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Minutes of the 425th Meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) held on 15.12.2020

The meeting of 425th State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, UP (SEIAA) was held on 15.12.2020 at the Directorate of Environment. The following were present in the meeting:-

1. Prof. Rana Pratap Singh
2. Dr. (Smt.) Madhu Bhardwaj
3. Sri Ashish Tiwari

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

Agenda-A: -Complaints/letters -Nil

Agenda-B: -Reply-

Agenda-B: - Minutes of 504th SEAC Meeting Dated 24/11/2020

1. Building Stone (Sand Stone) Mine at Gata No./Araji No.-188 mi, at Village- Lahaura, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Shri Jitendra Kumar Singh, M/s Om Sai Construction, Leased Area -0.809 ha. File No. 5012/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/40217/2019

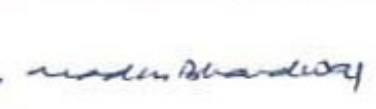
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2. Building Stone (Sand Stone) mine at Gata No./Araji No.-141 at Village- Chiraiya, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Shri Ajay Kumar Singh., M/s A.K.S. Industries, Leased Area -1.212 ha. File No. 4766/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/35154/2019

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

3. Building Stone (Sand Stone) Mine at Gata No./Araji No-997 mi at Village- Sindhora, Tehsil- Sadar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Shri Vivek Kumar Singh., M/s Unnati Construction Leased Area -0.809 ha. File No. 4989/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/40892/2019

SEIAA agreed with the recommendation of SEAC that the matter shall be discussed after submission of online information on prescribed portal.

4. Building Stone (Sand Stone) Mine at Gata No./Araji No./Plot No-02 at Village-Sariya, Tehsil- Chunar, District- Mirzapur, U.P., Shri Abhay Kumar Singh, Area -0.809 ha. File No. 5033/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/42353/2019

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5. Sand Mining from Ghaghra Riverbed at Gata No.- 2 Mi. Village- Baluwa Bhawanibaksh, Tehsil- Sagari, District- Azamgarh, U.P., ShriDevendra Kumar Area: 4.56 ha. File No. 5911/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/176743/2020

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 but the SEIAA replaces the specific condition regarding cluster certificate as "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". And adding following conditions:-

1. The project proponent shall obtain the forest clearance and permission of Central and State Government as per law under the provisions of Forest (conservation) Act, 1980 before the start of work.
2. 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.
3. 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. Sand Mining from Ghaghra Riverbed located at Gata No.- 767, Village- Sahbadiya Sultanpur, Tehsil- Sagari, District- Azamgarh., Shri Anil Kumar., Area: 4.94 ha. File No. 5912/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/176791/2020

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7. Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Bailast & Gitti) Mining" at Gata No.-2660 at Village-Pahra, Tehsil-Mahoba, District -Mahoba, U.P. Shri Somesh Bhardwaj., Lease area-2.935 ha. File No. 5913/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/177093/2020

SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to grant Environmental Clearance to the above project. SEIAA gone through file and documents and found that in LOI issued and mining plan production capacity is same for five years whereas in application made capacity is different for third to fifth year. The SEIAA also found that application is made for 2.935 ha whereas in the DSR available with the Secretariat the area is mentioned as 7.25 ha. Hence SEIAA opined that the project proponent shall clarify the above along with the relevant documents.

8. Building Stone (Khanda, Gitti & Boulder) Mine at Gata No.-181, Khand No.-01, at Village- Haivatpura, Tehsil-Garautha, District- Jhansi, U.P. Shri Devashish Biswas, M/s Dee. Enterprises, (Leased area-2.023 ha.) File No. 5925/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/177311/2020

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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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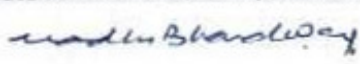
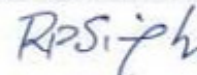
9. Sand Mining from Rapti River bed at Gata No.-10/2, Block No.- 02, Village- Nadua Lalpur Ehatmali, Tehsil- Sadar, Gorakhpur, U.P., Shri Rakesh Chauhan, M/s R.C. Groups of Companies., Area: 5.0 ha. File No. 5926/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/177371/2020

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10. Sand Mining at Kosi River Bed at Gata No.-97, Village- Dadhyal Aehatmali, Tehsil- Tanda, District-Rampur, U.P., Shri Anjali Kapoor., Area: 1.654 ha). File No. 5936/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/177771/2020

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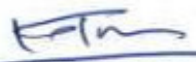
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11. Building Stone (Khanda, Boulder, Bailast & Gitti) Mining at Gata No.-1082, at Village-Utiyan, Tehsil-Mahoba, District -Mahoba, U.P. Smt. Poonam Bharadwaj., Lease area-4.655 ha. File No. 5916/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/56791/2020

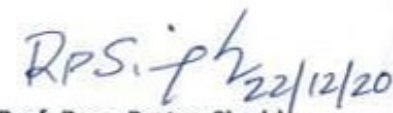
SEIAA noted that SEAC has recommended to issue ToR to the above project with the condition that: - "If the base line data is not within the permissible level, specific mitigation measures for the area in question should be submitted at the time of EIA." SEIAA opined that the reason for imposing this condition in additional ToR is not clear. Hence SEIAA opined to refer back the project to SEAC to mention the reason for putting such additional condition.

12. Sand Mining at Gata No.- 388, Village- Bhoovra Ehatmali, Tehsil- Swar, District-Rampur, U.P., Shri Satpal Singh., Lease Area: 2.34 ha. File No. 5917/Proposal No. SIA/UP/MIN/56960/2020

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