ONLINE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION
FOR SEEKING ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) functioning under the aegis of Department of Environment, Government of Himachal Pradesh has decided to switch over to on line submission of application forms for grant of Environmental Clearances by 2nd October 2015. To start with in place of manual submission of application forms, applications will be accepted both through online as well as existing offline mechanism upto 31st December 2015. After 1st January 2016 applications shall be accepted only through online.

Presently for seeking Environmental Clearances, the project proponent has to submit 12 numbers of hard copies of Form-I/Form-IA, Pre-feasibility Report/EIA/EMP, Maps, Drawings, other documents etc. along with soft copies in CDs etc to SEIAA which involves lot of paper work and formalities.

Under the new system, the project proponent applying for environmental clearances shall have to register himself with online web portal i.e. http://www.environmentclearance.nic.in at state of Himachal Pradesh link. After successful registration, user-id and password will be communicated automatically to the registered email-id of the proponent. Thereafter, by logging into the web portal, project proponent can submit application online along with uploading/filling of information viz. Form-I, Form IA, Pre-feasibility Report, EIA/EMP etc. Only one original hard copy of these documents will be needed for the office record.

After submitting the application, project proponent can view and monitor entire process from submission of application to SEAC/SEIAA, upto grant of Environmental Clearance. Project proponent shall also be able to easily check status, agenda, minutes, ToR/EC on the portal. The Project Proponent can also have direct access to the documents and details of other cases. This online system is equipped with many features like e-mail and SMS alert facility, online-downloading of ToR/ECs, 24x7 availability throughout the year, accessibility from any PC having internet facility.

This mechanism will greatly enhance speed, transparency and accountability in the entire process of grant of Environmental Clearance. It will also generate more responsiveness on the part of the project proponent as well as the offices of the SEAC and SEIAA.

The State level Environment Impact Assessment Authority Himachal Pradesh requests all project proponents to make full use of this transparent online system.