

Minutes of the 37th meeting of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, West Bengal (2023-2026) held on May 04, 2024 at 11:00 hr at the Conference Room, Paribesh Bhawan, Bidhannagar.

The 37th meeting of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), West Bengal (2023-2026) was held on Wednesday the 04th May, 2024 at 11:00 hr at the Conference Room, Paribesh Bhawan, Bidhannagar. The following members participated:

1)	Dr. Rajesh Kumar, IPS	Secretary, SEAC	Present
2)	Prof. Anirban Gupta	Chairman, SEAC	Present
3)	Prof. Sampa Chakrabarti	Member, SEAC	Present
4)	Prof. Suchandra Bardhan	Member, SEAC	Present
5)	Prof. Pradip Kumar Sikdar	Member, SEAC	Present
6)	Prof. Indranath Sinha	Member, SEAC	Present
7)	Prof. Aniruddha Mukhopadhyay	Member, SEAC	Present
8)	Shri Shubhendu Bandyopadhyay	Member, SEAC	Present

1) Reconsideration proposals :-

1.1) Terms of Reference:

1.1.1) Mining of Minerals :

- I. Proposed Kumirkola Sand Mine 3.25 Hectare (8.02 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No.1404(P), 1405(P) & ORS., J.L. No.-9, Mouza- Kumirkola, P.S.- Khandoghosh, District- Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.	SIA/WB/MIN/73980/2022
Project Proponent -	Shri Manik Chandra Mondal.
Environmental Consultant -	Not engaged.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of KHANDGHOSH/KUMIRKOLA/1404(P)/1405(P) & ORS./F Sand Block over an extent of 3.25 Hectare (8.02 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No.1404(P), 1405(P)&ORS., J.L. No.-9, Mouza- Kumirkola, P.S.- Khandoghosh, District- Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal, 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 Mine Plan has been approved by the State Government on 15.11.2018 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP.
- **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.

Chronology of the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for ToR and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 22.03.2022.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 67th SEAC meeting held on 22.02.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.
- 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 **overlaps with an adjacent project (proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/262075/2022 of Ashim Panja)**. 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 at this stage. **The project proponent is requested to submit revised and corrected proposal with all mandatory documents.**
- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 01.03.2024, which was considered in the 32nd meeting of SEAC (2023-2026) held on 13.03.2024.
- The SEAC observed that the **PP has uploaded the revised Mining Plan, Lol, Cluster Certificate**. The Mine Plan has been approved by the State Government on 09.02.2024.
- The production details uploaded by the PP is given below :-

Total Area (ha)	Safety Zone (ha)	Production Area (ha)	Thickness (m)	Geological Reserve In Cubic Meter	Mineable Reserves In Cubic Meter
3.25	0.65	2.60	2.88	93600	74880

Year wise production details as per Mine Plan

Year	Total Area (ha)	Production Area (ha)	Thickness (m)	Mineable Reserve (m3)	Geological reserve (m3)	Replenishment rate
1	3.25	2.60	2.88	74880	93600	100%
2	3.25	2.60	2.16	56160	70200	75%
3	3.25	2.60	2.16	56160	70200	75%
4	3.25	2.60	2.16	56160	70200	75%
5	3.25	2.60	2.16	56160	70200	75%
Total Reserve				299520	374400	

- The PP has uploaded cluster certificate from the competent authority. **The sand block is forming a cluster with adjacent 10 (ten) no. sand blocks.**
- The SEAC scrutinized the documents submitted by the PP in the 32nd meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 13.03.2024. The SEAC observed that **the plot area** for the proposed project as per the geo-coordinates mentioned in the revised Mining

Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan **falls within the potential mining zone** recorded in the approved District Survey Report (DSR) of Purba Bardhaman district.

- However, the SEAC noted that the lease area for the project is still **overlaps with an adjacent project (proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/262075/2022 of Ashim Panja)**.
- Also, it is observed that the **geo-coordinates mentioned in the revised Mining Plan and the Cluster Certificate uploaded in the portal do not match**.
- Considering the above, the committee (SEAC), therefore, decided that the ToR for EIA study cannot be issued for the proposed project at this stage. **The project proponent is requested to submit revised and corrected proposal with all mandatory documents.**
- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 25.04.2024 **along with the revised Mining Plan dated 09.02.2024**, which was considered in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024.
- **The project is falling within the DSR potential zone code PBBD_GL2_DA_05.**

SEAC observations and recommendations:

