Raghunathpur, P.S.-Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/261200/2022

Project Proponent -

Sk. Rejabul.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MSB-70 Sand Block over an extent of 4.89 ha (12.08 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at Plot No: 1041(P), 1003(P) & 1002(P), JL No.: 271, Mouza: Raghunathpur, P.S.-Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 19.11.2019 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 75050 m³ and geological reserve of 92910m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 23.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the **major portion of the plot area** for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered at this stage. However, the PP may approach with revised and approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents mentioning that the project area falls within the potential zone of the approved DSR of Paschim Medinipur district.

D. Proposed MIN_APD_22 Sand Mine over an area of 1.07 ha on Turturi River at Plot No. 700, 701, 702, 703, 705, 706, 710, J.L No.-109, Mouza: Dangi, P.S. Alipurduar II, District: Alipurduar, West Bengal.

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/415157/2023

Project Proponent -

M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MIN_APD_22 Sand Block over an extent of 1.07 ha on Turturi River at Plot No. 700, 701, 702, 703, 705, 706, 710, J.L No.-109, Mouza: Dangi, P.S. Alipurduar II, District: Alipurduar, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 13.01.2023 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 77905 m³ and geological reserve of 132316 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 20.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Alipurduar district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Alipurduar, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be reestimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 3) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
 - 4) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 5) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 6) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 - 7) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc.) may also be uploaded.
 - 8) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

- 9) It appears that the proposed mine falls within 10 km from the periphery of a National Park/ Sanctuary/ Eco-Sensitive Zone/ Protected Area. As such the PP shall, – in compliance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's order in I.A. No. 460 of 2004, obtain a no objection certificate from the Standing Committee of National Board of Wild Life (NBWL) and upload a copy of the same.

All the documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

E. Proposed MIN_BNK_48 Sand Mine over an area of 4.53 ha on the Dwarakeswar River at Mouza: Ektarpur J.L. No.: 208, Plot No.: 594, Mouza: Bahulara J.L. No.: 211, Plot No.: 1, Mouza: Vetiarra, J.L. No.: 212, Plot No.: 323/714, P.S: Onda, District: Bankura, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/417079/2023
Project Proponent -	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MIN_BNK_48 Sand Block over an extent of 4.53 ha on the Dwarakeswar River at Mouza: Ektarpur J.L. No.: 208, Plot No.: 594, Mouza: Bahulara J.L. No.: 211, Plot No.: 1, Mouza: Vetiarra, J.L. No.: 212, Plot No.: 323/714, P.S: Onda, District: Bankura, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 02.02.2023 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 242088.244 m³ and geological reserve of 467496 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 13.02.2023.

- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Bankura district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 1. Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 2. Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Bankura, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 3. A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
 4. Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 5. A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 6. A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 7. A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
 8. A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

All the documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

F. Proposed WB_BIR_AJ_A2_A Sand Mine over an area of 4.69 ha on the Ajay River at Plot No: 342/363, 431/855, J.L. No. - 91, 92, Mouza: Brajadihi & Jamalpur, P.S.: Khairasole, District: Birbhum, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/415621/2023
Project Proponent -	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of WB_BIR_AJ_A2_A Sand Block over an extent of 4.69 ha on the Ajay River at Plot No: 342/363, 431/855, J.L. No. - 91, 92, Mouza: Brajadihi & Jamalpur, P.S.: Khairasole, District: Birbhum, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 09.01.2023 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 393354.48 m³ and geological reserve of 479177.2 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 16.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Birbhum district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Birbhum, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.

- 3) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
- 4) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
- 5) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
- 6) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
- 7) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
- 8) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

All the documents should be duly signed by the project proponent and environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

G. Proposed Radhakantapur Sand Mine (MIN_BNK_44_A) over an area of 4.95 ha on the Damodar River at Mouza: Pakhanna, Plot No. -897, J.L No. -58; Mouza: Gopalpur, Plot No. - 113, J.L No. -59, Mouza: Radhakantapur, Plot No. -513, J.L No. -60; P.S. Barjora, District: Bankura, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/418357/2023
Project Proponent -	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MIN_BNK_44_A Sand Block over an extent of 4.95 ha on the Damodar River at Mouza: Pakhanna, Plot No. -897, J.L No. -58; Mouza: Gopalpur, Plot No. - 113, J.L No. -59, Mouza: Radhakantapur, Plot No. -513, J.L No. -60; P.S. Barjora, District: Bankura, West Bengal.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 02.02.2023 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 468777.6 m³ and geological reserve of 584496 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 17.02.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Bankura district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Bankura, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 3) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted. There should not be any mismatch of data in the Lol and the Mining Plan.
 - 4) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 5) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 6) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If

no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.

- 7) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
- 8) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

All the documents should be duly signed both by the project proponent and the environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

H. Proposed river bed sand mining project over an area of 4.80 ha (11.86 Acres) on the Chel River at Mouza- Odlabari, Paschim Damdim, RS Plot No.- 1183 (Part), 13, 16, 17 (All Part), J.L. No.-20, 39, P.S.- Mal, Dist-Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264679/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Utpal Paul.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of 2016_DMJWB_101 Sand Block over an extent of 4.80 ha (11.86 Acres) on the Chel River at Mouza- Odlabari, Paschim Damdim, RS Plot No.- 1183 (Part), 13, 16, 17 (All Part), J.L. No.-20, 39, P.S.- Mal, Dist-Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 30.03.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 69120 m³ and geological reserve of 144000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.01.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jalpaiguri district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Jalpaiguri, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 3) A properly revised Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan, duly approved by the competent authority must be submitted.
 - 4) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 5) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 6) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 - 7) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
 - 8) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at

least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.

The PP shall deposit one time processing fee as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal and upload the paid challan in the PARIVESH Portal.

