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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority
West Bengal
Minutes of SEIAA Meeting
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Subject:- 30th meeting of SEIAA

Venue:- Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5th Floor, LB - Block, Sector - III, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700106

From :- 13 Aug 2021

To :- 13 Aug 2021

I. CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed residential complex "Meridian Splendora" by **M/s. Srinivas Infra Developers Pvt. Ltd.** at 9A/1, Uma Kanta Sen Lane under KMC Ward No. 4, P.S. Chitpur, Kolkata - 700 032, West Bengal.

Proposal No. :-SIA/WB/MIS/168212/2020, File No. :EN/T-II-1/053/2016
Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/168212/2020** on **16.08.2020** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL.No. **8(a) Building and Construction projects**, under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

The project proponent applied for EC vide No. SIA/WB/NCP/57949/2016 on 22.08.2016 which was rejected on 01.10.2019. The project proponent applied afresh vide no. SIA/WB/MIS/168212/2020 on 04.12.2020. The proposal was placed in the 26th meeting of SEIAA held on 17.06.2021. SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and noted that the project proponent proposed compensatory tree plantation in NKDA area as per the agreement made with WBHIDCO. NKDA issued provisional permission in this regard. This agreement is valid for a period of 3 years from 05.09.2018 to 04.09.2021. The project proponent has not produced any document showing either the ownership of the land or atleast a lease agreement of a minimum of 30 years for the plantation area. In order for an effective plantation 3 years is too short a period which is also about to expire.

The project proponent was therefore requested to identify suitable area with sole ownership or a long term lease agreement for exclusive tree plantation area.

The project proponent is further advised to explore possible location for exclusive tree plantation area in immediate vicinity of the project site.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter No. Nil dated Nil submitted on 06.08.2021. It is found that the project proponent submitted a proposal in the form of undertaking by means of a Notarial Certificate mentioning compensatory plantation of 10 kathas at Sonarpur within the jurisdiction of Rajpur-Sonarpur Municipality. The project proponent has proposed the location for compensatory plantation which is far away from the project location. The project is situated in the core city where the issue of urban heat island is quite severe. This is also directed by Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench in respect of O.A. No. 681 of 2018 mentioning Kolkata as one of the Non-Attainment Cities (NACs) which are not complying with the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. As a result compensation beyond the vicinity of the project location has no relevance w.r.t. environmental conditions. The project proponent has mentioned that 7.53% of the total project area is allotted for exclusive tree plantation within the project area. However, considering the KMC sanctioned plan and the land use plan submitted by the project proponent it appears that there is anomaly in the calculation of exclusive tree plantation area. In the sanction plan some areas are shown as MLCP area whereas in the land use plan the same area is being allotted as soft area. This results in mismatch of calculation for individual areas mentioned in the ground coverage.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

- 1) The project proponent is therefore, requested to reconcile the discrepancies and submit a fresh drawing and calculation sheet tallying with the KMC sanction plan. The project proponent is further requested to submit a Auto-CAD soft copy(saved in 2010 version) of the land use plan.
- 2) The short fall of the required tree plantation area within the project site is to be compensated by identifying suitable adjacent area within 5 km. radius of the project or within the East Kolkata Wetland area.
- 3) The area outside the project so identified as mentioned in item no. 2 above is required to be taken either on ownership basis or on a long term lease of atleast 30 years by executing a Registered Lease Deed and not merely a Notarial Certificate.

Conclusion

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred (Additional Information).

(2)Proposed residential complex "Sunrise Aura" by **M/s. Sureka Isha Zion Developers Pvt. Ltd.** at RS/LR Dag Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 68, J.L. No. - 36, Mouza - Baikunthapur, PS - Baruipur, Dist. - South 24 Parganas, West Bengal.

