State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 666th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 03.11.2022

The meeting of 666th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 03.11.2022 at the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg

2. Shri Paras Nath

3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P

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

Agenda A-692nd SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 07/10/2022

 Building Stone (Khanda-Boulder/Gitti-Ballast) Mine at Gata/Arazi No-558 Mi, Khand-1, Village Pipra, Tehsil- Talbehat & District- Lalitpur, U.P., Smt. Rajni Raja, Area-1.437 ha, File No. 7246/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/291187/2022

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022. SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC-1 and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC but SEIAA replaces the specific condition regarding cluster certificate as "If in future during the progressive mining this lease area becomes part of cluster i.e. area equal to or more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by the concerned lease holders shall be imposed and joint EMP shall be implemented. The lease holder shall mandatorily follow all the imposed conditions otherwise it will amount to violation of E.C. conditions. If the certificate related to cluster provided by the competent authority is found false or incorrect then punitive actions as per the law shall be initiated against the authority issuing the cluster certificate" and adding following conditions:-

- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as a route and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.
- The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake regrassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due



to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora fauna etc.

- Three tier green shelter belt of 7.5m width should be developed on the periphery
 of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation
 with Forest/Horticulture Department/Agriculture University.
- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 7. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 2,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.
- 8. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 10 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
- Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
- 11. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
- 12. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 13. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.

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- 14. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
- "Building stone (khanda-boulder/gitti- ballast)" Mine at Gata/Arazi No-217Kha, Village- Chhilla, Pargana- Banpur, Tehsil- Mahroni& Lalitpur, U.P., M/s Tridev, Shri Surendra Kumar Rai, Area- 2.53 ha., File No. 7247/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 291185/202

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 of mine lease area. Local and native species should be planted in consultation with
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- Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- 6. If the proposed project is situated in notified area of ground water extraction, where creation of new wells for ground water extraction is not allowed, requirement of fresh water shall be met from alternate water sources other than ground water or legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.
- 7. Project Proponent should submit action plan for carrying out plantation at least @1,000 plants / ha of lease area. In this case, PP should prepare a plan, duly approved either by Forest Department or Horticulture Department, for planting at least 3,000 plants, either on government land or community land, within a periphery of 5 km from the boundary of the lease area along with provision for



maintenance for 5 years. Survival of plants should not be less than the survival rate notified by Uttar Pradesh Forest Department otherwise it will be treated as violation of EC condition.

- 8. In consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepared a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of water bodies having total surface area of more than 15 ha. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
- Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
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- Billi Markundi Khanda, Boulder, (Dolo Stone) Deposit Mining Project (Area 2.4401) at Arazi No./Khasra/Gata No 4860Ga/1, 4862kha, 4869, 4870kha, 4873ka/1, 4873kha,4874Ka/1, 4874kha, 4876kha, 4874kha/1, 4876kha/1, 4875, 4876ka, near village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil -Obra, District Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh, M/s Shri Stones(Area 2.4401 Ha), File No. 7016/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/73733/2022

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- Validity period of this EC is 5 years from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued
 for a period of 5 years or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or
 current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null
 and void.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.



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- "Ordinary Soil Excavation" Project at Gata No. 366 & 367, Village-Kakarghata, Tehsil
 District-Moradabad, Shri Pappi Choudhry, Area: 4.602 Ha., File No. 7248/Proposal
 No. SIA/UP/MIN/290597/2022

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and opined that the project proponent shall submit Legible copy of certified lease map, notarized agreement copy, use of excavated material and top soil management plan. SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC-1 for review/comments.

 Ordinary Sand Mining Project on Ganga River Bed at Gata No.-12 Lagayat 57 Tak, Village- Katari Tari Pathakpur, Tehsil- Bilhaur, District- Kanpur Nagar, M/s Anthracite Infra Pvt. Ltd., Prop. Shri Ankit Sachan, Area 22.0 Ha., File No. 7249/6438/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/82101/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and opined that in mine plan approval letter, place where signature of approving authority are done that place has been masked, issue to be referred to DGM for seeking their opinion on this issue. Lol was issued on 24.03.2021 and mine plan was approved on 18.06.2021. PP / consultant to give a certificate issued by DGM that geological reserve of RBM as mentioned in the mine plan is still available for mining, Legible copy of certified geo-referenced lease map to be submitted by PP. PP / consultant to submit these documents to SEAC-1 and SEAC-1 to examine these documents and give their recommendation to SEIAA.

