



# Himachal Pradesh State Expert Appraisal Committee

## SEIAA Secretariat, Himachal Pradesh

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### MINUTES OF THE 103<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE HELD IN CONFERENCE HALL, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, SHIMLA, ON DATED 21.10.2024

The 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting of State Expert Appraisal Committee for appraisal of the project proposals received for Environmental Clearance was held on 21.10.2024 in the Conference Hall of Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change, GoHP, Shimla. The following were present in the meeting:

#	Name	Designation	21/10/2024
1.	Dr. Sandeep Bhatnagar, IAS (Retd.)	Chairman	✓
2.	Dr. Ashwani Tapwal	Member	✓
3.	Dr. Satish Kumar Bhardwaj	Member	✓
4.	Dr. Harish Sharma	Member	-
5.	Dr. R.C. Chauhan	Member	-
6.	Dr. Ranbir Singh Rana	Member	✓
7.	Sh. Parveen Gupta, Addl. Director, DEST & CC	Member Secretary	✓

The agenda item wise deliberations are as under:-

#### ITEM NO. 1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 102<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF SEAC,

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held from 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, August, 2024.

#### ITEM NO. 2: PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR REAPPRAISAL (PARIVESH 1.0) :-

##### 2.1 Sh. Gagandeep Singh, Village-Gullarwala, P.O. Karuwana, Tehsil-Baddi, District-Solan, H.P.

##### Brief outline of the project:

a)	Proposal No.	SIA/HP/MIN/428162/2023 HP SEIAA/2023-1082
b)	Processing fee	UTR no. UBIN24179870954 of Rs. 20,000/- dated 27.06.2024
c)	Project type	Extraction of Stone.
d)	Project Location	Khasra number 957, 962, 963, 964, 966, 965, 974, 1812/973 and 958 falling in Mauza/Mohal Bhatoli Kalan, Tehsil Baddi, Distt. Solan, HP.
e)	Jamabandi	Jamabandi for the year 2013-14
f)	Land Status	Private Land.
g)	Capacity	77,435 TPA.
h)	Mining Area	23-01 Bighas, 1.73 ha, Private land/hill slope.
i)	Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied.	No mining lease exist within 500 meters:
j)	Letter of Intent	Letter of Intent issued on dated 14/10/2020 (Valid for one year i.e. up to 13/10/2023)
k)	EMP Cost	Capital Cost Rs. 11.82 Lakhs and Recurring Cost Rs. 34.49 Lakhs for five years.
l)	CER cost	Rs. 8.00 Lakhs.

The proposed project is Extraction of Sand, Stone & Bajri.

Online proposal for EC was submitted on dated 09/05/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 26/06/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 28/04/2023.

The case was listed in 94<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC held on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2023. Approved/ Authorized consultant did not appear before the Committee, therefore, application was deferred.

The case was again listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. The case was again listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & site inspection report placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, subject to fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per  $\leq$  ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredderspecifications(250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanismtype	Double shaftwithrotatingblades
Application	ShreddingofRDFwaste(Plasticbags,polythene,rags, leather,rubberetc.foundintheMunicipalWaste)
Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheightofhookaboveshaft & disc	70-SOmm
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
Motorrating	IE2
Totalgearbox	1Nos.
Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MSwithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF& CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

**The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:**

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.
2. Sub Committee shall visit the proposed project site and submit its report to the SEAC, the subcommittee may consult the adjoining farm land owners for their view on proposed mining activities.

The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed delebation decided that:

1. The matter shall be listed in next meeting for re-examination after conducting the site visit.

2. The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

The report of MO and sub-committee shall also be placed before the SEAC for further decision.

2.2 Sh. Varun Sharma, S/o Sh. Ganesh Dutt Sharma, Vill. Talona, P.O. Kakkarhatti, Tehsil & District-Solan, H.P.

**Brief outline of the project: -**

a)	Proposal No.	SIA/HP/MIN/440916/2023 HP SEIAA/2023-1109
b)	Processing fee	DD no. 002713 dated 29.04.2024 of Rs. 15,000/- HDFC Bank
c)	Project type	Extraction of Stone.
d)	Project Location	Khasra number 20 falling in Mauza Dhar Jokhari, Tehsil & District- Solan, H.P.
e)	Jamabandi	Jamabandi for the year 2017-2018
f)	Land Status	Private land/ hill slope.
g)	Capacity	44,272 TPA.
h)	Mining Area	02-50-36 Ha, 33-05-08 Bighas, Private land/hill slope.
i)	Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied.	No mining lease exists in 500 meters.
j)	Letter of Intent	Letter of Intent issued on dated 08.12.2021 (Valid for one year i.e. up to 07.12.2023)
k)	EMP Cost	Capital Cost- Rs.12.10 Lakhs, Recurring Cost- Rs.3.15 Lakhs annually.
l)	CER cost	Nil.