Proposal No.:-SIA/WB/NCP/73874/2018, **File** No:-EN/T-II-1/031/2019
Type- EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/NCP/73874/2018** dated **22 Apr 2019** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL.No. **8(a) Building and Construction projects**, under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

From the PARIVESH Portal it is found that there are 2 applications submitted by M/s. Sureka Isha Zion Developers Pvt. Ltd. vide online application nos. (1) SIA/WB/NCP/50799/2016 dated 19.03.2016 (2) SIA/WB/NCP/73874/2018 dated 22.04.2019.

The project proponent was intimated by SEIAA for withdrawal of SIA/WB/NCP/50799/2016. The project proponent though applied via offline vide letter no. Nil dated 12.08.2021 where they have expressed that they are willing to withdraw the earlier online application no. SIA/WB/NCP/50799/2016. However, they have not applied for withdrawal of their application through PARIVESH Portal. Processing of multiple applications against a particular project cannot be done unless the redundant application is either withdrawn or delisted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The withdrawal/delisting process of application SIA/WB/NCP/50799/2016 should be completed online.

Conclusion

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred (Additional Information).

(3) Proposed commercial building for Trading (Business) and other allied by M/s SRPM Haat LLP at LR Dag No. 62, 64, 65, 66, 70 to 81, 83, RS Dag No. 187, 191 to 203, 206, 277, 278, Khatian No. 1800, JL No. 29, Mouza – Prasastha and LR Dag No. 1180 to 1184, 1186, 1187, 1190, RS Dag No. 1049 to 1053, 1055, 1056, 1059, Khatian No. 3036 & 4263, JL No. 30, Mouza – Ankurhati, PS – Domjur under Mohiary GP, Dist. - Howrah, West Bengal.

[Proposal
Type- EC

No.:-SIA/WB/MIS/183102/2020,File

No.:-EN/T-II-1/073/2020]

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/183102/2020** dated **28 Nov 2020** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL.

8(a) Building and Construction projects under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006 and the proposal is appraised at State level.

A complaint has been received through email dated 11.08.2021 from Mr. Ankur Sharma regarding filling up of waterbodies and flouting of environmental norms by the project proponent in the instant case. As per the complaint 3 large waterbodies at the said property have nearly been filled up and several trees have been felled by the project proponent. He has further informed the construction activity has been initiated without obtaining prior EC.

The project proponent had obtained sanction plan for a commercial building for trading (Business) and other allied purposes comprising of Block 1 (Mercantile) – B/LG+GR+UG+1 storied and Block 2 (MLCP) – G+3 storied building vide sanction plan (No. 428/032/HZP/EP/PS-257 dated 17.03.2020) for 1 block of B/LG+GR+UG+1 stories with total built up area of 16132.45 sqm. The project proponent again received another fresh sanction plan for the same premises for the extension of the same building vide No. 95/032/HZP/PS dated 07.10.2020 for 1 block of B/LG+GR+UG+1 stories was obtained having built up area of 39558.65 sqm. The total land area remaining same in both the sanction plans being 22028.71 sqm.

District L & LRO, Howrah has issued land conversion certificate from 'danga', 'Sali', 'bagan' to 'commercial bastu'. As per National Building Code, URDPFI Guidelines and all other prevailing building Acts and Rules, there is no such mention about any land use like 'commercial bastu'. Thus, it would be difficult to assess the environmental parameters which are different for 'residential' and 'commercial' use unless this is clarified.

As per the document submitted by the project proponent only 1 dag no. 64 is holding a waterbody having an area of 1 decimal.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and the complaint received in this regard as stated above. Considering this being an existing project a field inspection is required to ascertain the present status of the project.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

- i. SEAC is requested to organise a field inspection to ascertain the present status of the project and send a report.**
- ii. The project proponent is requested to submit a site plan showing all the dag nos. within the project area.**

Conclusion

Referred back to SEAC for inspection and report.

