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Minutes of the 785th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 19-12-2023

The meeting of 785th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held online on 19.12.2023 the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

- 1. Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey,
- 2. Shri Paras Nath,
- 3. Shri Ajay Kumar Sharma,

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

General Discussion:-

SEIAA opined that SEAC should ask project proponent to submit date of issue of LoI, date of application for ToR, issue of ToR and date of application for EC in the salient feature of the project.

Agenda-A - Minutes of 809th SEAC-1 Meeting Dated 17/11/2023

"Building Stone (Sandstone) Mining" located at Gata No.- 72 Mi, Village- Golhanpur, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Hemant Singh, Area- 1.402 Ha., 8345/SIA/UP/MIN/447421/2023.

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.
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- Approved explosives and proper technique should only be used for blasting, to avoid loud sound and cracks in nearby buildings.
- 4. 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.
- 5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted

- 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.
- Mine reclamation plan should be prepared for using the mine void for productive use in consultation with local administration and gram-panchayat.
- 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 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.
- 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.
- 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. 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.
- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.

"Building Stone (Sandstone) Mining" located at Gata No.-88, Village- Golhanpur, Tehsil-Chunar, District- Mirzapur, Shri Hemant Singh, Area- 1.616 Ha., 8347/SIA/UP/MIN/447444/2023.

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- Expansion of Existing Rolling Mill of 100000 MTPA TMT Bar to Production of 200000 MTPA TMT Bar and 264000 MTPA Billets/Ingot/Rolling Mill at Khasra No. 1417/ 1418/ 1420/ 1422, Bisrakh Road, Chhapraula, Greater Noida (West), District- Gautam Budh Nagar, Shri Dhananjay Rathi., 8349/7362/SIA/UP/IND1/447654/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

 "Riverbed Ordinary Sand mining" from Riverbed of Ghaghara River located at Khand No. Gha.-6/2 Gata No. 62, Village - Dewaipeepar, Tehsil - Gola, District - Gorakhpur, Shrimati Sushila Devi, M/s Ankit Enterprises, Area- 8.6 Ha., 8351/7617/SIA/UP/MIN/448358/2023.

SEIAA noted that LoI was issued on 09.09.2022, application for ToR was made on 06.02.2023, ToR was issued on 24.05.2023 and application for EC was made on 11.10.2023. EIA was made on 11.10.2023. 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:-

- 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.
- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
- 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.
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- 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.

- 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.
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- Ordinary Sand Mining" at along riverbed of Ganga river at Araji No/Gata No.- 7kh, Khand-2, Village –
 Badagaon, Tehsil -Sakaldiha, District- Chandauli, Shri Rajesh Prasad Yadav, M/s Rajesh Prasad Yadav
 and Sons, Area 8.09 ha., 8353/7957/SIA/UP/MIN/448470/2023.

SEIAA noted that the project proposal has already been taken. Hence, no action is required in the matter.

 Billi Markundi Khanda-Boulder/ Gitti (Dolostone) Mining project at Arazi No.-5432 Village- Billi Markundi, Tehsil- Robertsganj, District- Sonbhadra, Shri Raj Prajapati, Area-1.162 Ha., 8355/7451/SIA/UP/MIN/447015/2023.

SEIAA noted that LoI was issued on 29.06.2022, application for ToR was made on 15.12.2022, ToR was issued on 24.03.2023 and application for EIA was made on 12.10.2023. 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, adding following specific conditions:-

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 After this period the EC will become null and void.
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- 5. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
- 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.
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Imarati Patthar (Sandstone) Mine at Gata no.- 997 Mi, Village- Sindhora, Tehsil- Sadar, District-Mirzapur, Smt. Anju Singh, Area- 2.023 Ha., 8359/SIA/UP/MIN/448751/2023.

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 LoI. 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 LoI.
- 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 khands 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 -
 - 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
 - Status of compliance of earlier EC conditions by Integrated Regional Office, MoEFCC, Gol, 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. 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.
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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.

"Ordinary Soil Excavation Project" at Gata No.- 215, 219, 217, 218, Village- Murtjanagar, Tehsil-Mahmudabad, District- Sitapur, Shri Rambachan, Area- 0.796 Ha., 8363/SIA/UP/MIN/448894/2023.

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 more than 5 ha., limited to B-1 category, then additional conditions based on the EIA conducted by
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 Building stone Sand Stone Mining project Village- Dhuriya, Tehsil- Chunar, District: Mirzapur, Uttar Pradesh, Shri Vikash Kumar Singh, Area: 1.454 ha., 8367/7743/SIA/UP/MIN/447028/2023.

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- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.

Soil Mining Project at Khasra No. 1123, 2099, 2115, Village- Katesar, Tehsil-Laharpur, District-Sitapur, Harsh Tiwari, Area: 1.22 Ha., 8427/SIA/UP/MIN/450943/2023.

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, adding following specific conditions:-

- 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.
- Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
- 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 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.

11. "Ordinary Earth Mine", Village- Sauranga, Tehsil- Fatehpur, District- Barabanki, Uttar Pradesh (Khasra/Gata no.- 480Mi, 480/1 & 480/2, Shri Harsh Raj Tiwari, Area- 0.575 ha., 8439/SIA/UP/MIN/451219/2023.