The proposed project is Extraction of Stone.

Online proposal for granting EC was submitted on dated 21/08/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 18/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 21/09/2023.

The case was listed before the SEAC in 96<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 29/11/2023. As per the request from the project proponent, the SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that the proposed mining site is recommended/approved on the basis of the District Survey Report prepared & approved by SEIAA authorities in conformity with the SO No. 141 (E), SO No. 3611(E) and as per Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines, 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 published by MoEF&CC, GoI.
2. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that no river bed mining lease exists in 5 k.m. radius from the periphery of the area applied.
3. The project proponent shall submit geo referenced land use change map depicting all the features.

The project proponent submitted the compliance to the above observations on dated 16/8/2024.

The case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. The Committee observed that the proposed mining lease is in accordance with the DSR duly endorsed by the SEIAA.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, with fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredders specifications (250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanism type	Double shaft with rotating blades
Application	Shredding of RDF waste (Plastic bags, polythene, rags, leather, rubber etc. found in the Municipal Waste)

Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheighttohookaboveshaft & disc	70-SOmm
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
Motorrating	IE2
Totalgearbox	1Nos.
Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MSwithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF& CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed deliberation decided that:**

- **The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.**

**The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.**

**2.3 Sh. Ganesh Dutt Sharma, Prop: M/s Sharma Stone Crusher Vill. Talona, P.O. Kakkarhatti, Tehsil & District-Solan, H.P.**

**Brief outline of the project:**

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| a) | Proposal No.   | SIA/HP/MIN/443764/2023<br>HP SEIAA/2023-1112  |
| b) | Processing fee   | DD no. 002713 dated 29.04.2024 of Rs. 15,000/- HDFC Bank                                  |
| c) | Project type   | Extraction of Stone.  |
| d) | Project Location   | Khasra number 115/107/1 falling in Mauza/Mohal Thana, Tehsil & District-Solan, H.P        |
| e) | Jamabandi  | Jamabandi for the year 2016-2017  |
| f) | Land Status  | Private land/ hill slope.   |
| g) | Capacity   | 65,777 TPA.   |
| h) | Mining Area  | 02-98-73 Ha, 38-09 Bighas, Private land.  |
| i) | Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied. | No mining lease exists.   |
| j) | Letter of Intent   | Letter of Intent issued on dated 30.09.2022<br>(Valid for one year i.e. up to 29.09.2023) |

k)	EMP Cost	Capital Cost- Rs.10.50 Lakhs, Recurring Cost- Rs. 3.12 Lakhs annually.
l)	CER cost	Nil.

The proposed project is Extraction of Stone.

Online proposal for granting EC was submitted on dated 11/09/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 18/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 21/09/2023

The case was listed before the SEAC in 96<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 29/11/2023. As per the request from the project proponent, the SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that the proposed mining site is recommended/approved on the basis of the District Survey Report prepared & approved by SEIAA authorities in conformity with the SO No. 141 (E), SO No. 3611(E) and as per Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines, 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 published by MoEF&CC, GoI.
2. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that no river bed mining lease exists in 5 k.m. radius from the periphery of the area applied.
3. The project proponent shall submit geo referenced land use change map depicting all the features.