- The SEAC scrutinized the documents submitted by the PP in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024. Based on the submission made by the PP, the SEAC **recommended** issuance of **Standard Terms of Reference** for EIA preparation for the project with the following additional conditions :-
 - 1) It is observed that the geo-coordinates mentioned in the revised Mining Plan and the Cluster Certificate uploaded in the portal do not match. The project proponent is requested to submit revised and corrected proposal with all mandatory documents.
 - 2) The reserves as per approved DSR should be incorporated in the Mine Plan.
 - 3) Photographs of the site mentioning the geo-coordinates.
 - 4) Standard practice of management of the intermediate storage area should 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 the management and handling of sand during the period of intermediate stockpiling should be submitted.
 - 7) A Progressive Greenbelt Plan may be prepared. The project area being entirely on the riverbed, 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. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region. Spatial year wise progressive plantation programme to be submitted.
 - 8) Plan showing spatial year wise distribution of the proposed greenbelt has to be submitted along-with supporting documents of administrative approval/s.

- 9) Being a mine in operation, the plantation created so far may be submitted with geotagged photographs.
- 10) EIA should also include detailed study of the baseline condition and impact on aquatic flora and fauna.
- 11) The project cost may include the auction bid value, estimated royalty to be paid, cost of any infrastructure built like office space, stockyard, etc. The calculation/documents to estimate the project cost should be submitted. The planned expenditure for components like need-based activities may be derived based on the project cost.
- 12) 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. Evidence of the activities already done should be provided by photographs with geo-coordinates. The activities should be completed within the first two years of the project life.
- 13) A study report on base flow level measured at 5 points with date and supporting photographs should 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.
- 14) Management plan including the final closure plan of haul road to be submitted.
- 15) Sieve analysis report for grain size distribution should be provided.
- 16) Study and protection plan of the aquatic life available both during the mining and non-mining seasons should be provided.

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 environmental the consultant.

1.2) Environmental Clearance :

1.2.1) Construction Sector :

- I. **Proposed development of a residential complex ‘Royal Ganges-2’ consisting of tower blocks, town houses and row houses along with various community facilities at Holding No.-D5-177/New, Ganga Bandh Road, Mouza - Krishnanagar, J.L. No-1, L.R. Khaitan No.- 3930, L.R. Dag Nos.-382, 383, 419, 429, Under Maheshtala Municipality, Ward No-20, P.S.- Maheshtala, P.O.-Batanagar, South 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700140.**

Proposal No.:

SIA/WB/INFRA2/449216/2023

Project Proponent:

M/s. Srijan Residency LLP.

Environmental Consultant:

M/s. Centre for Sustainable Development.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for residential complex consisting of tower blocks, town houses and row houses along with various community facilities with the following configurations: -

	Phase I	Phase II	Total (Phase I + II)
Land area as per Deed	39213.71 sqm.		
Land area as per Physical Measurement	39,213.09 sqm.		
Built up area	13,926.10 sqm.	72,731.38 sqm.	87,861.41 sqm.
Construction area	14,283.64 sqm.	73,577.77 sqm.	87,861.41 sqm.
No. of dwelling units	64 nos.	426 nos.	490 nos.
Building profile:			
Row House (G+2 storied)	22	3	25
Town House (G+5 storied)	9	5	14
Tower blocks (G+5P+25 storied)	--	4	4
Total nos. of buildings	31	12	43

Salient Features of the project:

- Salient features of the proposed project as uploaded by the PP in the PARIVESH portal is given below –

Total Land Area (as per deed)	39,213.71 sqm.
Total Land Area (Physical Measurement)	39,213.09 sqm
No. of Blocks	43 nos. – Row House – G+2 – 25 nos. Town House – G+5 – 14 nos. Tower Blocks – G+5P+25 – 4 nos.
No. of dwelling units	490 nos.
Block Usage	Residential Block
Expected Population (persons)	Residential – 2820 Residential Servants – 90 Floating – 280 Service Staff – 100 Total - 3,290
Total Water Requirement (Operation Stage)	476 KLD
Freshwater Requirement	268 KLD
Wastewater Generated	321 KLD
Treated Wastewater Generated	315 KLD
Treated Wastewater Recycled	194 KLD
Treated Wastewater Discharged	121 kLD
Quantity of Solid Waste disposal	907 kg/day or 0.907 tonne/day
Built-up area	86,657.48 sqm
Construction Area	87,861.41 sqm.

