



244th SEAC, A.P.

Day -1

06.11.2024.



Minutes of 244th Meeting of the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Andhra Pradesh held on 06.11.2024, at State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) Andhra Pradesh Government of India Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change 3rd Floor, A.P. Markfed Building, APIIC Colony, Jawahar Auto Nagar, Vijayawada - 520007.


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|  | MINUTES OF THE 244th MEETING OF STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (SEAC), A.P., HELD ON - 06th & 07th November, 2024 AT VIJAYAWADA, A.P. |
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Present: The following members were present.

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| 1. | Shri Batchu Siva Prasad, Flat No. 102, Trinethra Apartments, Dasari Lingaiah Street, Mogalrajapuram, Vijaywada. | Chairperson |
| 2. | Shri Chenchugarla Krishna Moorthy, Flat Number: G-01, Padmavathi Towers, Thirumalareddy Nagar, Tirupathi 517 501. | Member |
| 3. | Dr. Thummala Chandrasekhar, H. No. 79/71-81, Shri Raghavendra Township Near Sakshi Office, Kadapa. | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Kondra Sudhakar Babu, Flat No. 405, 5th Floor, Mahaboo Towers, Georgepet, Near More Market, Ananthapuramu 515004. | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Gonuguntla Venkata Naidu, Door No.28-3-168, Tarakanath Colony, Sarada Nagar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Engineering College Road, Anantapur. | Member |
| 6. | Prof. Guntuku Girija Sankar, 6-21-11/2, Flat No. 401, Skyline Vaibhavam Apartment, East Point Colony, Visakhapatnam-17. | Member |
| 7. | Shri Godavathi Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Chowdary, SL-04/7, Paramount Towers, Panorama Hills, Nyaya Vidya Parishad Law College Road, Yendada, Visakhapatnam 530045. | Member |
| 8. | Prof. Peela Sujatha, W/o PVLN Murthy, D. No. 1-51-8/2, Sector-1, Near Sanjeevi Hospital, Muvvala | Member |


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| | Vani Palem Colony, Lawsons Bay Colony, Visakhapatnam - 530017. | |
| 9. | Dr. Ponnekanti Joseph Ratnakar, D. No. 18-52/4, Kolakalur, Tenali 522307, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh. | Member |
| 10. | Dr. Muvva Vijayalakshmi, D.No. 4-19-13/1, Sai Nilayam, Vijayapuri 1st lane, Jagarlamudi Kuppaswamy Choudary College road, Guntur -522 006. | Member |
| 11. | Dr. Billa Sarath Babu, D. No. 18-23, Military colony, Near Upparapalli Highway, Arch, Tirupati 517502. | Member |
| 12. | Dr. Ramannagari Bhavani, D.No.13-2-426, Ramachandra Nagar, Anantapur. | Member |
| 13. | Prof. Chalamcherla Vijaya, Flat No. 102, Leela Roses Apartments, Srinagar Colony, Magunta Layout, Nellore - 524001. | Member |
| 14. | Dr. Arza Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy, 103A, Pinnamaneni Residency, Goli Krishna Street, Ramavarapadu, Vijayawada-521108. | Member |
| 15. | Dr.P. Prasad Rao, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Dr. Yeduguri Sandinti Rajasekhara Reddy Paryavaran Bhavan, Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited Colony Road, Gurunanak Colony, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada - 520007. | Member Secretary. |


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| <p>Agenda Item No: 222.43 241.71 & 244.01</p> | <p>1.282 Ha. Colour Granite Quarry of Sri A. Narasimha Rao, Survey No. 552/C3P, C3Q & C3R of Murikipudi village, Chilakaluripet Mandal, Palnadu District.)Andhra Pradesh- Environmental Clearance - EIA case- Reg.</p> |
| <p>SIA/AP/ MIN/428 728/2023</p> | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1.</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Colour Granite in an area of 1.282 Ha with a proposed production capacity of Colour Granite - 2088 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals [≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease].</p> <p>The project proponent and their consultant, M/s. Global Enviro Labs, have attended the meeting and presented the case. The SEAC committee observed that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Palnadu District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the subject mine details are mentioned at Sno. 31 of Page No 79 of DSR Report. The Department of Mines and Geology issued extension of letter of Intent (LOI) vide order dt. 04.05.2023 for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CPE. As per the approved mining plan dt. 16.03.2022, the total provided mineral reserves are 42189 m³. The proponent proposed to excavate 2088 m³/annum and the Life of the mine is 20.0 years. The project proponent has obtained standard TOR on 22.08.2022 and public hearing was held on 21.12.2022. Issues raised in PH: There are no specific environmental issues raised during the public hearing. |


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- f. Response of the Management during the PH: Sri T. Murali Krishna, Consultant, M/s. Global Enviro Labs, Hyderabad informed that i) waste dump for storage of waste rock/OB will be stocked in the mine lease earmarked area as per the approved mining plan. The waste generated from the quarry can be used as size stone, road metal etc for which Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of AP has approved mining plan for this proposal ii) no dust will be generated during the production of Colour Granite through wire saw cutting as water is used for wire saw cutting iii) Water mounded tractor will be utilized for water sprinkling measures for dust suppression, iv) water sprinkling activity will be allotted to ladles groups, v) Funds will be allotted to school management for school developmental activities and vi) Mining activity will be carried out without causing any water, air, noise pollution to the nearby surrounding environment.
- g. The base line data was collected from March, 2022 to May, 2022 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be North East to South West. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 42 µg/m³. The incremental concentration is 1.867 µg/m³ and GLC of SPM will falls within mine lease area.
- h. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 6.30 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 4.83 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide mini ambulance to Murikipudi village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- i. This proposal was earlier placed in 241st SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs EIA report, Public Hearing minutes and detailed deliberations, recommended to **Issue** of Environmental Clearance for mining of Colour Granite - 2088 m³/annum with following conditions:


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1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan & EIA report.
2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadside.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
9. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
10. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments / promises made during the public hearings.

j. The Recommendations of SEAC was placed before 242nd SEIAA meeting Decision is as follows;

***Refer to SEAC to examine whether the proposal attracts violation or not as some workings are observed in the KML file.**

k. Again, this proposal along with recommendations of SEIAA was placed in 244th SEAC meeting and SEAC Committee noted that:

➤ The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt.



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| | <p>01.01.2022 issued Letter of Intent (LOI) to the subject mine for a period of 20 years, subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 1 years from the date of issue of LoI.</p> <p>➤ The committee reviewed the KML file and analyzed imagery from 2018 to 2024. It was observed that dumps and granite waste blocks have been present since 2018, and these waste materials have been located within the lease area since the issuance of the Letter of Intent (LoI) dt. 01.01.2022. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation.</p> <p>The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, KML File, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended that earlier meeting minutes holds good.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 226.39 & 244.02 | Construction of Proposed Development of Padmavathi Nagar Township By Tirupati Urban Development Authority (TUDA) Survey Nos. 616 in Surappakasam (V), Renigunta (M), Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh - Environmental clearance - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/1 NFRAZ/4 29023/20 23 | <p>Category: B1.</p> <p>The proposed project is comes under building and constructions/ Township under E(P) act, 2006.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 8(b) i.e., Township and area development project.</p> <p>The representative of the project, and their consultant M/s Vision Labs have attended the meeting. The SEAC committee noted that:</p> <p>a. 145.29 Acres land is earmarked for Residential plots and 971 housing plots are proposed to be developed. About 3.6 MLD of water consumption and 3.0 MLD of waste water is expected to be generated in the proposal. The developer proposed STP plant for treatment of wastewater.</p> <p>b. The project proponent obtained Standard TOR without Public</p> |


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- hearing on 06.07.2022.
- c. The project proponent not furnished most of the additional TOR conditions.
 - d. This proposal was earlier placed in 226th SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, MoEF&CC² Notifications & OM's, detailed deliberations and recommended to constitute a committee for site visit to verify documents pertaining to proposed Township with the following members.
 1. Prof.M. Chandra Sekhar.
 2. Prof. K. Thyagaraju.
 3. Prof. C. Sasidhar.
 - e. The Recommendations of SEAC was placed before SEIAA meeting Decision is as follows:
"The committee may verify documents pertaining to proposed Township after obtaining the documents from the proponent. The site visit for verification of documents may be avoided".
 - f. This proposal, along with the recommendations of SEIAA, was discussed at the 238th SEAC meeting. It was decided to conduct a site visit since the project proponent had not provided the additional TOR details adequately. The visit will also include the adjoining industrial area.
 - g. The sub-committee visited the subject area on 03.03.2024.
 - h. Again this proposal along with sub-committee report placed in 244th SEAC meeting and noted that:

The project proponent and also their consultant have not attended the meeting and the committee recommend to defer for ADS seeking reasons for not attending the meeting and also to place this case only after the project proponent request the SEAC to place their proposal in the future SEAC meeting.

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| Agenda Item No: 231.01 & 244.03 | 13.665 Ha Mining of Road Metal, Building Stone & Gravel of M/S BSCPL INFRASTRUCTURE LTD., at Sy. No. 28/PART of Maneela Village, Ananthapuramu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, Andhra Pradesh- Environmental Clearance - Reg. |
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682/2023**Category: B2 at par with B1 (Minor mineral)**

The proposed project is for mining of Road Metal, Building Stone & Gravel in an area of 13.665 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Road Metal & Building Stone - 3,36,026 m³/annum and Gravel- 58,830 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.

The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).