The project proponent submitted the compliance to the above observations on dated:03-07-2024

The case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. The Committee observed that the proposed mining lease is in accordance with the DSR duly endorsed by the SEIAA.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, with fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredderspecifications(250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanismtype	Double shaftwithrotatingblades
Application	ShreddingofRDFwaste(Plasticbags,polythene,rags, leather,rubberetc.foundintheMunicipalWaste)
Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheightofhookaboveshaft &disc	70-80mm
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
Motorrating	IE2
Totalgearbox	1Nos.
Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MWithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when

	machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF& CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed delebration decided that:**

- The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.**

#### **2.4 M/s Kalgidhar Trust, VPO-Baddu Sahib, Tehsil-Pachhad, District-Sirmour, Himachal Pradesh.**

##### **Brief outline of the project:-**

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|----|--|---|
| a) | Proposal No.   | SIA/HP/MIN/444340/2023 (EC) (HP SEIAA/2023-1127)  |
| b) | Processing fee   | UTR number 036169853211 of Rs. 25,000/- dated 04.05.2024  |
| c) | Project type   | Extraction of Stone boulder, Sand & Bajri.  |
| d) | Project Location   | Khasra number 156/127/1 falling in Mohal / Mauza Baddu, Tehsil-Pachhad, Distt.-Sirmour, HP.   |
| e) | Jamabandi  | Jamabandi for the year 2016-2017  |
| f) | Land Status  | Private Land.   |
| g) | Capacity   | 23,500 TPA.   |
| h) | Mining Area  | 50-00 Bighas, 4.2146 ha, Private land.  |
| i) | Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied. | No mining lease exist within 500 meters,  |
| j) | Letter of Intent   | Letter of Intent issued on dated 03.09.2015<br>Clarification letter no. Udyog-Bhu (Khani-4) Laghu-168/ 2013- 1676 dated 23-08-2023. |
| k) | EMP Cost   | Capital Cost Rs. 0.30 Lakhs and Recurring Cost Rs. 1.40 Lakhs annually.   |
| l) | CER cost   | Rs. 4.00 Lakhs.   |

The proposed project is Extraction/ Collection of Stone, Sand & Bajri.

Online proposal for granting EC was submitted on dated 14/09/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on date 13/12/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 13/10/2023.

*It was observed by the committee that the proponent was granted EC earlier at District level vide no. LRK-SDM/N/ Mine/ 2017- 84 dated 05-01-2018 for a period of five years. But the pp could not get the grant order executed in his favor in this period and hence due to expiry of the EC has now reapplied for the renewal of EC at SEIAA level. The letter of Intent in this case has not been issued a fresh as clarified by Mining Department vide letter no. Udyog-Bhu(Khani-4) Laghu-168/ 2013-1676 dated 23-08-2023.*

*The case was listed in 98<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC held on 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.*

*The PP requested to defer the case for next meeting; therefore, the case appraisal was deferred by SEAC.*

The case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024. The Committee observed that the proposed mining lease is in accordance with the DSR duly endorsed by the SEIAA.



After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, with fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may devise a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredders specifications (250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanism type	Double shaft with rotating blades
Application	Shredding of RDF waste (Plastic bags, polythene, rags, leather, rubber etc. found in the Municipal Waste)
Shredder capacity	250-300 Kg/hr
Machine Size	Height-4.5 ft, Length-Any & Width-Any.
Blade MOC	WP45/ENOS (Harden)
Minimum height of hook above shaft & disc	70-80 mm
Output shredded material size	<2.36 mm
Working chamber	300mm X 380mm
Motor HP	7.5 HP
Total motor	1 Nos.
RPM of shafts	30-40
Motor make	Havells/Crompton
Motor rating	IE2
Total gearbox	1 Nos.
Hopper size	500mm X 350mm
Structure & cover & Hopper MOC	MS with paint
Extra features	Cladding total body
Supply	3 Phase 440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panel function	Overload Protection, Short Circuit protection, Tower light, Limit switch for safety (when machine front cover open machine to stop working)
Warranty	
Duration	12 months or more
Scope under warranty	All the spares & repair work including labor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF & CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed deliberation decided that:

- The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.

**2.5 Sh. Roshan Lal, Prop: M/s Bhagwati Stone Crusher, Village Banoh, P.O. Kakkarhatti, Tehsil Arki, Distt. Solan, Himachal Pradesh.**

**Brief outline of the project:-**

a)	Proposal No.	SIA/HP/MIN/450718/2023 HP SEIAA/2023/1120
b)	Processing fee	Transaction number 417714135996 dated 25.06.2024 of Rs. 20,000/-
c)	Project type	Extraction of Sand/stone.
d)	Project Location	Khasra number 314/245, 315/245 & 243/5/2/1 falling in Mauza/Mohal-Banoh, Tehsil-Arki, District-Solan, HP.
e)	Jamabandi	Jamabandi for the year 2017-18
f)	Land Status	Private Land, Hill slope.
g)	Capacity	26,339 TPA.
h)	Mining Area	19-02 Bighas, Private land.
i)	Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied.	No mining lease exist within 500 meters:
j)	Letter of Intent	Letter of Intent issued on dated 25/04/2023 (Valid for one year i.e. up to 24/04/2024)
k)	EMP Cost	Capital cost: Rs 5.50 Lakhs and Recurring cost: Rs 1.44 Lakhs annually.
l)	CER cost	Rs. 8.00 Lakhs.

