

*The Authority perused the documents and, after detailed deliberation, observed that the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the same survey numbers and extent of land had been issued by SEIAA under File No. SEIAA 548 MIN 2021 (Proposal No. SIA/KA/MIN/68146/2024) to Mr. Shrenik Kumar, GPA Holder, Bagalkot, Navanagar, Karnataka. Subsequently, a Public Hearing was conducted on 19.08.2022, and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report was submitted through PARIVESH under Proposal No. SIA/KA/MIN/412995/2024 to SEIAA on 20.09.2022. Following appraisal by SEAC and SEIAA, Environmental Clearance (EC) for the said proposal was issued on 04.03.2023.*

*In view of the above, the Authority decided to refer the file back to SEAC for reappraisal of the proposal upon receipt of complete information/report from the Director, Department of Mines and Geology, along with the status of the EC issued to Mr. Shrenik Kumar by SEIAA under File No. SEIAA 548 MIN 2021 on 20.09.2022 for Quarrying Pink Granite Project at Sy. Nos. 33/2, 33/3, & 33/4 of Bandaragal Village, Kushtagi Taluk, Koppal District, Karnataka.*

**266.3.32. Building Stone (M-Sand) Quarry Project at Sy.Nos.58/2, 58/3 & 58/4 of Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District (4-00 Acres) by Sri K. S. Venkateshappa - Online Proposal No.SIA/KA/MIN/234705/2021 (SEIAA 575 MIN 2021).**

Sri K. S. Venkateshappa have applied for Environmental clearance from SEIAA for Building Stone (M-Sand) Quarry Project at Sy.Nos.58/2, 58/3 & 58/4 of Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District (4-00 Acres)

Details of the project are as follows:

Sl.No	Particulars	Information Provided by PP
1	Name & Address of the Projects Proponent	Sri K. S. Venkateshappa
2	Name & Location of the Project	Building Stone (M-Sand) Quarry Project at Sy.Nos.58/2, 58/3 & 58/4 of Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District (4-00 Acres)
3	Type Of Mineral	Building Stone Quarry
4	New/Expansion/Modification/ Renewal	New
5	Type of Land [Forest, Government Revenue, Gomala, Private/Patta, Other]	Patta
6	Area in Acres	4-00 Acres
7	Annual Production (Metric Ton/Cum) Per Annum	1,53,131 Tonnes/annum(including waste)
8	Project Cost (Rs. In Crores)	Rs. 1.27 Crores (Rs.127 Lakhs)
9	Proved Quantity of mine/Quarry-Cu.m/Ton	13,11,121Tonnes (including waste)

10	Permitted Quantity Per Annum-Cu.m/ Ton	1,45,475Tonnes/annum (excluding waste)
11	CER Activities:	
	Year	CER
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Providing solar power panels to the GLPS school at Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rain water harvesting pits to Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Avenue plantation either side of the approach road near Quarry site & Repair of road with drainages
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Conducting E-waste drive campaigns in GHPS at Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Health camp to the GLPS school at Animitnahalli Village, Malur Taluk, Kolar District
12	EMP Budget	Rs. 34.40 lakhs (Capital Cost) & Rs. 7.15 lakhs (Recurring cost)
13	Forest NOC	16.06.2021
14	Quarry plan	26.07.2021
15	Cluster certificate	17.12.2024
16	Notification	08.07.2021
17	Revenue	29.05.2021

The subject was discussed in the SEAC meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025. The Committee has recommended to SEIAA for issue of EC and the extract of the proceedings of the Committee meeting is as below:

The Committee initially sought clarification regarding the proposed activity in the default ESZ of Kamasandra WLS. The Proponent informed the Committee that, as per Hon'ble SC directions in WP 202 of 1995 dated 03.06.2022, the Hon'ble SC had directed the following,