The representative of proponent and their consultant, M/s. VVN TECHNOLOGIES PVT. LTD have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of erstwhile Ananthapur District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine.
- b. The project proponent has obtained LOI vide order dt.20.07.2020 and the same was extended by the Mining Department vide order dt. 07.08.2023 with a validity upto 19.07.2025.
- c. As per the approved mining plan dt. 29.07.2020, the total provided mineral reserves are 53,08,757 m³ of Road metal and building stone & 4,04,340 m³ of Gravel. The proponent proposed to excavate Road Metal & Building Stone - 336026 m³/annum Gravel - 58830 m³/annum and Life of the mine is 16years.
- d. The project proponent has obtained standard TOR with public hearing on 18.12.2020 and Public hearing was held on 02.06.2023.
- e. Issues raised in the Public Hearing: Water sprinkling issues, blasting issues, crop damages issues, damages to bore wells, dust nuisance to agricultural lands, dumping of the waste in the check dam and employment issues are the main issues raised during the public hearing.
- f. **Response from the management during the Public**


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Hearing: Sri Sundariah Representative of M/s. BSCPL Infrastructure Ltd informed that the management will take all precautionary measures to control dust pollution from the mining activity. He assured that they will develop greenbelt along the boundary of mine lease area and also water sprinkling along the haulage roads to control dust emissions. He also assured that they will adopt controlled sequential blasting to control Noise and vibrations from the blasting operations. He assured that they will provide prior intimation about blasting activity to the surrounding farmers, and shepherd etc.

- g. The base line data was collected from Oct 2022 to Dec 2022 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be NE to SW. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 62.8 µg/m³. The incremental concentration is 6.83 µg/m³ and GLC of SPM will falls within mine lease area.
- h. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to the Maneelavillage as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- i. The SEAC noted that the District Revenue officer & Additional District Magistrate, Anathapuram District during the public hearing directed the joint team of Tahasildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA to verify the objections raised regarding the dumping of the waste in the check dam and encroachment of land by the unit. The SEAC enquired with the project proponent regarding this report, observations of the joint committee. The project proponent has not submitted joint team report.
- j. This proposal was earlier placed in 231st SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs, EIA report, PH minutes and detailed deliberations, recommended to **raise ADS for submission** of report of the joint committee of Tahasildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA and also to constitute a subcommittee with the following members 1) Prof. C. Shasidhar 2) Dr. Kiranmai, and 3) Dr. M. Sunandana Reddy to visit site and to verify the objections raised in the public hearing.
- k. Accordingly, the SEAC has constituted Subcommittee and the subcommittee inspected site on 28.01.2024. The summary of the subcommittee report is as follows:


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Field Observations:

- The mine lease area is situated at an aerial distance of 1410 m from Mannela Village.
- It is observed that no habitations are existing within 200 mts from the mine lease area.
- It is also observed that waste dumps are existing at the up-stream part of small check dam.
- Boundary pillars are not properly established with coordinates.
- Mine activity access is obstructing the natural drainage flow towards check dam.
- At the time of visit, no mining activity is in progress.

Based on the above observations the following points are proposed by the sub-committee:

- Proponent is suggested to provide provisions to allow natural water flow by providing pipe lines under the road access to the lease area.
- Proponent not yet submitted Joint Inspection Report from Tahsildar, EE-RO, AD – Mines & Geology and DD, DWAMA, which is directed by DRO and ADM during public hearing. It is intimated to submit the same.
- It is recommended to maintain approach roads with dust suppression and also proposed to plant trees all along the approach road.
- Proponent is also suggested to maintain proper boundary pillar along with coordinates.
- It is strongly advised to remove the waste dump, which is existing at the up-stream portion of the check dam.
- It is recommended to implement all the activities which are promised during public hearing.
- Proponent is also suggested to pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.

1. The project proponent submitted report of the joint committee of Tahsildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA on 27.06.2024 and it is noticed that the inspection of joint team was conducted on 13.02.2024 & 27.04.2024.

- The project proponent submitted an Action Taken Report, dated 11.06.2024, addressed from the Tahsildar, Ananthapuram Rural, to the Environmental Engineer, APPCB, Ananthapuram, which states that the " joint inspection has been conducted on 27.04.2024. It


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was observed the waste material in the check dam has been cleared by the concerned personnel. We have instructed to the concerned personnel to prevent the crop damage around the quarries. The Mandal Surveyor, Anantapuramu Rural mandal has also given his report. Necessary instructions have been issued to the concerned personnel to closely monitor to prevent the crop damage and waste material in the check dam in future".

m. The SEAC committee observed noted that in the subject mine area there are some Abandoned mine pits are existing and the committee reviewed the KML file and analyzed imagery from 2014 to 2024. It was observed that abandoned mine pits are existing have been present since 2014.

The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's EIA report, Public Hearing minutes, Joint committee reports and detailed deliberations, recommended to issue of Environmental Clearance for mining of Road Metal & Building Stone - 3,36,026 m³/annum and Gravel- 58,830 m³/annum with following conditions:

1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan & EIA report.
2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadsides.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.


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| | <ol style="list-style-type: none">7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.9. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.10. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments / promises made during the public hearings.11. The project proponent shall pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.12. The project proponent shall maintain proper boundary pillar along with coordinates.13. The project proponent shall provide provisions to allow natural water flow by providing pipe lines under the road access to the lease area.14. The project proponent shall maintain and enhance the existing check dam located near the project site.15. The project proponent shall adopt control blasting for the safety of the check dam. |
| Agenda Item No: 231.02 & 244.04 | 5.623 Ha Mining of Road Metal, Building Stone & Gravel of M/S BSCPL INFRASTRUCTURE LTD., at Sy. No. 28 of Maneela Village, Ananthapuramu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, Andhra Pradesh- Environmental Clearance - Reg. |
| SlA/AP/ MIN/435 725/2023 | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Road Metal, Building Stone & Gravel in an area of 5.623 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Road Metal & Building Stone -63,749 m³/annum&Gravel-87,411 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i).</p> |


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Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).

The representative of proponent and their consultant, M/s. VVN TECHNOLOGIES PVT. LTD have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of erstwhile Ananthapur District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine.
- The project proponent has obtained LOI vide order dt.16.03.2021 and the same was extended by the Mining Department vide order dt.24.07.2023 with a validity upto 14.03.2024.
- As per the approved mining plan dt.26.03.2021, the total provided mineral reserves are 114848³ m³ of Road metal and building stone & 579291 m³ of Gravel. The proponent proposed to excavate **Road Metal & Building Stone - 63749 m³/annum Gravel - 87441 m³/annum** and Life of the mine is 10 years.
- The project proponent has obtained standard TOR with public hearing on 18.12.2020 and Public hearing was held on 02.06.2023.
- Issues raised in the Public Hearing: water sprinkling issues, blasting issues, crop damages issues, damages to bore wells, dust nuisance to agricultural lands, dumping of the waste in the check dam and employment issues are the main issues raised during the public hearing.
- Response from the management during the Public Hearing:** Sri Sundariah Representative of M/s. BSCPL Infrastructure Ltd informed that the management will take all precautionary measures to control dust pollution from the mining activity. He assured that they will develop greenbelt along the boundary of mine lease area and also water sprinkling along the haulage roads to control dust emissions. He also assured that they will adopt controlled sequential blasting to control Noise and vibrations from the blasting operations. He assured that they will provide prior intimation about blasting activity to the surrounding farmers, and shepherd etc.


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- g. The base line data was collected from Oct 2022 to Dec 2022 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be NE to SW. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM10) is observed to be 62.8 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$. The incremental concentration is 6.83 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and GLC of SPM will falls within mine lease area.
- h. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to the Maneelavillage as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- i. The SEAC noted that the District Revenue officer & Additional District Magistrate, Anathapuram District during the public hearing directed the joint team of Tahasildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA to verify the objections raised regarding the dumping of the waste in the check dam and encroachment of land by the unit. The SEAC enquired with the project proponent regarding this report, observations of the joint committee. The project proponent has not submitted joint team report.
- j. This proposal was earlier placed in 231st SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs, EIA report, PH minutes and detailed deliberations, recommended to **raise ADS for submission** of report of the joint committee of Tahasildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA and also to constitute a subcommittee with the following members 1) Prof. C. Shasidhar 2) Dr. Kiranmai, and 3) Dr. M. Sunandana Reddy to visit site and to verify the objections raised in the public hearing.
- k. Accordingly, the SEAC has constituted Subcommittee and the subcommittee inspected site on 05.04.2024. The summary of the subcommittee report is as follows:

Field Observations:

- The mine lease area is situated at an aerial distance of 1167 m from Mannela Village.
- It is observed that no habitations are existing within 200 mts from the mine lease area.
- It is also observed that a small check dam is existing at western side of the lease area.
- Boundary pillars are not properly established with


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coordinates.

➤ At the time of visit, no mining activity is in progress.

Based on the above observations the following points are proposed by the sub-committee:

- Proponent is suggested to construct 300 m rock bund with trench at N-W side of the lease area to avoid silt entry into the check dam area
 - It is also suggested to adopt control blasting for the safety of the same structure.
 - Proponent not yet submitted Joint Inspection Report from Tahsildar, EE-RO, AD - Mines & Geology and DD, DWAMA, which is directed by DRO and ADM during public hearing. It is intimated to submit the same.
 - It is recommended to maintain approach roads with dust suppression and also proposed to plant trees all along the approach road. Proper precautionary measures with board to the established while connecting to highway.
 - Proponent is also suggested to maintain proper boundary pillar along with coordinates.
 - It is recommended to implement all the activities which are promised during public hearing.
 - Proponent is also suggested to pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.
- L The project proponent submitted report of the joint committee of Tahsildar, EE PCB, AD mines & Geology and DD, DAWMA on 27.06.2024 and it is noticed that the Inspection of Joint team was conducted on 13.02.2024 & 27.04.2024.
- The project proponent submitted an Action Taken Report, dated 11.06.2024, addressed from the Tahsildar, Ananthapuram Rural, to the Environmental Engineer, APPCB, Ananthapuram, which states that the " Joint inspection has been conducted on 27.04.2024, it was observed the waste material in the check dam has been cleared by the concerned personnel. We have instructed to the concerned personnel to prevent the crop damage around the quarries. The Mandal Surveyor, Anantapuramu Rural mandal has also


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given his report. Necessary instructions have been issued to the concerned personnel to closely monitor to prevent the crop damage and waste material in the check dam in future".