The proposed project is Extraction of stone.

Online proposal for EC was submitted on dated 30/10/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 25/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 18/11/2023.

The case application was listed before the SEAC in 97<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 7/12/2023. The SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The project proponent shall submit revised & approved mining plan indicating the correct approach road to the mining site.
2. The project proponent shall submit clarification from the Department of Industries, HP w.r.t. Notification issued by Deptt. of Industries, GoHP No. Ind-II(F)6-15/2020-I, dated 3/8/2021.
3. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that the proposed mining site is recommended/approved on the basis of the District Survey Report prepared & approved by SEIAA authorities in conformity with the SO No. 141 (E), SO No. 3611(E) and as per Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines, 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 published by MoEF&CC, GoI.

After submission of the compliance by the pp the case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & site inspection report placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, subject to fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

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2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredderspecifications(250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanismtype	Double shaftwithrotatingblades
Application	ShreddingofRDFwaste(Plasticbags,polythene,rags, leather,rubberetc.foundintheMunicipalWaste)
Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheightofhookaboveshaft	70-SOmm



&disc	
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
Motorrating	IE2
Totalgearbox	1Nos.
Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MSwithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF&CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103rd meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed delebration decided that a report shall be sought from the Mining Officer assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.**

## 2.6 Sh. Dev Dutt, Village-Lana Kasar, PO. Sarsoo, Narag, Tehsil-Pachhad, District Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh.

### Brief outline of the project:

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| a) | Proposal No.   | SIA/HP/MIN/450868/2023<br>HP SEIAA/2023-1115  |
| b) | Processing fee   | DD number 316405 dated 29.04.2024 of Rs. 25,000 /- Canara Bank, Shimla.   |
| c) | Project type   | Extraction of Stone.  |
| d) | Project Location   | Khasra number 117/76/3 falling in Mauza-Lana Kansar (Upsampada Lana KansarSarahan), Tehsil-Pachhad, District-Sirmaur, Himachal Pardesh. |
| e) | Jamabandi  | Jamabandi for the year 2020-2021  |
| f) | Land Status  | Private land, hill slope.   |
| g) | Capacity   | 40,000 MT/year.   |
| h) | Mining Area  | 19-13 Bighas, 1.5483 ha, Private land/hill slope.   |
| i) | Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied. | No mining lease exists within 500 meters.   |
| j) | Letter of Intent   | The letter of Intent dated 14.08.2024 has been issued by Industries Deptt. in favour of Sh. Yashpal Chauhan.                            |
| k) | EMP Cost   | Capital Cost Rs.10.00 Lakhs, Recurring Cost Rs. 2.8 Lakhs annually  |
| l) | CER cost   | Rs. 8.00 lakhs.   |

The proposed project is Extraction of Stone. Online proposal for granting EC was submitted on dated 01/11/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 25/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat.

The case application was listed before the SEAC in 97<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 7/12/2023. After deliberating on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts placed before the Committee, the SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The project proponent shall submit revised plan to construct about 450 meter length mashed retaining wall along the road side with budgetary provision.
2. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that the proposed mining site is recommended/approved on the basis of the District Survey Report prepared & approved by SEIAA authorities in conformity with the SO No. 141 (E), SO No. 3611(E) and as per Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines, 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 published by MoEF&CC, GoI.
3. The project proponent shall submit NOC from the competent authority regarding use of water for mining purpose.

Project proponent submitted the documents. It was also intimated by project proponent Sh. Dev Dutt that the said mining lease has been now transferred in the name of Sh. Yashpal Chauhan C/o Gitika Niwas, Parimahal, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. The letter of Intent dated 14.08.2024 has been revised / reissued in favour of Sh. Yashpal Chauhan and mining plan has also been transferred on dated 14.08.2024 on same terms and conditions.

Committee observed that the online application is in the name of Sh. Dev Dutt and required to be refilled through a online request by the new owner, both the seller and buyer were present in the meeting during the presentation.

