Agenda No. 124-03:

F.No: 6671/2018

Existing Magnesite Quarry over an extent of 96.34.0 Ha at Thathiengarpatti Village, Omalur Taluk, Salem District, by M/s. Tamil Nadu Magnesite Limited - Activity 1(a) - Mining of major mineral - ToR to be issued under violation.

(SIA/TN/MIN/29816/2018)

The proponent, M/s.Tamil Nadu Magnesite Limited, has applied for Environmental Clearance for Existing Magnesite and Dunite Quarry over an extent of 96.34.0 Ha at Thathiengarpatti Village, Omalur Taluk, Salem District, Tamil Nadu on 04.10.2018. The Project Proponent has obtained Environment Clearances under EIA notification 1994 from MoEF&CC vide No.8-53/97-FC dated 23.06.1998.

The Magnesite is a major mineral as per the MMDR Act, 2015 as amended and as per EIA Notification, 2006 under activity 1(a) Category "B", the project requires Environmental Impact Assessment. To enable EIA Study, a ToR needs to be issued.

The salient feature of the project proposal as submitted by the project proponent is as follows:

1. Government order/Lease details:

In the year 1979, the government of Tamil Nadu took over M/s Salem Magnesite Pvt Itd Mines which was operating since 1938 and setups TANMAG vide G.O.Ms.No.41, Industries Department.

2. Mining Plan/Scheme of Mining approval details:

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The first lease period: 1998-2008 MI area 177.96 ha vide G.O.Ms.No 234 Environment and Forests Department. Combined Forest and Environment Clearance from MoEF vide letter No.8-53/97-FC dated: 23.06.1998. Subsequent lease renewal period 2008-2028 ML area 96.34ha vide G.O.Ms.No.79, Environment and Forests Department.

Forest Clearance renewal: 2008-2028 Government letter - Ministry of Environment and Forests (F.C.Division) F.No.8-53/97-FC dated: 14.07.2008.

The Mining Operation and quantity of Material are as follows:

Years	Proposed Magnesite Prod. (MT)	Achieved (MT)	
2008-09	114000	117260.87	
2009-10	114000	127274.76	
2010-11	114000	98356.53	
2011-12	114000	107586.68	
2012-13	114000	107899.63 84050.28	
2013-14	114000		
2014-15	114000	139396.20	
2015-16	114000	107119.09	
2016-17	114000	76264.70	
2017-18	114000	86394.85	
2018-19 upto	9500	6549.87	

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Total	1149500	1058153.46

3. The production schedule for the year 2018-2019 to 2022 -23.

	Magnesite	Dunite
For 2018-19 -	124260 MT	133698 MT
For 2019-20-	117157 MT	120959 MT
For 2020-21 -	119679 MT	98237 MT
For 2021-22 -	117123 MT	109077 MT
For 2022-23-	122371 MT	105107 MT

The project proposal was placed in the 121st meeting of the SEAC held on 30.11.2018. Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, the SEAC decided to defer the proposal for the following reason:

It was observed that as per the MoEF&CC Notification 5.0.1530 (E) dated 06.04.2018 states that

"The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide judgment dated the 2nd February, 2018 in writ petition (Civil) No.114 of 2014 in the matter of common cause versus Union of India and others, inter-alia, has directed that the validity of the environmental clearances grated for mining projects under the notification number 5.0.60 (E) dated 27.01.1994 of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests shall be five years.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide judgment dated the 7th February, 2018 in Special Leave to Appeal (Civil) No. 32138 of 2015 in the matter of Goa Foundation versus M/s. Sesa Sterile Ltd., & Others has reiterated that the validity of the

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Environmental Clearances for mining projects grated under the EIA Notification, 1994 shall be five years.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its aforesaid judgment dated the 7th February 2018 has held that para 9 of the notification S.O.1533 (E) dated 14th September 2006 of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests (hereinafter referred to as the EIA Notification, 2006), provides that the environmental clearance would be valid for the estimated project life subject to maximum of 30 years;

And whereas, in the view of the above, there would be two categories of cases related to mining projects under EIA notification, 1994, namely:-

- a) Mining projects, which were granted environmental clearance under the EIA Notification, 1994, and also granted environmental clearance for expansion/modernization/amendment under the EIA Notification, 2006; and
- b) Mining projects, which were granted environmental clearance under the EIA Notification, 1994, and but not obtained environmental clearance for expansion/modernization/amendment under the EIA Notification, 2006.