The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's EIA report, Public Hearing minutes, Joint committee reports and detailed deliberations, recommended to issue of Environmental Clearance for mining of Road Metal & Building Stone - 3,36,026 m³/annum and Gravel- 58,830 m³/annum with following conditions;

1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan & EIA report.
2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadsides.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
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8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
9. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
10. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments / promises made during the public


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hearings.

11. The project proponent shall pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.
12. The project proponent shall maintain proper boundary pillar along with coordinates.
13. The project proponent shall provide provisions to allow natural water flow by providing pipe lines under the road access to the lease area.
14. The project proponent shall maintain and enhance the existing check dam located near the project site.
15. The project proponent shall construct 300 m rock bund with trench at N-W side of the lease area to avoid silt entry into the check dam area.
16. The project proponent shall adopt control blasting for the safety of the check dam.

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13.976 Ha. Road Metal & Building Stone of Sri. G. Lokesh, at Sy. No. 181/Part, Nidimamidi Village, Puttaparthi Mandal, Sri Satya Sai District, Andhra Pradesh - Environmental Clearance - ADS reply - Reg.

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Category: B2 at par with B1 (Minor mineral)

The proposed project is for mining of Road Metal & Building Stone in an area of 13.976 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of 1,33,910 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.

The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).

The project proponent and their consultant, M/s. VVN Technologies Pvt Ltd, have attended the 242nd SEAC meeting and presented their proposal. Then, the SEAC Committee noted


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that:

- a. This proposal was earlier placed in 229th SEAC meeting and then the committee recommended to raise ADS for submission of Lol extension copy.
- b. Accordingly, the project proponent submitted the extension Lol dated 17.02.2024 with validity upto 07.08.2024.
- c. The applicant submitted DSR of Sri Satya Sai District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral availability details mentioned at Paragraph 2.3 of DSR Report.
- d. As per the approved mining plan dt.25.02.2019, the total provided mineral reserves are 8106146 m³. The proponent proposed to excavate 1,33,910 m³/annum and Life of the mine is 60 years.
- e. The project proponent has obtained Standard TOR with public hearing on 20.09.2022 and public hearing was held on 27.05.2023.
- f. Issues raised in the Public Hearing: Roads, Education Facilities, Cattle grazing issues, Agricultural land ownership issues, etc., were raised. No specific environmental issues raised during the public hearing.
- g. Response from the management during the Public Hearing: As per the written responses from the 3 Nos of mine lease holders, they have assured the following:
 - With regard to the damage to Agricultural crops due to dust emissions, the management of mine leases have assured that they will sprinkle water along the haul roads, develop greenbelt along the buffer zone of mine lease area and also assured that they will pay compensation in case of any damage to the crops.
 - The management of mine leases have informed that they have obtained grant order from Deputy Director of Mines & Geology, Kurnool for a period of 10 years as there is a availability of minerals in the area and informed that there is a plenty availability of Government lands/Hillock around the Nidimamidi village which can be utilized for the cattle grazing.


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- The management of mine leases have informed that, as per the directives of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, the habitation shall be atleast 200 mtrs away from the mine lease area if blasting operations are involved. However, the mine lease areas proposed by them was existing more than 200 mtrs from the mine leases.
 - The management of mine leases have assured that they will carry out controlled blasting operations to control dust emissions and Noise from the blasting activity. Also they have assured that they will provide prior intimation, sign boards in the area regarding blasting activity to control accidents to the surroundings.
 - The management of the mine leases have assured that they will not disturb the existing trees and also will further plant about 1000 Nos of trees in each mine lease area along the buffer zone of mine leases and along the haul roads. The written response of the management of the three mine leases is herewith submitted as Annexures.
- h. The base line data was collected from October 2022 to December 2022 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be NE to SW. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 59.13 µg/m³. The incremental concentration is 5.66 µg/m³ and GLC of SPM will falls at a distance of 0.9 Km towards SW direction of the mine lease area.
- i. The committee noted that the proposed mine lease area is existing on the hillock sloping towards Southern & Eastern side. Hence, committee directed the project proponent to provide trench with rocky bund on Southern & Eastern boundary of the mine lease area to avoid surface runoff into Agricultural lands.
- j. The air quality values recorded are not in sync with the isopleth generated through air mode modelling. Hence, there is a need for re-modelling.
- k. The project proponent allocated Rs. 13.5 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 6.96 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide water treatment plant/ Health camps to the



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Chintala Poluru village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.

- l. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 12.0 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 5.70 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to Nidimamidi village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- m. This proposal again was appraised in 242nd SEAC meeting, then the committee recommended to issue ADS for submission of re-modelled (re-run software model) Air quality data in EIA report.
- n. Again this proposal was placed in 243rd SEAC meeting and the proponent submitted the ADS reply on 28.03.2024 with re-run Air quality data. The maximum PM10 concentration is observed to be at the mine site with 62.98 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and incremental concentration of 12.58 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.
- o. The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & Oms, EIA report, PH minutes and detailed deliberations, ADS reply recommended SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance for mining Road Metal & Building Stone - 1,33,910 m^3/annum with following conditions:
 1. The proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan and EIA report.
 2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt of 1km along approach roads & village Roadsides.
 3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
 6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be


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- covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
7. The project proponent shall not use village road for mineral transportation purpose.
 8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
 9. The project proponent shall carry controlled blasting only.
 10. The project proponent shall provide trench with rocky bund on South and Eastern side mining lease boundary to prevent surface runoff entering into the nearby lands.
 11. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments made during public hearing.

p. The recommendations of SEAC was placed in 243rd SEIAA meeting decision:

"Refer to SEAC to examine the proposal as many concerns raised in the Public Hearing against the project".

The recommendation of SEIAA was placed before 244th SEAC meeting and noted that Letter of Intent was expired. Hence, the committee recommended to raise ADS for submission of Lol extension copy.

Agenda
Item No:
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3.386 Ha Black Galaxy Granite M/S Bash Granites at Sy. No: 19 (old Sy No. 1) of Yerrakonda, H/o Budawada Village, Chimakurthy Mandal, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh- EC - Reg.

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Category: B2 (Minor mineral).

The proposed project is for mining of Black Galaxy Granite in an area of 3.386 Ha with a proposed production capacity - 3276 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.

The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (<250 ha of mining lease area in respect of


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non-coal mine lease).

The representative of the project and their consultant, M/s. SV Enviro Labs & Consultants, have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of erstwhile Prakasam District and the same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting. The SEAC noted that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine.
- b. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 03.08.2023 issued Letter of Intent (LOI) for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 3 years from the date of issue of LOI
- c. The Committee noted that as per the cluster letter dated: 30.08.2023 issued by the District Mines &Geology Officer, Ongole, there is one existing quarry lease within the radius of 500 mtrs area. The total cluster area is < 5.0 Ha.
- d. As per the approved mining plan dt. 26.08.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 1,26,847 m³. The proponent proposed to excavate Black Galaxy Granite - 3,276 m³/annum and Life of the mine is 38 years.
- e. During the appraisal the committee noted that elevation difference for the subject mine is about 60 mts from the bottom of the hill. Hence the committee opined that the subject mine is not feasible for the storage / dumping of the mineral waste. The committee directed the project proponent to acquire an additional land of about 1.0 Ha nearer to the subject mine for storage / dumping of the mineral waste.
- f. During the appraisal the committee noted that the subject mine is inclined towards southern & western sides and there is a possibility of flow of silt and sediments to the adjoining the mine lease area. The committee directed the project proponent to provide 360m trench with rocky bund on Western and Southern side to prevent rain water runoff.
- g. The project proponent allocated Rs. 7.3 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs.2.91 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The


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proponent volunteered to provide Water Treatment Plant to Budawada village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine. Also, the project proponent has proposed to provide scholarships to students of Budawada village.

- h. This proposal was earlier place in 234th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&GC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to issue Environmental Clearance for mining of Black Galaxy Granite – 3276 m³/annum with following conditions:
 - i. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
 - j. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt of 1km along approach roads & village Roadsides.
 - k. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 - l. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 - m. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
 - n. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
 - o. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
 - p. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
 - q. The project proponent shall maintain village road along with the cluster partners.
 - r. The project proponent shall not disturb surrounding agricultural lands and shall not cause any damage to the agricultural land near to the mine lease area.
 - s. The project proponent shall avoid over loading of material in


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trucks.

- t. The project proponent shall acquire 1.0 Ha of additional land for disposal of mineral waste.
- u. The project proponent shall provide 360m trench with rocky bund on Western and Southern side to prevent surface runoff.
- v. The project proposal along with recommendation of SEAC was placed in SEIAA meeting and Decision of SEIAA is as follows.

"Excavations were observed in the KML file uploaded in the PARIVESH portal. Refer to SEAC to constitute a committee for inspection of the site and recommendations may be forwarded to SEIAA".

- w. Again, this proposal was earlier placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the committee noted that:

1. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 03.08.2021 issued Letter of Intent (LOI) to the subject mine for a period of 20 years, subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 1 years from the date of issue of LOI and the committee noted that the project proponent not submitted EC & CFE within stipulated time as mentioned in LOI and again, the project proponent obtained Extension of LOI on 03.08.2023 which is valid up to 02.08.2024.

2. The committee verified KML file and examined imagery dates 2014 to 2023 and observed that Mining pits and dumps were existing since 2016 only and the project proponent has obtained LOI on 03.08.2021.

- x. The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended that earlier meeting minutes holds good.