Ground Coverage Area	9583.88 sqm (24.44 %)
Service Area	2078.54 sqm (5.30 %)
Paved Area	13,237.62 sqm (33.76 %)
Exclusive Tree Plantation Area	7921.04 sqm (20.2 %)
Open Parking Area	1085.79 sqm (2.77 %)
Semi Paved Area	3351.26 sqm (8.55 %)
Other Green Area	568.73 sqm (1.45 %)
SW Management Area	126.03 sqm (0.32 %)
Future Development Area	1201.82 sqm (3.06 %)
Gate Goomty Area	58.38 sqm (0.15 %)
Total No. of Plantation Proposed	647 nos.
No. of Parking Space Proposed	728 nos.
Total Power Requirement	5,302 kVA, WBSEDCL
Back Up Power	2 nos. of 625 kVA each
Solar Power Utilization	1% of total power requirement
Latitude & Longitude of site	22°53'29.6"N and 88°24'40.29"E
Max. Height of the Building	9.6 mt, 20.0 mt & 97.55 mt. from G.L.
Project cost (Rs.)	Rs. 22,526 lakhs

Chronology of the Events:

- The proposed project is being developed in phases – phase I & II.
- The phase I of the project has already obtained the sanctioned plans from the authority. It consists of 22 nos. of G+2 storied Row houses and 9 nos. of G+5 storied Town houses. The total construction area of Phase I is 14,283.64 sqm. and it consists 64 nos. of dwelling units. Application for obtaining Consent to Establish following the CPCB order dated 12.01.2021 has been submitted to WBPCB.
- The PP applied in prescribed format for Environmental Clearance for the proposed project and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 30.10.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 20th meeting of the SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 29.11.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.
- Based on the application made, documents uploaded / submitted, and the presentation made by the PP/Consultant, the SEAC made the following observations:

Mandatory documents:

1. Present status of the phase I project (Royal Ganges-2). Sanction building plan for the first phase of the project should be submitted.
2. Concurrence from the Competent Authority for the total water supply of 268 KLD. Water requirement for plantation should be submitted as per NBC-2016.
3. Concurrence from WBSEDCL for the supply of electricity.

4. Section of the customized riverbank protection, showing the tree plantation along the riverbank and road, to be submitted in accordance with the sanctioned building plan and approved tree plantation plan.
5. Drawing submitted to KOPT should be submitted.
6. Documentation regarding land use change should be submitted.

Water & waste water

7. Distance between the existing and proposed borewells within and outside the project area. Pumping schedule of the bore wells should be submitted.
8. Proposal for installation of piezometer with automatic water level meter.
9. Proposal for installation of water meter with totalizer for measuring the abstraction of ground water.
10. Wash water from filter press to be recycled to the STP. Revised proposal should be submitted.
11. The flow diagram of STP should be modified with respect to recycle of sludge.
12. The management plan of spent brine from softener, after regeneration, should be submitted.
13. Water balance diagram for the monsoon season should be revised with respect to the storage tank to car wash.

Solar

14. At least 1% of the peak electrical demand load should be met through solar power. The capacity of solar modules installed in the individual towers should be increased.

Rainwater harvesting

15. Details of rainwater harvesting proposal including first flush diverter.

Need based EMP

16. EMP as per Office Memorandum of MoEF & CC vide F. No. 22-65/2017.IA.III dated 30.09.2020 to be submitted. Consents from the beneficiaries of the social part of EMP should be furnished. Any other local need should be identified. Specific activities should be indicated instead of general terms like 'social infrastructure' or 'upgradation'. Activities for this particular project should be demarcated from other projects by the PP.

Miscellaneous

17. Topsoil should be isolated, preserved and reused at the same site for landscaping and plantation as per NBC 2016, Part 10.

The SEAC recommended that the above documents may be submitted in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the application. **An inspection of the project site should be conducted to ascertain the present status of construction.**

- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 24.04.2024, which was considered in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024.

SEAC observations and recommendations:

- The SEAC scrutinized the documents submitted by the PP in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024. As decided by SEAC, an inspection was conducted by WBPCB for the Phase-I of the project. **Inspection report of the project conducted by WBPCB which is enclosed as Annexure – 1.**

Considering the above, the committee **recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance.**

1.2.2) Mining of Minerals (other than sand) :

- I. **Proposed Kendajore Quartz Mine over an area of 1.007 ha (2.49 Acres) at J. L. No. – 310, Plot No. – 173, 286(P), Mouza – Kendajore, P.S. – Boro, Block – Manbazar II, Dist. – Purulia, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.:	SIA/WB/MIN/220763/2021
Project Proponent:	Shri Biswarup Dutta.
Environmental Consultant:	M/s. Centre for Envotech and Management Consultancy.

