

Proceeding of 206th meeting of State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) to be held on 18.09.2021 in the Conference Hall no. 2 at 10:00 AM, MGSIPA Complex, Sector-26, Chandigarh.

Item No.206.09: Application for amendment in TOR pertaining to Setting up Integrated Paint Manufacturing Unit in Plot No. B1, D-02/P, Hi-Tech Valley, Village Dhanansu, Dist. Ludhiana, State Punjab, by M/s Grasim Industries Ltd., (Proposal No. SIA/PB/IND3/228783/2021).

SEAC was apprised that, earlier, Auto ToR were issued in the project in the Parivesh Portal on 04.09.2021 for Setting up Integrated Paint Manufacturing Unit in Plot No. B1, D-02/P, Hi-Tech Valley, Village Dhanansu, Dist. Ludhiana, State Punjab, by M/s Grasim Industries Ltd., with proposed capacity of 520000 KLP/Annum.

Now, the project proponent has applied for amendment in the ToR issued on 04.09.2021. The Project Proponent has submitted that as per MoEF&CC OM no. J-11011/321/2016/IA. II (I) dated 27th April 2018 para (i) (b), project or activity located within industrial estate or park which have obtained prior environmental clearance as mandated under EIA notification 2006 (Item 7(c) of the schedule of the said notification) are exempted from public consultation. Project is covered under Schedule 5 (h) & Category 'B1' as per EIA Notification, 2006. The total Project cost is Rs. 910 Cr.

The project proponent had submitted the Form I, Pre-feasibility report and other additional documents on online portal. Earlier at the time of obtaining initial ToR for proposed capacity of 520000 KLPA, the Project Proponent deposited Rs. 22,75,000/- vide Reference No. N247211624658699 dated 04.09.2021, as verified by the supporting staff SEIAA. The fee applicable for the ToR is Rs. 22,75,000/- (25% of the total fee). Thus, the Project Proponent has deposited adequate fee.

The project proponent submitted an undertaking to the effect that the project site does not cover under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 or Punjab Land Preservation Act, 1900, Wildlife area under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. Further no litigation against the project is pending in any Court of Law and no construction activity relating to the project has been started. The project site neither fall in Eco-sensitive Zone nor in the boundary of critical polluted area. The project does not attract the general condition and specific condition.

1.0 Deliberations during 206th meeting of SEAC held on 18.09.2021

The meeting was attended by the following:

1. Piyush Shankarani – Vice President -Projects – Grasim Industries Limited, behalf of on the Project Proponent
2. Chaitanya C Kurle – Sr. GM - EHS – Grasim Industries Limited, behalf of on the Project Proponent
3. JPN Singh – Site Head – Grasim Industries Limited, behalf of on the Project Proponent
4. Dr. Kamal Gangwar (M/s Kadam Environmental Consultants – NABET Accredited Consultant Representative for 5 (h) Category) - Environmental Consultant of the Project Proponent.

SEAC allowed the Environmental Consultant of the Project Proponent to present salient features of the project which he presented as under:

1.	Nature of project	Amendment in TOR pertaining to Setting up Integrated Paint Manufacturing Unit in Plot No. B1, D-02/P, Hi-Tech Valley, Village Dhanansu, Dist. Ludhiana, State Punjab, by M/s Grasim Industries Ltd.,		
2.	Project Cost	Rs. 910 crores		
3.	Products & By Product Details.			
	Sr. No	Product name	Existing (KLPA)	Proposed (KLPA)
	1	Water Based Paints	---	3,00,000
	2	Solvent Based Paints	---	60,000
	3	Emulsions	--	1,20,000
	4	Resins	--	40,000
4.	Breakup of Water Requirements &source:			
	The total water requirement for proposed project will be 1458 KLD in which fresh-water consumption is 1158 KLD, reused water is 139 KLD and 138 KLD water will be recycled from ETP. Total waste-water generation will be 163 KLD in which 140 KLD will be treated in ETP and 23 KLD in the STP. Zero liquid discharge is proposed for the project.			
5.	Energy Requirements & Saving	Maximum power requirement for proposed project will be 8.2 MW. which will be supplied by 66/33KV PSIEC nearest substation of PSTCL, Hi-Tech Valley, Dhanansu.		

6.	Details of Hazardous Waste & E- Waste generation (Qty), Treatment facility and its disposal arrangement	Non-Hazardous Solid wastes like wooden, MS scrap; plastic & Gunny bags, paper bags and miscellaneous garbage will be collected in scrap yard and will be sold to authorized recyclers
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SEAC raised following observations to the Project Proponent:

Sr. No.	Observation	Reply
1.	The Committee sought an undertaking from the project proponent stating to the effect that no litigation against the project is pending in any Court of Law.	The Project Proponent submitted the same.

SEAC also agreed to the request of the Project Proponent for exemption of public consultation in light of MoEF&CC OM no. J-11011/321/2016/IA. II (I) dated 27th April 2018.

The Project Proponent further informed SEAC that they had already carried out Environmental Baseline Study for March, 2021 to May, 2021 and requested to allow them to utilize the same for preparation of EIA report. SEAC observed that as per OM dated 29.08.2017, the baseline data used for preparation of EIA/EMP reports may be collected at any stage, irrespective of the request for ToR or the issue thereof. However, such a baseline data and the public consultation should not be older than 3 years, at the time of submission of the proposal, for grant of Environmental Clearance, as per ToRs prescribed. As such, SEAC allowed the Project Proponent to utilize Environmental Baseline Study for March, 2021 to May, 2021 for preparation of EIA report.

After detailed deliberations, SEAC decided to forward the application to SEIAA with recommendations to exempt the Project Proponent from Public Hearing in light of MoEF&CC OM no. J-11011/321/2016/IA. II (I) dated 27th April 2018.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair
