

State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Bihar

2nd floor, Beltron Bhawan, Shastri Nagar, Patna - 800 023.

Ref. No. - 53.

Patna, Date:- 17/03/2021.

Minutes of the meeting of SEIAA, Bihar, convened on 16th March, 2021

A meeting of SEIAA was convened on 16.03.2021. Following members were present in the meeting:-

Present :-

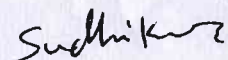
1. Shri B. N. Jha	-	Chairman.
2. Dr. Nityanand Singh Maurya	-	Member.
3. Shri Sudhir Kumar	-	Member Secretary.

Agenda Item No.- 01

Proposed "VIRAAT RAMAYANA MANDIR" at Mauza:-Bahuara Harbans, Kaithwalia, Siswa Narsingh, Block:-Kesaria & Kalyanpur, District:- East Champaran, State:- Bihar, Total Plot Area:- 2,39,196.04 m², Total Built-up Area:- 41,583.28 m² (File No. - SIA/8(a)/1273/2021, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIS/197832/2021).

- **Proposal discussed in SEAC on 27 February, 2021 and recommended for Environmental Clearance with Standard conditions as in its annexure - I as well as along with additional conditions.**

The Project Proponent had also submitted the proposal for planting area with species based on a research paper published by National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, (by K. M. BALAPURE, J. K. MAHESHWARI & R. K. TANDON), which contains the name of plants / trees mentioned in the Ramayana Epic. The Committee also observed that the tree species and perennial shrubs shall be planted indicating their vernacular and botanical names. It was also directed that the existing trees shall be preserved over the site to the possible extent.



➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

On the basis of recommendation of SEAC; SEIAA resolved to grant Environmental Clearance with all standard as well as suggested additional conditions (Ref. No. 42, dated 05.03.2021) in its annexure - I.

Agenda Item No.- 02

Proposed Government Medical College and Hospital at Village:-Bhopatpura, Tehsil:- Mairwa, District:-Siwan, State:- Bihar, Total Plot Area:- 1,01,790 m², Total Built-up Area:- 1,24,546.68 m²(File No. - SIA/8(a)/1274/2021, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIS/191612/2021).

➤ **Consideration by the SEAC and its recommendation:-**

SEAC recommended the proposal for grant of Environmental Clearance as Annexure-II.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

On the basis of recommendation of SEAC; SEIAA resolved to grant Environmental Clearance with all suggested conditions as imposed by SEAC (Ref. No. 42, dated 05.03.2021) in its annexure - II.

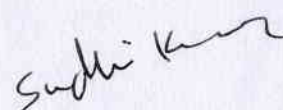
Agenda Item No.- 03

Proposed Bridge Construction Project of New 4- Lane Bridge (Parallel to the Existing Mahatma Gandhi Setu) with its approaches from km 0/000 to km 14.500 Km across river Ganga on NH - 19 at Patna in the State of Bihar by Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Mahatma Gandhi Setu Division, Raja Ghat, CRPF camp, Patna, State- Bihar, Total Built-up area- 6,45,361 m², (File No.:- SIA/8(b)/1234/2020), Online Proposal No.:- SIA./BR/NCP/54391/2020).

➤ **Consideration by the SEAC and its recommendation:-**

Proposal was discussed on 27 February, 2021 in SEAC meeting. SEAC recommended the proposal for grant of Environmental Clearance as Annexure – III. along with following additional conditions / recommendations: -

- i. Before operationalization of project the nearby trouble spot of the traffic congestion shall be eased out appropriately and sufficiently. The Project Proponent shall coordinate



with National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), the custodians of the concerned road to ensure the provisions of free movement of traffic.

- ii. Project Proponent must provide adequate utility facility / public conveniences (like urinal / toilet, drinking water, etc.), in proximity of both the end of the bridge without affecting normal traffic.
- iii. Free crossing of toll plaza for Official vehicles of Department of Environment, Forest and Climate change, Govt. of Bihar and its associate offices.
- iv. Mechanical sweeping be ensured for cleaning the road surface to control fugitive dust.
- v. Project Proponent must install online ambient air monitoring system near BSNL chowk at Hajipur, Vaishali.

➤ **SEIAA noted that: -**

Initially the application for obtaining Environmental Clearance / Terms of Reference was submitted by Office of the Executive Engineer, Mahatma Gandhi Setu Division, Road Construction Department, Govt. of Bihar. Accordingly after appraisal ToR was issued to the original applicant. Now, SEIAA is in receipt of a letter dated 31.12.2020 from Regional officer, Patna Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Regional Office, Patna requesting SEIAA to make further all correspondence with Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Patna Regional Office. They have Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Regional Office, Patna submitted detail EIA / EMP report. Thus it is apparent that ToR issued to the initial Project Proponent (Office of the Executive Engineer, Mahatma Gandhi Setu Division, Road Construction Department, Govt. of Bihar) is acceptable to the new Project Proponent (Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Patna Regional Office). However, the original Project Proponent has not made any formal request to the SEIAA for transfer of ToR as well scrutiny fee submitted by them. It is felt that there is a need to make such formal request by the initial applicant before Environmental Clearance is issued to Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, GoI, Regional Office Patna.



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➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

SEIAA resolved to agree with the recommendation of SEAC and grant Environmental Clearance with all standard as well as additional conditions imposed by SEAC (Ref. No. 42, dated 05.03.2021) in its annexure - III after receipt of above said formal letter from the original / previous applicant.

Agenda Item No.- 04

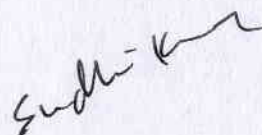
Shivshiva Steel Pvt. Ltd., (Expansion Project), Mauza:-Raipura, Tehsil:- Fatuha, District:- Patna, State:- Bihar, Proposed Production:- 1,50,000 TPA to 4,00,000 TPA and Induction Furnace:- 3,00,000 TPA, (File No. - SIA/3(a)/448/17/II/19).Online Proposal No.:-SIA/BR/IND/37579/2019).

➤ **Consideration by the SEAC and its recommendation:-**

- i. The SEAC had agreed previously to the request of Project Proponent to utilize baseline data of year 2017 (March - May 2017) and Public Consultation held in 2018 (03.02.2018) in its sitting of dated 19th to 21st September, (MoM Ref. No. 275, dated 26.09.2019) to be utilized in preparation of instant EIA report.
- ii. The Committee considered the EIA report under para 7 (ii) (a) of EIA Notification, 2006 (as amendment and Notified dated 23.11.2016) and decided to recommend grant of Environmental Clearance as annexure – IV in its sitting of 27th February 2021.

➤ **SEIAA noted that:-**

- a) EIA / EMP has been submitted by the Project Proponent on 24th November, 2020 on Parivesh Portal.
- b) The baseline data used for preparation of EIA / EMP had lost its maximum validity of 3 years which was collected from March to May 2017.
- c) Public Consultation after collection of fresh data in 2019 has not been conducted.
- d) The Project Monitoring Report of the MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Ranchi conducted in August 2019 in this case is highly unsatisfactory.



- e) The Project Proponent has yet not even complied with the observations of the non-compliances.
- f) Apparently, the SEAC has accepted baseline data of Project Proponent collected in the year 2019 and Public Consultation of 2018 however ToR was issued based on data collected in 2017.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

In view of the above apparent anomalies and non-compliances of previous Environmental Clearance conditions the SEIAA resolved to request the SEAC to reconsider its decision and thereafter to make its recommendation.

Agenda Item No.- 05

Consideration of rejection of Environmental Clearance:-

Proposed 100 KLPD molasses based distillery along with 4.0 MW co-generation power plant at Village:- Bucheya, P.O.:-Sidhwalia, Tehsil:- Sidhwalia, District:- Gopalganj, Bihar by Magadh Sugar and Energy Limited Unit : Bharat Sugar Mills (Distillery Division) (File No.: - SIA/5(g)/1254/2020(AMND.EC) , Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/IND2/170956/2020).