After submission of the compliance by the pp the case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & site inspection report placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, subject to fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per  $\leq$  ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredderspecifications(250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanismtype	Double shaftwithrotatingblades
Application	ShreddingofRDFwaste(Plasticbags,polythene,rags, leather,rubberetc.foundintheMunicipalWaste)
Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheightofhookaboveshaft &disc	70-SOmm
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
Motorrating	IE2
Totalgearbox	1Nos.
Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MSwithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF& CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.
4. The online application may be refilled through a online request by the new owner Sh. Yashpal as well so as to ensure that the EC is issued in his name instead of the former applicant seller, copy of revenue documents may also be submitted prior to issue of the EC letter.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.
2. The project proponent shall submit a certificate to the extent that there is no river bed mining lease in 5 km distance.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed deliberation decided that:**

- **The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.**
- **The certificate to the extent that there is no river bed mining lease in 5 km distance shall also be placed in next meeting.**

**The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.**

**2.7 Sh. Rakesh Chander, S/o Sh. Kishori Lal, Village GharyaniTukralan, PO Lafran, Tehsil Dhatwal (Bijhar), District Hamirpur, H.P.**

**Brief outline of the project:**

a)	Proposal No.	SIA/HP/MIN/451408/2023 HP SEIAA/2023-1114
b)	Project type	Extraction of Sand, Stone.
c)	Project Location	Khasra number 43falling in Mauza/Mohal Baroti, Sub Tehsil Kalol, District-Bilaspur, H.P
d)	Jamabandi	Jamabandi for the year 2020-2021
e)	Land Status	Private land, hill slope.
f)	Capacity	10,000 MT/year.
g)	Mining Area	04-17 Bighas, Private land/hill slope.
h)	Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied.	No mining lease exists within 500 meters.
i)	Letter of Intent	Lol letter extension dated 25/6/2024 valid upto 19/3/2025.
j)	EMP Cost	Capital Cost- Rs.5.50 Lakhs, Recurring Cost- Rs.1.44 Lakhs annually
k)	CER cost	Rs. 4.00 Lakhs.

The proposed project is Extraction of Sand, Stone.

Online proposal for granting EC was submitted on dated 06/11/2021 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 25/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted by Project proponent on dated 05/11/2023.

The case was listed before the SEAC in 96<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 29/11/2023. After deliberating on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts placed before the Committee, the SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that the proposed mining site is recommended/approved on the basis of the District Survey Report prepared & approved by SEIAA authorities in conformity with the SO No. 141 (E), SO No. 3611(E) and as per Sustainable Sand Mining Management Guidelines, 2016 and Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020 published by MoEF&CC, GoI.
2. The project proponent shall submit a certificate from the Director (Industries) to the fact that no river bed mining lease exists in 5 k.m. radius from the periphery of the area applied.
3. The project proponent shall submit geo referenced land use change map depicting all the features.
4. The project proponent shall submit ground water and drainage map of the proposed mining site.

The project proponent submitted the clarification and compliance to above observations on dated 27-12-2023.

After submission of compliance of the observations, the case was again listed in 98<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC held on 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2024. After deliberating on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & compliance placed before the committee, the SEAC did not recommend the case for grant of EC in view of the MoEF&CC directions issued vide F. No. IA3-22/11/2023-IA.III (E-208230) dated 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2023 w.r.t. Hon'ble NGT order dated 07.12.2022 passed in O.A.142 of 2022 in the matter of Jayant Kumar vs. MoEF&CC; to scrutinize and appraise the EC proposals based on the updated District Survey Report after five years, approved by SEIAA as per Ministry's Notification S.O 3611(E) dated 25.07.2018.

In view of the above, the SEAC decided to list the case of the proposed mining area after ascertaining the current status of mining area, in next meeting after submission of updated District Survey Report duly endorsed by SEIAA.