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, adding following specific conditions:-

- 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.
- Validity period of this EC is 3 months from the date of issue as the LoI has been issued for a period of 3 months or co-terminus with the validity of current mine plan or current lease period whichever is earlier. After this period the EC will become null and void.
- 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
- 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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- 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.

- 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.
- 12. Plotted Development Project "Gaur Mulberry Mansions" at Plot No FH-03, Greater Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Shri Devendra Bhandari, M/s Gaursons Hi-Tech Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd., 1499/SIA/UP/MIS/303839/2023.

SEIAA noted that the project proposal has already been taken. Hence, no action is required in the matter.

13. Molasses-based distillery unit at village-Khamaria Pandit, Aira Estate, District- Lakhimpur Kheri, Shri Alok Saxena, M/s Zuari Industries Limited., 5369/4955/SIA/UP/IND2/303958/2023

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to change the name of the company from M/s Gobind Sugar Mills Ltd. to M/s Zuari Industries Ltd. in environmental clearance letter no. 206/Parya/SEIAA/4955-5369/2019, dated 16/07/2020. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found no documentary evidence to established link between M/s Gobind Sugar Mills Ltd and M/s Zuari Industries Ltd. Since documents submitted mentions Zuari Industries, Zuari chemicals agro Ltd., Zuari Global Ltd. Nowhere Gobind Sugar Mills Ltd. is mentioned. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC.

14. Existing Common Bio-Medical Waste Treatment Facility at Subharti Medical College Campus, Subharti Puram, Meerut, Shri Neeraj Aggarwal, M/s Synergy Waste Management Pvt. Ltd., 7761/SIA/UP/INFRA2/424451/2023

SEIAA noted the comments of SEAC.

Project of R.S. Residency Affordable Houses at Gata No.- 251 me to 258 me, 237 to 258 & 439, 440,
 Village- Raksa, Tehsil & District - Jhansi, Shri Chandra Shekhar Agarwal.,
 7555/SIA/UP/INFRA2/414921/2023.

SEIAA agreed with the recommendations of SEAC to close/delist the file as the project proponent did not appear and open only after submission of online request on prescribed online portal.

Group Housing Project "Irish Platinum" at Plot No.- GH-4A, Greater Noida, Shri Gaurav Garg, M/s Irish or Iris Buildcon Pvt. Ltd., 8215/SIA/UP/INFRA2/443091/2023.

In light of discussion held in SEIAA meeting no. 597 dated 05.05.2022 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. In addition to the conditions imposed by SEAC, SEIAA added following additional specific conditions:-

- The project proponent shall submit within a month approved building plan.
- 2- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of solar power plant and solar electrification details within the project.
- 3- The project proponent shall ensure to plant broad leaf trees and their maintenance. The CPCB guidelines in this regard shall be followed.
- 4- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details on quantification of year wise CER activities along with cost and other details. CER activities must not be less 2% of the project cost. The CER activities should be related to mitigation of Environmental Pollution and awareness for the same like water harvesting pits and carbon sequestration parks / designed ecosystems .At least one school in the vicinity of project area should be provided with rooftop solar plant, toilets in public place or in school of nearby villages and if there is a girl's school then

girls toilet properly equipped with overhead water tank should be constructed.

- 5- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of estimated construction waste generated during the construction period and its management plan.
- 6- The project proponent shall submit within the next 3 months the details of segregation plan of MSW.
- 7- The project proponent shall ensure that waste water is properly treated in STP and maximum amount should be reused for gardening flushing system and washing etc. For reuse of water for irrigation sprinkler and drip irrigation system shall be installed and maintained for proper function. Part of the treated sewage, if discharged to sewer line, shall meet the prescribed standards for the discharge.
- 8- Under any circumstances untreated sewage shall not be discharged to municipal sewer line.
- 9- The project proponent will ensure that proper dust control arrangements are made during construction and proper display board is installed at the site to inform the public the steps taken to control air pollution as per air act 1981 (as amended) and the Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, CAQM guidelines.
- 10 A cortificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved 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.
- 11- 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.
- 12- Provision for charging of electric vehicles as per the guidelines of GoI / GoUP should be submitted within the next 3 months.
- 13- PP should display EC granted to them on their website. 6-monthly compliance report should be displayed on their website and to be given every six month to residents / occupants of the building.
- 14- EC is granted with the condition that EC is valid only for the building plan which has been submitted by PP for seeking EC. In case approved building plan is different from the one submitted for seeking EC then this EC will stand null and void.
- 15- In compliance to Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 13/01/2020 in IA no. 158128/2019 and 158129/2019 in Writ petition no. 13029/1985 (MC Mehta Vs GOI and others) anti-smog guns shall be installed to reduce dust during excavation.
- 16- DG sets shall be gas based and Guidelines issued by CAAQMS for NCR region regarding the use of DG sets during construction and operational phase should be followed.
- 17- The project proponent shall install organic bio converter.

