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**State Environment Impact Assessment Authority  
West Bengal  
Minutes of SEIAA Meeting**

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**Subject:-** 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEIAA  
**Venue:-** Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, LB – Block, Sector – III, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700106  
**From :-** 28 October 2021  
**To :-** 28 October 2021

**I. CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE**

(1) Proposed expansion of Cement Production Capacity of Existing Stand-alone Clinker Grinding Unit (2.0 to 5.0 MTPA) by M/s. UltraTech Cement Limited (Unit: Sonar Bangla Cement Works) at Sonar Bangla Cement Works, Village: Dhalo, P.O: Gankar, Block: Raghunathganj-I, District: Murshidabad, West Bengal.

**Proposal No. :-** SIA/WB/IND/58900/2020, **File No. :** EN/T-II-1/066/2020

**Type-EC**

**INTRODUCTION**

The proponent made online application with final EIA report vide proposal no. SIA/WB/IND/58900/2020 dated 26.07.2021 along with copies of EIA/EMP seeking environmental clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the above mentioned project. The project proponent has submitted application in SL.No. 3(b) Cement plants, under Category "B1" of EIA Notification 2006.

The project proponent obtained ToR vide File No. EN/T-II-1/066/2020 dated 23.12.2020 (Proposal no. SIA/WB/IND/58900/2020 dated 04.12.2020).

Earlier the project obtained EC from SEIAA for expansion vide memo no. EN/128-I/T-II-1/054/2007 dated 19.06.2008 and No. 3001/EN/T-II-1/054/2007 dated 08.12.2015. Transfer of EC from Sonar Bangla Cement (A Division of Century Textiles & Industries Ltd.) to M/s. Ultratech Cement Limited was accorded vide memo no. 465/EN/T-II-1/054/2007 dated 28.02.2020 (SIA/WB/IND/127450/2019).

**DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that the project proponent is required to submit the following :-

- i. The lay out plan showing all activities of the plant, road, parking, loading unloading area, greenbelt etc. for existing (2.0 MT) and proposed expansion (5.0 MT) in different colours mentioning the area and percentage in a comparative table in the same sheet.
- ii. The complete EIA Report is not available in the Portal.
- iii. A table mentioning the list of trees is submitted in the Portal. A greenbelt plan duly certified by the local DFO.

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA**

**In order to assess the environmental load for the proposed expansion of the plant, a field visit by a team of**

SEIAA & SEAC members is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.

CONCLUSION

**Deferred (Site Visit).**

(2) Proposed residential complex by **M/s. Kyal Developers Pvt. Ltd.** at Holding No. – 4, A. Sen Road, L.R. Plot No. – 854, 855, 856, 857 & 858, J.L. No. – 25, Mouza – Dakshindari, under S.D.D.M Ward No. – 31, P.S. – Lake Town, Kolkata – 700 048, Dist. – 24 Parganas (North), West Bengal.

**Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/202885/2021, File No. : EN/T-II-1/076/2021**

**Type-EC**

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIS/202885/2021 on 10.03.2021 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

**SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and accepted the same.**

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

**The application for EC is approved based on the South Dum Dum Municipality Building Permit No. 166 dated 16.10.2020.**

CONCLUSION

**Approved for EC.**

(3) Proposed modification & expansion of residential complex by **M/s. Display Vinimay Pvt. Ltd. & 72 Others** at R.S/L.R. Dag Nos. 444, 444/882, 445, 446, 447(P), 448(P), 457 to 469, 508 to 513, 518(P), & 527 to 551, 551/883, 552 to 556, 556/884, 695, 707 to 711 and 720 to 724, at Mouza- Atghara, J.L. No. 10, R.S. No. 133, P.S. Rajarhat, Dist.- 24 Paraganas (North) under Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation, West Bengal.

**[Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/182182/2020, File No :- EN/T-II-1/004/2021]**

**Type- EC**

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIS/182182/2020 dated 05.11.2020 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.

Earlier the project obtained EC vide no. EN/1678/T-III/072/2012 dated 30.06.2014 and 2579/EN/T-II-I/088/2014 dated 23.11.2016.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

**It is found that the project has undergone incremental expansion and modification with procurement of additional land areas. The amalgamation certificate of the entire land within the project is not available in the**



portal. The development agreement for the total land area of the project has not been submitted.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

In order to assess the environmental load for the proposed expansion of the project, a field visit by a team of SEIAA & SEAC members is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.