- **Proposal discussed in SEAC** on 27 February, 2021 and recommended for Environmental Clearance with Standard conditions.
- **Proposal discussed in SEIAA** on 16 March, 2021.
- **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

On the basis of recommendation of SEAC, SEIAA resolved to reject the proposal.

Agenda Item No.- 06

Stone Mining Project, Block No. - 24 at Village:-Chakandara / Barari, Block:- Chewra, Tehsil:- Sheikhpura, District:- Sheikhpura, State:- Bihar, Area:- 5.06 Ha, Production Capacity:- 7,00,000 TPA (File No. - SIA/1(a)/526/2018, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIN/31157/2019).



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Agenda Item No. - 07

Stone Mining Project, Block No. - 25 at Village:-Barari, Tehsil:- Sheikhpura, District:- Sheikhpura, State:- Bihar, Area:- 5.06 Ha, Production Capacity:- 6,30,000 TPA (File No. - SIA/1(a)/527/2018, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIN/31188/2019).

Vide its letter No. NEPL/EC/02/21/05 dated 10.02.2021 & letter No. NIC/EC/02/21/06 dated 10.02.2021 the respective Project Proponents have made request to amend validity period of Environmental Clearance already issued to them for 5 years from the date of signing of lease agreement by the competent authority which may take some months so that they may avail full 5 years for actual mining.

➤ **Observation of the SEIAA:-**

- i. The practice of counting validity period has always remained from its date of issuance.
- ii. No timeline / date by which agreement shall be executed can be estimated by SEIAA.
- iii. It will also not be possible to track which other permissions are obtained by Project Proponent or not obtained.

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

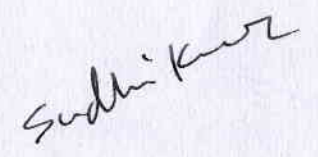
In the view of the above facts request of the Project Proponent is not acceptable; however before expiry of Environmental Clearance a Project Proponent is free to apply for the extension of Environmental Clearance as per the then extant rules of EIA.

Agenda Item No.- 08

Sand Mining Project on Son River at Rohtas Son 02 Balu Ghat, at Mauza+village:-Ganauri Bigha, P.O.-Kachhwa, P.S.-Kachhwa, Anchal Nasirganj, Tehsil:-Bikramganj, District:-Rohtas, State-Bihar, Area:- 50.0 Ha, (File No. - SIA/1(a)/1173/2020, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIN/51174/2020).

➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

The SEIAA resolved to await the final order of Hon'ble NGT in the matter of O.A. No. 72/2000/EZ related to the site of ToR (leased mine site).



Agenda Item No.- 09

Expansion of Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Science (IGIMS) Hospital, Residence ,Hostel, ESS & Upgradation of RIO at Patna Bihar. (File No. - SIA/8(b)/1270/2020, Online Proposal No.:- SIA/BR/MIS/59244/2020).

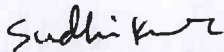
➤ **Resolve of the SEIAA:-**

Vide two orders of the SEIAA given below. IGIMS has been given Environmental Clearance for their earlier two projects:-

- i. SEIAA, Bihar EC letter No. F. No. SIA/8(a)/522/18 dated 12.06.2018.
- ii. SEIAA, Bihar EC letter No. 57, dated 14.04.2015.

Now SEIAA is in receipt of a monitoring report conducted by Regional Office of MoEF&CC, Ranchi. The Monitoring Officer has made special observations that he found a bore well as well as some soil stockpiled on the land though removed later on by the Project Proponent.

Now to consider their (IGIMS) new proposal of expansion an application is pending consideration of SEAC. The SEIAA on this issue resolved to obtain a quick comment of the Project Proponent for further consideration of their project in the ensuing meeting of SEAC / SEIAA to avoid delay.



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Member Secretary, SEIAA

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(Nityanand Singh Maurya),
Member, SEIAA



(B. N. Jha)
Chairman, SEIAA

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