

State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Uttar Pradesh

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Minutes of the 512nd Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 11.11.2021

The meeting of 512nd State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 11.11.2021 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

Agenda-A: -Complaints/letters – Nil

Agenda-B: -Replies–Nil

Agenda-C: Minutes of 573rd SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 22/09/2021

1. **Stone Mining at Gata No.-2/4, Khand No.-08, Village- Jujhar, District -Mahoba, U.P., Shri Yashoda Devi Sahu., Area-1.619 ha. File No. 6456/5920/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/65749/2021**

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 adding following specific condition as follows:-

1. This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
3. 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.



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5. 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.
 6. 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. Number of stone mining projects are coming up in Jujhar village as well as in other villages in district Mahoba. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.
2. Stone Mining at Gata No.-2/4, Khand No.- 07, Village- Jujhar, Tehsil-Mahoba, District-Mahoba., Smt. ArtiSahu , Area-1.619 ha. File No. 6457/5921/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN /65735/2021
- 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 adding following specific condition as follows:-
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 2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
 3. 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.
 5. 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.



6. 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. Number of stone mining projects are coming up in Jujhar village as well as in other villages in district Mahoba. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP to carry out regional EIA-EMP report including carrying capacity of environmental components to assess the capacity to further bear the pollution load for such areas within a period of 1 year and submit the same to SEIAA, UP for evaluation.

3. Stone Mining at Gata No.-1082, Village-Utivan, Tehsil & District -Mahoba, U.P. Smt. PoonamBharadwaj., Area-4.655 ha. File No. 6458/5916/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/65847/2021 RESOLUTION AGAINST AGENDA NO-03

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC that no responsible person was present from the project proponent side hence the committee refused to take up the case. SEIAA opined that the project shall be de-listed.

4. Sand/Morrum Mining from Dhasan River bed at Gata No.- 908 Na, Khand No.-02, Village-Kharwanch, Tehsil- Garautha, Jhansi., Shri Dinesh Kumar, M/s Bharosa Sarkar Contractor Suppliers., Area: 20 ha. File No. 5542/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/51345/2020

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 adding following specific condition as follows:-

1. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
2. 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.
3. 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 20,000 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.

5. Stone Mining at Arazi No.-93, Khand No.- 27, Village- Bari, Tehsil-Mahoba, Mahoba. Smt. Ratna Jadaun., Area-1.012 ha. File No. 5941/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/57419/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project SEIAA gone through the file and documents and found that sanctioned area and mineable area are same and there is no provision for safety zone. This needs to be clarified by the Project Proponent.

6. Stone Mining at Khasra No.-360, Village-Adhwar, Tehsil- Chunar, District-Mirzapur, U.P., Smt. Neelam Singh, Area-1.01 ha. File No. 5946/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/57551/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project SEIAA gone through the file and documents and found that area is not clearly identifiable in DSR. Hence SEIAA opined that clarification in this regard either issued by the competent authority or under authorization from competent authority is to be submitted by the project proponent.

7. Stone Mine at Gata No./Arazi No.- 399, Village- Jigna, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Smt. Sunita Singh, (Area: 1.01 Ha). File No. 5997/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 58717/2020

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:-

1. This EC is co-terminus with validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier.
2. Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied.
3. 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.

5. 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.
 6. 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.
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 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.
8. Sand/Morrum Mining at Gata No.-332/1, Khand-02, Village-Deori, Tehsil-Garautha, Jhansi, U.P., Shri Raghvendra Singh., Area: 10.0 ha). File No. 5674/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/53383/2020
- SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that ToR was given on 27.07.2020, PH was held on 22.12.2020 and EIA-EMP for evaluation by SEAC was submitted on 20.08.2021. Data on which PH was conducted and EIA was prepared is of the period March-May 2018 which is unacceptable. SEAC is directed to be more careful while evaluating projects. PP is directed to prepare EIA-EMP on current data, conduct PH accordingly and submit the proposal to SEAC for evaluation. Meantime the project is delisted.
9. Stone Mining at Gata No.- 997, Village- Sindhora, Tehsil -Chunar, Mirzapur, U.P., M/s Euphoria Mines and Minerals, Area -0.809 ha. File No. 6511/5187/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/66515/2019

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant EC to the above project SEIAA gone through the file and documents and found that area is not clearly identifiable in DSR. Hence



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SEIAA opined that clarification in this regard either issued by the competent authority or under authorization from competent authority is to be submitted by the project proponent.

