STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SEIAA, MEGHALAYA, HELD ON 15th JULY, 2024, AT 1:30 p.m. VENUE: OFFICE CHAMBER OF THE CHAIRMAN

Proposal No. SIA/ML/MIN/435674/2023 submitted by Smti. Marsilla Ch. Sangma.

The Project Proponent, Smti. Marsilla Ch. Sangma submitted online application vide proposal No. SIA/ML/MIN/435674/2023 for Terms of Reference for Rochonpara Stone Mine for mining of boulder stone for an area of 1.10 hectares. The proposal is for mining of boulder stone use for construction purposes; hence the project fall under Schedule 1(a) of category BI of EIA Notification 2006. The area is located at Rochonpara, P.O. Dhanua, West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya and toposheet No. G45R14 with the following GPS Coordinates:

	GPS Coordinates	
Pillar No	Latitude	Longitude
1	25° 41' 14.62"N	89° 56' 24.14"E
2	25° 41' 13.59"N	89° 56' 25.07"E
3	25° 41' 12.04"N	89° 56' 26.23"E
4	25° 41' 11.33"N	89° 56' 24.67"E
5	25° 41' 09.85"N	89° 56' 23.47"E
6	25° 41' 11.04"N	89° 56' 22.51"E
7	25° 41' 11.71"N	89° 56' 22.07"E
8	25° 41' 12.61"N	89° 56' 21.20"E
9	25° 41' 13.72"N	89° 56' 22.21"E

The proposed land is on lease for a period of 30 years vide Deed of Lease which was executed on the 22nd March 2022and certified by the Notary, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.

The applied area is a Non Forest Land which was confirmed by the Divisional Forest Officer, West & South-West Garo Hills (T) Division, Tura vide letter No.B/16/VII/NOC/MMMCR/3 100-102 dated Tura, the 16th August, 2022 and Letter of Intent vide letter No.B/16/VII/469, dated Tura, the 14" February, 2023 respectively.

The project proponent obtained a cluster certificate from the Divisional Mining Officer, East Garo Hills, Williamnagar vide letter No.DMO-W/MP/15/2019/267 dated Williamnagar, the 22nd March 2023 which states that there are two (2) approved mining plan lying within 500 meters from the applied mining lease area. Hence the applied mining area falls under cluster category.

The project proponent submitted the Mining Plan with Progressive Mine Closure Plan approved by the Divisional Mining Officer, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar vide letter No.DMO-W/MP/89/22/115 dated Williamnagar, the 6" December 2022. The Mining Plan has been prepared to extract boulder stone at the rate of 59145.4 TPA with a project cost of Rs.77 lakhs and the operations will be open cast, mechanized method of mining.

As per the approved mining plan, the estimated life of the mine is 5 years.

Decision:

The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Meghalaya, in its meeting noted the recommendation in the above said SEAC's Minutes relating to this project and accepted the

recommendation of the SEAC and unanimously resolved to grant Terms of Reference to this project.

Accordingly, on recommendation of the SEAC and as per the EIA Notification- 2006 and its subsequent amendments, the SEIAA in the meeting unanimously grant Terms of Reference to this project, with the terms and conditions as stipulated in "Standard TOR Conditions for Non-Coal mining sector" issued vide Ministry' OM No.22-24/2018-IA-III dtd. 08.01.2019 and with the following conditions vide Ministry' OM No.22-34/2018-IA-III dtd 16.01.2020;

- 1) Site photographs together with photographs and other related details of site visits by resource persons of NABET accredited consultant of project proponent, with their names and profession/designation, together with date(s) of visit, date(s) of data collection including names of instrument /machine actually used in the field, during preparation of EIA report, is to be clearly highlighted in the EIA/EMP report.
- 2) Boundary pillars with the height not less than 2.5 feet above the ground level and 1.5 feet below ground and minimum 8 inches on all face of pillar should be erected.
- 3) GPS coordinates of each pillar should be carved/painted clearly on the pillars with Red colour.

Member Secretary shall prepare the draft Term of Reference for this project and circulate the same to all Members of the Authority for views/comments/corrections, if any, and then after approval of the Chairman, the Member Secretary shall issue the final Term of Reference.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chairman.

Chairman SEIAA Meghalaya, Shillong.