- y. The recommendations of SEIAA was placed before 243rd SEIAA meeting Decision is as follows:

* Refer to SEAC to examine whether the proposal attracts violation or not as some workings are observed in the KML


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| | <p>file".</p> <p>2. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and then the committee noted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The committee reviewed the KML file and analyzed imagery from 2014 to 2024. It was observed that dumps and granite waste have been present since 2014, and these waste materials have been located within the lease area since the issuance of the Letter of Intent (LoI) dt. 03.08.2021. ➤ During the SEAC meeting, the project proponent informed that dump/sludge/granite waste is being disposed of in the subject mine area by the surrounding granite cutting and polishing units. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation. <p>After re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC notifications and OMAs, and conducting detailed deliberations, the Committee recommended that the earlier minutes of the SEAC meeting holds good.</p> |
| Agenda Item No: 234.31 & 244.07 | 3.564 Ha. Road Metal & Building stone of Sri K.Krishna Prasad, at Sy. No. 141 of Chandapuram Village, Ramabhadrapuram Mandal, Vizianagaram District, Andhra Pradesh - Expansion of EC - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/MIN/438 362/2023 | <p>Category: B2 (Minor mineral).</p> <p>The proposed project is for Enhancement of mining of Road Metal & Building stone in an area of 3.564 Ha with a proposed production quantity of Road Metal and Building Stone -1,75,000 m³/annum to 3,33,440 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i).</p> |


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Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).

The project of proponent and their consultant, M/s VVN Technologies Pvt Ltd, have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a) The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of erstwhile Vizianagaram District and the same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting. The SEAC noted that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine.
- b) The SEIAA, AP has issued Environmental clearance on 18.12.2020 for mining of Road metal and building stone of $1,10,920 \text{ m}^3/\text{annum}$ and same is valid for 11 years.
- c) The SEIAA, AP has issued Environmental clearance for expansion on 01.05.2023 for mining of Road metal and building stone from $1,10,920 \text{ m}^3/\text{annum}$ to $1,75,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{annum}$ and same is valid for 7.08 years.
- d) Again, the project proponent has applied environmental clearance for expansion of Road Metal and Building Stone - $1,75,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{annum}$ to $3,33,440 \text{ m}^3/\text{annum}$.
- e) The committee noted that the project proponent obtained Certified compliance report on 05.09.2022 from SPCB and the same is valid for one year. The MoEF&CC vide OM dt. 08.06.2022 informed the procedure to adopted by the SEAC while appraising expansion projects and as per the Notification the certified compliance issued by the concerned authority shall be valid for a period of 1 year from the date of inspection of the project.
- f) As the CCR furnished by the project proponent is more than one year and hence the committee recommended to raise ADS for submission of latest Certified compliance report from IRO, Vijayawada, as per OM dt. 08.06.2022.
- g) The proposal was earlier placed in 234th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended to raise ADS for submission of latest Certified compliance report from IRO, Vijayawada, as per OM dt. 08.06.2022.
- h) The project proponent submitted a reply to the ADS on 30.08.2024. This proposal was presented at the 244th SEAC meeting, where it was noted that the project proponent had


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| | <p>provided a Certified Compliance Report dated 22.07.2024, issued by the Sub-office of MoEF&CC, Gol (IRO), Vijayawada. The report mentions the following:</p> <p><i>"Letter issued to Project Authorities for taking corrective measures and requested for submission of Action taken report against the non-compliance observed for issues of final certified report".</i></p> <p>i) Further, the committee directed the project proponent to submit final certified report issued by Sub-office of MoEF&CC, Gol, (IRO), Vijayawada. Hence, committee recommended to raise ADS for submission of the final certified report.</p> |
| Agenda Item No: 237.04 & 244.08 | <p>0.598 Ha. Mining of Colour Granite of M/s. Sri Srinivasa Granites, Sy.No: 103/P (USH) Konidena Village, Balli Kurava Mandal, Bapatla District (Erstwhile Prakasam District), Andhra Pradesh - EC-EIA - Reg.</p> |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/447 254/2023 | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1.</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Colour Granite in an area of 0.598 Ha with a proposed production capacity of Colour Granite -576 m³ /Annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The representative of the project proponent and their consultant M/s. SV Enviro Labs & Consultants, have attended the meeting and presented the case. The SEAC committee noted that:</p> <p>a) The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Bapatla District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine (mentioned at S.</p> |


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- b) The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 03.01.2021 issued Lol to the subject mine the subject mine for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE.
- c) As per the approved mining plan dt: 07.05.2022 the total provided mineral reserves are 18050 m³. The proponent proposed to excavate Colour Granite -576 m³ /Annum (average production). The Life of the mine is 31 years.
- d) The project proponent has obtained Standard TOR on 03.03.2023 and the with public hearing on 26.05.2023.
- e) Public Hearing details: employment issues, DMF&CSR funds issues, greenbelt development, road damages, dust nuisance and water sprinkling are the main issues raised in the public hearing. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to restrict transport minerals through 21 tons capacity of tippers to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
- f) Reply of the proponent during the public hearing is as follows: Sri G Tirupathi Reddy, Mine Agent, authorized by the Managing Partner. He has given assurance that the mining will be carried out duly following all the Mines Rules & Environmental norms. He assured that they will be sure to follow the suggestions of the villagers. He informed that they provided a training center and providing training to the workers, and engaged a tractor for regular water sprinkling on the roads. He assured that, if necessary, they will provide one more tanker for water sprinkling, and they will be sure to follow all the suggestions and will carry out the mining operations.
- g) The base line data was collected from December, 2022 to February, 2023 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be South East to North West. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 68.5 µg/m³.



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The incremental concentration is 1.55 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and GLC of SPM will fall at a distance of 0.97 KM towards North west direction from the mine lease area.


- h) The committee noted that the subject mine lease is on the Slope of the hill and there is no provision for dumping the granite waste in lease area. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to procure 0.5 acre of additional land for granite waste disposal.
- i) The project proponent allocated Rs. 5.7 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 3.74 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide mini ambulance to the Konidena PHC as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- j) This proposal was earlier appraised in 237th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's EIA Report, Public Hearing minutes, and detailed deliberations, recommended to issue Environmental Clearance for mining of Colour Granite -576 m^3 /Annum with following conditions:
 1. The proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan and EIA.
 2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt of 1km along approach roads & village Roadsides.
 3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
 6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
 7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal


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- bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
 9. The project proponent shall pay suitable compensations for surrounding agricultural lands as per the norms.
 10. The project proponent shall maintain village roads along with the cluster partners.
 11. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments & promises made/given in the public hearing.
 12. The project proponent shall procure 0.5 acre of additional land for waste disposal.
 13. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
- k) The project proposal along with recommendation of SEAC was placed in SEIAA meeting and Decision of SEIAA is as follows:
"Refer to SEAC to examine the KML file uploaded in the PARIVESH portal as some excavations are observed in the KML file."
- l) Again, this proposal was placed in 241st SEAC meeting and noted that:
- The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 03.01.2022 issued Letter of Intent (LOI) to the subject mine for a period of 20 years, subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 1 years from the date of issue of LoI.
 - The committee verified KML file and examined imagery dates 2014 to 2023 and observed that granite blocks were existing since, 2014 and the project proponent has obtained LoI on 03.01.2022.
- m) The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended that earlier meeting minutes holds good.


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|  | MINUTES OF THE 244th MEETING OF STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (SEAC), A.P., HELD ON - 06th & 07th November, 2024 AT VIJAYAWADA, A.P. |
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| | <p>b) Again, the Recommendations of SEAC was placed 242nd SEIAA meeting and decision is as follows: <i>"Refer to SEAC to examine whether the proposal attracts violation or not as some workings are observed in the KML file".</i></p> <p>c) Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and then the committee noted that: The committee reviewed the KML file and examined imagery from 2014 to 2023. It was observed that granite blocks have been present since 2014. Additionally, the project proponent obtained the Letter of Intent (LoI) on 03.01.2022.</p> <p>➤ During the SEAC meeting, the project proponent informed that Granite waste is being disposed of in the subject mine area by the surrounding granite mining units. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation.</p> <p>After re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC notifications and OMs, and conducting detailed deliberations, the Committee recommended that the earlier minutes of the SEAC meeting holds good.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 237.33 & 244.09 | 2.0 Ha Mining of Road metal & Building stone by M/s. Royal Minerals at Sy.No.1053/P, Bommavaram Village, Obulavaripalli Mandal Annamayya District, Andhra Pradesh - EC-EIA - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/450 937/2023 | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1.</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Road metal & Building stone in an area of 2.0 Ha with a proposed production capacity of Road metal & Building stone – 69,210 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals [≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of</p> |


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non-coal mine lease).

The representative of the project proponent and their consultant M/s. Ecomen Laboratories Pvt., Ltd., have attended the meeting and presented the case. The SEAC committee noted that:

- a. The project proponent has not submitted the Bank Guarantee and also not paid the penalty at APPCB as per production despatch details letter from Mines & Geology Department to comply with SOP issued by MOEF&CC, GoI vide OM dated 07.07.2021. Hence, the committee recommended to raise ADS for the submission of Bank Guarantee and Penalty as per the MOEF&CC, GoI vide OM dated 07.07.2021.
- b. The project proponent obtained violation TOR on 15.11.2022 with additional TORs. The committee noted that the project proponent has not submitted photographs of nearby shed as mentioned in TOR.
- c. The project proponent applied for mining of Road metal & Building stone for maximum production. The committee directed the project proponent to modify mining plan for average production.
- d. This proposal earlier was placed in 237th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended to constitute a subcommittee with a) Dr. M. Sunandana Reddy, b) Prof. Matli. Chandra Sekhar and C) Prof. C. Sasidhar, to visit the proposed site of the mine to verify the issues raised in the public hearing and also impacts of the mine in the nearby habitations.
- e. Accordingly, the SEAC has constituted Subcommittee and the subcommittee inspected site on 03.03.2024. The summary of the subcommittee report is as follows:

Field Observations:

- The mine lease area is situated at an aerial distance of 520 m away from Govindampalle Village.
- It is observed that no habitations are existing within 200 mts from the mine lease area.
- Old mined out pit is existing in the mine lease area.
- It is also observed that mine lease area is surrounded by various mining activities. Due to


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such mining activities, quality of environment is degraded.

