# State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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# Minutes of the 486<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 02.09.2021

The meeting of 486<sup>th</sup> State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 02.08.2021 at the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Dr. Rajiv Kumar Garg

2. Shri Paras Nath

3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P.

Member, SEIAA, U.P.

Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P

#### General Discussion:-

SEIAA gone through the letter of Director, Geology and Mining Department, UP letter no. 434/M28/2012(Parya SWA)2019 TC dated 27.08.2021 and Secretary, Geology and Mining Department, UP letter no. 736/86-2020-14(SA)/2020TC dated 12/05/2020 regarding priority of ToR for mining projects of sand/morrum, building stone etc. Hence SEIAA opined to give preference to mining projects.

 Stone (Sand Stone) Mining at Gata No.-760, 762, 766, 768, 769 & 770, at Village-SemriMangardaha, Tehsil-Lalganj, Mirzapur., Shri Dilip Singh Suryavanshi, M/s DilipBuildcon Ltd., Area -1.61 ha. File No. 6127/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/192916/2021

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its meeting dated 23.08.2021 in which SEIAA opined that since SEAC has recommended to grant the environmental clearance for the project proposal in the name of M/s Dilip Buildcon Ltd. along with general and specific conditions earlier stipulated in 533rd SEAC meeting dated 16/03/2021. 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:-



- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain the forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per law under the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.
- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road, permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake regrassing 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.
- 6. 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.

## Agenda-C: -(A) Minutes of 552<sup>nd</sup> SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 23/07/2021

 (2) Sand Mining from Yamuna River Bed Near Village- UtasiniKhadar, TehsilKhair, Aligarh, U.P., Sanjiv Kumar Paltani, Area - 6.648 Ha. File No. /Proposal No. 5286 /SIA/UP/MIN/ 43251/2019

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 (3) Brick Earth Mining at Gata No.-256, 309, 232, 261, Village-Dhanela, Tilhar, Shahjahanpur. Shri Harish Arora, M/s Kshish Brick Field., Area-2.611 ha. File No. /Proposal No.6060 /SIA/UP/MIN/ 189533/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant environmental clearance to the project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in mine plan approval letter mining is mentioned for six months/ 5 years. SEIAA opined to refer the matter to DMO Shahjahanpur for clarification.

 (4) Soil Mining at Gata No.-70Mi, 85, 67, 32, 110, Village-Vangawan, TehsilPuwanya, Shahjahanpur., Shri Kuldeep Singh, Area -3.337 ha File No. /Proposal No. 6227 /SIA/UP/MIN/ 201749/2021

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:-

- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain the forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per law under the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.
- The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake regrassing 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.
- 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) Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Bailast&Gitti )Mine at Gata No.-2/4, Khand No.-05, at Village- Jujhar, Tehsil & District- Mahoba, U.P., Shri Yashraj Jadon, M/s Royal Natural Stones Pvt. Ltd. Lease area-1.619 ha., File No. /Proposal No. 6302/ SIA/UP/MIN/ 63437/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant environmental clearance to the project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that the application is made for ToR. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC.

 (6) Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Ballast & Gitti)Mine at Gata No.-755/2, at Village-Utiyan, Tehsil-Sadar, Mahoba, U.P., Shri Ashwani Rawat, M/s PNC Infratech Ltd. Lease area-1.081 ha., File No. /Proposal No. 6303/ SIA/UP/MIN/ 212567/2021

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant environmental clearance to the project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in mining plan approval letter it is mentioned that the depth of mining shall be upto 3 meters or water level whichever is earlier, whereas ultimate depth of mining in mining plan is mentioned as 30 meters. Hence SEIAA opined to refer the matter to DGM for clarification.



 (7) Building Stone (Khanda, Gitti- Boulder) Mine at Gata No.-2451, Khand No.-02, at Village-Jarar, Tehsil-Naraini, Banda. Shri Shravan Kumar Singh, M/s Atharv Construction Company. Area-1.21 ha, File No. /Proposal No. 6304/ 5017/ SIA/UP/MIN/ 63433/2019

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant environmental clearance to the project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that baseline data submitted is of March to May 2019 whereas LOI was issued on 08.06.2019 and ToR was issued on 27.11.2019. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC for review/comments.

 (8) Stone, Khanda, Gitti& Boulder at Gata No.-587, Khand No.-04, Village-Nahari, Tehsil- Naraini, Banda., Shri Bhagwati Shivhare, M/s Ankur Enterprises, Area2.0 ha. File No. /Proposal No. 6219/ 4790 /SIA/UP/MIN/ 50673/2019

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant environmental clearance to the project. SEIAA gone through file, documents and letter of DM Banda, letter no. 1374/Khanij-30 Banda dated 13.08.2019 regarding amendment in DSR. 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 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 and if forest land is involved the project proponent shall obtain the forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per law under the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 and submit before the start of work.
- The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake regrassing 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.
- 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.
- 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.

