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Minutes of the 797th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 21-02-2024

The meeting of 797th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on-line on 21.02.2024 the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey
2. Shri Paras Nath
3. Shri Sanjeev Kumar Singh

Chairman, SEIAA, U.P.
Member, SEIAA, U.P.
Member Secretary, SEIAA, U.P.

Agenda-A-789 SEIAA meeting and 790 SEIAA meeting

1. "Sand/Morrum Mining" Project at Gata No. - 1055, 1107Mi., Village- Chelra, Tehsil-Moth, District- Jhansi, U.P., Shri Laxmi Narayan Rajpoot, Area : 16.181 ha., 8412/7608/SIA/UP/MIN/450580/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 793th (Part B) meeting ,in light of letter dated 04.12.2023 issued by MoEFCC, it was unanimously decided that issuance of EC for the above project may be kept on hold.

SEIAA noted that as per para 8(ii) of EIA notification2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines (Enforcement and Monitoring Guidelines 2020), leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted.

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2. Sand Mining from Riverbed of Ganga River Located at Gata No.- 103 Village-Ibrahimpur, Tehsil- Gyanpur, District- Bhadohi, Shri Rana Pratap Singh, Area :4.047 ha., 8420/7726/SIA/UP/MIN/450239/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 793th (Part B) meeting ,in light of letter dated 04.12.2023 issued by MoEFCC, it was unanimously decided that issuance of EC for the above project may be kept on hold. SEIAA noted that as per para 8(ii) of EIA notification2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

SEIAA gone through the letter no. 362/khanan lipik/2024 dated 15.02.2024 of Mining Officer Bhadohi and letter no. 303/khanan lipik/2024 dated 30.01.2024 of DM, Bhadohi regarding cancelation of above lease. Hence SEIAA opined that in such circumstances EC can not be granted.

3. Riverbed Sand/Morrum mining g River Yamuna in Gata No- 110, 111, 112 at Village – Lilra, Tehsil- Fatehpur, District- Fatehpur, U.P., Shri Rajesh Mishra, M/s Rajesh Mishra Construction & Suppliers, Area- 10.958 Ha., 8430/7507/SIA/UP/MIN/451016/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 790th meeting in which EC was granted and in its 793th (Part B) meeting in light of letter dated 04.12.2023 issued by MoEFCC, regarding competent authority for approval of DSR it was unanimously decided that issuance of EC for the above project may be kept on hold.

SEIAA noted that as per para 8(ii) of EIA notification 2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

During the meeting information regarding DSR was sought from Mining Department which was given vide letter no. 251/khanij/DSR/Lilra/EC/2024 dated 22.02.2024.

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4. Gitti, Boulder (Dolo Stone) Mining Project at Gata No. 4419 Kha, 4419 Ga, 4422 Ka Mi, 4416Ka, 7576, 7577 Kha, 4420 Mi, Village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil- Obra, Sonbhadra, Shri Chandra Bhushan Gupta & Shri Shafiq Ahmad, Area 1.967 Ha., 8444/SIA/UP/MIN/451343/2023.

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5. Morrum Mining Project at Gata No.-824 kha, Khand- 02, Village- Aghori khas, Tehsil Obra, District Sonbhadra, Shri Rasmeet Singh Malhotra, M/s Malhotra Brothers (Area - 16.194 ha.), 6506/SIA/UP/MIN/66751/2021.

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6. "Sand/Morrum Mining Project" at Gata No. - 950 & 966, Village - Mailwara, Tehsil - Mauranipur & District - Jhansi, Shri Ashu Singh Bhati, Area 14.164 Ha., 8218/7656/SIA/UP/MIN/443192/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 793th (Part B) meeting ,in light of letter dated 04.12.2023 issued by MoEFCC, it was unanimously decided that issuance of EC for the above project may be kept on hold. SEIAA noted that as per para 8(ii) of EIA notification2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

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Agenda-B-- Minutes of 815th SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 13/12/2023

1. Sand/Morrum Mining project at Gata No. 2/2 and 3 Village- Tarsuma, Tehsil- Attara, District: Banda, Shri Aatif Iqbal, Area: 3.11 Ha., 8448/SIA/UP/MIN/451323/2023.