And whereas, as per third paragraph above, the projects mentioned in clause (a) of fourth paragraph above do not suffer from the infirmity of validity of environmental clearance being five years;

And whereas, the projects mentioned in clause (a) of fourth paragraph above, do not suffer from the infirmity of expansion vis-à-vis the base production as these projects were already appraised and granted environmental clearance under the EIA Notification, 2006;

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And whereas, all mining projects mentioned in clause (b) of fourth paragraph above are required to obtain environmental clearance under the EIA Notification, 2006, in pursuance of the aforesaid judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court;

And whereas, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change it necessary for implementation of the aforesaid judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court as well as for the protecting and improving the quality of environment and abating the environmental pollution, that all projects mentioned in clause (b) of fourth paragraph above, be brought under the regulatory framework of the EIA Notification, 2006;

Now, therefore, in excise of the powers conferred by sub-selection (1) and clause (V) of sub-selection (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) read with sub- rule (4) of rule 5 of Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby directs, after having dispensed with the requirement of notice under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) of the rule 5 of the said rules in public interest, for implementation of the aforesaid judgments of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, that the project proponent in all such cases involving validity of the environmental clearance and expansion of mining projects vis-à-vis the base production, shall make application within six months from the date of issue of this notification in Form-1 as given in Appendix-II of the EIA Notification, 2006, for grant of environmental clearance under the provisions of the EIA notification, 2006, and all such application shall be considered by the concerned Expert Appraisal Committee or the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, as the case may be, who shall decide on the due diligence necessary including preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Report and public

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consultation and the application shall be appraised accordingly for grant of environmental clearance."

In the view of the above, it is informed that as per the MoEF&CC Notification S.O.1530 (E) dated 06.04.2018, the project proponent in all such cases involving validity of the environmental clearance and expansion of mining projects vis-à-vis the base production, shall make application within six months from the date of issue of this notification. The date of six month for application for validity of the environmental clearance issued by MoEF&CC and expansion of mining projects vis-à-vis the base production expired on 05.10.2018.

It was observed that the project proponent has submitted application to SEIAA-TN (Both hard copy on 19.11.2018 and Online application on 10.11.2018) after the cutoff date of six month issued by the MoEF &CC Notification S.O.1530 (E) dated 06.04.2018.

The project proponent has informed that online application was submitted to MoEF&CC on 30.05.2018 for the aforesaid project proposal within the stipulated time as mentioned in the MoEF &CC Notification 5.0.1530 (E) dated 06.04.2018.

In view of the above, the Committee in the 121st SEAC meeting held on 30.11.2018 decided that the project proponent may approach MoEF & CC to transfer the online application filed by the proponent to MoEF & CC for seeking EC on 30.05.2018 to SEIAA-TN along with the hard copy of the application with note file processed by the MoEF & CC.

M/s Tamil Nadu Magnesite Limited (TANMAG) mines agent/manager (mines) has submitted an affidavit stating that

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"MoEF&CC (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) had issued notification S.O.1530 (E) dated 6th April 2018 towards obtaining EC (Environment clearance) under EIA Notification, 2006.

TANMAG (Tamilnadu Magnesite Limited) had submitted application to EAC (Expert Appraisal Committee) of MoEF&CC, New Delhi on 13.04.2018 after diligently complying the direction of MoEF&CC's notification S. 1530 (E) dated 6th April 2018 since, Arasu Magnesite Mines (Mine Lease Area: 96.34 Ha) was under Category 'A' as per EIA Notification, 2006.

Subsequently, MoEF&CC's notification 5.0.3977 dated 14th August 2018 notifies mining projects under Mine Lease Area: 100 Ha under Category "B".

In compliance to MoEF&CC's notification S.O.3977 dated 14th August 2018, TANMAG filed its application for EC after constitution of SEIAA- Tamilnadu on 10th November 2018.

On behalf of TANMAG, we assure that , Arasu Magnesite Mines will not approach EAC of MoEF&CC, New Delhi for obtaining EC (Environment Clearance) since, Arasu Magnesite Mines (Mine Lease Area: 96.34 Ha) clearly falls under Category "B" as per MoEF&CC's notification 5.0.3977 dated 14th August 2018.

We request that our proposal of Arasu Magnesite Mines may be considered by SEIAA for issue of TOR towards grant of EC."

SEAC noted the online minutes of the EAC are as follows:

M/s Tamil Nadu Magnesite Limited (TANMAG) submitted the following information:

i. M/s TANMAG is a Govt. of Tamil Nadu undertaking and mining Magnesite and Dunite in 177.96 Ha of Forest Land from 1979. Initially, mining has been carried out by the Tamil Nadu Government. M/s TANMAG has been the raising contractor

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since 1988 till 1997. From the year 1998 onwards, M/s TANMAG is fully operating the mines with valid mine lease.

ii. TANMAG has obtained combined Forest Clearance (FC) and Environmental Clearance (EC) in on 23.6.1998 for 177.96 Ha of reserve forest land. At SI.No.8 of the said clearance, environmental safeguards have been stipulated. TANMAG was operating with genuine assumption that a separate EC is not required. Further, forest clearance has been issued on 14.7.2008 for renewal of mining lease and reduction of lease area from 177.96 Ha to 96.34 Ha. From 2008 onwards, mining operations have been carried out in the reduced area of 96.34 Ha.

iii. Subsequent to Forest Clearance, Mining lease has been granted by Environment and Forest Department, Govt. of Tamil Nadu on 6.8.1988 for ten years. Further, lease has been renewed over an extent of 96.34 Ha in the Kurumbapatti Reserve Forest for a period of 20 years from 2008.

iv. In respect of Mining lease in Poramboke lands for mining major minerals, Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India is the Competent Authority and separate EC has to be obtained from the MoEF&CC. In case of TANMAG, MoEF&CC is the authority to sanction EC and FC since mines are in the reserve forest. Hence, TANMAG obtained combine Forest and Environmental Clearance from MoEF&CC.

v. TANMAG has obtained valid Consents issued by Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board since 1993 till 2018. Similarly, Mining Plan and Scheme approval from the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) are being obtained continuously from 1998 onwards.

vi. Sukinda Iron Ore Mines in Odisha State of M/s Tata Steel Ltd., was issued a combined EC & FC in 1998 and subsequently the validity of the EC was extended.