All the documents should be duly signed by the project proponent and environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

I. Proposed Bakulia Sand Mine over an area of 4.56 ha (11.27 acre) on the Damodar River at J.L. No.- 44, Plot No.- 46 (P), Vill/Mouza – Bakulia, District- Bankura, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/265291/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. Amrit Vintrade Pvt. Ltd.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of 0104DMO06 Sand Block over an area of 4.56 ha (11.27 acre) on the Damodar River at J.L. No.- 44, Plot No.- 46 (P), Vill/Mouza – Bakulia, District- Bankura, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 18.05.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 109569 m³ and geological reserve of 136920 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the presentation made by the PP, the committee observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Bankura district. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration :-
 - 1) Cluster certificate from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 2) Original Lol along with all subsequent letters of validity-extension from the competent authority should be submitted.
 - 3) Taking into consideration the replenishment rates reported in the approved DSR for Bankura, both geological and mining reserves for second year (of production) onwards may be re-estimated and the annual production levels may be modified accordingly.
 - 4) Means of access and egress between the embankment and the sand quarry may be clearly earmarked. The Project Proponent must commit that no hard toping or paving of any haulage route within the riverbed will be attempted.
 - 5) A plan on management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stock piling should be submitted.
 - 6) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project being a riverbed project afforestation/ vegetation should be attempted alongside the village roads or other public land. This may be done with prior approval of the local self governing bodies. If no public land is available for the purpose the Project Proponent shall arrange for land with his personal means. To enhance success/ survival rate the plantation shall be attempted during the first two years of the project life and the plantation so done shall be taken care of during the rest of the project life.
 - 7) A need-based EMP may be prepared in accordance with the MoEF&CC Office Memorandum F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020. Record of communications made in this regard with the identified/ intended beneficiaries (schools/ institutions etc) may also be uploaded.
 - 8) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs may be submitted. It should be committed that mining will be done at least 1m above the base flow level. Accordingly, if required, the excavation plan may also be revised.
 - 9) The PP shall deposit one time processing fee as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal and upload the paid challan in the PARIVESH Portal.

All the documents should be duly signed by the project proponent and environmental consultant.

The SEAC will further consider the case on submission of satisfactory reply on the above-mentioned queries only through "PARIVESH" portal.

- J. Proposed Nembutari Sand Mine over an area of 0.696 ha (1.72 Acres) on the Balason River at Plot No. 24, 26, 28, 30 & 31, JL No.- 86, Mouza- Nimbutari, P.S. – Phansidewa, Dist. – Darjeeling, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/265090/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. Vivek Associates.
Environmental Consultant -	Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Nembutari Sand Block over an extent of 0.696 ha (1.72 Acres) on the Balason River at Plot No. 24, 26, 28, 30 & 31, JL No.- 86, Mouza- Nimbutari, P.S. – Phansidewa, Dist. – Darjeeling, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 23.04.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 5289.6 m³ and geological reserve of 6960 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 31.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The PP did not appear before the SEAC for EC presentation. The SEAC decided that the PP should explain the reasons for his absence. If the reasons are found to be acceptable and satisfactory, the PP may be allowed to present his case in a subsequent meeting. On being so allowed the PP may appear for the presentation along with the NABET accredited consultant engaged by him.

- K. Proposed Tashuli Sand Mine over an area of 1.72 ha (4.25 Acres) on the River Damodar at Plot No: 628(P), 629(P), 868(P), J.L. No.- 28, Mouza: Tashuli, P.S. Patrasayar, District: Bankura, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264975/2022
Project Proponent -	Molla Abdul Odud.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Tashuli Sand Block over an area of 1.72 ha (4.25 Acres) on the River Damodar at Plot No: 628(P), 629(P), 868(P), J.L. No.- 28, Mouza: Tashuli, P.S. Patrasayar, District: Bankura, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 39900 m³ and geological reserve of 51600 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 30.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The PP did not appear before the SEAC for EC presentation. The SEAC decided that the PP should explain the reasons for his absence. If the reasons are found to be acceptable and satisfactory, the PP may be allowed to present his case in a subsequent meeting. On being so allowed the PP may appear for the presentation along with the NABET accredited consultant engaged by him.

- L. Proposed Bishnupur Sand Mine over an area of 0.48 ha (1.17 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at plot no: 317(P), J.L. No.-45, Mouza: Bishnupur, P.S. Debra, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264948/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Rakesh Singh.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Environmental Research and Analysis.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MDB-18 Sand Block over an area of 0.48 ha (1.17 Acres) on the River Kangshabati at plot no: 317(P), J.L. No.-45, Mouza: Bishnupur, P.S. Debra, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 25.03.2022 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 7040 m³ and geological reserve of 10560 m³.
- The **Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan uploaded by the PP in the portal is not approved / certified** by the competent authority.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 30.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Medinipur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded approved Mine Plan, valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

M. Proposed Lakkhikantapur Sand Mine over an area of 0.69 ha (1.70 Acres) on the River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 1821(P), J.L. No.-96, Mouza: Lakkhikantapur, P.S. Kandi, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal.

Proposal No.

SIA/WB/MIN/264710/2022

Project Proponent -

Shri Tapan Mondal.

Environmental Consultant -

M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of LAKKHIKANTAPUR 04; 2018_WB_851 Sand Block over an area of 0.69 ha (1.70 Acres) on the River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 1821(P), J.L. No.-96, Mouza: Lakkhikantapur, P.S. Kandi, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal.

- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. It is mentioned in the Mining Plan that the total mineable sand reserve of 5400 m³ and geological reserve of 12420 m³.
- The Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan uploaded by the PP in the portal is not approved / certified by the competent authority.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 30.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The PP did not appear before the SEAC for EC presentation. The SEAC decided that the PP should explain the reasons for his absence. If the reasons are found to be acceptable and satisfactory, the PP may be allowed to present his case in a subsequent meeting. On being so allowed the PP may appear for the presentation along with the NABET accredited consultant engaged by him.

N. Proposed Jadavpur Sand Mine over an area of 1.26 ha (0.51Acres) on the River Brahmani at Plot No: 19(P), J.L. No.-12, Mouza: Jadavpur, P.S. Khargram, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264617/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Tapan Mondal.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of KHA- 8; 2017_DMMWB_152 Sand Block over an area of 1.26 ha (0.51Acres) on the River Brahmani at Plot No: 19(P), J.L. No.-12, Mouza: Jadavpur, P.S. Khargram, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 3420 m³ and the geological reserve is 9180 m³.