SEIAA noted that the above project was taken in its 791st meeting in which SEIAA opined to defer the above project and that as per para 8(ii) of EIA notification2006 -The regulatory authority shall normally accept the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

The issue was deliberated upon in depth and SEIAA noted that the DSRs were being updated by Geology and Mining Department Uttar Pradesh before 4/12/2023 on the basis of extant notifications and guidelines (Enforcement and Monitoring Guidelines 2020), leases had been auctioned and proposals for EC had been uploaded on Parivesh portal. These proposals have also been appraised and recommended for grant of EC by SEAC. Hence in light of all these facts EC is being granted.

SEIAA opined to accept the recommendation of SEAC and grant EC to the said project along with all the general and specific conditions as suggested by SEAC taking into consideration discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 regarding reply of SEAC-1 and SEAC-2 for compliance/action taken on TOR/Public hearing and 703th SEIAA meeting regarding replenishment study, adding following specific conditions

1. 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.

2. District Mining Officer shall ensure that if mineable quantity mentioned in LOI is amended as per replenishment study report the project proponent shall seek amended/fresh EC.
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 Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted
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 district plantation committee, for planting at least 4,000 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. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. 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.
7. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity and in consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepare a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of all water bodies within periphery of 5 km. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
8. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
9. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
10. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
11. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.

12. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. 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.
13. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
14. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
15. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.
However, this EC shall be subject to any order from any court of law and to any guidelines issued by MOEFCC at any time.

2. Building stone Sand Stone Mine at Gata No.- 703, Sl. No.- 23, Village- Bhagautidei, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Smt Radhika Devi, Area- 1.01 Ha., 8454/SIA/UP/MIN/451483/2023.

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SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC to issue additional ToR to the title proposal for conducting EIA studies. SEIAA added following points to ToR-

- 1- Since no intimation has been submitted regarding available monitoring data, hence data will be collected after issuance of ToR.
- 2- All pages of technical documents/EIA/EMP etc. should be signed by the consultant and project proponent both.
- 3- The lease area its address and production per annum should match with as mentioned in DSR and Lol. 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 Lol.
- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
- 5- Detailed Mine Reclamation plan and Plan for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat should be submitted along with EIA-EMP.
- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.



- 7- Latest KML file for the area and mining lease area should be provided.
- 8- Status of leases granted/to be granted in various mining khandas along with production since the formulation of DSR, duly certified by the competent authority should be submitted.
- 9- 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.
- 10- 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.
- 11- 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 -
 - (i) 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.
- 12- In case of expansion / renewal of earlier EC, following information should be submitted
 - a. Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 - b. Copy of CTE and CTO issued by SPCB.
 - c. Status of submission of six-monthly compliance report to EC granted earlier
 - d. Court cases, if any.
- 13- Observations raised in public hearing, replies submitted by project proponent, suitable modifications carried out should be mentioned in EIA-EMP report.
- 14- 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. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt in the EIA/EMP and polygon should be attached. Survival of plants below Uttar Pradesh Forest Department's survival rate will be treated as violation of EC condition.
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- 16- Along with the EIA-EMP report, PP / consultant will also submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed entire ToR while preparing draft EIA-EMP report for PH. Further, PP / consultant will submit in tabular form as to how they have addressed issues raised during public hearing and have incorporated the same in final EIA-EMP

report. A presentation to this effect should be made before SEAC at the time of EIA-EMP presentation.

- 17- Number of mining projects are coming up in district. 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.
- 18- Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.
- 19- Project Proponent in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS within a period of one year and submit geo-referenced map of these stations along with data on six-monthly basis.
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3. Granite Stone (Khanda/ Gitti/ Boulder and Red Morrum) Mining project at Gata No.- 715/11 Village- Gonda, Tehsil- Karwi, District: Chitrakoot, Shri Balveer Singh, Area: 2.024 Ha., 8464/SIA/UP/MIN/451758/2023.

