No.SEIAA/12\textsuperscript{th} Meeting/2011-

Dated: 08/03/2012

PROCEEDINGS OF 12\textsuperscript{TH} MEETING OF THE STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY

Opening Remarks:-

The 12\textsuperscript{th} meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held in Department of Environment, S&T, Shimla on 30\textsuperscript{th} July, 2012 for considering the recommendations of Environmental Clearance in favour of the project proposals made by the State Level Environment Appraisal Committee, SEAC in its 18\textsuperscript{th} & 19\textsuperscript{th} meetings held on 1\textsuperscript{st} June, 2012 and 6\textsuperscript{th} July, 2012 respectively to deliberate on the issues for grant of Environmental Clearance/ other recommendations in the listed Agenda.

Member Secretary welcomed the Chairperson and the Member of the Authority. The proceedings were started with the permission of Chair and following deliberations were held:-

\textbf{Item No.1}  \hspace{1cm} (a) Ratification of the Minutes of the 11\textsuperscript{th} Meeting of SEIAA:

Authority ratified the minutes of its 11\textsuperscript{th} meeting held on 5\textsuperscript{th} April, 2012.

(b) Ratification of the action taken on the complaint CPTL Chandigarh.

The issue of counter claims by the Consultants were placed before the Authority along with the action taken by the Department. The Authority while ratifying the action taken in the matter by the Department Environment, S&T, observed that all such complaints be referred to Ministry of Environment & Forests, GOI for necessary action with the request that the Department of Environment, S&T, Himachal Pradesh may be kept informed of the action taken.
Consideration of the cases recommended by the SEAC for grant of Environmental Clearance in 18th and 19th meeting.


The proposal is for setting up of Cement Plant (Product Mix only) of capacity 337.25MT/ month in the industrial area Jeetpur Behri, Tehsil Amb, District Una, H.P. The Capital cost of the plant is Rs. 124.72 lacs.

The project proponents made presentation before the SEIAA with respect to their project proposal and environment and pollution control aspects, and the issues raised by the SEAC in its 18th meeting. The Authority observed that there was a substantial variation in the installed capacity and the proposed capacity utilization. The scrutiny of the papers revealed that the proposed capacity utilization of the plant was shown as 337.25MT/ month whereas the registration of the unit shows the annual installed capacity as 50,000 MT and project report shows installed capacity as 50 MTPD on single shift basis. The matter was discussed in detail and considering the discrepancies in the figures with regard to installed capacity and proposed capacity utilization even in the document of the Industries Department, GOHP the proponents were advised to obtain factual information along with necessary corrections in the documents by the Industries Department. It was decided complete revised documents should be submitted to the authority for consideration of Environment Clearance during its next meeting.

2.2 M/s Himachal Cement Industries, 5-6 Industrial Area, Raja Ka Bagh, Tehsil, Nupur Distt. Kangra, H.P.

The proposal is for setting up of Cement Grinding Unit of capacity 75MTD in. 5-6 Industrial Area, Raja Ka Bagh, Tehsil, Nupur Distt. Kangra, H.P. The Capital cost of the plant is Rs. 112 lacs.

The project proponents made presentation before the SEIAA with respect to their project proposal and environment and pollution control aspects, and the
issues raised by the SEAC in its 19th meeting. The SEIAA after detailed deliberations made following observations for compliance by the Proponents.

1. The Proponents shall submit revised site plan specifically earmarking the parking slots for 10 trucks (Big Covered Containers) within the project premises.

2. The Proponents shall install rainwater harvesting system and shall depict the same on the Site Plan.

3. The Proponents shall undertake air/water monitoring on quarterly basis and shall furnish the same to the Pollution Control Board for hosting on its official website.