- The **Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan** uploaded by the PP in the portal **is not approved / certified** by the competent authority.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has uploaded the copy of valid Lol**.
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 29.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- The PP did not appear before the SEAC for EC presentation. The SEAC decided that the PP should explain the reasons for his absence. If the reasons are found to be acceptable and satisfactory, the PP may be allowed to present his case in a subsequent meeting. On being so allowed the PP may appear for the presentation along with the NABET accredited consultant engaged by him.

O. Proposed Illambazar Sand Block over an area of 2.32 ha (5.74 Acre) on Ajay River at Plot No. 777 (P) & 782 (P), J.L. No. 59, Village & Mouza – Sukdala, PO – Sirsha, PS – Illambazar, District – Birbhum, PIN – 731 124, West Bengal.

Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264485/2022
Project Proponent - Shri Laltu Dutta.
Environmental Consultant - M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of BIR/ILLAMBAZAR/SUKDALA/282/2018 Sand Block over an extent of 2.32 ha (5.74 Acre) on Ajay River at Plot No. 777 (P) & 782 (P), J.L. No. 59, Village & Mouza – Sukdala, PO – Sirsha, PS – Illambazar, District – Birbhum, PIN – 731 124, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 24.03.2022 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 33040 m³ and the geological reserve is 46400 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.

- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP **has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees** as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 29.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the entire plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Birbhum district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

P. Proposed River Bed Sand Mine over an area of 1.01 ha (2.49 acres) on Jarda River at J.L. No.- 67, Plot No. 169, 170, 171, 269, 272, 277, 278 & 412 (All Part), Mouza-Uttar Bhuskadanga, P.S-Maynaguri, District Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264294/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. Success Niryat Pvt. Ltd.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Ambiental Global Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of JARDA-2 Sand Block over an extent of 1.01 ha (2.49 acres) on Jarda River at J.L. No.- 67, Plot No. 169, 170, 171, 269, 272, 277, 278 & 412 (All Part), Mouza-Uttar Bhuskadanga, P.S-Maynaguri, District Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 30.10.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 8080 m³ and the geological reserve is 10100 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.

- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 29.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jalpaiguri district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

Q. Proposed Joyhat Sand Mine over an area of 0.22 ha (0.54 acres) on Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 233, Plot no.- 101,103, Mouza – Joyhat, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, State- West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/264055/2022
Project Proponent -	Mr. Abaidur Rahaman.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MMR/UD/SB-20 Sand Block over an extent of 0.22 ha (0.54 acres) on Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 233, Plot no.- 101,103, Mouza – Joyhat, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, State- West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 24.11.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 5280 m³ and the geological reserve is 6600 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 27.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Uttar Dinajpur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

R. Proposed Parulberia Sand Mine 2.39 ha (5.90 acres) on the River Ajay at Plot No: 2366(P), J.L. No.-1, Mouza: Parulbaria, District: Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263936/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. National Traders. (Prop: - Parwez Alam Siddiqui.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of BARABANI/PARULBERIA/2366(P)/B Sand Block over an area of 2.39 ha (5.90 acres) on the River Ajay at Plot No: 2366(P), J.L. No.-1, Mouza: Parulbaria, District: Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 18.03.2019 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 59741 m³ and the geological reserve is 71700 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 26.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Paschim Bardhaman district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

S. Proposed Paikpara Sand Block over an area of 2.07 ha (5.11 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River at J.L. No.- 57, Plot no.- 280 (P), Mouza – Paikpara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263449/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Malay Kumar Dutta.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of 0117DR018 Sand Block over an extent of 2.07 ha (5.11 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River at J.L. No.- 57, Plot no.- 280 (P), Mouza – Paikpara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 30.09.2020 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 49737.60 m³ and the geological reserve is 62172 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 25.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Bankura district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

T. Proposed Gulandhar Sand Mine over an area of 0.25 ha (0.62 Acres) on the Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 155, Plot No.- 1888 (P), Mouza – Gulandhar, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263527/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. Ramdebpur Sand Company. (Prop: - Mr. Mahbub Alam).
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MMR/UD/SB-21 Sand Block over an area of 0.25 ha (0.62 Acres) on the Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 155, Plot No.- 1888 (P), Mouza – Gulandhar, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 22.11.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 6000 m³ and the geological reserve is 7500 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 25.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Uttar Dinajpur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

U. Proposed Uliara Sand Mine over an area of 3.89 ha (9.62 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River J.L. No.- 71, Plot no.-1700 (P), 1695 (P), Village - Uliara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263224/2022
Project Proponent -	M/s. Basu Agrofarms Private Limited.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of 0117DR022 Sand Block over an extent of 3.89 ha (9.62 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River J.L. No.- 71, Plot no.-1700 (P), 1695 (P), Village - Uliara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 30.09.2020 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 55239 m³ and the geological reserve is 84000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 24.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- This application for EC was noted to be a duplicate one. An earlier application (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/407688/2022) for the same project was considered in the 67th meeting of SEAC held on 22.02.2023. Moreover, the project proposal **does not fall within the potential zone** of the approved DSR of Bankura District.
- Considering the above, the SEAC recommended that the present proposal may be rejected.

V. Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB – 74 over an area of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) (permissible mining over 4.97 ha) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 8205(p), J.L. No. 75, Village – Chorchita, Mouza – Chorchita, PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263222/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Suvendu Debnath.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB-74 Sand Block over an extent of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) (permissible mining over 4.97 ha) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 8205(p), J.L. No. 75, Village – Chorchita, Mouza – Chorchita, PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 29.01.2019 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that there is a total mineable sand reserve of 65769 m³ and the geological reserve is 109615 m³.
- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.
- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 24.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the **major portion of the plot area** for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jhargram district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), also observed that the plot area is of 5 ha as mentioned in the Lol dated 18.12.2018 and therefore, the PP should have applied for ToR instead of EC.
- Considering the above the SEAC decided that EC for the proposed project cannot be considered. However, the PP may approach with revised and approved Mine Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents mentioning that the project area falls within the potential zone of the approved DSR of Jhargram district.