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- 6- SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit permission of CGWA or proposal for alternative source of fresh water.
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4. "Sand/Moram Mining Project" located at Yamuna River Bed, Khand No. 5 Village-Naudiha Amilia, Tehsil- Bara & District- Prayagraj, Shri Nagendra Bahadur Singh, Area- 8.0 ha., 8136/SIA/UP/MIN/441097/2023.

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- 14- PP / consultant in compliance to Hon'ble NGT order dated 06.05.2022 in OA no. 141/2021 (With report dated 31.03.2022) Raj Kumar Vs. State of UP and Others and with OA no. 141/2021 Rajkaran Karn Vs. State of UP and Others, will submit replenishment study, duly approved by DGM, along with EIA-EMP report for seeking EC.
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Agenda-C-- Minutes of 816th SEAC-2 Meeting Dated 14/12/2023

1. **"Building Stone (Khand, Gitti, Boulder)" Project at Gata No.- 339 Khand No.- 15 (New), Village- Daharra, Mahoba, Shri Jainendra Singh Contractor, Shri Jainendra Singh, Area : 1.012 ha., 8482/SIA/UP/MIN/452424/2023.**

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- 4- Public hearing shall be conducted as per EIA notification, 2006 (as amended).
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2. "Granite Gitti, Khanda/ Boulder" Project at Gata No.- Khand No.- 1078 / 21, Village-Gonda, Tehsil- Karwi, District- Chitrakoot, Shri Naveen Kumar Gupta, Area : 1.417 ha., 8488/SIA/UP/MIN/452663/2023.

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3. **"Morrum Mining" from private land (NijiBhoomi) at Arazi No. 166 Kh, Village- Nagwa, Tehsil- Dudhi, District- Sonbhadra, Smt Malti Devi, Area- 1.30 ha., 8496/SIA/UP/MIN/452847/2023.**

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1. 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.
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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 Van Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 and submit before the start of work.
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 8. 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. 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 district plantation committee, for planting at least 3,000 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. Also, the coordinates of area earmarked for plantation should be clearly spelt and polygon should be attached and submitted within a month. 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.
 10. The project proponent shall ensure that water bodies do not get polluted due to mining activity and in consultation with District Environment Authority or an Authority nominated by concerned DM, project proponent will prepare a conservation and management plan for rejuvenation and management of all water bodies within periphery of 5 km. Funds for the same will be kept in a separate bank account and six monthly compliance status will be presented by project proponent before the nominated authority in the District.
 11. Department of Geology and Mines, Government of Uttar Pradesh and / or concerned district administration, before releasing the security deposit to Project Proponent will ensure that Project Proponent has fully complied with the EC conditions. Non-compliance, if any, should be reported to UPSPCB for appropriate legal action and recovery of compensation.
 12. Any application for transfer of this EC, during its validity period unless it is cancelled by a competent authority, has to be necessarily accompanied with status of compliance of EC conditions duly certified by IRO, MoEFCC, GoI, Lucknow.
 13. The project proponent shall install rooftop solar plant in one school in the vicinity of project area and construct toilets especially in girls' school as part of CER activity.
 14. Project Proponent shall submit the Six-monthly Compliance on the Environment Clearance condition prescribed in the Prior Environment Clearance letter as per MoEF&CC OM F.no- IAS-22/01/2022-IA-III (E-172624) Dated 14-06-2022.
 15. Number of mining projects are coming up in district. 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.
 16. Department of Geology & Mines, GoUP in consultation with UPSPCB will establish required number of CAAQMS in district within a period of one year and submit geo-

referenced map of these stations along with data. Details of existing CAAQMS, if any, be submitted within a period of three months.

17. Large number of mining projects are ongoing as well as new mining leases are coming up in the district. A reference be sent to DGM and MS, SPCB for preparing mitigation plan for controlling air pollution in the district especially in mining areas.
18. If the air quality deteriorates due to mining, then District Administration & Directorate of Mining should ensure that mining be stopped immediately. Adequate measures be taken for restoring air quality and mining should commence only when air quality attains the prescribed standards.

However, this EC shall be subject to any order from any court of law and to any guidelines issued by MOEFCC at any time.

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