

Himachal Pradesh State Expert Appraisal Committee

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MINUTES OF THE 108th MEETING OF THE STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE HELD IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, SHIMLA, ON DATED 9.4.2025

The 108th meeting of State Expert Appraisal Committee for appraisal of the project proposals received on PARIVESH 1.0 for Environment Clearance was held on 9/4/2025 in the Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change, GoHP, Shimla. The following were present in the meeting:-

#	Name	Designation	9/4/2025
1.	Dr. Sandeep Bhatnagar, IAS (Retd.)	Chairman	\checkmark
2.	Dr. Ashwani Tapwal	Member	\checkmark
3.	Dr. Satish Kumar Bhardwaj	Member	\checkmark
4.	Dr. Harish Sharma	Member	-
5.	Dr. R.C. Chauhan	Member	-

6. Dr. Ranbir Singh Rana Member ✓ (attended virtually)

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 107th MEETING OF SEAC,

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the 107th meeting of SEAC held on 22nd March, 2025.

ITEM NO. 2: PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR APPRAISAL:-

2.1 Sh. Bahadur Singh, M/s Shiv Shakti Dolomite/Baryte Mine Jwana, Prop: Sh. Bahadur Singh, Village-Bhatyori, P.O. Bhakras, Tehsil-Shillai, District-Sirmour, Himachal Pradesh.

Brief outline of the project:

a) Proposal No. SIA/HP/MIN/428129/2023 HP SEIAA/2023-1083

b) Processing fee UPI transaction number 421190885693 of Rs. 20,000/- dated 29.07.2024, SBI

Shimla East.

c) Project type Extraction of Dolomite/Barytes

d) Project Location Khasra number 3647, 3649, 3656, 3657 & 3658 falling in Mohal/Mauza-

Gundah, Panchayat-Bakras, Tehsil-Shillai, District-Sirmour, HP.

e) Jamabandi Jamabandi for the year 2008-09

attested on 25.04.2023

f) Land Status Private Land. g) Capacity 22,200 TPA.

h) Mining Area
 i) Leases with in 500 meter from the
 13-11 Bighas, 1.38 ha, Private land, hill slope.
 No mining lease exists within 500 meters.

periphery of the area applied.

Letter of Intent

j)

Letter of Intent issued on dated 12/09/2022

(Valid for one year i.e. up to 11/09/2023)

k) EMP Cost Capital Cost Rs. 6.25 Lacs and Recurring Cost Rs. 1.44 Lacs annually.

I) CER cost Rs 9.50 Lakhs.

The proposed project is Extraction of Dolomite/Baryte. Online proposal for EC was submitted on dated 17/05/2023 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 27/05/2023.

The case was listed in 94th meeting of the SEAC held on 7th& 8thAugust, 2023. 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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- 1. The capital cost (@ Rs. 4.00 lacs per ≤ ha.) under CER, shall be deposited in the form of Demand Draft/ Transfer in the Bank Account Number mentioned in EC letter; to the office of Director (DEST&CC), GOHP. The Director (DEST&CC) shall device a plan for this purpose within one month for that area in consultation with project proponent.
- 2. The project proponent shall provide one Pattal & Duna making machines one sanitary napkin machine within 15 days from the date of issuance of EC letter to DEST&CC, Shimla for further distribution under CSR. Pattal Duna Machines will be purchased from authorised/approved sources and CMC/AMC will be assured with supplier for at least three year from date of installation. The Project proponent shall be responsible for functioning of the machines.
- 3. The project proponent shall prepare kml file of proposed land for undertaking plantation under EMP for monitoring purpose, and submit within one month with revenue records to SEIAA.
- 4. The project proponent shall build proper retaining wall of adequate size and MS sheets shall be fixed above it for holding the over flow of muck and debris.
- 5. 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 reports being submitted by the project proponents.

The case application was referred back by the SEIAA in its 64th meeting held on dated 5th September, 2023 with the directions that the case may be re-examined by the SEAC w.r.t. destabilization of the hill and surrounding areas in view of the drone video footage and KML file, also the proposed site gradient is very steep and there are agriculture field surrounding the site.

Therefore, the case application was again listed before the SEAC in 97^{th} meeting held on 7/12/2023. The SEAC decided to list the case in next meeting after compliance to the following observations:

1. The case may be referred back to the Deptt. of Industries, for further clarification to the fact that the proposed mining site has no access/ approach road and is surrounded by agriculture farmland apart from the fact that slope gradient is very high and why it should be considered for grant of EC.

After submission of the compliance by the pp on dated 14/8/2024 the case was listed in 102nd meeting of SEAC held on dated 19th to 21st August, 2024 with observations that:

1. The project proponent shall submit revised KML file of the proposed mining area indicating boundary pillar coordinates.

The documents were submitted as per the observations and check list on dated 18.12.2024. The committee observed that the proposed mining site is also located in the stretches which are indicated in the updated District Survey Report dully endorsed by SEIAA.

The proposal was listed in 108th meeting of SEAC held on dated 9/4/2025. 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 of the following observations:

A sub-committee of SEAC shall visit, examine the mining site and submit its report to the SEAC.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

Parveen Gupta Member Secretary, HPSEAC Dr. Sandeep Bhatnagar, IAS (Retd.) Chairman, HPSEAC

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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.