W. Proposed Uttar Krishnapur Sand Mine over an area of 0.99 ha (2.45 Acres) on Tangon River at J.L. No.- 55, Plot no.- 234 (P), Mouza – Uttar Krishnapur, Block + P.S.- Kaliyaganj, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/263038/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Debabrata Kar.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MMR/UD/SB-16 IN PLOT N0-234(P) Sand Block over an extent of 0.99 ha (2.45 Acres) on Tangon River at J.L. No.- 55, Plot no.- 234 (P), Mouza – Uttar Krishnapur, Block + P.S.- Kaliyaganj, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 10.08.2017 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that the total mineable sand reserve of 23760 m3 and total geological reserve of 29700 m3.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 23.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the plot area for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Uttar Dinajpur district. Also, the PP has not uploaded approved Mine Plan, valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

X. Proposed Dangariai Sand Mine Block MGB 162 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35) on Subarnarekha River at JL. No. - 372, Plot No. – 583(P), Mouza - Dangariai, P.S. Beliaberah, Dist. Jhargram, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/262516/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Srikanta Mondal.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Ultra Tech.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MGB-162 Sand Block over an extent of 5.0 ha (12.35) on Subarnarekha River at JL. No. - 372, Plot No. – 583(P), Mouza - Dangariai, P.S. Beliaberah, Dist. Jhargram, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 07.01.2020 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that the total mineable sand reserve of 55246 m³ and total geological reserve of 100000 m³.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.
- The PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 23.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the **major portion of the plot area** for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mine Plan & Progressive Mine Closure Plan **does not fall within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jhargram district. Also, the PP has not uploaded valid Lol and cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the proposed project cannot be considered.

Y. Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 65 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 acres) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 6557(P) & 8205(P), J.L. No. 75, Village, Mouza & PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/262444/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Soumen Gope.
Environmental Consultant -	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 65 Sand Block over an extent of 5.0 ha (12.35 acres) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 6557(P) & 8205(P), J.L. No. 75, Village, Mouza & PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, the PP got a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan' for riverbed sand mining at the site prepared by an RQP. The Plan has been approved by the State Government on 08.02.2021 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP. It is mentioned in the approved Plan document that the total mineable sand reserve of 84858 m3 and total geological reserve of 100000 m3.
- The PP has uploaded pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The PP **has not uploaded the copy of valid Lol.**
- The PP **has not uploaded cluster certificate** from the competent authority.
- The PP has informed that there is no court case pending against the project.

- The PP has not submitted the requisite EC processing fees as required under Notification No 924/T-II-1/021/2022 dated 23.05.2022 issued by Department of Environment, Government of West Bengal.

Chronology of Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 18.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the SEAC observed that the **major portion of the plot area** for the proposed project (geo-coordinates) as reported in the approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Jhargram district. Also, the PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority.
- The committee (SEAC), also observed that the plot area is of 5 ha as mentioned in the Lol dated 26.02.2019 and therefore, the PP should have applied for ToR instead of EC.
- The committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that at this stage, the proposed project cannot be considered. However, the PP may approach with revised and approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan, revised Lol from the Competent Authority and other mandatory documents showing that the project area falls within the potential zone of the approved DSR of Jhargram district.

2) Reconsideration Proposals :-**2.1) Environmental Clearance****2.1.1) Construction Sector**

- A. Proposed expansion of Residential Complex at Plot Nos. 1487(P), 1497(P), 1498, 1499(P), 1500(P), 1501-1503, 1507-1515, 1516(P), 1517(P), Kadamtala, Khatian No. 1839, 1840-1843, 1920-1924, Mouza – Baramohan Singhj, J.L. No. – 71, Pargana – Patharghata, Atharakhai Gram Panchayat, Dist. – Darjeeling, P.S. – Matigara, Asia Highway – 02, West Bengal.

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIS/131041/2019
Project Proponent	M/s. Smart Vanijya Pvt. Ltd.
Environmental Consultant	M/s. Centre for Sustainable Development.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for expansion of the existing project by construction of 3 nos. of G+10 storied & 2 nos. G+12 storied Residential building along with a 1 no. club of G+2 storied and common basemen below G+12 blocks. Total Built up area of the project after expansion is 67077.81 sqm. on a land area of 21124.495 sqm. Total flats are 578 nos.

	As per stipulated conditions obtained on 17.01.2020	As per Sanction plan
Land Area	21124.495 sq.m	21124.495 sq.m
No. of flats	578 nos.	2 BHK – 98 3 BHK – 480 Total – 578 nos.
No. of blocks	Residential block – 5 nos. 3 residential blocks – G+10 storied 2 residential blocks – G+12 storied with a common basement Club Block – 1 no. – G+2 storied	Residential block – 5 nos. 3 residential blocks – G+10 storied 2 residential blocks – G+12 storied with a common basement Club Block – 1 no. – G+2 storied
Latitude & Longitude	26°41'51.58" N & 88°22'15.87" E.	
Expected Population	Residents - 3370 persons Residential Floating - 340 persons Service Staff - 70 persons Total Occupants - 3780 persons	Residents - 3370 persons Residential Floating - 340 persons Service Staff - 70 persons Total Occupants - 3780 persons
Total Water Requirement	377 kLD (Operation Stage)	378 kLD (Operation Stage)
Freshwater Requirement	239 kLD (Panchayat Supply / Groundwater)	239 kLD (Panchayat Supply / Groundwater)
Wastewater Generated	276 kLD (to be treated in STP)	276 kLD (to be treated in STP)
Treated Wastewater Generated	271 kLD	271 kLD
Treated Wastewater reused	130 kLD (Landscaping, road cleaning & dual plumbing)	131 kLD (Landscaping, road cleaning & dual plumbing)
Treated Wastewater Discharged	141 kLD (to be discharged to Panchayat Drain after treatment in S.T.P.)	140 kLD (to be discharged to Panchayat Drain after treatment in S.T.P.)
Solid Waste Disposal	1.74 tonnes per day (to be disposed off through Panchayat & Onsite mechanical Compost plant)	1.042 tonnes per day (to be disposed off through Panchayat & Onsite mechanical Compost plant)
Total Built Up Area	67077.81 sq.m	67070.32 sq.m
Ground Coverage	6243.47 sq.m (29.556 % of Land Area)	6243.47 sq.m (29.556 % of Land Area)
Basement Area (Paved Surface)	3522.25 sq.m (16.674 % of Land Area)	3522.25 sq.m (16.674 % of Land Area)
Internal Road Area (Semi Paved Surface)	2210.36 sq.m (10.463 % of Land Area)	2704.65 sq.m (12.803 % of Land Area)
Swimming Pool Area (Amenities)	152.47 sq.m (0.722 % of Land Area)	152.47 sq.m (0.722 % of Land Area)
Area under Service	1509.74 sq.m (7.147 % of Land Area)	1784.05 sq.m (8.445 % of Land Area)
Open Parking Area	929.26 sq.m (4.399 % of Land Area)	1765.09 sq.m (8.36 % of Land Area)

