State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 508th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 02.10.2021

The meeting of 508th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on 02.10.2021 at the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg

2. ShriParasNath

3. Sri AshishTiwari

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P Member, SEIAA, U.P

Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Agenda-A: -Complaints/letters -Nil

Agenda-B: -Reply- Nil

Agenda-C: -Minutes of 570th SEAC Meeting Dated 15/09/2021

 Earth Excavation at Khasra/Gata No.-206, Village & Post- Sarosi, Tehsil & District- Unnao, U.P. (Area:0.4050 Ha). File No. 5859/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/172828/2020

SEIAA observed the comment of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Stone Mining atAraji No.- 93/1, Khand No.- 05, Village-Lakhanpura, Tehsil & District-Lalitpur, U.P., Leased Area -2.024 ha. File No. 5038/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/42626/2019

SEIAA observed the comment of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Sand/ Morrum Mining from Yamuna Riverbed at Khand No.-10/19 to 10/21, Village-Kataieya, Tehsil- Chayal, District- Kaushambi, U.P., M/s Aman Brick Field, Lease Area: 10.0 ha. File No. 6269/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/62440/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project <u>for one year with 75,000m³ production capacity only</u> along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC adding following specific condition as follows:-

- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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 re-grassing 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.
- 4. Replenishment study, duly approved by the competent authority for approving DSR for the district should be submitted within one year. In the absence of replenishment study keeping in mind various orders issued by Hon'ble NGT and development works in the State EC is accorded for a period of one year.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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 10,000 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.

Stone Mining at Gata No.-226, Khand No.-07, Village-Sirvo, Tehsil- Garautha, District-Jhnasi, U.P., Leased Area -0.809 ha. File No. 6181/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/194574/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC but the 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:-

- Mining will be started only after incorporation of the above lease area in the DSR
- This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
- 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 re-grassing 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.
- In compliance to Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 13/01/2020 in IA no. 158128/2019 and 158129/2019 in Writ petition no. 13029/1985 (MC Mehta Vs GOI and others) antismog guns shall be installed to reduce dust during excavation.
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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 1,000 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.

Affordable Housing "Diya Green City" at Khasra No.-630 & 632, Village-KheraDehat, Tehsil-Dholana, Hapur., M/s Eureka Builders (P) Ltd. File No. 5752/Proposal No. SIA/UP/NCP/55352/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to close the file and delist the project as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal. SEIAA also opined that a letter shall be sent to HPDA that no construction activity will be started without obtaining EC and incase work has started legal action should be initiated

Medical College at District Referral Hospital at Village- Bans Deoria, District- Deoria, U.P., M/s Principal, Government Medical College, Deoria, File No. 5996/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIS/185464/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended togrant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that it is an expansion project. Hence, opined that that project proponent shall submit an undertaking that no expansion has been done after EIA notification (2006). SEIAA also noted that STPs of two capacities i.e. 370KLD & 310 KLD and one ETP of 60 KLD has been proposed. SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall clarify the details of STPs and ETP and the ultimate discharge of effluents alongwith the disposal of Bio-medical waste.

 Soil Excavation at Gata No.-04, Village- Meerpur, Tehsil -Farrukhabad, District-Farrukhabad, U.P., Area-1.1980 Ha. File No. 6211/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 199072/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended togrant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that photocopy of the agreement has been submitted. Hence, SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit original notarized copy of the agreement.

 Soil Excavation at Gata No.-313, Village-Lakhanpur, Tehsil- Kaimganj, District-Farrukhabad, U.P, Area-0.3280 Ha. File No. 6218/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/200390/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that notarized agreement is not present in the file. SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit notarized agreement.

 Stone Mining at Arazi No.-288, Khand No.-03, at Village- Majhol, Tehsil- Charkhari, Mahoba., M/s Ekta Construction Area -0.809 ha. File No. 6306/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/202776/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC but the 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:-

- This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
- 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 re-grassing 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.