After submission of the compliance, the case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & site inspection report placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, subject to fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:

Plastic Waste Shredderspecifications(250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanismtype	Double shaftwithrotatingblades
Application	ShreddingofRDFwaste(Plasticbags,polythene,rags, leather,rubberetc.foundintheMunicipalWaste)
Shreddercapacity	250-300Kg/hr
MachineSize	Height-4.5 ft,Length-Any&Width-Any.
BladeMOC	WP45/ENOS(Harden)
Minimumheightofhookaboveshaft &disc	70-SOmm
Outputshreddedmaterialsize	<2.36 mm
Workingchamber	300mmX380mm
MotorHP	7.5HP
Totalmotor	1 Nos.
RPMofshafts	30-40
Motormake	Havells/Crompton
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Hoppersize	500mmX 350mm
Structure&cover&HopperMOC	MSwithpaint
Extrafeatures	Claddingtotalbody
Supply	3Phase440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panelfunction	OverloadProtection,ShortCircuitprotection, Tower light,Limitswitchforsafety(when machinefrontcoveropenmachinetostopworking)
Warranty	
Duration	12 monthsormore
Scopeunderwarranty	Allthespares&repairworkincludinglabor

3. The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF& CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

1. The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed deliberation decided that:**

- **The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.**

**The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.**

**2.8 Sh. Atul Sharma, S/o Sh. M.D. Sharma, Village-Sainj, P.O. Kirti, Tehsil-Kumarsain, District-Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.**

**Brief outline of the project:**

a)	Proposal No.	SIA/HP/MIN/453395/2023 (HP SEIAA/2023-1126)
b)	Processing fee	UPI transaction number 41696880995 dated 14.05.2024
c)	Project type	Extraction of Sand, Stone & Bajri.
d)	Project Location	Khasra number 5681 falling in Mauza/ Mohal-Nithar Himri, Sub-Tehsil-Nithar, District-Kullu, HP.
e)	Jamabandi	Jamabandi for the year 2019-2020
f)	Land Status	Private Land
g)	Capacity	10,014 MT/year
h)	Mining Area	05-00 Bighas, Private land.
i)	Leases with in 500 meter from the periphery of the area applied.	Three other mining lease exists within 500 meters:- 1. Sh. Rakesh Verma, 8-02 Bighas. 2. Sh. Veer Singh, 6-05 Bighas 3. Sh. Atil Sharma, 20-11 Bighas
j)	Letter of Intent	LOI extension issued on 2/7/24 valid upto 2/4/25
k)	EMP Cost	Capital cost: Rs 8.25 Lakhs and Recurring cost: Rs 1.44 Lakhs annually.
l)	CER cost	Rs. 4.00 Lakhs.

The proposed project is Extraction of Sand, Stone & Bajri.

Online proposal for EC was submitted on dated 26/11/2023 and accepted by the SEIAA secretariat on dated 13/11/2023 and forwarded to SEAC secretariat. The hard copy was submitted on dated 30/11/2023.

The case was listed in 98<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC held on 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.

The PP requested to defer the case for next meeting; therefore, the case appraisal was deferred by the SEAC. Now, pp has requested to list the case in next meeting of SEAC.

After submission of the compliance, the case was listed in 102<sup>nd</sup> meeting of SEAC held on dated 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2024.

After deliberation on the information submitted by the project proponent and considering the facts & site inspection report placed before the committee, the SEAC recommended the case application for consideration of grant of environmental clearance by the SEIAA, subject to fulfillment of conditions annexed at Annexure-I with following special condition that:-

1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ transfer of funds in the bank account number mentioned in EC letter to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) may device a plan for this purpose as per CER guidelines.
2. The project proponent shall provide one plastic waste shredder machine to DEST& CC, Shimla within one month from the date of issuance of EC letter, for further distribution under CER. The machines will be purchased from authorised/ approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three years from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. The size of the shredded plastic shall be less than 2.36 mm. Technical specifications of the plastic waste shredder are as under:



Plastic Waste Shredders specifications (250Kg/Hr.)	
PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
Mechanism type	Double shaft with rotating blades
Application	Shredding of RDF waste (Plastic bags, polythene, rags, leather, rubber etc. found in the Municipal Waste)
Shredder capacity	250-300 Kg/hr
Machine Size	Height-4.5 ft, Length-Any & Width-Any.
Blade MOC	WP45/ENOS (Harden)
Minimum height of hook above shaft & disc	70-80 mm
Output shredded material size	< 2.36 mm
Working chamber	300 mm X 380 mm
Motor HP	7.5 HP
Total motor	1 Nos.
RPM of shafts	30-40
Motor make	Havells/Crompton
Motor rating	IE2
Total gearbox	1 Nos.
Hopper size	500 mm X 350 mm
Structure & cover & Hopper MOC	MS with paint
Extra features	Cladding total body
Supply	3 Phase 440V-50Hz.
Panel	
Panel function	Overload Protection, Short Circuit protection, Tower light, Limit switch for safety (when machine front cover open machine to stop working)
Warranty	
Duration	12 months or more
Scope under warranty	All the spares & repair work including labor

- The project proponent shall sensitize and create awareness among people working within the project area as well as its surrounding area on the ban of SUP in order to ensure the compliance of Notification published by MoEF & CC on 12/08/2021. A report, along with photographs, on the measures taken shall also be included in the six monthly compliance report being submitted by the project proponents.