Activity:

- This is a proposal for Kendajore Quartz Mine over an area of 1.007 ha (2.49 Acres) at J. L. No. – 310, Plot No. – 173, 286(P), Mouza – Kendajore, P.S. – Boro, Block – Manbazar II, Dist. – Purulia, West Bengal.
- As required under the West Bengal Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2016, **the PP has not uploaded at the PARIVESH portal a composite 'Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan'** prepared for Quartz and Feldspar mining at the site by an RQP.
- **The PP has not uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.**
- The PP has uploaded the copy of Lol from the competent authority.
- **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 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 the Events:

- The PP applied in prescribed format for EC and uploaded the application in the PARIVESH portal on 12.06.2023.
- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 5th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 28.06.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.
- Based on the submission and presentation made by the PP, the committee recommended that the following submission / clarifications should be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal by the project proponent for further consideration: -
 - i) Approved Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan from the competent authority.
 - ii) Cluster certificate from the competent authority.

- iii) Greenbelt plan and percentage. Species of trees should also be mentioned.
- iv) Existing trees should be relocated and used in the greenbelt.
- v) Top soil must be preserved and utilised for greenbelt development.
- vi) Water supply and permission for the same.
- vii) Need based EMP. Documents in this regard to be provided.
- viii) Year wise waste generation and disposal/utilisation plan for over burden.
- ix) Dust-control plan should be provided.

The SEAC recommended that the above documents may be submitted in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the application.

- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 19.04.2024 along with the revised Mining Plan dated 09.02.2024, which was considered in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024.

SEAC observations and recommendations:

- The SEAC scrutinized the documents submitted by the PP in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024. After careful consideration and detailed deliberation, the committee recommended that the PP should submit a revised need-based EMP based on the assessment of the social components (based on local needs). The beneficiary for the need-based social activity should be identified and notified.

The SEAC recommended that the above documents may be submitted in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the application.

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.

1.2.3) Mining of Minerals :

- I. **Proposed Sarugaon Sand Mine (MIN_APD_9) over an area of 1.48 ha (3.65 Acres) on Khanavarti River at J. L. No. – 04, Plot No. 528, Mouza – Sarugaon, Village – Sarugaon, Police Station – Madarihat, District – Alipurduar, West Bengal.**

Proposal No.:	SIA/WB/MIN/422859/2023
Project Proponent:	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited.
Environmental Consultant:	M/s. Crystal Consultants.

Activities:

- This is a proposal for riverbed sand mining of MIN_APD_9 Sand Block over an area of 1.48 ha (3.65 Acres) on Khanavarti River at J. L. No. – 04, Plot No. 528, Mouza –

Sarugaon, Village – Sarugaon, Police Station – Madarihat, District – Alipurduar, West Bengal.

- The project is falling within the potential zone code AD_MD_AG_01.
- The PP has obtained Provisional Grant Order for Sand Blocks vide Memo No. 04(I/301012/2022)-ICE-12011(99)/27/2022-MINES SEC-Dept of ICE Dated 03.01.2023.
- 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 16.03.2023 and the approved plan has been uploaded at the PARIVESH portal by the PP.
- The production details as mentioned in the revised Mining Plan dated 18.03.2024 is given below:-

Geological reserves of the sand deposit

Year	Total volume of reserve (cum)	Replenishment Rate (%)	Geological Resource (cu.m)
1	31080	100	31080
2	31080	78.2	24304.56
3	31080	78.2	24304.56
4	31080	78.2	24304.56
5	31080	78.2	24304.56
Total Geological Resource			128298.24

Mineable Reserves / annual production of the sand deposit

Year	Total volume of Mineable reserve (cum)	Replenishment Rate (%)	Mineable reserve (cu.m)	Annual Production (cum)
1	21535	100	21535	21535
2	21535	78.2	16840.37	16840.37
3	21535	78.2	16840.37	16840.37
4	21535	78.2	16840.37	16840.37
5	21535	78.2	16840.37	16840.37
Total Mineable Reserve			88896.48	88896.48

- The PP has uploaded the pre-feasibility report for the proposed project.
- The **PP has not uploaded cluster certificate from the** competent authority.
- 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 21.03.2023.