(PVC Grass Cell Paver – Semi-Paved)		Area)
Pavement Area (Concrete Grass Paver - Semi Paved)	919.17 sq.m (4.351 % of Land Area)	--
Exclusive Plantation Area	4967.465 sq.m (23.515 % of Land Area)	4282.225 sq.m (20.27 % of Land Area)
Land for Facilities	670.29 sq.m (3.173 % of Land Area)	670.29 sq.m (3.173 % of Land Area)
Total Paved Area	5179.941 sq.m (24.52 % of the land area)	--
Plantation Proposed	Existing – 119 nos. Proposed – 181 nos. Total – 300 nos.	--
Total Power Requirement	2300 KVA, WBSEDCL	2300 KVA, WBSEDCL
Back Up Power	3 X 500 KVA	3 X 500 KVA
Solar Energy Utilization	1% of demand load will be met by utilizing solar energy	1% of demand load will be met by utilizing solar energy
No. of Parking Space Proposed	503 (open – 89, G.F covered – 219, Basement - 195)	509 (open – 93, G.F covered – 219, Basement - 197)
Project Cost (Rs.)	Rs.105 crores	Rs.105 crores

Chronology of Events:

- The project proponent submitted the EC application on 16.12.2019 in PARIVESH Portal.
- The project proponent received stipulated conditions for environmental clearance from SEIAA vide letter no. 147/EN/T-II-1/083/2019 dated 17.01.2020.
- Inspection of the project was conducted by the WBPCB on 09.12.2022. the report of inspection mentions that the construction activities for the project have already been initiated without obtaining EC. (report of inspection is enclosed as **Annexure – A**).
- Now on 17.02.2023, the PP submitted the sanctioned building plan along with other relevant documents in PARIVESH Portal, which was considered by the committee in its 68th SEAC meeting held on 01.03.2023.

SEAC Observations and Recommendations:

- Based on the inspection report of WBPCB, the committee noted that the PP has already started construction work at the project site, which is a gross violation of EIA Notification, 2006 and its subsequent amendments. Therefore, the SEAC recommended that the present proposal of the PP shall be rejected and the PP shall apply afresh under violation category.

3) Miscellaneous :-**A. Discussion with NABET accredited Consultants for disposal of Sand Mining applications.**

The committee invited a few NABET accredited environmental consultants offering consultancy services in matters relating to Environmental Clearance of sand mining projects in West Bengal. The meeting was convened to discuss ways and means to facilitate smooth and quick disposal of applications for ToR/ EC for Sand Mining. The meeting benefitted from the august presence of Member Secretary, SEIAA (W.B.), and the Deputy Secretary, Department of IC&E, and WBMDTCL. Representatives of the following consulting organizations were present:-

- i. M/s. Centre for Envotech & Management Consultancy Private Limited,
- ii. M/s. Ambiantal Global Private Limited.,
- iii. M/s. Greencindia Consulting Private Limited.,
- iv. M/s. RSP Green Development And Laboratories Private Limited,
- v. M/s. Sathi Planners Private Limited,
- vi. M/s. Environmental Research and Analysis,
- vii. M/s. UltraTech,
- viii. M/s. Crystal Consultants, and
- ix. M/s Enkay Enviro Services Private Limited.

On behalf of the SEAC (WB) Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Secretary, SEAC & Member Secretary, WBPCB, opened the discussion. He informed that while a large number of sand mining EC/ ToR applications are received through the PARIVESH portal, an overwhelming majority of those either get rejected or decisions on those are deferred as several requisite/ mandatory documents are not uploaded. Further, approved Mining Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plans of a large number of the proposed projects clearly show that those are not falling within potential mining zone recorded in the approved DSRs.

During the deliberations that followed, the following suggestions were put forward:

1. Before uploading an application, the environmental consultant should ensure that all necessary, appropriate and updated documents, like approved Mine Plan, valid LOI, Cluster Certificate, Pre-Feasibility Report, need based EMP, etc accompany the application for ToR/ EC. The environmental consultant involved should also ensure that all required supporting documents are attached and requisite processing fees, etc. are paid and documentary proofs thereof are uploaded.
2. It shall be imperative on the part of the environmental consultants to ensure before uploading every application that the all the cardinal geo-reference coordinates of the proposed project area falls within one of the potential mining zones recorded in the District Survey Report (DSR) of the district concerned. This will ensure that Project Proponents (PP) are not unnecessarily harassed.
3. If there is any litigation in any court of law pending against either the proposed project or the project proponent, the same should be clearly mentioned in application form.