- In compliance to Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 13/01/2020 in IA no. 158128/2019 and 158129/2019 in Writ petition no. 13029/1985 (MC Mehta Vs GOI and others) antismog guns shall be installed to reduce dust during excavation.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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 1,000 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.

Sand Mining at Gata No.-747, Village- BhoovraEhatmali, Tehsil- Swar, District- Rampur, U.P., Area: 4.1900 ha. File No. 6289/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/62746/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that validity of the consultant was till 01/05/2021. Hence SEIAA opined that the project shall be referred back to SEAC for review /comments.

11. Stone Mining at Gata No.- 19, Khand No.-03, Village- Dunara, Tehsil & District-Mahoba, U.P., Leased Area -2.226 ha. File No. 6117/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/59754/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to close/ delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

12. Stone Mining at Gata No./Araji No./Plot No.-428, Village-Dhuria, Tehsil- Chunar, District-Mirzapur, U.P., Area-0.909 ha. File No. 5077/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/43238/2019

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in DSR area is not identifiable, since there are multiple lease with same gata no. Hence SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit amendment in DSR from competent authority along with correct Geo-coordinates and certificate / affidavit to this effect that the project doesn't fall in CPA.

Sand/Morrum Mine from Ken River Bed at Khand No.-5137, 5138, 5139, 5140 & 5141, Village-Bhawanipurwa , Tehsil & District-Banda., ShriNarendra Kumar Singh, Area-4.0Ha). File No. 6351/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/208812/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project in its meeting dated 05.10.2021. The project proponent is being taken out of turn because a reference dated 30.09.2021has been received from CM office, copy of the reference is attached. SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project for one year only along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by the SEAC but the 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:-

- 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 re-grassing 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.
- In compliance to Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 13/01/2020 in IA no. 158128/2019 and 158129/2019 in Writ petition no. 13029/1985 (MC Mehta Vs GOI and others)antismog guns shall be installed to reduce dust during excavation.
- 4. Replenishment study, duly approved by the competent authority for approving DSR for the district should be submitted within one year. In the absence of replenishment study keeping in mind various orders issued by Hon'ble NGT and development works in the State EC is accorded for a period of one year.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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 4,000 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.

Enclosure: as above

With the permission of Chairman

 Sand Mining from Ghaghra River Bed at Gata No.-01, Village-KalafarpurManjha, Tehsil-Sohawal, Ayodhya, U.P., M/s Hina Enterprises., Area: 8.7 Ha. File No. 6378/5720 /Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/64026/2020

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its meeting dated 21.10.21 in which SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project for one year only along with all the general and specific



conditions as suggested by the SEAC. SEIAA reviewed the case and replaced the specific condition as follows:-

- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
- 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 re-grassing 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.
- 4. Replenishment study, duly approved by the competent authority for approving DSR for the district should be submitted within one year. In the absence of replenishment study keeping in mind various orders issued by Hon'ble NGT and development works in the State EC is accorded for a period of one year.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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 9,000 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.

Stone Mining at Arazi No.-614, 615 & 616, Village-Layan, Tehsil-Lalganj, District-Mirzapur. Smt. Arun Devi, Area-1.58 ha. File No. 6411/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/217159/2021

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its meeting dated 22.10.21 in which SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to grant the prior Environmental Clearance to the proposed project. SEIAA reviewed the case and replaced the specific condition as follows:-

- 1. 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".
- This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.

- 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.
- 4. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Project Proponent / Consultant has given an affidavit that the project area doesn't fall within the boundary of Critically Polluted Area (CPA). If the affidavit given by PP / Consultant is found to be false then EC will be cancelled and legal actions will be initiated against them. Further, mining should not commence without obtaining certificate from concerned RO, UPSPCB that area doesn't attract CPA and a copy of the same should be submitted to SEIAA.

(Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA (Paras Nath) Member SEIAA (Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg) Chairman SEIAA