- The PP was called for the EC presentation in the 73rd SEAC meeting held on 29.03.2023 and the PP presented their proposal in this meeting.
- 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.
 - 2) 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.
- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 25.04.2023, which was considered in the 1st meeting SEAC, WB held on 31.05.2023.
- **The sand block does not fall within any cluster.** Based on the submission made by the PP, the committee noted that as per O.M. of MoEF&CC vide No. FC-11/119/2020-FC dated 17.05.2022, the PP may submit the application for consideration by the NBWL/SCNBWL. However, the PP has only submitted an undertaking but no copy of application to NBWL/SCNBWL has been uploaded.
- The PP has applied for EC (not ToR). According to the O.M. of MoEF&CC vide No. FC-11/119/2020-FC dated 17.05.2022, consideration by SCNBWL is necessary for EC. Therefore, the PP is requested to submit the no objection certificate from SCNBWL.
- The project proponent uploaded their reply in PARIVESH Portal on 20.04.2024, which was considered in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024.

SEAC observations and recommendations:

- The SEAC scrutinized the documents submitted by the PP in the 37th meeting of SEAC, WB (2023-2026) held on 04.05.2024. After careful consideration and detailed deliberation, the committee **recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance** with the conditions that the following should be submitted along with the six monthly compliance report :-
 - 1) If the proposed project falls within 10 km from the periphery of a National Park/ Sanctuary/ Eco-Sensitive Zone/Protected Area, the PP shall obtain a no objection certificate from the Standing Committee of National Board of Wild Life (NBWL) before commencement of project activity, in compliance to the Hon'ble Supreme Court's order in I.A. No. 460 of 2004.
 - 2) Monthly monitoring of base flow level at four points of the project should be conducted by installing piezometer and to be reported in the six monthly compliance report.
 - 3) Stipulated plantation should preferably be done adjacent to the project. If not possible due to unavailability of suitable land, plantation may be done at other

location in the same block. The particular plantation area should be dedicated and marked for the particular project and to be certified by the respective BDO.

- 4) Sieve analysis report for grain size distribution should be provided along with six monthly compliance report.
- 5) Status of the need-based activities to be reported during six monthly progress report. The entire need-based EMP should be completed within first two years of the project period.
- 6) Transportation plan should be provided in six monthly compliance report.
- 7) Basic amenities, safety and occupational health examinations for labourers to be provided along with six monthly compliance reports.
- 8) 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. Species of the plant selected should be self-sustaining in that particular region. Geotagged photographs of actual plantation done to be submitted along with six monthly compliance reports. Credible document regarding plantation by the Forest department on behalf of the project proponent should be submitted.
- 9) The project cost may include the auction bid value, estimated royalty to be paid, cost of any infrastructure built like office space, stockyard, etc. The calculation/documents to estimate the project cost should be submitted. The planned expenditure for components like need-based activities may be derived based on the project cost. Proper documents should be submitted along with the six-monthly compliance report.
- 10) Studies on the biotic components of the river and the impact of sand mining on these components should be submitted along with the six-monthly progress reports.
- 11) Bank line monitoring report should be submitted along with the six-monthly progress reports.

The SEAC recommended that the above documents may be submitted in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the application.

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.

Table-1 : List of the projects which were placed before the SEAC, WB (2023-2026) in the thirty-seventh meeting held on 04.05.2024 and the Summary Decisions thereof:

Sl. No.	Name of the unit and Project address	Summary Decision
1. Reconsideration proposals		
1.1) Terms of Reference		