4. While peak annual production level (production in the first year) can be based on the basis of the geological reserves/ mineable reserves estimated, annual production for other years (second year onward) should be so estimated as to conform to the annual replenishment rates mentioned in the DSR. These must be reflected in the Mining Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan.
5. There are instances where major portion of the proposed mining area falls within the potential mining zone recorded in the approved DSR. Such cases may be considered if Mining Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan is suitably revised to incorporate necessary changes in cardinal geo-coordinates of the project to ensure that the entire mining area falls within the potential mining zone. 'The Mining Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan' so revised may be uploaded only after the revised plan is approved by the Chief Mining Officer¹ or the Mining Officers²-in charge of the zone in which the proposed mining area falls.
6. A large number of applications for EC/ ToR get rejected as the proposed mining area does not fall under potential mining zones of the approved DSR. It would be in the fitness of things to avoid such fiasco in future.

After elaborate discussion the following decisions were taken.

1. The consultants were advised to withdraw all such EC/ToR applications for sand mining projects that do not fall entirely within the potential mining zones recorded in the approved DSRs.
2. Environmental Consultants shall not encourage project proponents to apply for EC/ToR for any project that do not fall entirely within one of the potential mining zones recorded in the approved DSRs beyond potential zones of approved DSRs.
3. SEAC shall evaluate the performance of Environmental Consultants engaged for sand mining projects based on their completeness of EC/ToR applications.
4. SEAC will provide the checklist for EC/ToR applications to the environmental consultants.
5. A few consultants complained that they were finding it difficult to get cluster certificates. At the request of the Member Secretary, WBPCB, the Deputy Secretary, Department of IC&E kindly consented to look into the issue.

¹ "Chief Mining Officer" means the Chief Mining Officer appointed as such by the State Government, having jurisdiction all over the State of West Bengal; (cf the West Bengal Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 2016)

² "Mining Officer" means a Mining Officer appointed as such by the 'State Government for any particular area and includes the Chief Mining Officer; (cf the West Bengal Minor Minerals Concession Rules, 2015)

Table-1 : List of the projects which were placed before the reconstituted SEAC in the sixty-eighth meeting held on 01.03.2023 and the Summary Decisions thereof:

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
1) Cases for Technical Presentation		
1.1) Terms of Reference		
1.1.1) Mining of Minerals		
A.	Munshi Md. Hasanuzzaman Proposed Keotsa Sand Mine over an area of 3.00 ha (7.41 Acres) on River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 445(P), 662(P)/ JL No.: 88, Mouza: Keotsa, P.S. Mongalkote, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74557/2022)	Recommended for Terms of Reference
B.	M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh). Proposed Gopiballavpur - I Sand Block MGB – 143 over an area of 4.0 ha (9.38 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 786 (P), J.L. No. 36, Village – Janaghati, Mouza – Janaghati, Post – Janaghati, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74825/2022).	Rejected
C.	M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh). Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 150 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74820/2022).	Additional Details Sought
D.	M/s. S. G. Projects Ltd. (Ajay Singh). Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 151 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 307 (P) & 312 (P), J.L. No. 38, Village – Narasinghapur, Mouza – Narasinghapur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74818/2022).	Additional Details Sought
E.	Shri Diljot Singh Sabharwal Proposed Gopiballavpur – I Sand Block MGB – 153 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1501 (p), J.L. No. 39, Village – Kanchanpur, Mouza – Kanchanpur, PO & PS – Gopiballavpur, District – Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal, Pin – 721 506. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74786/2022).	Additional Details Sought
F.	Md. Afajuddin Sarkar Proposed River Bed Sand Mining over an area of 4.74 ha on River Gheesh at Plot No.- 1,2,3,4 & 79,80,103, J.L. No.- 20, 12, Mouza-Oodlabari, Uttar Phulbari, P.S- Mal, Dist- Jalpaiguri, West Bengal.	Additional Details Sought

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
	(Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74654/2022).	
G.	Shri Raikamal Chakraborty Proposed Keotsa Sand Mine over an area of 3.52 ha (8.71 acres) on River Ajay at Plot No: 444(P), 647(P), 648(P), 649(P), 650(P), 651(P), 652(P), 653(P), 654(P), 656(P), 657(P), 659(P), 662(P), JL No.: 88, Mouza- Keotsa, P.S.- Mongalkote, District-Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74652/2022).	Recommended for Terms of Reference
H.	Shri Krishna Som Proposed Naga Tentul Sand Mine over an area of 3.97 ha (9.82 Acres) on River Dwarkeswar at Plot No: 1963(P), 1962(P), 1924, 1926, 1925, 1922, 1921, 1920, 1935(P), 1958(P), 1929(P), 1930, 2644(P), 2697(P), 1816(P) 1815(P), 1824(P), 1825(P) J.L. No.-131, Mouza: Naga Tentul, P.S.- Indus, District: Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74645/2022).	Rejected
I.	Shri Madan Mohan Mondal Proposed Simuliya Sand Mine over an area of 2.04 ha (5.04 Acres) on River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 442(P), 443(P), 488(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74632/2022).	Rejected
J.	Shri Madan Mohan Mandal Proposed Simuliya Sand Mine over an area of 4.66 ha (11.48 Acres) on River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 443(P), 452(P), J.L. No.-138, Mouza: Simuliya, P.S.- Md Bazar, District: Birbhum, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74636/2022).	Rejected
K.	M/s. K90 Prop Deal Pvt. Ltd. (Jitenpal Sandhu) Proposed Amirpur Sand Mine over an area of 3.48 ha (8.59 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No: 735, J.L. No.-85, Mouza –Amirpur, P.S.- Burdwan, Dist –Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74633/2022).	Rejected
L.	Shri Pradip Arora Proposed Patharhira Part – I Sand Block over an area of 4.32 ha (1.75 Acre) on Chenga River at Plot No: - 363(P), 366(P), 367(P), 368(P), 373(P), 374(P), Mouza- Patharhira, JL. No-25, P.S – Phasidewa. District: - Darjeeling, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74629/2022).	Rejected
M.	Shri Pradip Arora Proposed Guabari Part – I Sand Block over an area of 2.13 ha (5.261 acres) on Dumuria River at Plot No: 268, 291 - 293, 296, 297 (F), J. L. No: 69, Mouza: Guabari, P.S.-	Rejected