 (9) Stone (Sand Stone) Mining at Gata No.-764, at Village-SemriMangardaha, Tehsil-Lalganj, Mirzapur., Shri Dilip Singh Suryavanshi, M/s DilipBuildcon Ltd., Area-2.504 ha. File No. /Proposal No. 6129/ SIA/UP/MIN/ 193047/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to take up the matter in the next meeting.

# Agenda-C: -(B) Minutes of 553<sup>rd</sup> SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 29/07/2021

 Stone (Sand Stone) Mine at Gata No./Araji No./Plot No.-428, at Village-Dhuria, Tehsil-Chunar, Mirzapur., Shri Chhatrabali Singh., Area -0.909 ha. File No. 5077/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/43238/2019

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to take up the matter in the next meeting.

 Stone (Sand Stone) Mining at Araji No.Gata No.-519, Village- Ghasipur, Tehsil-Chunar, Mirzapur., M/s Divyansh Enterprises, Area-2.02 ha. File No. 6222/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/61498/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Stone (Khanda, Boulder & (Gitti) Bailast) Mining at Gata No.- 688/4, Khand No.22, Village-Goramacchiya, Tehsil-Sadar, Jhansi., Area-4.046 ha. File No. 6243/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/62092/2021

The SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC to issue the additional ToRs to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. The SEIAA also added the following points to TOR;-

- 1- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 2- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and LoI. In case there is any difference clarification/ amendment letter from competent authority shall be submitted along with EIA. EIA and public hearing shall be conducted as per the lease area its address and production per annum mentioned in DSR and LoI.
- 3- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 4- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
- 5- KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 6- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khands along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 7- In case project proponent intends to temporarily store mined out material or any tools, equipments or other material outside mine lease area then NOC from competent authority for doing so should be submitted and details of such area and associated Environmental impacts should be included in EIA-EMP report. This should also be clearly mentioned during public hearing.
- 8- Road network to be used by the project should be clearly shown on Survey of India toposheet in 1:50,000 scale. In case road network involves forest road,



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- permission should be obtained from Forest Department and a copy of the same should be submitted at the time of appraisal of EIA-EMP report.
- 9- The project proponent should clearly spell out whether it is a green field or brown field project. In case it is a brown field project and -
  - If the earlier and present lease holder are same then compliance report of previous EC should be submitted.
  - (ii) If the earlier and present lease holder are different then environmental footprint of the site and mitigation measures should be included in EIA-EMP report.
- 10- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
  - Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, Gol, Lucknow.
  - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
  - Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
  - d. Court cases, if any.
- 11-Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out in EIA-EMP report.
  - SEIAA opined that SEACs in their minutes should clearly mentioned the total mine lease period and validity of EC.
- Sand/ Morrum Mining from Son River Bed at Arazi No.- 824 Kha, Khand No.-01, Village- AgoriKhas, Tehsil-Obra, Sonbhadra., Shri Chander Sherkhar Chaurasia, Area: 16.194 ha. File No. 6305/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/63476/2021

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 "UP Defiance Industrial Corridor" at Village- Andala, Tehsil- Khair, Village- Haibatpur, Tehsil- Khair, and Village- Karsua, Tehsil- Koil, Aligarh., Shri Shrish Chandra Verma, M/s Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority. File No. 6310/Proposal No. SIA/UP/NCP/63456/2021

SEIAA noted that the project has already been taken in its 480th meeting dated 31.07.2021.

 Stone (Khanda, Boulder & (Gitti) Bailast) Mining at Gata No. 19, Khand No.-03, Village-Dunara, Mahoba, U.P., Area -2.226 ha. File No. 6117/5794/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/59754/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Stone (khanda, Gitti & Boulder, Ballast) Mining at Gata No.-1498, Khand No.04, Village-Gadiya, Tehsil-Talbehat, Lalitpur., Area-2.023 ha. File No. 6070/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/189930/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.



 Stone (Khanda & Boulder, Ballast, Gitti) Mining at Gata No.-1097, Khand No.-04, Village-Utiyan, Tehsil-Sadar, Mahoba. Area-0.809 ha. File No. 6072/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/59396/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of the SEAC to close the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal. It was also discussed that a reference be also made to DGM.

 (9) Stone (Sand Stone) Mine at Araji No.-428, Village- Dhuriyan, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Area -1.21 ha. File No. 6073/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/59402/2020

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

 Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Bailast & Gitti) Mine at Gata No.-2561, Khand No.-02, Village- Pahara, Tehsil-Sadar, Mahoba, U.P. (Leased Area-1.21 ha.) File No. 6102/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/190808/2021

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:-

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legally valid source and permission from the competent authority shall be obtained to use it.

## Stone (Sand Stone) Mining at Gata No.-562, Village-Darhiram, Tehsil-Sadar, District-Mirzapur,, U.P., Area -0.606 ha. File No. 6180/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/194628/2021

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:-

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