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

#### CONCLUSION

Deferred (Site Visit).

## **II MISCELLANEOUS**

(1) Reply received vide letter no. 417-ICE-12015(99)/12/2021-MINESSEC-1 Deptt. of ICE dated 08.10.2021 from Secretary, Department of Industry, Commerce & Enterprises with respect to pending applications for Environmental Clearance of mining of minor minerals.

It is found that 157 no. of sand mining cases are lying pending with SEIAA/SEAC which is quite substantial adding to the overall pendency. These sand mining cases could not be processed because of the following directives given from time to time by various authorities:

1. As per MoEF&CC Notification No. S.O.141(E) dated 15.01.2016 it is mentioned that 'The District Survey Report shall form the basis for application for environmental clearance, preparation of reports and appraisal of projects. The reports shall be updated once in five years.'

This was further mentioned as per MoEF&CC Notification No. S.O. 3977(E) dated 14.08.2018 that DSR is one of the mandatory documents for submission of sand mining applications.

2. NGT, Principal Bench in their order dated 26.02.2021 in O.A. No. 360/2015 directed all the states / UTs to strictly follow the SSMG-2016 read with EMGSM-2020 wherein DSR is a mandatory document for processing of sand mining cases.
3. The Dept. of Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, Govt. of West Bengal vide their Memo No. 417-ICE-12015(99)/12/2021-MINESSEC-1 Deptt. of ICE dated 08.10.2021 have informed the Chief Environment Officer, Dept. of Environment, GoWB that the District Survey Reports are under process of finalisation at the district and state level as per the mandated time line.

Meanwhile, Dept. of Industry, Commerce & Enterprises, Govt. of West Bengal has designated West Bengal Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Ltd. (WBMDTCL) a fully owned undertaking of the Govt. of West Bengal as the designated agency for operation of all sand mining activities as per the West Bengal Sand Mining Policy 2021 vide Gazette Notification 284-ICE/O/MIN/GEN-MIS/02/2021 dated 30.07.2021. It is further mentioned that no new lease for sand mining shall be granted to any other agency apart from WBMDTCL and the existing lease shall not be renewed and shall automatically resumed and vested with the State Govt. upon expiry of such lease. In view of the new policy of the Govt. of West Bengal, the pending sand mining applications were reviewed by SEIAA.

Due to non-availability of the respective DSRs for the EC applications lying with SEIAA as well as considering the new policy of Govt. of West Bengal for undertaking operation of all sand mining cases, it is decided to delist all the pending applications lying with SEIAA. Henceforth, SEIAA will not process any sand mining applications for any individual or agency except WBMDTCL.

It is further decided that MS, SEIAA would inform MoEF&CC regarding the new sand mining policy of Govt. of West Bengal and upload the aforesaid decision in the website of the Environment Department.

- (2) OM vide no. IA3-19/95/2021-IA-III dated 06.10.2021 by MoEF&CC regarding granting of Environment Clearance (EC) with EC identification number for Category A and B project proposals.

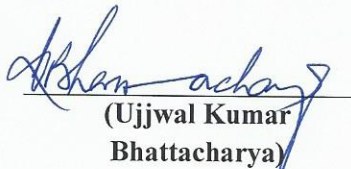
**Noted.**

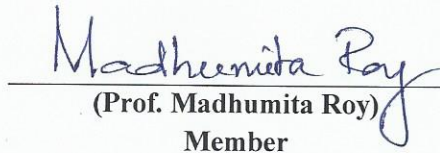
- (3) A complaint received from one Ankur Sharma about filling of a huge water body and flouting of environmental norms at "Z Residencies" at 47 (previously 47, 51A, 53 and 80), Canal Circular Road, Kolkata – 700054.

**In order to assess the veracity of the complaint, a field visit by WBPCB is to be organised with prior intimation to the project proponent.**

- (4) Letter from MoEF&CC vide F No. J-11013/30/2020-IA.I(M)[e-138924] dated 16.10.2021 regarding reconciliation of status of pending proposal for Environmental Clearance (EC) with SEIAA as available on PARIVESH.

**The matter was discussed and the Master Trainer has been requested to prepare the reconciled statement and place the report to SEIAA.**

  
(Ujjwal Kumar  
Bhattacharya)  
Chairman

  
(Prof. Madhumita Roy)  
Member

  
(K. Balamurugan)  
Member Secretary