- 10. Granite (Khanda, Gitti & Boulder) Mine at Gata No.- 2451, Khand No.- 01, Village- Jarar, Tehsil- Naraini, District- Banda, U.P., M/s Eureka Mines & Minerals LLP, Leased Area -2.50 ha. File No. 6512/5020/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/ 66433/2019**

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC that in certified khasra map the pillar coordinates of G&H have not been mentioned, this khasra map should be get corrected from the concerned competent authority.

- 11. Amendment in "UP Defence Industrial Corridor" at Village- Andala, Tehsil- Khair, Village- Haibatpur, Tehsil- Khair, and Village- Karsua, Kiratpur Nimana, Tehsil- Koil, Aligarh, U.P., M/s Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority. File No. 6310/Proposal No. SIA/UP/NCP/229499/2021**

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of the SEAC to make amendment in terms of reference letter dated 12/08/2021:

Details mentioned in TOR letter	Proposed amendment in TOR letter
"UP Defence Industrial Corridor" at Village- Andala, Tehsil-Khair, Village Haivatpur, Tehsil Khair and Village Karsua, Tehsil Koal, Distt. Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh M/s Uttar Pradesh Expressway Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA).	"UP Defence Industrial Corridor" at Village- Andala, Tehsil-Khair, Village Haivatpur, Tehsil Khair and Village Karsua, Kiratpur Nimana Tehsil Koal, Distt. Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh, M/s Uttar Pradesh Expressway Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA).
Name of Consultant : M/s Paramarsh Servicing Environment and Development	Name of Consultant : M/s EQMS India Pvt. Ltd.

Rest all of the contents mentioned in terms of reference letter 168/Parya/SEIAA/6310/2021 dated 12/08/2021 shall remain same.

- 12. वाराणसी में प्रस्तावित "पशु शवदाह गृह" से सम्बन्धित जिलाधिकारी, वाराणसी के पत्र पर विचार-विमर्श।**

SEIAA noted the comments of the committee that the category of this activity is not mentioned in EIA Notification, 2006 (as amended thereof). Therefore, environmental clearance is not required in the matter unless the built up area is more than or equal to 20,000 m² or any direction issued by any Hon'ble Court(s). The committee also feels that they must obtain CTE from State Pollution Control Board.

- 13. Development of "Ganga Expressway" from Meerut to Pravagraj an Access Controlled Greenfield Expressway Project, (Ch.7+900-Ch.601+847 Km) Total Length-593.947 Km. M/s UPEIDA. File No. 6186/Proposal No. SIA/UP/NCP/60685/2021**



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SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in SEAC meeting dated 21-10-2021 in which the committee has recommended to issue EC to the above projects. SEIAA also gone through the letter of revenue department letter no 300/1-13-2021-r-13 dated 08th November, 2013 and NGT order dated 25-03-2021 and 06-08-2021 in OA number 75/2021 which states that "In view of the above, we consider it appropriate to require the Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue, UP in coordination with the Irrigation and Forest Departments of UP and the CPCB to ascertain Whether any ponds/water bodies and trees are being illegally destroyed in the course of construction of Ganga Expressway from Meerut to Prayagraj and if so whether remedial action is taken. If not, the remedial action may be ensured. Action need not be limited to Partapgarh and Prayagraj District but entire area."

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to grant EC to the above project. And if any any ponds/water bodies and trees are being illegally destroyed in the course of construction remedial action shall be submitted by the project proponent to SEIAA.

**Nodal Officer
SEIAA, UP**



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