State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority  
Himachal Pradesh 
Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India. 

No.SEIAA/18th Meeting/2013-  
Dated:

PROCEEDINGS OF 19TH MEETING OF THE STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY

Opening Remarks:-

The 19th meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held in NRTC at Parwanoo Distt. Solan on 15th February, 2014 for considering the project proposals taken up by the SEIAA in its 18th meeting held on 9th December 2013 and project proposals recommended by the SEAC for grant of Environmental Clearance in its 34th & 35th meeting held on 17th December 2013 and 23rd January 2014 respectively.

The Member Secretary, SEIAA, extended his welcome to the Chairperson and the Member of the Authority. With the permission of Chair and following deliberations were held and decision taken:-

Item No.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of SEIAA:

The Authority ratified the minutes of its 18th meeting held on 9th December, 2013.

Item No.2 Consideration of the project proposals taken up by the SEIAA in its 18th meeting held on 9th December 2013 and project proposals recommended by the SEAC for grant of Environmental Clearance in its 34th & 35th meeting held on 17th December 2013 and 23rd January 2014 respectively (Minutes placed at Annexure "A" & B).


Proposal is for mining of Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of over an area of 28 kanals (private land) in Khasra No.1739/870/1 (10-00 Kanal) & 1836/1615 (9-00 Kanal) & 1837/1615 (9-00 Kanal) at Mauza Mewa, Mohal Tika Jahu Khurd of Tehsil Bohoranj, District Hamirpur (H.P) Mining capacity is 50750
MT as indicated by the Proponent. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. The unit has also submitted a certificate issued by Divisional Forest Officer Hamirpur Forest Division, Hamirpur certifying that there is no National Park, Sanctuary, Biosphere reserve, Wildlife Corridors, Tiger/Elephant reserves within 10 Km of lease area.

ToRs for the proposal were fixed in 25th meeting of SEAC with observations to indicate details of mining projects and crushers 5 Km upstream and 5 Km downstream of the project site in EIA report & clearly show and mark the features like school, bridges, health institutions, water supply schemes etc within 1.00 Km radius of the proposed mining area.

The proposal was placed before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its 32nd meeting. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before committee recommend the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with terms and conditions after the applicant submits the certificate from Mining Department certifying that there are no existing operational mines & mining project within the radius of 500 metres from the periphery of mining site as per MoEF, Govt. of India Notification dated 9-09-2013. The matter was placed before the SEIAA in its 17th Meeting held on 18th November 2013, which had decided as under:

"The Authority (SEIAA) approved the grant of Environment Clearance in favour of the project proponents on the recommendation and terms and conditions imposed by the SEAC in its 32nd meeting held on 25/26th October 2013. The Authority advised the proponents to mention the activity area in hectare and submit the revised form-1 with other requisite documents besides a certificate from the competent authority (Mining Department) with regard to non-operation of mines within the radius of 500 metres from the periphery of mining site as per MoEF notification dated 9.9.2013 before the issuance of EC."

In compliance to the observations made by SEIAA the proponents has submitted the revised form-1, but the certificate of the mining department has not specifically mentioned the distance of existing/other mines adjoining to the mining area in question.

The SEIAA observed that the documents submitted by the proponents are not in line with the earlier directions of the SEIAA and the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment dated 24th December 2013. It was decided that the Mining Department be asked to specify the total area of the current (including non-operational) leases in the area. The matter may be put up to the SEIAA in the next meeting.

Proposal is for mining of Minor Minerals from River over an area of over an area of 27-19 Kanals (private land) in Khasra No.2164/1862(05-02 Kanal), 2169/1863 (4-17 Kanal), 2165/1862 (08-00 Kanal), 2166/1862 (05-00 Kanal) & 2168/1863 (05-00 Kanal) at Mauza Mewa, Mohal Tika Badehr of Tehsil Bohoranj, District Hamirpur (H.P). Stone extraction capacity is 44650 MT for the leased period of five years as indicated in Project at a Glance. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. The unit has also submitted a certificate issued by Divisional Forest Officer Hamirpur Forest Division, Hamirpur certifying that there is no National Park, Sanctuary, Biosphere reserve, Wildlife Corridors, Tiger/Elephant reserves within 10 Km of lease area.

