

**MINUTES OF THE 6TH MEETING OF STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT
ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (SEIAA) HELD ON 15TH SEPTEMBER, 2020 AT PRANI
SAMPAD BHAVAN**

The sixth meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held on 15th September, 2020 in the Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5th Floor, LB - Block, Sector - III, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700106. Following cases were discussed:

I. Violation

1. Application for Environmental Clearance for the construction of Mercantile Building (Shopping Complex) "GENEXX SQUARE" by **M/s Hastera Credit Private Limited** at 37/1, Diamond Harbour Road, J.L. No. - 21, Mouza - Joka, P.S. - Thakurpukur, under KMC, Kolkata - 700104. (SIA/WB/MIS/53963/2013).

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that the online application no. refers to the year 2013 which is not the case. Therefore, it is to be rechecked and put up in the next meeting.

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

2. Application for Environmental Clearance for the proposed manufacturing of PU Foams at Kanchan Jangha Integrated Park, Siliguri by M/s Sheela Foams Ltd (SIA/WB/IND2/48079/2019)

The matter was referred to SEIAA by SEAC as it was noted that the project proponent had started the operation of the existing plant without obtaining Environmental Clearance. Therefore, the industry committed violation of EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments.

SEIAA discussed the matter and observed that as per O.M. under F No. 22-10/2019-IA.III dated 09.09.2019 of MoEF & CC the window for processing of violation cases ended on 13.04.2018. Since this project proponent applied in 2019, the project cannot be processed under the provisions of Notification vide S.O.804(E) dated 14.03.2017.

Therefore, SEIAA decided to Reject the application for EC and request WBPCB to take appropriate action in this regard.

II. Miscellaneous

1. Application regarding exemption from Environmental Clearance for the construction of ESR Uluberia Logistics Park (A Warehouse Complex) by **M/s. ESR Warehousing Private Limited** at J.L. No. 09, Mouza, Chandipur and J.L. No. 55, Mouza Harinarayanchak and J.L. No. 8, Ambraberia, P.S. Uluberia, District Howrah, Kolkata.

The project proponent applied online to SEIAA as well as wrote vide their letter no. Nil dated 11.09.2020 that SEIAA may consider to exempt the

project from obtaining Environmental Clearance. It was observed from the application that the project proponent had applied for a built up area of 92870.56 sqm. and also declared that the existing built up area is nil. However, it seems that they had already obtained Consent to Establish for a warehouse from WBPCB. Therefore, SEIAA decided to request WBPCB to send a report regarding the existing warehouse project of M/s. ESR Warehousing Private Limited.

2. Application by M/s Orissa Metaliks Pvt Ltd for transfer of part of components in EC issued vide no 3311/EN/T-II-1/016/2018 dated 3.10.18. to M/s Rashmi Metallurgical Industry Private Limited.(SIA/WB/IND/22755/2017 and SIA/WB/IND/131021/2019)

SEIAA considered the applications and observed that it seemed the project proponent has submitted multiple applications against a particular project. Since more than one application cannot be dealt against one particular project, a clarification is required from the project proponent.

Therefore, the applications for EC are deferred (Additional Information).

3. Letter No.1122037V/20-21/20072021 dated 27.07.2020 from M/s SRMB Srijan Pvt. Ltd. to allow doing a part of mandatory plantation outside the project area.

SEIAA considered the application mentioned above and observed that the EC issued vide 764/EN/T-II-1/031/2014 dated 12.04.2017 dealt specifically with the project area of 23.785 acres with the condition no.(xiii) specifically mentioning the green belt area of 7.84 acres which is 33% of the total project area. The question of allowing part of mandatory plantation outside the project area does not arise.

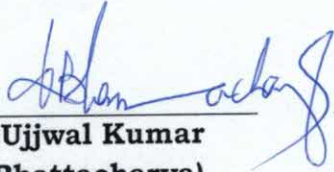
Therefore, the said application submitted by the project proponent is Rejected.

4. Discussion on requirement of EIA and public consultation for mining projects which are individually or as cluster have an area >5 ha and <25 ha.

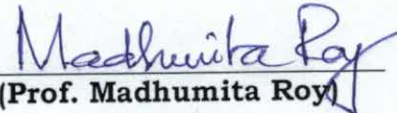
In view of the order issued by the Hon'ble NGT, Southern Zone in O.A. No. 136 of 2017(SZ) dated 30.06.2020 and O.M. of MoEF & CC vide F No. L-11011/200/2017-IA-II(M) dated 18.08.2020, SEIAA has decided that henceforth all the applications of mining projects having an area >5 ha and <25 ha shall be dealt according to the EIA Notification, S.O. 141(E) dated 15.01.2016.

5. Discussion on whether henceforth SEIAA will approve ToR and convey it to project proponent in the online portal.

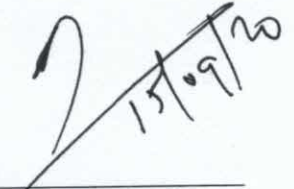
As per the changes made by MoEF & CC on its PARIVESH Portal, henceforth ToR for conducting EIA study shall be issued by SEIAA (instead of SEAC) based on the recommendation of SEAC.



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