- Boundary pillars are not properly established with coordinates. There is no proper boundary with adjacent mining area.
- Mining activity shed is observed near the mine lease area, which is at the distance of 200 m from the mine boundary.
- At the time of visit, no mining activity is in progress.

Based on the above observations the following points are proposed by the committee:

- It is recommended to enhance the EMP budget to improve the quality of the environment in and around the mine lease area.
- Proponent is suggested to submit bank guarantee of Rs. 75,000 to Rs. 1,00,000 and same can be released after implementing environment improvement measurements like plantation.
- It is recommended to maintain approach roads with dust suppression and also proposed to plant trees all along the approach road. Speed control measurements should be implemented near the main road.
- It is recommended to implement all the activities which are promised during public hearing.
- Proponent is also suggested to pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.

f. The committee noted that the MoEF&CC, GoI issued an OM dated 08.01.2024, informing that the Hon'ble Supreme Court had imposed a stay on the implementation of the SOP dated 07.07.2021 and the OM dated 28.01.2022.

In light of stay imposed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the implementation of the SOP dated 7th July 2021 and the OM dated 28th January 2022, the committee decided to consider violation proposals only after the final outcome of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition(s) Civil No(s). 1394/2023 and


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| | further order received from MoEF&CC, GoI. Therefore, the committee recommended to raise an ADS. |
| Agenda Item: 237.24 & 244.10 | 1.619 Ha Mining of Ball Clay of Sri. M. Rajendra Babu Prasad at Sy No: 66/2, Kommugudem Village, Dwaraka Tirumala Mandal, Eluru District, Andhra Pradesh - EC- Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/450 553/2023 | <p>Category: B2 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Ball Clay in an area of 1.619 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Ball Clay - 24,900 TPA with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The project proponent and their consultant, M/s Right source Industrial Solutions Pvt. Ltd have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Eluru District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the nearby village /cluster to the subject mine (mentioned at S.No.30 of Page No.83 of DSR Report). The same details were also available in DSR 2023 which is under process at SEIAA for approval. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 20.07.2023 issued Lol to the subject mine for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CPE within a period of 3 years from the date of issue of Lol. As per the cluster letter dated: 02.11.2023 issued by the District Mines& Geology Officer, Eluru, there are 08 existing quarry leases within the radius of 500 mtrs area. |


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- d. The committee noted that there is a discrepancy of Cluster mine of Sri M Venkateswara Rao (4.573 Ha) of Column no.5 and 06 wherein in column no.5 it was reported that mine lease period was mentioned as 24.03.2016 to 31.03.2023 and at column no.6 it was reported that non-working and the lease holder has taken permit on 16.12.2019. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to submit latest cluster letter with non-working details of Sri M Venkateswara Rao (4.573 Ha).
- e. This proposal was earlier placed in 237th SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to **raise ADS for submission of latest cluster letter with non-working details of Sri M Venkateswara Rao (4.573 Ha).**
- f. Accordingly, the project proponent submitted clarification letter dated 05.02.2024 issued by the department of Mines & Geology stating that Sri M Venkateswara Rao has taken last permit on 16.12.2019 as per this office records, further the lease holder has not obtained any dispatch permits until expiry of the lease period i.e., 31.03.2023. Further the lease holder has applied renewal of quarry lease which it is under process.
- g. The committee observed that subject mine lease area is covered with thick greenbelt. Hence, committee directed the project proponent to develop green belt in 1:2 ratio in public places.
- h. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 2.28 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 5.17 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide 4 number of computers along with tables and chairs to Kommugudem village M.P. UP School as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- i. This proposal was earlier placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals,


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presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended **SEIAA** for issue of Environmental Clearance for mining of Ball Clay - 24,900 TPA with following conditions:

1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roads.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
9. The project proponent shall not disturb surrounding agricultural lands.
10. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
11. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt in 1:2 ratio.

1. The recommendations of SEAC was placed before 242nd SEAC meeting and decision of SEIAA is as follows: *"Refer to SEAC to examine with regard to existing Rules/Guidelines on green cover as the proposed mining area and surrounding areas are covered with thick vegetation".*


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| | <p>It Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and committee directed the project proponent to follow below conditions in line with regard to existing Rules/Guidelines on green cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The project proponent shall study tree enumeration plan and shall develop greenbelt in 1:2 ratio. ➤ The project proponent shall develop Endemic species. ➤ The project proponent shall plant the plants in public places. <p>The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance with above mentioned conditions.</p> |
| Agenda Item No. 240.03 & 241.02 & 242.22 & 244.11 | 4.85 Ha Ordinary Sand Mine proposed in the name of K Venkatapuram Sand Reach, K Venkatapuram Village, Regidiamadalavalasa Mandal, Vizianagaram District by Royalty Inspector O/o Department of Mines and Geology, Vizianagaram - Environmental Clearance- Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/451 272/202 3. | <p>Category: B2.</p> <p>The project proposal is for mining of Ordinary Sand in an area of 4.85 Ha with a proposed production quantity of Ordinary Sand- 48,485 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof i.e., Mining of minerals (≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>Sri. Mohan Rao, Dy. Director and Royalty Inspector, O/o District Mines and Geology officer, Department of Mines and Geology, Vizianagaram and their consultant M/s. Hubert Enviro Care</p> |


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Systems (P) Ltd have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Vizianagaram District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the subject mine is available at Page No.150 of DSR Report.
- b. The Department of Mines and Geology, Ibrahimpatnam, AP issued circular Memo No: 6588903/Sand- General/2022 dt. 17.10.2023 instructing to obtain statutory clearance in the name of the officers for 35 sand reaches.
- c. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 19.10.2023 issued Lol to the subject mine subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE.
- d. As per the cluster letter dated: 27.10.2023 issued by the District Mines & Geology officer, Vizianagaram District, there are no existing leases within the radius of 500 mtrs area and the total applicable cluster area is < 5.0 Ha.
- e. As per the approved mining plan dt. 27.10.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 48,485 m³ (As per WALTER Act only 1m sand excavation is permitted) and the entire quantity is proposed to be excavated within the period of 1 year.
- f. The committee in light of the orders of the Hon'ble NGT dated 23.03.2023, recommended to allow for Manual mining only, duly following the sustainable sand mining guidelines 2016 and Enforcement and Monitoring guidelines for sand mining 2020.
- g. The committee observed project proponent not furnished joint inspection report on feasibility of sand reach. Hence, committee directed the proponent to submit latest joint inspection report and photographs of sand reach along with the GPS coordinates.
- h. This proposal was earlier placed in 240th SEAC meeting and the committee recommend to raise ADS for submission of following:
 - Joint inspection report duly mentioning the date and


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photographs of sand reach along with the GPS coordinates.

- i. Accordingly, the project proponent submitted joint inspection report duly mentioning the date and photographs of sand reach.
- j. The committee noted that, as per the photographs submitted by the project proponent, workings are observed. Therefore, the committee recommended to raise ADS for submission of clarification on current workings.
- k. This proposal was placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended to **deferred for ADS** for submission of clarification on current workings.
- l. Accordingly, the project proponent submitted ADS reply on 14.03.2024 by uploading the same reply as was uploaded on 21.02.2024 which is improper and inadequate.
- m. This proposal earlier was placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended to **raise ADS** for submission of clarification letter from the mines department on current (latest) workings.
- n. Accordingly, the project proponent submitted ADS reply on 29.05.2024 and the proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and committee noted that:
 - The project proponent submitted letter dt. 28.05.2024 issued by District Mines and Geology Officer, Vizianagaram and wherein it is mentioned as follows:
"It is submitted that, proposal No: SIA/AP/MIN 451272/2023 area i.e; K Venkatapuram Sand Reach in K Venkatapuram Village of Santhakaviti Mandal, Vizianagaram District is a virgin area which is not working since more than 01 year and the Photographs of the area is here by enclosed for ready reference".


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The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, MoEF&CC Notifications & Oms and detailed deliberations, recommended to issue Environmental clearance for the mining of Ordinary Sand with the maximum production quantity of 48,485 m³/annum for one-year period with Manual method of mining with the following conditions:

1. There shall be no change in the production quantities approved in Environment Clearance order.
2. All the conditions and guidelines issued by MoEF&CC, Govt of India in respect of sand mining shall be followed.
3. The directions issued by the Hon'ble NGT, Southern Zone, Chennai in the matter of O.A.No. 47 of 2016 (SZ) & 177 of 2016 (SZ), Order dated:14.12.2020 shall be scrupulously followed.
4. The standard environmental conditions for sand mining specified in the Sustainable Sand Mining Guidelines, issued by MoEF&CC, Govt of India, 2016 shall be followed. The mine operator shall not carry mining more than 1 meter depth in compliance with AP WALTA Act.
5. The lease holder shall follow the procedures mentioned in Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining January, 2020.
6. The lease holder shall comply with the recommendation and suggestion made by the High-Power Committee as applicable.
7. The mining activities on river beds are allowed strictly as per the provisions of river / stream bed mining policy.
8. The ramp (Le., approach road) shall be removed after sand mining is completed.
9. **Under any circumstance under water sand mining shall not be carried out.**
10. The committee directed the lease holder that they shall not carryout river bed mining operation in monsoon period.
11. **No sand mining shall be done during the rainy season.**
12. The lease holder should demarcate boundary with geo-coordinates or geo-fenced to ensure that sand extraction is going on only within the permitted area.