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vii. Like in the case of Sukinda Chromite mine of M/s Tata Steel Ltd., the combined EC and FC of TANMAG is valid till 2028 and is operating mines in compliance with all statutory requirements.

viii. It is requested to intervene so that TANMAG may be permitted to resume its mining operations.

Committee has reviewed the clearance dated 23.6.1998 which conveys the approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1986 for diversion of 177.96 ha of forest land. Committee is of the opinion that the said clearance Forest Clearance. Magnesite is the major mineral and Dunite is the minor mineral. The lease was granted for 177.96 ha in 1998. Prior Environmental Clearance is needed for the major minerals having lease area more than 5 ha under EIA Notification, 1994. If the mine is in operational before the promulgation of the notification, then prior Environmental Clearance under Minutes of 33rd EAC Meeting held during June 21st -22nd, 2018 Page 109 of 156 EIA Notification, 1994 is mandatory if there is an expansion in terms of lease area or production. The base year production in 1993-94 is 62,000 Tonnes/annum (Magnesite) and has increased in the subsequent years. The highest production of Magnesite is 1,39,396 Tonnes/annum in the year 2014-15 as per the certificate of DMG vide their letter dated 14.6.2018. Similarly, Dunite production in the base year (1993-94) is 1,770 Tonnes/annum and highest production in the subsequent years is 61,490.83 Tonnes/annum. Further, mining lease has been renewed in 2008. Further, Ministry vide letter dated 12.4.2018 had already ascertained the violations under E (P) Act, 1986 and communicated M/s TANMAG to comply all the provisions mentioned in the Judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2.8.2018 in the

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Common Cause vs UoI and apply in the violation sector as per the S.O.No.804(E) dated 14.3.2017.

EAC deliberated the matter and requested the Ministry to take a decision whether their proposal be transferred to violation sector.

The proposal was placed in the 124th SEAC Meeting held on 04.01.2019. The proponent made a presentation about the project proposal. Based on the presentation made by the proponent and the documents furnished, the committee decided that it is a violation project (as per the EAC minutes). The committee collectively took a decision to grant of Standard ToR for mining projects as specified by MoEF & CC in addition to the Additional TOR (Annexure -I) specified by the SEAC to deal with the violation aspects of the mining projects. The public hearing shall be conducted as per the directions of Hon'ble High of Judicature at Madras.

In addition to the above, the proponent shall submit the following details:

- 1. The report for green belt developed with necessary photographs.
- 2. The proponent shall furnish the photographs for fencing around the project site.
- 3. The proponent shall furnish the proposal for CER.
- Contour map for the 1 Km radius surrounding the site, village map, FMB & A
 Register may be furnished.
- 5. The proponent furnish in affidavit undertaking inter-alia includes commitment of the Project Proponent not to repeat any such violation in

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future as follows as per MoEF & CC, Office Memorandum No. F.No.3-50/2017-IA.III(Pt.) dated:30.05.2018

6. "I/We, the applicant / the Project Proponent, commit to comply with all the statutory requirements and judgments of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated the 2nd August 2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No.114 of 2014 in the matter of the common cause versus Union of India and Ors. Before grant of ToR/EC and I am also to commit, not to repeat any such violation in future. In case of any violation of the above the ToR/Environmental Clearances shall be liable to be terminated forthwith".

7. The project proponent shall enclose the approved District Survey Report (DSR) as directed by MoEF & CC in the letter dated 26.05.2018 addressed to Chief Secretaries of all States vide Lr.No. F.No.L-11011/26/2018-IA-II (M) Dated 22.05.2018 along with the EIA study report for Dunite.

Agenda No. 124-04:

F.No: 6684/2018

Proposed construction of residential group development by M/s. Casa Grande Coimbatore LLP at S.No. 519, 520/1, 520/2, 521/1, 521/2, 537, 539/1, 539/2A, 540, 541 & 542 of Manapakkam Village, Alandur Taluk, Kanchipuram District, Tamilnadu - For Environment Clearance

(SIA/TN/NCP/84524/2018)

The project proponent gave a detailed presentation on the salient features of the project and informed that:

1. The project is located at 13°00'34.88"N Latitude, 80°09'35.45"E Longitude.

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Annexure-I

Part-I

- 1(a) STANDARD TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CONDUCTING ENVIRONMENT

 IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY FOR NON-COAL MINING PROJECTS AND

 INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN EIA/EMP REPORT
- 1) Year-wise production details since 1994 should be given, clearly stating the highest production achieved in any one year prior to 1994. It may also be categorically informed whether there had been any increase in production after the EIA Notification 1994 came into force, w.r.t. the highest production achieved prior to 1994.
- 2) A copy of the document in support of the fact that the Proponent is the rightful lessee of the mine should be given.
- 3) All documents including approved mine plan, EIA and Public Hearing should be compatible with one another in terms of the mine lease area, production levels, waste generation and its management, mining technology etc. and should be in the name of the lessee.
- 4) All corner coordinates of the mine lease area, superimposed on a High Resolution Imagery/ topo sheet, topographic sheet, geomorphology and geology of the area should be provided. Such an Imagery of the proposed area should clearly show the land use and other ecological features of the study area (core and buffer zone).
- 5) Information should be provided in Survey of India Topo sheet in 1:50,000 scale indicating geological map of the area, geomorphology of land forms of the area, existing minerals and mining history of the area, important water

- bodies, streams and rivers and soil characteristics.
- 6) Details about the land proposed for mining activities should be given with information as to whether mining conforms to the land use policy of the State; land diversion for mining should have approval from State land use board or the concerned authority.
- 7) It should be clearly stated whether the proponent Company has a well laid down Environment Policy approved by its Board of Directors? If so, it may be spelt out in the EIA Report with description of the prescribed operating process/procedures to bring into focus any infringement/deviation/ violation of the environmental or forest norms/ conditions? The hierarchical system or administrative order of the Company to deal with the environmental issues and for ensuring compliance with the EC conditions may also be given. The system of reporting of non-compliances / violations of environmental norms to the Board of Directors of the Company and/or shareholders or stakeholders at large, may also be detailed in the EIA Report.
- 8) Issues relating to Mine Safety, including subsidence study in case of underground mining and slope study in case of open cast mining, blasting study etc. should be detailed. The proposed safeguard measures in each case should also be provided.
- 9) The study area will comprise of 10 km zone around the mine lease from lease periphery and the data contained in the EIA such as waste generation etc. should be for the life of the mine / lease period.
- 10) Land use of the study area delineating forest area, agricultural land, grazing land, wildlife sanctuary, national park, migratory routes of fauna, water bodies, human settlements and other ecological features should be indicated.

Land use plan of the mine lease area should be prepared to encompass preoperational, operational and post operational phases and submitted. Impact, if any, of change of land use should be given.

- 11) Details of the land for any Over Burden Dumps outside the mine lease, such as extent of land area, distance from mine lease, its land use, R&R issues, if any, should be given.
- 12) A Certificate from the Competent Authority in the State Forest Department should be provided, confirming the involvement of forest land, if any, in the project area. In the event of any contrary claim by the Project Proponent regarding the status of forests, the site may be inspected by the State Forest Department along with the Regional Office of the Ministry to ascertain the status of forests, based on which, the Certificate in this regard as mentioned above be issued. In all such cases, it would be desirable for representative of the State Forest Department to assist the Expert Appraisal Committees.
- 13) Status of forestry clearance for the broken up area and virgin forestland involved in the Project including deposition of net present value (NPV) and compensatory afforestation (CA) should be indicated. A copy of the forestry clearance should also be furnished.
- 14) Implementation status of recognition of forest rights under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 should be indicated.
- 15) The vegetation in the RF / PF areas in the study area, with necessary details, should be given.
- 16) A study shall be got done to ascertain the impact of the Mining Project on

- wildlife of the study area and details furnished. Impact of the project on the wildlife in the surrounding and any other protected area and accordingly, detailed mitigative measures required, should be worked out with cost implications and submitted.
- 17) Location of National Parks, Sanctuaries, Biosphere Reserves, Wildlife Corridors, Ramsar site Tiger/ Elephant Reserves/(existing as well as proposed), if any, within 10 km of the mine lease should be clearly indicated, supported by a location map duly authenticated by Chief Wildlife Warden. Necessary clearance, as may be applicable to such projects due to proximity of the ecologically sensitive areas as mentioned above, should be obtained from the Standing Committee of National Board of Wildlife and copy furnished.
- 18) A detailed biological study of the study area [core zone and buffer zone (10 km radius of the periphery of the mine lease)] shall be carried out. Details of flora and fauna, endangered, endemic and RET Species duly authenticated, separately for core and buffer zone should be furnished based on such primary field survey, clearly indicating the Schedule of the fauna present. In case of any scheduled-I fauna found in the study area, the necessary plan along with budgetary provisions for their conservation should be prepared in consultation with State Forest and Wildlife Department and details furnished. Necessary allocation of funds for implementing the same should be made as part of the project cost.
- 19) Proximity to Areas declared as 'Critically Polluted' or the Project areas likely to come under the 'Aravali Range', (attracting court restrictions for mining operations), should also be indicated and where so required, clearance