Sl. No.	Name of the unit and Project address	Summary Decision
1.1.1) Mining of Minerals		
I.	Shri Manik Chandra Mondal. Proposed Kumirkola Sand Mine 3.25 Hectare (8.02 Acres) on River Damodar at Plot No.1404(P), 1405(P) & ORS., J.L. No.-9, Mouza - Kumirkola, P.S. - Khandoghosh, District - Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal. (Proposal No.: SIA/WB/MIN/73980/2022)	Recommended for Terms of Reference
1.2) Environmental Clearance		
1.2.1) Construction Sector		
I.	M/s. Srijan Residency LLP Proposed development of a residential complex 'Royal Ganges-2' consisting of tower blocks, town houses and row houses along with various community facilities at Holding No.-D5-177/New, Ganga Bandh Road, Mouza - Krishnanagar, J.L. No-1, L.R. Khaitan No.- 3930, L.R. Dag Nos.-382, 383, 419, 429, Under Maheshtala Municipality, Ward No-20, P.S.- Maheshtala, P.O.-Batanagar, South 24 Parganas, Kolkata-700140. (Proposal No.: SIA/WB/INFRA2/449216/2023)	Recommended for Environmental Clearance
1.2.2) Mining of Minerals (other than sand)		
I.	Shri Biswarup Dutta Proposed Kendajore Quartz Mine over an area of 1.007 ha (2.49 Acres) at J. L. No. – 310, Plot No. – 173, 286(P), Mouza – Kendajore, P.S. – Boro, Block – Manbazar II, Dist. – Purulia, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/220763/2021)	Additional Details Sought
1.2.3) Mining of Minerals		
I.	M/s. West Bengal Mineral Development and Trading Corporation Limited Proposed Sarugaon Sand Mine (MIN_APD_9) over an area of 1.48 ha (3.65 Acres) on Khanavarti River at J. L. No. – 04, Plot No. 528, Mouza – Sarugaon, Village – Sarugaon, Police Station – Madarihat, District – Alipurduar, West Bengal. (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIN/422859/2023)	Recommended for Environmental Clearance

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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(Anirban Gupta)
Chairman
S E A C, West Bengal

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Member
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(Aniruddha Mukhopadhyay)
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(Shubhendu Bandyopadhyay)
Member
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(Rajesh Kumar, IPS)
Secretary
S E A C, West Bengal

Inspection Report

Name & Address of the Project Site	M/s. Srijan Residency LLP. Project Name: "The Royal Ganges - 2" Project Site: Holding No. – D5-177/New, Ward No. – 20, Mahestala Municipality, P.S. – Mahestala, Dist. – South 24 Parganas, Kolkata - 700140
Date & Time of inspection	07/05/2024 from 13:00 to 14:30 hrs.
Name of the Inspecting Officer(s)	Najimul Hosen Tarafdar, Junior Environmental Engineer, EIM Cell, WBPCB
Person(s) met during inspection	Mr. Supriyo Banerjee, Construction Manager, Project: "The Royal Ganges - 2"

Description of the project:

The unit had obtained **approved sanctioned plan** for **Phase I** from **Mahestala Municipality** for a residential project with building configuration: Row House (G+2 storied) – 22 nos., Town House (G+5 storied) – 9 nos. with **total built-up area 13926.10 sqm. (Construction area 14283.64 sqm.)**. On the basis of that sanction plan the Project Proponent has started construction activity and subsequently applied for expansion of the project from the competent authority. The unit has obtained **revised sanction plan** for **Phase II** of additional 3 nos. Row House (G+2 storied), 5 nos. Town House (G+5 storied) and 4 nos. Tower Blocks (G+5P+25 storied) from **Mahestala Municipality** with **built-up area 72731.38 sqm. (Construction area 73577.77 sqm.)**. After obtaining revised sanction plan **total built-up area (Phase I + Phase II) for the project is 87861.41 sqm. (Construction area 87861.41 sqm.) with 490 nos. dwelling units having: Row House (G+2 storied) – 25 nos., Town House (G+5 storied) – 14 nos. and Tower Blocks (G+5P+25 storied) – 4 nos.**

Observation:

- During inspection, it was found that the project site is adjacent to **Hooghly River** toward west direction and another project namely **"The Royal Ganges – 1"** toward south direction. No separate boundary was observed between the two adjacent projects.
- During inspection, it was found that construction activity was going on in full swing at project site only for **Phase I**. Superstructure of 8 nos. Row House (G+2 storied) and 5 nos. Town House (G+5 storied) have totally been constructed in **Phase I**. **It has been found that no construction activity started for Phase II during inspection.**
- Trees were observed within the project site during inspection. On enquiry the representative of the unit informed that the existing trees will be reinstated.
- During inspection no water-body was found within the project site.
- Dumped and uncovered construction materials were observed within the project site.

- Two labor hutments were observed within the project site. A batching plant also observed within the project site.

Remarks:

- Necessary actions may be taken as deemed fit.
- Photographs taken during inspection are enclosed with this inspection report.


NAJIMUL HOSEN TARAFDAR

(JUNIOR ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER, EIM CELL, WBPCB)

Photographs Taken During Inspection

Constructed Town Houses

Labour Hutments and Dumped
Construction materials

Constructed Row Houses



Existing Trees

CNH. Tanapdar 09/05/2024