4. The Proponents shall undertake regular maintenance of the Pollution Control Devices.

The Proposal M/s Himachal Cement Industries, 5-6 Industrial Area, Raja Ka Bagh, Tehsil, Nurpur Distt. Kangra, H.P. was considered for setting up of Cement Grinding Unit of capacity 75 MTD in. 5-6 Industrial Area, Raja Ka Bagh, Tehsil, Nurpur Distt. Kangra, H.P as Category B-2 category project and approved for grant of Environmental Clearance with the conditions recommended by the SEIAA/SEAC.

Item No. 3: Case for Pre-Construction Activities:

3.1 M/s Sr. Vice President, Shangling Hydro- Power Private Limited (44 MW) in Lahaul & Spiti for permission to undertake Pre-Construction activities.

The Proposal is for setting up of 44 MW Shangling Hydro Electric Project on River Chandra in District L&S Himachal Pradesh. TOR’s for the EIA/EMP studies for the proposal was fixed in the 18th meeting of the SEAC. The Proponent has requested for permission to undertake – Pre Construction activities.

The project proponents made presentation before the SEIAA with respect to their project proposal and environment and pollution control aspects. The SEIAA after detailed deliberations approved grant of permission for Pre-construction activities with following conditions.
(1) The Proponents shall contribute to the proposed Cumulative Environment Impact Assessment being proposed by the Power Department and this permission will be subject to recommendations of this Cumulative Environment Impact Assessment.

(2) The Proponents shall explore the possibility of avoiding construction of new roads for transportation of materials to Surge Shaft area. The alternative mode of transportation by way of ropeways shall be evaluated and considered.

(3) The Project Proponents shall carry out only those activities on the basis of which the project components shall be finalized and which are essential to ascertain geological status of the area; such as drilling, drifting, improvement of existing approach path to the project site etc.

(4) It shall be the responsibility of the Project Proponents to obtain all the requisite approvals/ clearances/ NOCs as may be applicable to the project from the competent authorities under different Acts/ Rules/ Regulation/ Order etc. for pre construction activities of the project, as may be applicable.

(5) The Project Proponents shall ensure that the pre construction activities do not disturb the natural environment including flora & fauna, air and water, local habitat etc. of the area in any manner.

(6) The Project Proponent shall not undertake any construction of road, path or building or any civil, mechanical or electrical component of the project.

The Proposal M/s Sr.Vice President, Shangling Hydro- Power Private Limited (44 MW) for permission to undertake Pre- Construction activities for setting up Shangling Hydro- Power Private Limited (44 MW) in Lahaul & Spiti was considered and approved to undertake Pre- Construction activities with the conditions recommended by the SEIAA/SEAC.

Item No.4: Approval of the revised conditions: Part-A-Specific Conditions, Part-B-General Conditions rationalized and recommended for approval by the SEAC/SEIAA in its 18th meeting for issuance of Environment Clearance.

The Recommendations of the SEAC for the rationalizing Part-A-Specific Conditions, Part-B-General Conditions were considered and approved by the SEIAA for the issuance of the Environment Clearance letter.
(a) Construction activities of Private Universities.

The authority observed that many universities are undertaking various construction activities without seeking prior environment clearance. It took serious note of the fact that besides causing damage to the surroundings, construction material is quite often dumped on the roadsides which becomes a traffic nuisance. It was decided to issue a Press Advertisement directing all construction activities falling under the purview of environment clearance, to seek mandatory environment clearance before undertaking any construction activity. All unauthorised construction should be stopped henceforth.

The State Pollution Control Board shall submit the status report of all the construction activities with details of built up area including roads pavements and service areas related to Universities in the State to the Authority with in one month. Depending upon the information received the Authority shall make recommendations to the Government to initiate action as provided in the Environment (Protection) Act 1986.

(b) Municipal Solid Waste management Facility.

The authority took note of the TOR’s fixed by the SEAC for the integrated Solid Waste Management Facility by Municipal Corporation, Shimla and recommended that the Municipal Corporation Shimla should take necessary action for obtaining Environment Clearance.

The meeting concluded with Vote of Thanks to/from the Chair.

Approved and Signed by:

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