*"44....(b) In the event, however, the ESZ is already prescribed as per law that goes beyond one kilometre buffer zone, the wider margin as ESZ shall prevail. If such wider buffer zone beyond one kilometre is proposed under any statutory instrument for a particular national park or wildlife sanctuary awaiting final decision in that regard, then till such final decision is taken, the ESZ covering the area beyond one kilometre as proposed shall be maintained.*

*...(h) In respect of sanctuaries or national parks for which the proposal of a State or Union Territory has not been given, the 10 kilometres buffer zone as ESZ, as indicated in the order passed by this Court on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2006 in the case of Goa Foundation (supra) and also contained in the Guidelines of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2011 shall be implemented. Within that area, the entire set of restrictions concerning an ESZ shall operate till a final decision in that regard is arrived at."*

With reference to the Hon'ble SC directions, Proponent in the present case informed that the proposal of the State is sent to MoEF&CC on 01.03.2024 for issuing draft notification, wherein it is informed that the Eco-Sensitive Zone around the Kamasandra Wildlife Sanctuary extends from 1 km to 2.6 km and the default 10km buffer zone as ESZ do not apply to the current project area as the proposal of the State is sent to MoEF&CC on 01.03.2024 and as per the co-ordinates provided in the draft ESZ notification of

Kamasandra WLS, the proposed project area is at a nearest distance of 5.04 Km out side ESZ of Kamasandra WLS and at a distance of 6.3 km from Kamasandra WLS. Further, the Proponent requested the Committee to consider the proposal in similar grounds of M/S. MARWA MINING COMPANY with file number SEIAA 655 MIN 2021 for grant of EC. The Committee noted the details and appraised the project with a condition to abide by the final outcome of Hon'ble SC directions in WP 202 of 1995 and final notification of MoEF&CC regarding Kamasandra WLS, for which the Proponent agreed.

The Committee sought clarification with respect to the present site condition based on the KML submitted by Proponent. The Proponent informed the Committee that as per DMG letter dated 05.11.2024, soil excavated during leveling of site, were under the provisions of Rule 3(A)(A)(4) of KMMCR wherein, minor mineral remains, after self consumption for bonafide usage by the land owner from his land and if the land owner intends to sell or dispose excavated mineral, they shall pay an advance royalty, additional payment, contribution to DMF fund with valid mineral dispatch permits which shall not attract violation. The Committee noted the clarification of Proponent and appraised the project.

As per the cluster sketch there are 07 leases in radius of 500 mtr from the said lease out of which all 74 leases are exempted as leases were granted prior to 09.09.2013 and total area of applied lease is 4-00 Acres and hence the project is categorized as B2.

Considering the existing cart track road to a length of 243meters connecting lease area to the all-weather black topped road and the Committee informed that the quarrying operation needs to be commenced after providing motorable the approach road to the quarry and road connecting crusher and should grow trees all along the approach road in first year of operation, for which the Proponent agreed.

The Proponent has collected baseline data of air, water, soil and noise which are all within the permissible limits. The Proponent informed that all mitigative measures will be taken to ensure that the parameters will be maintained within the permissible limits.

The Committee noted that the baseline parameters are found to be within permissible limits and agreed with the approved quarry plan, with proved mineable reserve of 13,11,121 Tonns (including waste) and estimated the life of mine to be 9 years.

The Committee after discussion decided to recommend the proposal to SEIAA for issue of Environmental Clearance for an annual production of 1,53,131 Tonns/annum (including waste), with following consideration,

1. To provide all round barricade to a minimum height 3.0m with GI sheet fencing around the working area and also take necessary measures to minimize noise and vibration from the quarry area due to quarry blasting.
2. The PP should ensure the safety of working professionals and provide the personal protective equipment's to all the working people in the quarry area with control blasting (if applicable) and also should provide regular safety and occupational hazards training to all the workers and ensure the first aid box in the project as per the labor rules/acts. To carry out regular health checkup for the workers mainly for audiometry & spirometry from the nearby Hospital.
3. The PP shall provide basic facilities such as Potable drinking water, rest area, proper sanitary facilities for the colony/workplace as per the labor law. Wastewater and domestic solid waste generated should be disposed of in a scientific manner.
4. The PP shall grow trees all along the approach road & buffer zone during the first year of operation. About 400 nos per km either sides avenue plantations of local and native species to be planted in the first year of operation and maintained by providing the tree guard and regular watering.