 Khailar Khanda- Boulder/ Gitty- Ballast Mining Project at Gata No. 669 (Khand No.14), Village- Khailar, Tehsil- Sadar, District-Jhansi, by Smt. Radhika Parecha W/o Shri Sushil Parecha, Area 2.023 Ha., File No. 7250/6474/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN /78167/2021

SEIAA took note of the comments of SEAC-1 that the committee has agreed with the request made by project proponent and directed to defer the matter in upcoming SEAC-1 meeting. . A letter shall be send to DM, Jhansi to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained and in case mining has been carried out without valid EC then work should be stopped and legal action should be initiated against the PP.

 "Ordinary Sand Mining Project" at Gata/Khand No. 01, Village/Ghat- Nauraspur, Tehsil- Loni, Distt- Ghaziabad, U.P., Shri Jitendra Dhawan S/o Late Shri Bhagwan Das Dhawan, Area-1.81 Ha., File No. 7160/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/279453/2022

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and opined that project proponent shall submit documents related to DSR and copy of mining plan.

 Sand/ Morrum Mining Project from Riverbed of Betwa River located at Gata No.-747, Khand No.- 04, Village- Pathrehta , Tehsil- Kalpi, District- Jalaun, Shri Arjun Malveeey, Lease Area: 16.194 ha., File No. 6648/5930/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 67531/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that copy of mining plan is not present in parivesh portal, whereas mining plan of another area is present in file. Hence SEIAA opined that project proponent shall upload copy of mine plan and submit a certificate from DGM, regarding availability of geological reserve.

Pathrehta Sand/Morrum Mining Project on Betwa at Gata No: 747 Khand No.02.
 Village- Pathrehta, Tehsil- Kalpi, District- Jalaun, Shri Anees Khan, River Area 16.194
 Ha., File No. 6839/5935/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN70801/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC-1 has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and opined that project proponent shall submit certified copy of lease map and submit a certificate from DGM, regarding availability of geological reserve.

 "Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Bailast & Gitti) Mining" Project at Araji No./Plot No.-712, Khand No.- 05, Village-Chhikahra, Tehsil-Sadar, District- Mahoba, ha., Shri Raj Kumar Sharma S/o Shri Nand Lal Sharma, Lease area-2.023.Ha, File No. 6429/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/64372/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC-1 to close/ delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal. A letter shall be send to DM, Mahoba to ensure that no mining activity is started until valid EC is obtained and in case mining has been carried out without valid EC then work should be stopped and legal action should be initiated against the PP.

Sand Mining from Yamuna River bed at Gata No.- 638, 637Mi, 635, 636Mi, 632Mi, 631Mi, 633, 634, 614Mi, 612Mi, 615, 611Mi, 602Mi, 603Mi, 604, 605Mi, 606Mi
 Village-Jhuppa, Tehsil-Jewar, District-Gautam Buddha Nagar, Shri Pravendra Singh,
 M/s Garvit Hospitality and Infracon Pvt Ltd, Area: 17.159 ha., File No. 7086/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/76947/2022

SEIAA took note of comments recorded by SEAC-1.



12. "Building Stone (Sand stone) Mining" located at Arazi No. 615MI, 692/615MI, Village-Sahira, Tehsil-Lalganj, District-Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh, (Area- 2.02 Ha.), File No. 6542/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/64303/2021

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in 665th SEIAA meeting.

Assistant Nodal/Nodal Officer SEIAA, UP

MoM prepared by Secretariat in consultation with Chairman & Members on the basis of decisions taken by SEIAA during the meeting.

> (Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA

(Paras Nath) Member SEIAA (Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg) Chairman SEIAA