17. "Sand/Morrum Mining" on the riverbed of River Betwa at Khand No.- 24/12, Village- Chikasi, Tehsil-Sarila, District- Hamirpur, Shri Gulab Singh Dangi,, Area 8.316 ha., 8167/7629/SIA/UP/MIN/441761/2023.

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:-

 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.

- Directions/suggestions given during public hearing and commitment made by the project proponent should be strictly complied with.
- A certificate from Forest Department shall be obtained that no forest land is involved in mining or as
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 permission of Central and State Government as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan evam
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- 4. The mining lease holders shall ensure to comply with mine reclamation plan as submitted.
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- 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 9,000 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.
- 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.
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18. NGT, New Delhi; OA No.- 591/2023 (I.A. No.- 744/2023 & I.A. No.- 745/2023) Satish Versus MoEF&CC & Ors, Dated 05.10.2023; File No.-6599. (Consultant- M/s Earthvision India Associate Consultants and Project Proponent-Sunil Kumar Jaiswal must present before the Committee).

SEIAA noted that the project proposal has already been taken. Hence, no action is required in the matter.

Agenda-B

 Expansion of existing sugar unit from 8500 TeD to 12000 TeD without change in existing Co-generation Power Plant - 32.0 MW within existing industry premises at P.O: Biswan, District: Sitapur, Shri Ramesh Chandra Singhal, M/s The Seksaria Biswan Sugar Factory Limited (Sugar Division)., File No. 7703/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/IND2/421707/2023

SEIAA noted that in its 735th meeting SEIAA opined that project proponent shall submit chronology of establishment and expansion of sugar unit with capacities along with co-generation facility and current and proposed layout plan. The project proponent has submitted his reply vide letter dated 06.10.2023. Hence SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SFAC to grant EC to the above project adding the following conditions:-

- 1- The project proponent shall follow Waste water conservation and pollution control management as per MoEFCC notification 35 (E) dated 14 January 2016 which states as:-
 - Establishment of cooling arrangement and polishing tank for recycling the excess condensate water to process or utilities or allied units.
 - b) Effluent Treatment Plant to be stabilized one month prior to the start of the crushing season and continue to operate one month after the crushing season.
 - c) During no demand period for irrigation, the treated effluent to be stored in a seepage proof lined pond having 15 days holding capacity only.
 - flow meter to be installed in all water abstraction points and usage of fresh water to be minimized.
 - Suitable Air pollution control devices to be installed to meet the particulate matter emission standard
- 2- The project proponent shall handle boiler ash properly.
- 3- Dedicated space for storage of boiler ash with proper fencing should be ensured.
- 4- Condensate polishing unit shall comprise of bar screen, Equalization Tank, Secondary clarifier, MGF then followed by ACF and Sludge drying beds. Reverse osmosis plant will be installed as tertiary treatment and the plan will be ZLD as proposed.
- 5- Spent wash will be concentrated in MEE and concentrate from MEE will be mixed with wet cake of decanter and then converted to DDGS as proposed.
- "Group Housing/Villa/Club and Commercial Project" at plot no. 26, Block no. 11, Village-Gawaltoli, District- Kanpur Nagar, U.P., M/s Nilansh Buildcon Pvt. Ltd. Shri Raghvendra Seth., 7892/SIA/UP/INFRA2/429307/2023.

SEIAA noted that in its 749th meeting found that KDA approved map submitted are not legible, in pre corporation agreement it is mentioned that the company will develop land for residential use but land is also being used for commercial purpose, hence clarification from rail land development authority (RLDA) is to be submitted along with drawing design details of STP and location of STP on layout plan. The project proponent has submitted his reply vide letter 26.09.2023. SEIAA opined that the reply is not satisfactory. Hence SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall submit documents from RLDA clarifying commercial development of lease land or permission from RLDA for commercial development.

 Non- applicability of Public Hearing for the project Expansion of "Prateek Grand City" at Plot No.- 04/ B.S. 1 & 5, Siddharth Vihar, District- Ghaziabad, U.P., Shri Ajay Ghai, M/s Prateek Realtors India Pvt. Ltd., File No. 8045/ Proposal No. SIA/UP/INFRA2/439324/2023.

SEIAA gone through the letter of the project proponent dated 05.10.2023 regarding the above subject and agreed to omit point no. 6 regarding Public Hearing in granted ToR.

 Request for the name change of existing sugar unit from "M/s Chadha Sugars Pvt Ltd to "M/s Wave Industries Pvt Ltd" at village – Malasia, Tehsil – Dhanaura, Distt – Amroha, Uttar Pradesh. File No: 216/SEIAA/2007 Proposal no- SIA/UP/IND2/306514/2023

SEIAA gone through the application dated 17.11.2023 regarding the above subject along with certificate of incorporation and agreed with the request to change the name of sugar unit from "M/s Chadha Sugars Pvt Ltd to "M/s Wave Industries Pvt Ltd" in EC letter no. 216/SEIAA/2007 dated 04.09.2008. Rest all the condition mentioned in EC shall remain same.

Nodal Officer SEIAA, UP

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> (Smt. Mamta Sanjeev Dubey) Chairman SEIAA

(Ajay Kumar Sharma) Member-Secretary SEIAA (Paras Nath) Member SEIAA