(4) Proposed construction of Residential Complex 'Sugam Park' by **M/s Sugarm Park (AOP)** at Mouza-Shitla, JL No.21, Plot No. 635(P), 639 - 642, 1329 - 1335, 1336(P), 1341(P), 1342(P), 1343, 1344, 1346(P), 1348(P), 1342/1561, 1348/1563, 638/1496(P), 640/1497 and Mouza-Dakshin Dhadka, JL No. 27, R.S. Plot No. 265(P), 266(P), 267, 268(P), 310, 318(P), 319, 320(P), 323(P), 324(P), 325(P), 326-331, 332(P), 333 - 354, 355(P), 356 - 366, 368, 373(P), 374, 375(P), 382, 383, 384(P), 327/1082, 335/1083, 382/1087, 268/1080(P), 355/1308, P.S. Asansol (North), under Asansol Municipal Corporation, Dist. Paschim Burdwan, West Bengal.

**[Proposal No. :-SIA/WB/MIS/210737/2019, File No :-EN/T-II-1/028/2019]
Type- EC**

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application along with copies of EIA/EMP seeking environment clearance on 19.09.2019 but due to some technical issues the proposal no. did not show any details in the portal and also the acknowledgement slip was wrongly generated. In order to synchronize the proposal in PARIVESH portal the project proponent as well as SEIAA Secretariat approached NIC and the issue has been resolved vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/210737/2019** dated **19 Sep 2019**. The project proponent has applied under Sl. No. **8(b) Townships and Area Development projects** under Category "B2" of EIA Notification 2006.

The proponent obtained ToR on 13.09.2019.

The proposal was placed in the 70th SEIAA meeting held on 12.12.2019 and it was observed that the project comprises of some High rise blocks, Medium rise blocks with some individual plots with house. The project proposal was sanctioned by Asansol Municipal Corporation vide their Memo no. 419(vi)/BP/AMC/HO/18 dated 25.09.2018. As per inspection made on 14.10.2019, 16 towers of G+8/G+7 along with 10 nos. G+3 (LIG) blocks have been completed and partially occupied. Remaining 10 towers are almost in a finishing stage. The total built up area i.e. 121519.387 sqm. as mentioned in the sanctioned plan is shown on the basis of the calculation of the blocks only. The permissible built up area of individual plots which are also part of the total project is not reflected in the total area statement. The projected built up area of all 155 plots needs to be reflected in the total built up area statement. The project proponent should submit area statement mentioning floor wise details along with 'use category' and corresponding population regarding the compliance of environmental parameters as per NBC 2016.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter No. Nil dated 30.03.2021 and observed that the environmental parameters are decided based on the population density, building density in a particular land area. The project proponent has mentioned partial density of the said project. In absence of the complete information the total calculation cannot be done.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The project proponent is requested to make a presentation before the SEIAA to address the issues referred above.

Conclusion

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred (Additional Information).

(5) Proposed Residential Building by **M/s. Aswagandha Merchants Pvt. Ltd. & Ors.** at 47, Matheswartala Road, KMC Ward No. 58, Borough No. VII, PS – Tangra, Kolkata – 700 046, West Bengal.

[Proposal No. :-SIA/WB/MIS/82250/2018, File No :-EN/T-II-1/007/2019]
Type- EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/82250/2018** dated **04 Feb 2019** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL.No. **8(a) Building and Construction projects** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006 and the proposal is appraised at State level.

The proponent obtained stipulated conditions environmental clearance vide Memo no. 750/EN/T-II-1/007/2019 dated 17.04.2019. Now the proponent submitted sanctioned building plan vide their letter no. NIL dated 11.05.2021.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter No. NIL dated 11.05.2021 and decided to forward the same to SEAC for appraisal.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The proposal is to be appraised by SEAC.

Conclusion

Referred to SEAC for appraisal.

(6) Proposed expansion of residential and assembly building by **M/s. Anant Shree Sukhramji Trust** at 156B, Manicktala Main Road, KMC Ward No. 32, P.S. Manicktala, Kolkata – 700 054, West Bengal.

[Proposal No. :-SIA/WB/NCP/67607/2017, File No :-EN/T-II-1/068/2017]
Type- EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/NCP/67607/2017** dated **22 Sep 2017** seeking environment clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The proposed project activity is listed at SL.No. **8(a) Building and Construction projects** under Category "**B2**" of EIA Notification 2006 and the proposal is appraised at State level.