The matter was listed before SEIAA in its 70<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 30/9/2024. After detailed deliberations the SEIAA decided to refer back the application to SEAC for further re-examination as per the following observations:

- The SEIAA while looking at the project site using drone video and kml file observed that the SEAC may reexamine the application assessing how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.

**The application was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. The SEAC after detailed deliberation decided that:**

- The Mining Officer may give his report as how much stability of surrounding area will be affected due to proposed mining.**

**The report of MO be placed before the SEAC for further decision.**

#### **ITEM NO. 4: Approval of updated District Survey Reports (DSR's) by the Department of Industries Himachal Pradesh.**

The Committee was apprised that the District Survey Reports of two districts; Kinnaur and Chamba were forwarded from the office of Director, Department of Industries, Himachal Pradesh through e-mail.

All the reports were technically examined by the expert members of the Committee as per the reporting structure specifically prescribed for Sand Mining or River Bed Mining in the Ministry's Notification No. S.O 3611(E) dated 25.07.2018:

**The matter was placed before the SEAC in its 103<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 21/10/2024. After detailed discussions, the SEAC decided to recommend the DSRs' of two remaining districts (Chamba & Kinnaur) for final approval by the SEIAA after addressing following observations:**

- a) The DSR submitted by the Department of Industries are prepared for Sand Mining or River Bed Mining only, the Department shall prepare DSR' including Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining as per the following reporting structure prescribed in the Ministry's Notification No. S.O 3611(E) dated 25.07.2018.

- (1) *Introduction;*
- (2) *overview of Mining Activity in the District;*
- (3) *general Profile of the District;*
- (4) *geology of the District;*
- (5) *drainage of Irrigation pattern;*
- (6) *land Utilisation Pattern in the District: Forest, Agricultural, Horticultural, Mining etc.;*
- (7) *surface Water and Ground Water scenario of the district;*
- (8) *rainfall of the district and climatic condition;*
- (9) *details of the mining leases in the District;*
- (10) *details of Royalty or Revenue received in last three years;*
- (11) *details of Production of Minor Mineral in last three years;*
- (12) *mineral Map of the District;*
- (13) *list of Letter of Intent (LOI) Holders in the District along with its validity*
- (14) *total Mineral Reserve available in the District;*
- (15) *quality /Grade of Mineral available in the District;*
- (16) *use of Mineral;*
- (17) *demand and Supply of the Mineral in the last three years;*
- (18) *mining leases marked on the map of the district;*
- (19) *details of the area of where there is a cluster of mining leases viz. number of mining leases, location (latitude and longitude);*
- (20) *details of Eco-Sensitive Area, if any, in the District;*
- (21) *impact on the Environment (Air, Water, Noise, Soil, Flora & Fauna, land use, agriculture, forest etc.) due to mining activity;*
- (22) *remedial Measures to mitigate the impact of mining on the Environment;*
- (23) *reclamation of Mined out area (best practice already implemented in the district, requirement as per rules and regulation, proposed reclamation plan);*
- (24) *risk Assessment & Disaster Management Plan;*
- (25) *details of the Occupational Health issues in the District. (Last five-year data of number of patients of Silicosis & Tuberculosis is also needs to be submitted);*
- (26) *plantation and Green Belt development in respect of leases already granted in the District;*
- (27) *any other information.*

- b) All the Approved Mining Plans, Letter of Intent & Mining Lease shall refer these updated and recommended/approved DSRs by SEIAA & SEAC, Himachal Pradesh.
- c) The KML file of river stretches needs shall be given for all 1<sup>st</sup> order, 2<sup>nd</sup> order and 3<sup>rd</sup> order streams to correlate the grant of mining lease areas and with Khasra No.s
- d) The list of mining areas shall be included in terms of Private land, Forest land, and Revenue/ government land.