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| | <p>13. The functioning time of quarries/depots shall be 7.00 AM to 6.00 PM. No sand transporting and mining vehicles to be parked inside the quarry/depot site during night time.</p> <p>14. The vehicles carrying the mined material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.</p> <p>15. The transportation route should be selected in such a way that the movement of trucks/tippers/tractors from the villages having habitation should be avoided.</p> <p>16. The lease holder to maintain electronic weighbridges at the appropriate location identified by the district mining officer, in order to ensure that all mined minerals from that particular mine are accounted for before the material is dispatched from the mine. The weighing bridge shall have the provision of CCTV camera and all dispatch from the mine shall be accounted.</p> <p>17. The lease holder shall keep GPS tracking to the vehicle from source to destination.</p> <p>18. The lease holder shall not obstruct the river flow, water transport and restoring the riparian rights and instream habitats.</p> <p>19. The lease holder shall plant the plants all along the river bank/embankment to control the erosion of river bank.</p> <p>20. The lease holder shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.</p> <p>21. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 237.34 & 244.12 | 2.0 Ha. Mining of Road metal & Building stone of M/s Praise Mineral at Sy. No. 490/P of Govindampalli Village, Obulavaripalli Mandal, Y.S.R Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh State - EC-EIA - Reg. |
| SlA/AP/ MIN/451 345/2023 | <p>Category: B2 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Road metal & Building stone in an area of 2.0 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Road metal & Building stone - 39,748 m³/annum with a</p> |


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condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.

The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).


The project proponent and their consultant M/s Ecomen Laboratories Pvt Ltd, Visakhapatnam have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The committee noted that the project proponent has not submitted the Bank Guarantee and also not paid the penalty at APPCB as per production despatch details letter from Mines & Geology Department to comply with SOP issued by MOEF&CC, GoI vide OM dated 07.07.2021. Hence, the committee recommended to raise ADS for the submission of Bank Guarantee and Penalty as per the MOEF&CC, GoI vide OM dated 07.07.2021*.
- b. This proposal earlier was placed in 237th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended to constitute a subcommittee with a) Dr. M. Sunandana Reddy, b) Prof. Matli. Chandra Sekhar and c) Prof. C. Sasidhar, to visit the proposed site of the mine to verify the issues raised in the public hearing and also impacts of the mine in the nearby habitations.
- c. Accordingly, the SEAC has constituted Subcommittee and the subcommittee inspected site on 03.03.2024. The summary of the subcommittee report is as follows:

Field Observations:

- The mine lease area is situated at an aerial distance of 600 m away from Govindampalle Village.
- It is observed that no habitations are existing within 200 mts from the mine lease area.
- Old mined out pit is existing in the mine lease area.
- It is also observed that mine lease area is surrounded by various mining activities. Due to such mining activities, quality of environment is


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degraded.

- Boundary pillars are not properly established with coordinates.
- Abandoned shed is observed near the mine lease area, which is at the distance of 105 m from the mine boundary.

Based on the above observations the following points are proposed by the committee:

- It is recommended to enhance the EMP budget to improve the quality of the environment in and around the mine lease area.
- Proponent is suggested to submit bank guarantee of Rs. 75,000 to Rs. 1,00,000 and same can be released after implementing environment improvement measurements like plantation.
- It is recommended to maintain approach roads with dust suppression and also proposed to plant trees all along the approach road.
- It is recommended to implement all the activities which are promised during public hearing.
- Proponent is also suggested to pay compensation to the crop damages, if applicable.

d. The committee noted that the MoEF&CC, GoI issued an OM dated 08.01.2024, informing that the Hon'ble Supreme Court had imposed a stay on the implementation of the SOP dated 07.07.2021 and the OM dated 28.01.2022.


In light of stay imposed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the implementation of the SOP dated 7th July 2021 and the OM dated 28th January 2022, the committee decided to consider violation proposals only after the final outcome of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition(s) Civil No(s). 1394/2023 and further orders received from MoEF&CC, GoI. Therefore, the committee recommended to raise an ADS.


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| <p>Agenda Item: 241.11 & 244.13</p> | <p>2.805 Ha Mining of Black Galaxy Granite mine of M/s A.G. EXPORTS at Sy. No: 99/5 (Ext: 1.526 Ha), 99/6P3 (Ext: 0.259 Ha) & 99/7P (Ext: 1.020 Ha) Budawada Village, Chimakurthy Mandal, Prakasam District, Andhra Pradesh - EC - EIA -Reg.</p> |
| <p>SIA/AP/ MIN/453 328/2023</p> | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Black Galaxy Granite in an area of 2.805 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Black Galaxy Granite - 10,753 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The project of proponent and their consultant, M/s SV Enviro Labs & Consultant, have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of erstwhile Prakasam District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the cluster mine lease details are mentioned at page No. 96 of DSR in the DSR report. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 17.11.2022 issued LoI extension to the subject mine subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE. As per the approved mining plan dt. 07.01.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 230588 M³. The proponent proposed to excavate 10,753 m³/Annum. The Life of the mine is 21 years. The project proponent has obtained standard TOR on 02.12.2022 and public hearing was held on 26.10.2023. Issues raised in PH: There are no specifics issues raised during the public hearing. |


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- f. Response of the Management during the PH: Sri SVS Prakash Rao, Managing Partner, M/s. AG Exports: He has given assurance that they have developed A.G. Exports and provided all the safety measures to about 50 families working in the quarry mine as excavators, dumpers, wire saw cutters etc. They will extend their cooperation in the welfare activities in the surroundings, extend support for developmental activities and to safeguard the environment. He also assured that he will extend support for schools, providing water plants, and road repair to the extent possible in the RL puram, Chimakurthy, and Budwada villages.
- g. The committee directed the project proponent to construct trench with rocky bund with cluster partners on all around the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff/silt content entering into the surrounding agricultural fields. The committee also directed the project proponent to maintain village roads and approach roads along with cluster partners
- h. The base line data was collected from January, 2023 to March, 2023 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be South East to North West. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 69.3 µg/m³. The incremental concentration is 2.34 µg/m³ and GLC of SPM will falls within mine lease area.
- i. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 7.25 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 6.17 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide medical facilities support to Hospital proposed by APMDC in Rekulakunta village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- j. This proposal was earlier appraised in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs EIA report, Public Hearing minutes and detailed deliberations, recommended SEIAA for issue of


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Environmental Clearance for mining of Black Galaxy Granite -
10,753 m³/Annum with following conditions:

1. The proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
2. The project proponent shall acquire additional 2 acres of land for disposal of waste dump.
3. The project proponent shall construct trench with rocky bund with cluster partners on all around the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff/silt content entering into the surrounding agricultural fields.
4. The project proponent shall maintain village roads and approach roads along with cluster partners
5. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roads.
6. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
7. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
8. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
9. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
10. The project proponent shall not use village road/canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
11. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
12. The project proponent shall provide trench all around the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff.
13. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
14. The project proponent shall comply with the commitments / promises made during the public


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hearings.

k. The Recommendations of SEAC was placed before 242nd SEIAA meeting and decision of SEIAA is as follows: "Refer to SEAC to examine whether the proposal attracts violation or not as some workings are observed in the KML file".

l. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and then the committee noted that: The committee reviewed the KML file and examined imagery from 2014 to 2024. It was observed that granite waste and working pits are existing have been present since 2014. Additionally, the project proponent obtained the Letter of Intent (LoI) on 30.09.2021.

➤ During the SEAC meeting, the project proponent informed that Granite waste is being disposed of in the subject mine area by the surrounding granite mining units. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation.

After re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC notifications and OMs, and conducting detailed deliberations, the Committee recommended that the earlier minutes of the SEAC meeting holds good.

Agenda Item: 241.18 & 244.14
3.230 Ha Mining of Morrum/Gravel and Ordinary Earth mine of M/s Chandramouli Earth Movers, at Survey No.: 178, Nallamilli Village, Rangampeta Mandal, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh - EC - Reg.

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The proposed project is for mining of Morrum/Gravel and Ordinary Earth in an area of 3.230 Ha with a proposed production quantity of Morrum/Gravel and Ordinary Earth - 2,38,436 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.

The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i), Mining of minerals (≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of


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non-coal mine lease).

The project proponent and their consultant, Hubert Enviro Care Systems (P) Ltd, Chennai have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of East Godavari District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the cluster mine mentioned at Page No. 150 of DSR Report.
- b. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 10.11.2023 issued Lol to the subject mine for a period of 10 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 03 years from the date of issue of Lol.
- c. As per the cluster letter dated: 07.12.2023 issued by the District Mines & Geology Officer, Rajamahendravaram, there are 02 existing quarry leases within the radius of 500 mtrs area. The total cluster area < 5.0 Ha
- d. As per the approved mining plan dt. 04.12.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 7,15,501 m³. The proponent proposed to excavate Morrum/Gravel and Ordinary Earth - 2,38,436 m³/annum. The Life of the mine is 3 years.
- e. The committee observed that water ponds are existing on Northern side and hence, committee directed the project proponent to construct 200m trench with rocky bund on northern side to prevent surface runoff.
- f. The committee observed that subject mine lease area is covered with thick greenbelt. Hence, committee directed the project proponent to develop green belt in 1:2 ratio in public places.
- g. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 10.0 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 4.5 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to Nallanilli village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- h. This proposal was placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the


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Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance for mining of Morrum/Gravel and Ordinary Earth - 238436 m³/annum with following conditions:

1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
 2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadsides.
 3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
 6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
 7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
 8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
 9. The project proponent shall not disturb surrounding agricultural lands.
 10. The project proponent shall provide 200m on Northern side of the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff.
 11. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt in 1:2 ratio.
 12. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
1. The recommendations of SEAC was placed in 242nd SEIAA meeting and decision of SEIAA meeting is as follows:


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| | <p>"Refer to SEAC to examine with regard to existing Rules/Guidelines on green cover as the proposed mining area and surrounding areas are covered with thick vegetation."</p> <p>j. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and committee directed the project proponent to follow below conditions in line with existing Rules/Guidelines on green cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ The project proponent shall study tree enumeration plan and shall develop greenbelt in 1:2 ratio.➤ The project proponent shall develop Endemic species.➤ The project proponent shall plant the plants in public places.➤ The project proponent shall develop 600 plants in the mine lease area, as committed during the meeting with the committee.➤ The project proponent shall develop 1,500 plants along the approach roads, as committed during the meeting with the committee. <p>The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OM's and detailed deliberations, recommended SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance with above mentioned conditions.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 241.16 & 244.15 | 1.084 Ha Mining of Quartz mine of M/s. S. Kota Reddy & Co Sy. No. 162/1 & 162/2, Papampalli Village, Duttalur Mandal, SPSR Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh - EC - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/454 706/2023 | <p>Category: B2</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Quartz in an area of 1.084 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Quartz - 5547 TPA with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> |


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The proposed project falls under item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).