- Mining Department should be secured and furnished to the effect that the proposed mining activities could be considered.
- 20) Similarly, for coastal Projects, A CRZ map duly authenticated by one of the authorized agencies demarcating LTL. HTL, CRZ area, location of the mine lease w.r.t CRZ, coastal features such as mangroves, if any, should be furnished. (Note: The Mining Projects falling under CRZ would also need to obtain approval of the concerned Coastal Zone Management Authority).
- 21) R&R Plan/compensation details for the Project Affected People (PAP) should be furnished. While preparing the R&R Plan, the relevant State/National Rehabilitation & Resettlement Policy should be kept in view. In respect of SCs /STs and other weaker sections of the society in the study area, a need based sample survey, family-wise, should be undertaken to assess their requirements, and action programmes prepared and submitted accordingly, integrating the sectoral programmes of line departments of the State Government. It may be clearly brought out whether the village(s) located in the mine lease area will be shifted or not. The issues relating to shifting of village(s) including their R&R and socio-economic aspects should be discussed in the Report.
- 22) One season (non-monsoon) [i.e. March-May (Summer Season); October-December (post monsoon season); December-February (winter season)]primary baseline data on ambient air quality as per CPCB Notification of 2009, water quality, noise level, soil and flora and fauna shall be collected and the AAQ and other data so compiled presented date-wise in the EIA and EMP Report. Site-specific meteorological data should also be collected. The

location of the monitoring stations should be such as to represent whole of the study area and justified keeping in view the pre-dominant downwind direction and location of sensitive receptors. There should be at least one monitoring station within 500 m of the mine lease in the pre-dominant downwind direction. The mineralogical composition of PM10, particularly for free silica, should be given.

- 23) Air quality modelling should be carried out for prediction of impact of the project on the air quality of the area. It should also take into account the impact of movement of vehicles for transportation of mineral. The details of the model used and input parameters used for modelling should be provided. The air quality contours may be shown on a location map clearly indicating the location of the site, location of sensitive receptors, if any, and the habitation. The wind roses showing pre-dominant wind direction may also be indicated on the map.
- 24) The water requirement for the Project, its availability and source should be furnished. A detailed water balance should also be provided. Fresh water requirement for the Project should be indicated.
- 25) Necessary clearance from the Competent Authority for drawl of requisite quantity of water for the Project should be provided.
- 26) Description of water conservation measures proposed to be adopted in the Project should be given. Details of rainwater harvesting proposed in the Project, if any, should be provided.
- 27) Impact of the Project on the water quality, both surface and groundwater, should be assessed and necessary safeguard measures, if any required, should be provided.

- 28) Based on actual monitored data, it may clearly be shown whether working will intersect groundwater. Necessary data and documentation in this regard may be provided. In case the working will intersect groundwater table, a detailed Hydro Geological Study should be undertaken and Report furnished. The Report inter-alia, shall include details of the aquifers present and impact of mining activities on these aquifers. Necessary permission from Central Ground Water Authority for working below ground water and for pumping of ground water should also be obtained and copy furnished.
- 29) Details of any stream, seasonal or otherwise, passing through the lease area and modification / diversion proposed, if any, and the impact of the same on the hydrology should be brought out.
- 30) Information on site elevation, working depth, groundwater table etc. Should be provided both in AMSL and bgl. A schematic diagram may also be provided for the same.
- 31) A time bound Progressive Greenbelt Development Plan shall be prepared in a tabular form (indicating the linear and quantitative coverage, plant species and time frame) and submitted, keeping in mind, the same will have to be executed up front on commencement of the Project. Phase-wise plan of plantation and compensatory afforestation should be charted clearly indicating the area to be covered under plantation and the species to be planted. The details of plantation already done should be given. The plant species selected for green belt should have greater ecological value and should be of good utility value to the local population with emphasis on local and native species and the species which are tolerant to pollution.
- 32) Impact on local transport infrastructure due to the Project should be

indicated. Projected increase in truck traffic as a result of the Project in the present road network (including those outside the Project area) should be worked out, indicating whether it is capable of handling the incremental load. Arrangement for improving the infrastructure, if contemplated (including action to be taken by other agencies such as State Government) should be covered. Project Proponent shall conduct Impact of Transportation study as per Indian Road Congress Guidelines.

- 33) Details of the onsite shelter and facilities to be provided to the mine workers should be included in the EIA Report.
- 34) Conceptual post mining land use and Reclamation and Restoration of mined out areas (with plans and with adequate number of sections) should be given in the EIA report.
- 35) Occupational Health impacts of the Project should be anticipated and the proposed preventive measures spelt out in detail. Details of pre-placement medical examination and periodical medical examination schedules should be incorporated in the EMP. The project specific occupational health mitigation measures with required facilities proposed in the mining area may be detailed.
- 36) Public health implications of the Project and related activities for the population in the impact zone should be systematically evaluated and the proposed remedial measures should be detailed along with budgetary allocations.
- 37) Measures of socio economic significance and influence to the local community proposed to be provided by the Project Proponent should be indicated. As far as possible, quantitative dimensions may be given with time frames for implementation.

- 38) Detailed environmental management plan (EMP) to mitigate the environmental impacts which, should inter-alia include the impacts of change of land use, loss of agricultural and grazing land, if any, occupational health impacts besides other impacts specific to the proposed Project.
- 39) Public Hearing points raised and commitment of the Project Proponent on the same along with time bound Action Plan with budgetary provisions to implement the same should be provided and also incorporated in the final EIA/EMP Report of the Project.
- 40) Details of litigation pending against the project, if any, with direction /order passed by any Court of Law against the Project should be given.
- 41) The cost of the Project (capital cost and recurring cost) as well as the cost towards implementation of EMP should be clearly spelt out.
- 42) A Disaster management Plan shall be prepared and included in the EIA/EMP Report.
- 43) Benefits of the Project if the Project is implemented should be spelt out. The benefits of the Project shall clearly indicate environmental, social, economic, employment potential, etc.
- 44) Besides the above, the below mentioned general points are also to be followed:
 - a) Executive Summary of the EIA/EMP Report
 - b) All documents to be properly referenced with index and continuous page numbering.
 - c) Where data are presented in the Report especially in Tables, the period in which the data were collected and the sources should be indicated.