**ITEM NO. 5      ITEMS FOR DISCUSSIONS:-**

5.1      5.2 and 5.3, the matter be placed before SEIAA for further decision, as notices have been issued by SEIAA.

5.4      Circulation of the judgement dated 07.03.2024 of Hon'ble High Court of Patna in C.W.J.C. No. 11181 of 2021 in the matter titled Abhay Kumar Vs. Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

A letter has been received from the office of the Special Secretary (Env. ST&CC), to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, on the subject cited above.

In this regard it has been informed that an office memorandum has been issued by Ministry of Env. Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, Stating that:

.....The Ministry, issued a Notification dated 15.01.2016 which was subsequently amended vide notification dated 28.03.2020. The amended notification inter-alia under clause 13 of Appendix IX provides an exemption from the requirement of obtaining EC to such category of cases that are specifically declared by the State Government under legislation or rules as Non mining activity.

As per notification issued by Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi on dated 28.03.2020, wherein it has been mentioned that after amendments in the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation,

Act 1957, the Central Government deems it necessary to align the relevant provisions of the notification of the Government of India in the erstwhile Ministry of Environment and Forests number S.O. 1533 (E), dated the 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006 (hereinafter referred to as the EIA Notification, 2006);

Under this Notification, the amendments have been made w.r.t. Appendix-IX, where exemption of certain cases from requirement of Environment Clearances has been made. The following cases shall not require prior Environmental Clearances, namely:

*Extraction of ordinary clay or sand by manual mining, by the Kumhars (Potter) to prepare earthen pots, lamp, toys, etc. as per their customs.*

1. *Extraction of ordinary clay or sand by manual mining, by earthen tile makers who prepare earthen tiles.*
2. *Removal of sand deposits on agricultural field after flood by farmers.*
3. *Customary extraction of sand and ordinary earth from sources situated in Gram Panchayat for personal use or community work in village.*
4. *Community works, like, de-silting of village ponds or tanks, construction of village roads, ponds or bunds undertaken in Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment and Guarantee Schemes, other Government sponsored schemes and community efforts.*
5. *Extraction or sourcing or borrowing of ordinary earth for the linear projects such as roads, pipelines, etc.*
6. *Dredging and de-silting of dams, reservoirs, weirs, barrages, river and canals for the purpose of their maintenance, upkeep and disaster management.*
7. *Traditional occupational work of sand by Vanjara and Oads in Gujarat vide notification number GU/90(16)/MCR-2189(68)/5-CHH, dated the 14th February, 1990 of the Government of Gujarat.*
8. *Manual extraction of lime shells (dead shell), shrines, etc., within inter tidal zone by the traditional community.*
9. *Digging of wells for irrigation or drinking water purpose.*
10. *Digging of foundation for buildings, not requiring prior environmental clearance, as the case may be*
11. *Excavation of ordinary earth or clay for plugging of any breach caused in canal, nallah, drain, water body, etc., to deal with any disaster or flood like situation upon orders of the District Collector or District Magistrate or any other Competent Authority.*
12. *Activities declared by the State Government under legislations or rules as non-mining activity."*

Now, the Hon'ble High Court of Patna, vide its judgement dated 07.03.2024, in C.W.J.C. no 11181 of 2021 in the matter titled Abhay Kumar Vs. Union of India & Ors. has set aside clause-13 of Appendix-IX in the EIA notification, 2006.

In this regard, a letter has been already sent on dated 13.09.2024 by this office to Director, Industry, Member Secretary, HPPVB and State Geologist for necessary compliance in the matter. Now, SEAC shall appraise the same.

**The SEAC examined the order and desired that same may be communicated to concerned Department's.**

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to and from the Chair.



**Parveen Gupta**  
Member Secretary, HPSEAC



**Dr. Sandeep Bhatnagar, IAS (Retd.)**  
Chairman, HPSEAC

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Dated: 2024

Copy to following for information and further necessary action please:

1. The Member Secretary, State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Himachal Pradesh.
2. Case files of all projects, Guard file.

**Note:** Minutes of the Meeting are being hosted on the official website of SEIAA and all concerned shall download it for taking further necessary actions relevant to their project.



**Member Secretary**  
Himachal Pradesh State Expert Appraisal Committee,  
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.