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
	Khoribari, Dist - Darjeeling, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74621/2022).	
N.	Shri Animesh Senapati Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 34 over an area of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) on River Subarnarekha at Plot No. 1869 (p), J.L. No. 248, Village – Kuliana, Mouza – Kuliana, PO – Malincha, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal, Pin – 721 517. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74626/2022).	Rejected
O.	Shri Mukunda Mohan Khan Proposed Jujuti Sand Mine over an area of 3.69 ha (9.12 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No: 951(P), 1101(P), J.L. No.-123, Mouza: Jujuti, P.S. Galsi, District: Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/74598/2022).	Rejected
1.2) Environmental Clearance		
1.2.1) Non-Coal Mining		
A.	Shri Sitesh Dhara. Proposed Malyan Sand Mine over an area of 1.55 ha (3.83 Acres) on River Kangshabati at Plot No: 68(P) & 69(P), JL No.: 625, Mouza: Malyan, P.S.-Keshpur, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/261651/2022).	Rejected
B.	Mr. Iyamin Mondal. Proposed Chakdaulat Sand Mine over an area of 1.47 ha (3.63 Acres) on River Kangshabati at Plot No: 324 (P), JL No.: 285, Mouza: Chakdaulat, P.S.- Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/261297/2022).	Rejected
C.	Sk. Rejabul. Proposed Raghunathpur Sand Mine over an area of 4.89 ha (12.08 Acres) on River Kangshabati at Plot No: 1041(P), 1003(P) & 1002(P), JL No.: 271, Mouza: Raghunathpur, P.S.-Midnapore, District: Paschim Medinipur, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/261200/2022).	Rejected
D.	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited. Proposed MIN_APD_22 Sand Mine over an area of 1.07 ha on Turturi River at Plot No. 700, 701, 702, 703, 705, 706, 710, J.L No.-109, Mouza: Dangi, P.S. Alipurduar II, District: Alipurduar, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/415157/2023).	Additional Details Sought
E.	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited. Proposed MIN_BNK_48 Sand Mine over an area of 4.53 ha	Additional Details Sought

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
	on Dwarakeswar River at Mouza: Ektarpur J.L. No.: 208, Plot No.: 594, Mouza: Bahulara J.L. No.: 211, Plot No.: 1, Mouza: Vetiaara, J.L. No.: 212, Plot No.: 323/714, P.S: Onda, District: Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/417079/2023).	
F.	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited. Proposed WB_BIR_AJ_A2_A Sand Mine over an area of 4.69 ha on Ajay River at Plot No: 342/363, 431/855, J.L. No. - 91, 92, Mouza: Brajadihi & Jamalpur, P.S.: Khairasole, District: Birbhum, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/415621/2023).	Additional Details Sought
G.	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited. Proposed Radhakantapur Sand Mine (MIN_BNK_44_A) over an area of 4.95 ha on Damodar River at Mouza: Pakhanna, Plot No. -897, J.L No. -58; Mouza: Gopalpur, Plot No. - 113, J.L No. -59, Mouza: Radhakantapur, Plot No. -513, J.L No. - 60; P.S. Barjora, District: Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/418357/2023)	Additional Details Sought
H.	Shri Utpal Paul. Proposed river bed sand mining project over an area of 4.80 ha (11.86 Acres) on Chel River at Mouza- Odlabari, Paschim Damdim, RS Plot No.- 1183 (Part), 13, 16, 17 (All Part), J.L. No.-20, 39, P.S.- Mal, Dist-Jalpaiguri, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264679/2022).	Additional Details Sought
I.	M/s. Amrit Vintrade Pvt. Ltd. Proposed Bakulia Sand Mine over an area of 4.56 ha (11.27 acre) on Damodar River at J.L. No.- 44, Plot No.- 46 (P), Vill/Mouza – Bakulia, District- Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/265291/2022).	Additional Details Sought
J.	M/s. Vivek Associates. Proposed Nembutari Sand Mine over an area of 0.696 ha (1.72 Acres) on Balason River at Plot No. 24, 26, 28, 30 & 31, JL No.- 86, Mouza- Nimbutari, P.S. – Phansidewa, Dist. – Darjeeling, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/265090/2022).	Absent
K.	Molla Abdul Odud. Proposed Tashuli Sand Mine over an area of 1.72 ha (4.25 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No: 628(P), 629(P), 868(P), J.L. No.- 28, Mouza: Tashuli, P.S. Patrasayar, District: Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264975/2022).	Absent
L.	Shri Rakesh Singh. Proposed Bishnupur Sand Mine over an area of 0.48 ha (1.17 Acres) on River Kangshabati at plot no: 317(P), J.L. No.-45, Mouza: Bishnupur, P.S. Debra, District: Paschim Medinipur,	Rejected

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
	West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264948/2022).	
M.	Shri Tapan Mondal. Proposed Lakkhikantapur Sand Mine over an area of 0.69 ha (1.70 Acres) on River Mayurakshi at Plot No: 1821(P), J.L. No.-96, Mouza: Lakkhikantapur, P.S. Kandi, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264710/2022).	Absent
N.	Shri Tapan Mondal. Proposed Jadavpur Sand Mine over an area of 1.26 ha (0.51Acres) on River Brahmani at Plot No: 19(P), J.L. No.-12, Mouza: Jadavpur, P.S. Khargram, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264617/2022).	Absent
O.	Shri Laltu Dutta. Proposed Illambazar Sand Block over an area of 2.32 ha (5.74 Acre) on Ajay River at Plot No. 777 (P) & 782 (P), J.L. No. 59, Village & Mouza – Sukdala, PO – Sirsha, PS – Illambazar, District – Birbhum, PIN – 731 124, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264485/2022).	Rejected
P.	M/s. Success Niryat Pvt. Ltd. Proposed River Bed Sand Mine over an area of 1.01 ha (2.49 acres) on Jarda River at J.L. No.- 67, Plot No. 169, 170, 171, 269, 272, 277, 278 & 412 (All Part), Mouza-Uttar Bhuskadanga, P.S-Maynaguri, District Jalpaiguri, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264294/2022).	Rejected
Q.	Mr. Abaidur Rahaman. Proposed Joyhat Sand Mine over an area of 0.22 ha (0.54 acres) on Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 233, Plot no.- 101,103, Mouza – Joyhat, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, State- West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/264055/2022).	Rejected
R.	M/s. National Traders, (Prop: - Parwez Alam Siddiqui). Proposed Parulberia Sand Mine over an area of 2.39 ha (5.90 acres) on River Ajay at Plot No: 2366(P), J.L. No.-1, Mouza: Parulbaria, PS – Barabani, District: Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263936/2022).	Rejected