5. The PP should ensure the motorable approach road to the quarry and sprinkle the water as and when required for dust suppression.
6. The topsoil if any should be stacked at earmarked site only and should not be kept unutilized for a period of more than 3 years. The topsoil should be used for reclamation and plantation
7. Any misrepresentations in regard to clarifications submitted by the Consultant on behalf of PP is also shall be held liable.
8. Corporate Environmental Responsibility (CER) should be a part of EMP cost, the CER shall be specific activity, time bound and should support the environment in compliance to the office memorandum dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 (F.No. 22-65/2017-IA-III) and subsequent OM dated 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 and 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The CER shall propose and submit as per the undertaking and template manual submitted.

**The Authority perused the proposal and took note of the recommendation of SEAC and decided to clear the proposal for issue of Environmental Clearance.**

**However, concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data by PP along with Consultant will result in revocation of Environmental Clearance and attract action under the provision of Environment (Protection), Act 1986 (As amended by the Jan Vishwas Act-2023).**

**The PP shall abide by the following conditions;**

1. To provide all round barricade to a minimum height 3.0m with GI sheet fencing around the working area and also take necessary measures to minimize noise and vibration from the quarry area due to quarry blasting.
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**Additional Conditions:**

1. The PP shall submit letter from Forest Department.
2. Over and above the CER activities committed by the proponent in SEAC meeting, Proponent shall also provide Water supply and sanitary facility to near by Govt. Schools.
3. The PP shall regularly submit the compliance for the CER commitments regularly in HYCR. In case, PP has not fulfilled CER as committed shall be liable to pay Penalty and Environmental Compensation as per the provision of The Jan Vishwas Act-2023. Affidavit in this regard shall be submitted.
4. The project Authorities shall maintain a margin of 7.5 meters along the lease boundary except in case where common boundary working permission is obtained from the competent authority.
5. The PP shall implement mine closure plan effectively after mining operation
6. The PP shall follow Labour laws and Mines Act in the proposed project.

**266.4. Recommended by SEAC for issue of ToRs,**

**Industry Projects:**

- 266.4.1. Proposed Town Municipal Solid Waste Processing Plant Project at Sy.No.45 of Yeladur Village, Srinivasapura Taluk, Kolar District by Town Municipal Council (TMC), Srinivasapura - Online Proposal No.SIA/KA/INFRA2/484498/2024 (SEIAA 12 IND 2024)**

Town Municipal Council (TMC), Srinivasapura have applied for Environmental clearance from SEIAA for Proposed Town Municipal Solid Waste Processing Plant Project at Sy.No.45 of Yeladur Village, Srinivasapura Taluk, Kolar District.

The subject was discussed in the SEAC meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025. The Committee has recommended to SEIAA for issue of standard ToRs along with additional ToRs and the extract of the proceedings of the Committee meeting is as below:

The proposal was earlier considered in 317<sup>th</sup> SEAC meeting and the Committee had deferred the proposal informing the following,

*"The proposal is for establishment of new CMSWMF of capacity 15.37 TPD in an area of 5.03 Acres.*

*The Committee as per the data available in PARIVESH noted that three fourth area of the applied land was falling inside the forest area. Hence, the Committee after discussion decided to defer the proposal for want of NoC from DCF, regarding the nature of land and to reverify the proposed area for establishing CMSWMF with reference to CPCB sitting guidelines."*

In the present meeting the Proponent submitted clarification from DCF, Forest Department vide letter dated 19.02.2025, informing that the