- d) Project Proponent shall enclose all the analysis/testing reports of water, air, soil, noise etc. using the MoEF&CC / NABL accredited laboratories. All the original analysis/testing reports should be available during appraisal of the Project.
- e) Where the documents provided are in a language other than English, an English translation should be provided.
- f) The Questionnaire for environmental appraisal of mining projects as devised earlier by the Ministry shall also be filled and submitted.
- g) While preparing the EIA report, the instructions for the Proponents and instructions for the Consultants issued by MoEF&CC vide O.M. No. J-11013/41/2006-IA.II(I) dated 4th August, 2009, which are available on the website of this Ministry, should be followed.
- h) Changes, if any made in the basic scope and project parameters (as submitted in Form-I and the PFR for securing the TOR) should be brought to the attention of MoEF&CC with reasons for such changes and permission should be sought, as the TOR may also have to be altered. Post Public Hearing changes in structure and content of the draft EIA/EMP (other than modifications arising out of the P.H. process) will entail conducting the PH again with the revised documentation.
- i) As per the circular no. J-11011/618/2010-IA.II(I) dated 30.5.2012, certified report of the status of compliance of the conditions stipulated in the environment clearance for the existing operations of the project, should be obtained from the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, as may be applicable.

j) The EIA report should also include (i) surface plan of the area indicating contours of main topographic features, drainage and mining area, (ii) geological maps and sections and (iii) sections of the mine pit and external dumps, if any, clearly showing the land features of the adjoining area.

PART-II

Additional TOR specified by the SEAC to deal with the violation aspects of the mining projects

SECTION A

As per the MoEF & CC Notification S.O. 1030 (E) dated: 08.03.2018,

1. "The cases of violations will be appraised by the Expert Appraisal Committee at the Central level or State or Union territory level Expert Appraisal Committee constituted under sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 with a view to assess that the project has been constructed at a site which under prevailing laws is permissible and expansion has been done which can run sustainably under compliance of environmental norms with adequate environmental safeguards, and in case, where the findings of Expert Appraisal Committee for projects under category A or State or Union territory level Expert Appraisal Committee for projects under category B is negative, closure of the project will be recommended along with other actions under the law.

2. In case, where the findings of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State or Union territory level Expert Appraisal Committee on point at subparagraph (4) above are affirmative, the projects will be granted the appropriate Terms of Reference for undertaking Environment Impact Assessment and preparation of Environment Management Plan and the Expert Appraisal Committee or State or Union territory level Expert Appraisal Committee, will prescribe specific Terms of Reference for the project on assessment of ecological damage, remediation plan and natural and community resource augmentation plan and it shall be prepared as an independent chapter in the environment impact assessment report by the accredited consultants, and the collection and analysis of data for assessment of ecological damage, preparation of remediation plan and natural and community resource augmentation plan shall be done by an environmental laboratory duly notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, or a environmental laboratory accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories, or a laboratory of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research institution working in the field of environment."

After the appraisal of the project, the SEAC decided that the Para No.2 stated above is applicable to the project. Hence, the proponent is directed to prepare appropriate reports as contained in the Para 2.

While complying with the specific aspects of the MoEF & CC directions as stated in the Para 2 above, the following steps should be followed:

Step 1: Enumerate the aspects of Violation:

- a) The proponent should enumerate the violations as applicable to the project.
- b) Furnish a description of each violation with quantitative and qualitative data.
- c) Violation categories are to be decided taking into consideration the stage at which the project execution stands.

Step 2: Ecological Damage Assessment:

- a) For each aspect of violation enumerated in step (1), identify the resultant environmental damage that may have been caused.
- b) Furnish a description of the environmental damages with quantitative and qualitative data.

Step 3: Remediation Plan:

- a) For the Environmental damage(s) identified in the step (2) above, prepare the remediation plan for the each or combination of damages.
- b) The remediation plan should essentially consists of problem statement, target to be achieved (quantity), standards, technology/procedure for remediation, equipment and machinery to be used, time schedule and remediation cost(direct and indirect cost, capital as well as O&M costs).

SECTION B

1. Natural resource Augmentation:

- a) The resources that should be considered for augmentation should essentially consist of land, biota, air, water and other resources as applicable.
- b) Proponent may choose one or more of the resource augmentation as applicable and provide a description of the augmentation proposal in detail for each resource.
- c) The proponent should also furnish the cost for each augmentation scheme.
- 2. Community resource Augmentation:
 - a) The proponent should prepare a plan of action for addressing the needs of the community in terms of resources in the sectors of education, health and sports primarily and other such resources as applicable to the community in the vicinity of the project.
 - b) The community resource augmentation plan should consist of rehabilitation of houses and people, budget allocation and time schedule for completing the activity.