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
S.	Shri Malay Kumar Dutta. Proposed Paikpara Sand Block over an area of 2.07 ha (5.11 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River at J.L. No.- 57, Plot no.- 280 (P), Mouza – Paikpara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263449/2022).	Rejected
T.	M/s. Ramdebpur Sand Company. (Prop: - Mr. Mahbub Alam). Proposed Gulandhar Sand Mine over an area of 0.25 ha (0.62 Acres) on Mahananda River at J.L. No.- 155, Plot No.- 1888 (P), Mouza – Gulandhar, Block + P.S.- Itahar, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263527/2022).	Rejected
U.	M/s. Basu Agrofarms Private Limited. Proposed Uliara Sand Mine over an area of 3.89 ha (9.62 Acres) on Dwarakeshwar River J.L. No.- 71, Plot no.-1700 (P), 1695 (P), Village - Uliara, Block + P.S.- Bishnupur, Dist.- Bankura, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263224/2022).	Rejected
V.	Shri Suvendu Debnath. Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB – 74 over an area of 5.00 ha (12.35 Acres) (permissible mining over 4.97 ha) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 8205(p), J.L. No. 75, Village – Chorchita, Mouza – Chorchita, PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263222/2022).	Rejected
W.	Shri Debabrata Kar. Proposed Uttar Krishnapur Sand Mine over an area of 0.99 ha (2.45 Acres) on Tangon River at J.L. No.- 55, Plot no.- 234 (P), Mouza – Uttar Krishnapur, Block + P.S.- Kaliyaganj, Dist.- Uttar Dinajpur, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/263038/2022).	Rejected
X.	Shri Srikanta Mondal. Proposed Dangariai Sand Mine Block MGB 162 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 acres) on Subarnarekha River at JL. No. - 372, Plot No. – 583(P), Mouza - Dangariai, P.S. Beliaberah, Dist. Jhargram, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/262516/2022).	Rejected
Y.	Shri Soumen Gope Proposed Gopiballavpur – II Sand Block MGB - 65 over an area of 5.0 ha (12.35 acres) on Subarnarekha River at Plot No. 6557(P) & 8205(P), J.L. No. 75, Village, Mouza & PO – Chorchita, PS – Beliaberah, District – Jhargram, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/262444/2022).	Rejected

Sl. No.	Name of the unit & Project address	Summary Decision
2) Reconsideration		
2.1) Construction Sector		
A.	M/s. Smart Vanijya Pvt. Ltd. Proposed expansion of Residential Complex at Plot Nos. 1487(P), 1497(P), 1498, 1499(P), 1500(P), 1501-1503, 1507-1515, 1516(P), 1517(P), Kadamtala, Khatian No. 1839, 1840-1843, 1920-1924, Mouza – Baramohan Singhji, J.L. No. – 71, Pargana – Patharghata, Atharakhai Gram Panchayat, Dist. – Darjeeling, P.S. – Matigara, Asia Highway – 02, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIS/131041/2019)	Rejected
3) Miscellaneous		
1.	Discussion with NABET accredited Consultants for disposal of Sand Mining applications.	Meeting conducted.

There being no other agenda the Chair thanked the members present for their fruitful participation and deliberations. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Inspection Report

Reference of the inspection: Letter from Chief Engineer, vide Memo No. 2046-370/WPB/O&E/2019 of Dated 22.11.2022.

Name of the project proponent: “Embee Delight” of M/s Realm Construction.

Location of the site: L.R. Dag No.- 1487(p), 1497(p), 1498, 1499, 1500(p), to 1515, 1516(p) & 1517(p), J.L. No- 71, Mouza- Baramohansingh, P.S. – Matigara, Dist- Darjeeling, Pin- 734010.

Date of Inspection: 09.12.2022

Inspected by: S. Mahato, AEE, B. Pan, AEE, Siliguri Regional Office

Persons met or talked with during inspection: Bapi Dey (Manager)

M/s “Embee Delight” is constructing a Residential cum Commercial Complex at the above-mentioned location. During inspection it was observed that Phase-1 of the project has already been completed (**Pic-1**). Construction of Phase-2 is going on. Relevant points of the complaint and the observations are listed below:

Complaint	Observation
Construction activities are going on without obtaining Environmental Clearance (EC) from SEIAA, West Bengal.	The project proponent applied for EC on 23.12.2019 in the name of Smart Vanijya Private Limited. Stipulated Conditions were issued from SEIAA on 17/01/2020 (Copy enclosed).
Cement Sand Stone chips, soil etc are lying scattered openly.	Cement, Sand, Stone chips, soil etc were lying scattered openly. (Pic-2 & 4)
No screen covers are provided for the buildings at the construction site thereby polluting the air grossly.	No screen cover was found during the construction activities. (Pic-2, 3)

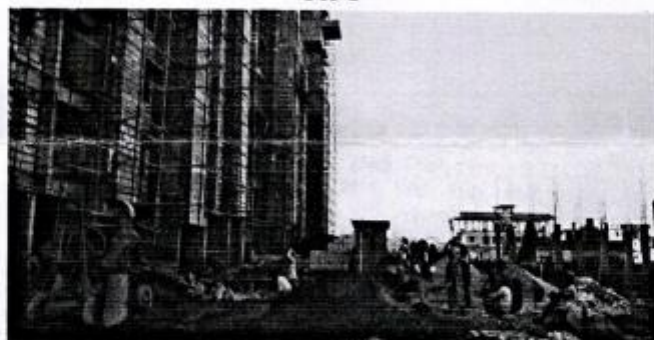
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Photographs taken during inspection:



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
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


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