The project proponent and their consultant, Global Enviro Labs have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:

- a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of SPSR Nellore District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the cluster mine mentioned at Page No.120 of DSR Report.
- b. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 23.01.2023 issued Lol extension to the subject mine for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE.
- c. As per the approved mining plan dt. 04.11.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 109731 T. The proponent proposed to excavate Quartz - 5547 TPA and the Life of the mine is 19.7 years.
- d. The committee noted that electrical lines are adjacent to subject mine on southern side. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to submit photographs of the electrical poles.
- e. The committee observed excavations pits on southern side. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to submit clarification letter regarding the excavation pits in the subject mine from department of Mines & Geology.
- f. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 8.6 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 6.14 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to Papampalli village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- g. This proposal was earlier placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals,


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presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to deferred for ADS for submission clarification letter regarding in the excavation pits in the subject mine from department of Mines & Geology and also to submit photographs of the electrical poles adjacent to the mine in southern side.

- h. The project proponent submitted ADS reply on 07.05.2024 duly enclosing the Photographs of nearby current poles and the project proponent submitted letter dt.06.05.2024 issued by District Mines and Geology Officer, Nellore and wherein it is mentioned that "the pit is old worked pit as the earlier there is one mine lease granted in favour of Sri CH. Purushotham Reddy and the same was cancelled.

The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance for mining Quartz - 5547 TPA with following conditions:


1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadsides.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement


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| | <p>during the peak hours to avoid accidents.</p> <p>9. The project proponent shall not disturb surrounding agricultural lands.</p> <p>10. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 241.17 & 244.16 | 3.00 Ha Mining of Road Metal mine of M/s Srinivasa Enterprises at Sy. No. 38/2 of Jupudi Village, Ibrahimpatnam Mandal, NTR District Andhra Pradesh - EC - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/454 982/2023 | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Road Metal in an area of 3.00 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Road Metal-64,980 m³/annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The project proponent and their consultant, Global Enviro Labs have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of NTR District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available in the cluster mine mentioned at Page No.106 of DSR Report. The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 14.06.2023 issued renewal of Lol to the subject mine for a period of 10 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 3 years from the date of issue of Lol. While examining the KML file, the committee observed that temple is existing at a distance about 105 meters from the |


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subject mine and hence, the committee directed the project proponent to submit modified mining plan as per the NGT norms.

- d. This proposal earlier was placed in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to **deferred for ADS** for submission modified mining plan as per the NGT norms and also to submit latest cluster letter from Mines & Geology Department.
- e. Accordingly, the project proponent has submitted ADS reply on 14.05.2024 and again this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and the committee noted that:
- The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 14.06.2023 issued 1st renewal Lol to the subject mine for a period of 10 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 3 years from the date of issue of Lol.
 - The MoEF&CC, Gol issued S.O 141 (e) dt. 15.01.2016 and wherein in it is mentioned as follows:
"Whereas, in pursuance to the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated the 27th February, 2012 in I.A. No.12-13 of 2011 in Special Leave Petition (C) No.19628-19629 of 2009, in the matter of Deepak Kumar etc. Vs. State of Haryana and Others etc., prior environmental clearance has now become mandatory for mining of minor minerals irrespective of the area of mining lease."
 - The committee noted that the mining unit is in operation after 15.01.2016 without valid Environmental Clearance. Hence, the project falls under violation category.

The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to **Reject** the proposal as the project falls under violation category and also directed to apply under violation category after the final outcome of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition(s) Civil No(s). 1394/2023 and further orders received from MoEF&CC, Gol.



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| Agenda Item: 237.14 & 241.24 & 244.17 | 5.00 Ha, Black Granites of M/s. Ganapathi Granites located at Sy.No.56 of Eguvakanthalacheruu Village, Bangarupalem Mandal, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh - EC- Reg. |
| SlA/AP/ MIN/456 226/2023 | <p>Category: B2 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Black Granites in an area of 5.00 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Black Granite 3,627 m³/Annum with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (<250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The project proponent and their consultant, M/s. SV Enviro labs have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Chittoor District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that subject mine details are mentioned at S No. 26 of Page No. 133 of DSR Report.The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 14.09.2023 issued Lol to the subject mine for a period of 10 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 01 years from the date of issue of Lol.As per the cluster letter dated: 21.10.2023 issued by the District Mines & Geology Officer, Palamaneru, there are 03 existing quarry leases within the radius of 500 mtrs area. The total cluster area < 5.0 Ha.As per the approved mining plan dt. 28.10.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 68086 M3. The proponent proposed to excavate 3627 Cum/ Annum. The Life of the mine is 19 years. |


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- e. Upon reviewing the KML file uploaded to the Parivesh Portal, the committee noted that the subject mine lease area is situated atop a hill and the storage of waste on the top of the hill may pose risk. The committee directed the project proponent to acquire an additional 1.0 Ha of land and to construct trenches northern side to prevent surface runoff and silt content from entering nearby agricultural fields.
- f. Hence, committee directed the project proponent to procure 1.0 Ha of additional land for waste disposal and also directed to provide trench with rocky bund on Northern side of the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff/ silt content entering into the near agricultural fields.
- g. This proposal was placed in 237th SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to raise ADS for submission Forest NOC from DFO, Chittoor as the Reserve Forest within 500m to the subject mine.
- h. Accordingly, the project proponent has submitted Forest NOC dt.08.02.2024 issued by DFO, Chittoor.
- i. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 7.9 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 5.05 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide Water treatment plant to Eguvakanthalacheru village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- j. This proposal was earlier appraised in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended **SEIAA for issue** of Environmental Clearance for mining of colour Granite- 3627 Cum/ Annum with following conditions:
 1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.
 2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt of 1km


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- along approach roads & village Roadsides.
3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
9. The project proponent shall not disturb surrounding agricultural lands.
10. The project proponent shall provide trench on Northern side of the mine lease area to prevent surface runoff.
11. The project proponent shall acquire 1.0 Ha of additional land for waste disposal.
12. The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
13. The project proponent shall comply conditions in the stipulated Forest NOC dated 08.02.2024.

k. The recommendations of SEAC was placed in 242nd SEIAA meeting decision is as follows:

"Refer to SEAC to examine with regard to existing elephant corridor and green cover existing in the Mine area and surroundings, as per the Rules/ Guidelines in vogue."

l. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and


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committee noted that:

- The project proponent submitted Forest NOC dt.08.02.2024 issued by DFO, Chittoor and wherein it is noticed that: "The Forest Range Officer, Chittoor west has stated that the above quarry lease area is located a distance of 4.32 KM away from the Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary of Tekumanda RF (Compt. No.304) of Tekumanda Beat of Palamaner section of Palamaner Range. The said quarry lease area is located outside the Notified Eco-Sensitive Zone of Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary (Draft) and the distance is greater than 1KM from Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary".
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, issued a draft Notification S.O. 2077(E) dated 04.05.2022 for the Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Upon review, the committee confirmed that the list of villages falling within the eco-sensitive zone around the Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary did not include the village of Eguvakanthalacheruu.
- The project proponent shall study tree enumeration plan and shall develop greenbelt in 1:2 ratio.
- The project proponent shall develop Endemic species.
- The project proponent shall plant the plants in public places.

The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & QMs and detailed deliberations, recommended that earlier meeting minutes holds good and in addition to above conditions mentioned at I Point, the committee recommended for following additional conditions:


1. The project proponent shall carry regular monitoring of the ecosystem, especially wildlife presence and movement patterns.
2. The project proponent shall Manage air, water, and soil quality around the project site to avoid contamination that


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| | <p>could harm elephants' health.</p> <p>3. Mining operations near the elephant corridor should be limited to daytime hours.</p> <p>4. No night-time mining activities should be allowed to reduce the risk of disturbance to nocturnal elephant movements.</p> <p>5. The lighting associated with mining operations should be minimized, as bright lights can disrupt elephants' natural behavior, particularly during their nightly foraging and movement.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 241.52 & 244.18 | 16.707 Ha Mining of Dolomite M/s. New Sri Venkateswara Minerals, at SY.NO: 728 of Chandana Village, Yadiki Mandal, Anantapuramu District - EC-EIA - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/457/090/2023 | <p>Category: B2 at par with B1 (Minor mineral)</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Dolomite in an area of 16.707 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Dolomite - 7,01,064 TPA with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (≤250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).The project proponent and their consultant, M/s. VVN Technologies Pvt. Ltd have attended the meeting and presented their proposal. The SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <p>a. The Department of Mines and Geology submitted DSR of Anantapuramu District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is listed (transferred from Dada Granite International) at Page No 79 of DSR Report.</p> <p>b. The Department of Mines and Geology issued extension of letter of Intent (LOI) vide order dt. 04.07.2023 for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC</p> |


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and CFE within a period upto 23.06.2024.