SECTION C

The proponent should prepare content for the ecological damage assessment, remediation plan, natural resource augmentation and community resource augmentation separately in a chapter and include in the EIA / EMP report.

SECTION D

a) After the appraisal of the EIA / EMP report submitted by the proponent, the SEAC will make a judgement of the quality of the content in the EIA / EMP report specifically with reference to the

chapter covering the ecological damage assessment, remediation plan, natural resource augmentation and community resource augmentation.

- b) In the judgement of SEAC, if the quality of the content in the chapter is not satisfactory, the SEAC may direct the proponent to further revise the chapter and resubmit the EIA/EMP report.
- c) If SEAC concludes that the technical part is satisfactory and the costing aspect is not satisfactory then the SEAC may revert to legal provisions, MoEF & CC guidelines and similar expert committee recommendations for finalizing the cost aspects or the SEAC may use its own expertise and experience in finalizing the cost.

SECTION E

The proponent is directed to furnish data as per the questionnaire appended. It will help the SEAC in arriving the ecological damage and the associated cost.

SECTION F

In compliance with the Supreme Court order stated in MoEF & CC letter F.No. 3-50/2017 IA.III-pt dated: 05th January 2018, the proponent is required to submit the Affidavit/ No Objection Certificate obtained from the Department of Geology and Mining, Government of Tamil Nadu regarding payment of 100% cost of illegally mined mineral under section 21(5) of MMDR Act 1957 which would account for mining operations in violation of the following:

- a) Without Environmental Clearance (EC), or in excess of the quantity approved in EC
- b) Without Consent to Operate (CTO) or in excess of the quantity approved in CTO and
- c) Without mining plan/scheme of mining or in excess of the quantity approved in mining plan / scheme of mining
- d) Without Forest Clearance
- e) Any other violation

List out the details of reserve forest and wildlife sanctuary nearby the project site (the details should also include other districts which are nearby the project site) and also furnish the detail of distance between the project site and reserve forests/wildlife sanctuary.

Whether the project site attracts the HACA clearance? If so, also furnish the HACA clearance for the mining from the competent authority.

The proponent is instructed to fill in the form contained in <u>Annexure-1</u> to work out the details of the ecological damage during the violation period.

Annexure-1

Additional information for considering EC for mining projects

5.No.	Details to be provided	Page
		no.
1)	Name of the project lease & owner	
2)	Lease Extent	
3)	Lease Validity	

4)	Approved Mining Plan/Scheme - Review								
	a) Specify whether DSR is provided (applicable in case of minor								
	minerals only)						13-1-1		
5)	Specify - Nature and	type of	violation						
	I. Without	EC or in	excess	of quanti	ity appr	roved in	E <i>C</i>		
	II. Without	CTO o	r in exc	ess of	quantit	y appro	ved in		
	сто								
	III. Without	mining p	lan/Sch	eme of n	nining o	r in exc	ess of		
	quantity	approved	d in Minir	ng plan/s	5cheme	of minir	ng.		
	IV. Without	forest (Clearance	е					
	V. Any other	r violatio	on		-1927				
)	Violation period								
	I. Number of months								
	II. Number of Years								
)	Exploitation/Excavation quantity- Reserves proved through								
	exploration by drilling								
)	Give details of production from the date of execution of the lease								
	deed / since 1994								
	Year and quantity	2010-2	2011*	2011-2	012*	2012-			
						2013*			
		Planne	Planne	Planne	Actu	Planne	Ac		
		d	d	d	al	d	tua		
							1		
	Ore/mineral/granite						11		

	blocks (tonnes)			1 . 1		- 1	
	Waste (tonnes/cu.m)						
	* year of mining o	peration			i.e.	Nagari e s	
)	Quantity mined out violated quantity, ir						icate the
	Year and	2010-20		2011-2		2012-2	2013
	quantity mined	Planne	Plann	Plann	Actu	Plann	Actu
	out during the		ed	ed	al	ed	al
	Ore/mineral/gr anite blocks (tonnes)						
	Waste excavation (tonnes/cu.m)						
10)	State illegal mini Percentage of qua						
11)	Method of working						
	I. Category type: (a) Mechanised (b) Semi - Mechanised(c) Manual						
	II. Cons	truction	and des	ign of ha	ul road:	S	
		a) Dim	ension o	as per th	ie statu	itory red	quirements
		whi	ch were	followed	d or oth	erwise	

	b) Number of vehicles plying on the main haul	7
	roads inside the mine and the approach road	
	to the pit located outside the mine, if any.	
	c) Are any measures taken to minimise fugitive	
	dust generated form mine haul roads? Does	
	it comply with the CPCB/PCB Guidelines?	
	d) Is there a possibility that air pollutants	
	emitted from the project area that do not	
	comply with air quality standards as per	
	CPCB/PCB?	
12)	Mechanized / Semi - Mechanized Method of Mining	
	(i) Number of loading / excavating equipments as per	
	approved mining plan and capacity.	
	(ii) Number of loading / excavating equipments actually being	
	deployed and capacity.	
	(iii) Type and number of transporting equipments.	
	(iv) Type of transporting system used - (a) trucks	
	(b) Any other mode	
	(v) Capacity and Number of trucks used as per approved	
	mining plan	
	(vi) Capacity and Number of trucks used actually in the	
	mine.	
	(vii) Number and capacity of loading equipments and trucks	
	used not in line with approved mining plan.	