The proponent obtained stipulated conditions environmental clearance vide Memo no. 366/EN/T-II-1/068/2017 dated 15.02.2018. Now the proponent submitted sanctioned building plan vide their letter no. NIL dated 09.08.2021.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter No. NIL dated 09.08.2021 and decided to forward the same to SEAC for appraisal.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The proposal is to be appraised by SEAC.

Conclusion

Referred to SEAC for appraisal.

II.	CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF TRANSFER OF EC PROPOSAL
	<p>(1) Application for change of Company name in the Environmental Clearance for proposed installation of 4x20 T Induction Furnaces with matching Ladle refining furnaces, Continuous Billet Casting machine along with hot rolling mill at Plot No. AB, AC & AB1, Plasto Steel Park, Village : Ghutgoria, PS – Barjora, District - Bankura, West Bengal from M/s. SRMB Srijan Private Limited to M/s. Advay Udyog Private Limited.</p> <p>[Proposal No. :-SIA/WB/IND/219883/2021, File No :- EN/T-II-1/068/2015] Type- Trans_EC</p>

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application in Form 7 vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/IND/219883/2021** dated **13 Jul 2021** for transfer of Environmental Clearance for proposed installation of 4x20 T Induction Furnaces with matching Ladle refining furnaces, Continuous Billet Casting machine along with hot rolling mill at Plot No. AB, AC & AB1, Plasto Steel Park, Village : Ghutgoria, PS – Barjora, District - Bankura, West Bengal from **M/s. SRMB Srijan Private Limited** to **M/s. Advay Udyog Private Limited**.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter No. NIL dated 09.08.2021 and online application no. SIA/WB/IND/219883/2021 made in the PARIVESH Portal.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

SEIAA approved the transfer of EC issued vide No. 1775/EN/T-II-1/068/2015 dated 17.08.2017 from M/s. SRMB Srijan Pvt. Ltd. to M/s. Advay Udyog Private Limited. All terms and conditions mentioned in the EC No. 1775/EN/T-II-1/068/2015 dated 17.08.2017 would remain the same.

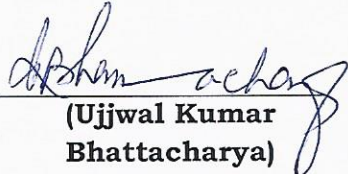
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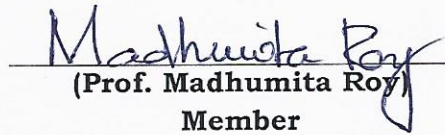
Approved the transfer of EC.


III. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1) It is observed that some of the sand mining applications are not accompanied by the requisite documents. Such applications when submitted to SEIAA through the PARIVESH Portal cannot be processed in the absence of basic documents. SEAC is therefore requested to prepare a list of the mandatory documents required to be accompanied with such applications.
- 2) Pursuant to the Order of Hon'ble Calcutta High Court in WPA 1107 of 2021 dated 22.07.2021 in Sheela Foam Ltd. & Anr. Vs State of West Bengal & Ors. and in view of the withdrawal of ToR by MoEF&CC to Sheela Foam Ltd., the WBPCB is requested to take appropriate action.
- 3) Pursuant to the Order of the Madurai Bench of the Hon'ble Madras High Court in WP(MD) No. 11757 of 2021 and WMP (MD) No. 9241 of 2021 dated 15.07.2021, MoEF&CC may be requested for clarification and advice regarding implementation of the SoP for identification and handling of violation cases under EIA Notification, 2006 issued by them vide their F No. 20-21/2020-IA.III dated 07.07.2021.

- 4) Some applications for obtaining EC for Rolling Mills have been submitted to SEIAA under B2 category. In this regard MoEF&CC is requested to clarify and inform whether the EC applications such industries can be dealt under B2 category.


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