- c. As per the approved mining plan dt. 10.08.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 1,42,19,637 T. The proponent proposed to excavate - 7,01,064 TPA and the Life of the mine is 20.0 years.
- d. The project proponent has submitted modified mining plan by leaving 210 M (0.12 Ha) as non-mining zone towards railway track as per the NGT Norms.
- e. The project proponent has obtained standard TOR on 23.08.2022 and public hearing was held on 07.11.2023.
- f. Issues raised in PH: There are no specific issues raised during the public hearing.
- g. Response of the Management during the PH: Sri P Shivannaidu, M/s. VVN Technologies, (Environmental Consultant) on behalf of the management of M/s. New Sri Venkateswara Minerals, assured that they will adopt controlled blasting by taking all necessary precautionary measures as per the regulations prescribed by the Government to control dust/noise pollution. He assured that they will develop greenbelt along the boundary of the mine lease area and also along the haulage roads to control dust emissions. He assured that they will sprinkle water along haul roads to suppress dust emissions. He informed that they will provide RO drinking water plant in the village and also will extend their support for the development of damaged road in the village in coordination with the management of the surrounding mine leases area under CSR/DMF funds. He also assured that they will lay separate approach road for carrying material from the mine without passing through village roads to avoid nuisance to the villagers and also assured gathering that they will provide employment opportunities to the local villagers.
- h. The project proponent informed that crushing unit existing in the mine lease area was not belonging to them and was existing before they got Lol from the mines department and it was also informed by them that they have requested the



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mining department for dismantling the crusher.

1. The project proponent informed that they have proposed to establish their own crusher towards southern side of the lease area and the same was approved by the mines Department in the modified mining plan mentioned at (Plate No.IX) drawing.
- j. The base line data was collected from Oct, 2022 to Dec, 2022 and the predominant wind direction is observed to be East to West. The maximum concentration of SPM(PM₁₀) is observed to be 54.85 µg/m³. The incremental concentration is 5.68 µg/m³ and GLC of SPM will falls within mine lease area.
- k. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 9.50 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 5.25 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide water treatment plant to Chandana village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- l. The project proposal earlier was appraised in 241st SEAC meeting and the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs EIA report, Public Hearing minutes and detailed deliberations, recommended **SEIAA** for issue of Environmental Clearance for mining of Dolomite - 7,01,064 TPA with following conditions:
 - a) The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan & EIA report.
 - b) The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roadsides.
 - c) The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 - d) The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 - e) The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust


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generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.

- f) The Project proponent shall operate the crusher duly obtaining CTE from the APPCB and shall implement the pollution control measures for the crusher as directed in the CTE & CTO issued by the APPCB.
- g) The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
- h) The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
- i) The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
- j) The project proponent shall restrict the load of the transport vehicles not more than 21 tons to avoid road damages and dust nuisance to surroundings.
- k) The project proponent shall comply with the commitments / promises made during the public hearings.


m. The recommendations of SEAC was placed in 242nd SEIAA meeting and decision : Refer to SEAC to examine whether the proposal attracts violation or not as some workings are observed in the KML file.

n. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and committee noted that

- a) The Department of Mines and Geology vide order dt. 04.07.2023 issued Letter of Intent (LOI) to the subject mine for a period of 20 years, subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE.
- b) The committee reviewed the KML file and analyzed imagery spanning from 2013 to 2024. It was noted that working pits have been present since 2013, with operations continuing prior to the issuance of the Letter of Intent (LoI) dated 01.01.2022. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation.

The Committee after re-examining the project proposals,



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| | <p>presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended that earlier meeting minutes holds good.</p> |
| Agenda Item: 241.54 & 244.19 | 1.155 Ha Mining of Ball clay of Smt Ghanta Padmaja, at Sy.No: 28/1 & 28/2(P) Dwaraka Tirumala Village and Mandal, Eluru District – EC – Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/456 955/2023 | <p>Category: B2 (Minor mineral).</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Ball clay in an area of 1.155 Ha. with a proposed production quantity of Ball Clay – 30,240 TPA with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (i). Mining of minerals (<250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The project proponent and their consultant, M/s. SV Enviro Labs & Consultants have attended the 241st SEAC meeting and presented their proposal. Then, the SEAC Committee noted that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The applicant submitted DSR of Eluru District. The same is reviewed in the SEAC meeting and observed that the mineral content is available at Page No 95 of DSR Report. The Department of Mines and Geology issued letter of Intent (LOI) vide order dt. 29.11.2023 for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE within a period of 3 years. The Committee noted that as per the cluster letter dated: 01.01.2024 issued by the District Mines & Geology Officer, Eluru there are no existing quarry leases within the radius of 500 mtrs area. The total cluster area is <5.0 Ha. As per the approved mining plan dt. 14.12.2023, the total provided mineral reserves are 492155 T. The proponent proposed to excavate – 30,240 TPA. The Life of the mine is |



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16.27 years.

- e. The project proponent informed that they have allocated Rs. 5.66 Lakhs as capital cost and Rs. 3.73 Lakhs as a recurring cost budget for the EMP. The proponent volunteered to provide to conduct medical health camps and 2 Nos surgical beds to Dwaraka Tirumala village as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activity and shall maintain till the life of the mine.
- f. While examining the KML uploaded in the parivesh portal, the committee observed working pits in the subject mine lease area. Hence, the committee directed the project proponent to submit clarification letter from the Department of Mines & Geology regarding existing workings in the mine lease area.
- g. The committee observed that as per the KML file uploaded in the parivesh portal, there are 5 existing leases within the 500 mtrs radius, and hence the committee directed the project proponent to submit revised cluster letter with the working status of the mines in the cluster.
- h. Accordingly, SEAC has raised ADS for submission of clarification letter from the Department of Mines & Geology regarding existing workings in the mine lease area and revised cluster letter with the working status of the mines in the cluster.
- i. The project proponent submitted ADS reply on 29.03.2024. Mines department Revised Cluster letter dated 26.03.2024 stating that no working pits in Lol issued area of Smt. Padmaja along with working status of cluster mines.
- j. This proposal earlier was appraised in 241st SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, ADS reply recommended **to issue Environmental Clearance** mining of Ball clay - 30,240 TPA with the following conditions:
 1. The project proponent shall comply with the proposals furnished in the Environmental management plan.


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2. The project proponent shall develop greenbelt along approach roads & village Roads.
 3. The project proponent shall maintain 7.5mt greenbelt in buffer zone and existing buffer zone plantation should not be disturbed.
 4. The proponent shall take dust suppression measures to meet the CPCB stipulated ambient air quality standards at any point of time.
 5. The proponent shall carryout suppression of dust generated due to transport vehicles by continuous water spraying using tankers.
 6. The vehicles carrying the mines material shall be covered with tarpaulin during vehicular movement.
 7. The project proponent shall not use village road/ canal bund roads for mineral transportation purpose.
 8. The project proponent shall restrict vehicles movement during the peak hours to avoid accidents.
- k. The recommendations of SEAC was placed in 243rd SEIAA meeting and Decision is as follows:
"Refer to SEAC to examine on violation".
- l. Again, this proposal is placed in 244th SEAC meeting and committee noted that
- c) The Department of Mines and Geology issued letter of Intent (LoI) vide order dt. 29.11.2023 for a period of 20 years subject to submission of Approved Mining Plan, EC and CFE.
 - d) b. The committee reviewed the KML file and analyzed imagery spanning from 2015 to 2024. It was noted that working pits have been present since 2015, with operations continuing prior to the issuance of the Letter of Intent (LoI) dated 29.11.2023. Therefore, the proposed project does not fall under any violation.

The Committee after re-examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended **that earlier meeting**


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| | minutes holds good. |
| Agenda Item: 215.20 & 244.20 | 24.476 Ha, Mining of Mica, Quartz & Feldspar Quarry of M/s VENKATAKRISHNA MINING COMPANY, at Sy.No 359-1 (Part) of Utukuru Village, Sydapuram Mandal, SPSR Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh - TOR - Reg. |
| SIA/AP/ MIN/419 634/2023 | <p>Category : B2 at par with B1.</p> <p>The proposed project is for mining of Mica, Quartz & Feldspar in an area of 24.476 Ha with a proposed production quantity of 65142 TPA of ROM (Mica, Quartz & Feldspar) with a condition that the total production during a scheme should be limited to the approved quantity as per Mining scheme/ plan.</p> <p>The proposed project falls under Item No. 1(a) of the schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments thereof - (I). Mining of minerals (≤ 250 ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease).</p> <p>The representative of project and their consultant M/s. Global Enviro labs., have attended the meeting and presented the case.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> This proposal was placed in 215th SEAC meeting and then the Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, recommended to raise ADS for forest NOC as the Forest is within 20m. The project proponent submitted the ADS reply on 29.10.2024, along with the Forest NOC dated 06.08.2024, issued by the District Forest Officer, SPSR Nellore. The committee noted that the NOC recommends the project over an area of 21.77 Ha, subject to certain conditions. As a result, the SEAC committee instructed the project proponent to submit a Modified Mining Plan in accordance with the Forest NOC. During the meeting the project proponent informed |


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that the lease was granted in the year 1953 vide G.O.Ms No.1250, Industries and commerce department dt.22.07.1963. Granted 2nd renewal of mining lease for Mica over an extent of 186.38 Acres for a further period of 20 years w.e.f 06.07.1963 in favour of Sri S. Osman Ali Khan and the lease deed was executed for the period from 06.07.1963 to 05.07.1983.

- d. Subsequently, the Government vide GOMS No.389 dt. 05.05.1974 has accorded permission to Sri S Osman Ali Khan for transfer of Mining lease in favour of M/s Venkata Krishna Mining Company, for the un-expired portion of the lease period up to 05.07.1983.
- e. Further, Government vide G.O.MS No.487, Industries and commerce(M-I) department dt. 23.12.2002 has granted 4th renewal for further period of 20 years for the period from 26.05.1997 to 25.05.2017. Hence, committee directed the project proponent to submit previous Environmental clearance.

The Committee after examining the project proposals, presentations, mining plan, MoEF&CC Notifications & OMs and detailed deliberations, ADS reply recommended to raise ADS for submission of following:

1. The project proponent shall submit Modified Mining plan as per the NOC furnished by Forest Department.
2. The project proponent shall submit earlier EC order.


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