			Capacity (m ³)	Number			
		Excavator					
		Trucks					
	(v	viii) Impact of ex	cess deploymen	t of loading	g equipments		
	(excavato	ors) and transport	ing equipments o	on environme	ent.		
		(a) Air pollutai	nts				
		(b) Water Qua	ality				
		(c) Land Quali	ty				
		(d) Noise leve					
	(ix) Does the deployment of loading equipments (excavators)						
	and trucks fulfil the statutory requirements as per MMR						
	1961, with respect to the site conditions?						
13)	Method of Rock Breaking/Material preparation for the excavation:						
	(i) Methodology adopted -						
	a) Drilling and blasting						
	b) Rock breakers						
	c) Rippers						
	d) Surface miners						
	e) Direct mucking by excavators						
	f) Manual means						
	g) Any other methods or combination of above						
	(ii)	In case of drilli	ng and blasting 1	nethod:			
			Type of blasting				

	(b) Whether controlled blasting techniq	lue
	adopted? If yes, specify the techniq	jue
	with details of study, year of study	
	(c) Impacts due to blasting defined as per t	he
	studies, if any carried out previously	as
	indicated	
	(d) Dust pollution	
	(e) Noise level (dB(A))	
	(f) Ground vibration studies and Fly ro	ck
	projection	
	(iii) Impact of preparation of Ore and waste on environment	-
	a) Air Pollution	
	b) Noise Pollution	
	c) Water Pollution	
	d) Safety standards	
	e) Traffic density	
	f) Road Condition (vulnerability)	-
14)	Construction and Design of Dumps.	
	a) Place/Location	
	b) Approach to Dump form the mine distance an	nd
	safety standards.	
	c) Area of extent occupied	
	d) Dimension of Dump and No. of terrace wit	h
	heights (benches)	

) Variation asserted . If was energy the details
	e) Vegetation covered ; If yes, specify the details
	of plants
15)	Construction and Design of Waste Dumps
	(i) Numbers and Location of Dumps as per approved Mining Plan
	(ii) Specify whether reject dumps are located within or outside
	mining lease
	(iii) Area occupied in excess of the approval mining plan.
	(iv) Dimension of Terracing, Light, shapes, etc., Dump as per
	approved Mining Plan
	(v) Fresh/Existing Dimension Height, shape, width. etc., of
	Dumps in the mine.
	(vi) Volume/Quantity added to Waste/Dump during the violated
	period.
	(vii) Approach to the Dump-Dimension, distance.
	(viii) Number of and type of equipments deployed in Dump.
	(ix) Provision of Garland drains around the Dumps.
	(x) Any vegetation made on the slopes.
	(xi) Provision of safety standards.
	(xii) Impact of Waste/Dumps on environment.
	a) Air pollution
	b) Water pollution
	c) Dust pollution
	d) Noise pollution
	(xiii) Terracing

16) (Construction and Design of Ore and sub grade ore/mineral Stacks:-
	(i) Number and Location of Ore stacks.
	(ii) Dimension of Ore/sub grade Stacks as per the Approved
	Mining Plan
	(iii) Volume/Quantity added during the violation period.
	(iv)Any Screening plant or any other loading equipment engaged
	during the violated period.
	(v) Approach to Ore / sub grade stack - Distance, hazards.
	(vi)Safety standards adopted while operation.
	(vii) Impact of ore/sub grade on environment
	a. Air pollution
	b. Water pollution
	c. Dust pollution
	d. Noise pollution
7) /	Mine Pit Water
	(i) Intersection of Ground water table, specify the measures taken.
(ii) Ground water table as per hydro geological Studies (Pumping test).
(i	ii) Provision of Garland drains around pit and dumps
(i	v) Water pollution
(v) Management of mine water.
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18)	Diversion of General Drainage/River/Nallah course for mining
19)	Clearing of vegetation before the commencement of mining operation- Number of trees (species wise)
20)	Man Power
	(a) Statutory management
	(b) Regular (Non -statutory) Manpower
21)	Occupational Health and Safety.
	(a) Periodical monitoring of health standards of persons
	employed as per Mine Act, 1952.
	(b) Failure to inform statutory bodies periodically, if any
22)	Population (Nearby Habitation)
	(i) Population/Significant Population/Dense Population within the
	buffer zone of 10 Kms.
	(ii) People displacement due to mining activities
	(iii) Location/ Existence of habitation near the river or any
	other historical/sensitive/ forest distance.
	(iv)Impact of mining on Surrounding and habitation-Air, Water,
	Noise, Pollution.
	(v) Socio Economic aspects of mining.
23)	
	(a) Field ground Activities or studies. Actual amount spent
	towards CSR and the future proposal.
24)	
	of all the amount payable against identified violation.

25)	Conceptual post mining land use/restoration	
26)	Litigation/court cases, if any pending	
27)	Disaster management plan for the mine	
