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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority
West Bengal
Minutes of SEIAA Meeting
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Subject: **54th meeting of SEIAA (Reconstituted on 17.05.2023)**
Venue:- **Conference Room of West Bengal Pollution Control Board, Paribesh Bhawan, 10A, Block - LA, Sector-III, Bidhannagar, Kolkata-700106.**
From :- **19 November 2024**
To :- **19 November 2024**

CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed Dhulkomra Feldspar & Quartz Mine (O. C.) over an area of 1.9384 ha (4.79 Acres) at Plot No: - 564, 566 & 567, J.L. No. - 81, Mouza - Dhulkomra, P.S. - Kankartala, Khairasole, District - Birbhum, West Bengal by **Jayanta Bhattacharyya**.

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023, File No. : EN/T-II-1/298/2023, Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023** dated **15 March 2023** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above-mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at Sl. No. **1(a) Mining of minerals** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

Earlier the Project proponent (PP) obtained Environmental Clearance vide No. 21/EC/Quartz & Feldspar/Khairasole/Dhulkomra/16 dated 18.01.2017 from DEIAA, Birbhum.

SEAC, during its 46th meeting held on 14.08.2024, recommended the proposed project for Environmental Clearance with additional conditions.

The proposal was placed before SEIAA in the 50th meeting held on 06.09.2024 and after detailed discussion it was decided that the PP is required to upload the area statement of green belt / plantation area proposed to be done in safety zone and outside the safety zone clearly marked with measurement.

The PP uploaded their reply on 23.09.2024. SEIAA considered the submission by the PP and after detailed discussion it was decided that the PP is required to make presentation with NABET accredited consultant on land use as submitted in the Mine Plan, plantation area, over burden dump area, EMP including pollution control measures and detailed break up of need-based activities for local people.

Accordingly, the PP along with their NABET accredited consultant was requested to present their case before SEIAA on 19.11.2024.

PROJECT DETAILS

The project of **Jayanta Bhattacharyya** located in as follows :

S. No.	State	District
(1.)	West Bengal	Birbhum

The salient features of the project submitted by the project proponent is available at Report under online

proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIN/407375/2023.**

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

Though the PP came to attend the hearing but the representative of their environment consultant organisation i.e. Centre for Envotech and Management Consultancy Private Limited failed to join online for representing the case. Therefore, SEIAA decided that the PP should make the presentation in subsequent SEIAA meeting.

Recommendation of SEIAA

The application for EC is deferred for further consideration.

CONCLUSION

Deferred for further consideration.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Complaint received from Mr. Ankur Sharma, against filling of a water body / pond and flouting of environmental norms at “South Point School – New Campus” K.M.C. holding no. 2038, Mukundapur, Ward no. 109, P.S. – Purba Jadavpur, Kolkata – 700099.

SEIAA decided to forward the complaint to WBPCB (to check & take necessary action if construction is being done without EC as per the OM issued by MoEF&CC vide F No. 3-85-2016-IA-III[E 81594] dated 30.04.2024) & KMC (to check filling up of waterbody) for taking necessary action. SEIAA also decided to seek explanation from the PP.

2. Letter received from Scientist ‘E’, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Impact Assessment Division, Govt. of India vide F. No. IA-L-11011/102/2022-IA-I (M) – NCM regarding compliance to the Order dated 12.11.2024 passed by the Hon’ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal Nos. 3799-3800/2019 in the matter of Union of India Vs. Rajiv Suri (with respect to the reappraisal of the ECs issued by DEIAA).

SEIAA decided to forward the above-mentioned Memo of MoEF&CC along with the order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal Nos. 3799-3800/2019 in the matter of Union of India Vs. Rajiv Suri (with respect to the reappraisal of the ECs issued by DEIAA) to all the District Magistrates and Dept. of Industry, Commerce & Enterprises for compliance. Except the District Magistrate, Murshidabad, none of the districts have transferred the proposals for which EC was issued by DEIAA on PARIVESH portal as per SOP issued by MoEF&CC. Due to this reason, SEIAA is not able to complete the reappraisal process. This is also in violation of the order of the Hon’ble Supreme Court and may lead to contempt proceedings. SEIAA decided to remind all the District Magistrates except Murshidabad district to transfer the EC files (EC issued by DEIAA) to SEIAA on PARIVESH Portal as per above SOP of MoEF&CC.

List of the projects which were placed before the SEIAA, WB in the fifty fourth meeting held on 19.11.2024 and the Summary Decisions thereof:

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