The proposal was also listed/discussed in 25th meeting of SEAC with observations to indicate details of mining projects and crushers 5 Km upstream and 5 Km downstream of the project site in EIA report & clearly show and mark the features like school, bridges, health institutions, water supply schemes etc within 1.00 Km radius of the proposed mining area.

The proposal was placed before the Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its 32nd meeting. The proponent stated that there is no other mine within periphery of 500 metres of the project. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before committee recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with terms and conditions after the applicant submits the certificate from Mining Department certifying that there is no existing operation mines & mining project within the radius of 500 metres from the periphery of mining site as per MoEF, Govt. of India Notification dated 9-09-2013. The matter was placed before the SEIAA in its 17th Meeting held on 18th November 2013, which had decided as under:

The Authority (SEIAA) approved the grant of Environment Clearance in favour of the project proponents on the recommendation and terms and conditions imposed by the SEAC in its 32nd meeting held on 25/26th October 2013. The Authority advised the proponents to mention the activity area in hectare and submit the revised form-1 with other requisite documents besides a certificate from the competent authority (Mining Department) with regard to non-operation of mines within the radius of 500 metres from the periphery of mining site as per MoEF notification dated 9.9.2013 before the issuance of EC.”
In compliance to the observations made by SEIAA the proponents has submitted the revised form-I, but the certificate of the mining department has not specifically mentioned the distance of existing/other mines adjoining to the mining area in question.

The SEIAA observed that the documents submitted by the proponents are not in line with the earlier directions of the SEIAA and the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment dated 24th December 2013. It was decided that the Mining Department be asked to specify the total area of the current (including non-operational) leases in the area. The matter may be put up to the SEIAA in the next meeting.

2.3 Extraction of Stone for the Stone Crushing Unit of M/S Him Anchal Stone Crusher of Sh. Dixit Keparate S/O Sh. Hariman Kaperate VPO Purag, Tehsil Kotkhai, Dist. Shimla H.P.

The proposal is for mining of Sand, Stone & Bajri over an area of 0-81-25 Hectares (private land) in Khasra No. 4 at Mauja Riyana Tehsil Theog Distt. Shimla, H.P. The EIA/EMP has been prepared as per the TOR's fixed in 26th meeting of the SEAC. The mining capacity of the unit is 500 MTA per week. The proponents have submitted a certificate issued by DFO Theog that there is no wild life sanctuary within the radius of 35 Kms from the mining site.

The proposal was also listed in 29th meeting of SEAC and proponent was asked to resubmit certain information.

Having complied to the observations of the SEAC's 29th meeting, the State Expert Appraisal Committee SEAC evaluated the proposal on the basis of documents submitted and presentation made by the Consultants for the proponent. The (SEAC) after due diligence and the deliberations on the information/facts placed before it recommended the proposal for grant of Environment Clearance by SEIAA as B-2 category (only for the purpose of Public Hearing) with stipulated specific conditions besides the General Conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due diligence the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent as recommended by the SEAC in its 33rd meeting held on 14th November 2013, with a condition that the proponent shall furnish a certificate from the Mining Department that the mining operations were not in operation after 31st August, 2013, before issuance of EC. The matter was placed before the SEIAA in its 18th meeting held 9th December 2013 which had decided as under:
“The Authority (SEIAA) approved the grant of Environment Clearance as recommended by the SEAC in its 33rd meeting held on 14th November 2013 with a condition that the proponent shall furnish a certificate from the Mining Department that the mining operations were not in operation after 31st August, 2013, before issuance of EC.”

The Proponent has now furnished a copy of clarification issued by the State Geologist, Industries Department GoHP stating that the Hon’ble Supreme Court had vacated the restrictions imposed by the Hon’ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh.

After perusal of the documents and in view of the clarification of the Mining Department submitted by the proponent the Authority (SEIAA) approved the grant of Environment Clearance to the proposal.


ToRs for proposal of mining/collection of Sand, Stone and Bajri for the Stone Crushing Unit over an area of 503-19 Kanals in the Government land in Khasra No.468,552,3156/1,3433,3371,3472,3473,3411,2519 Tika/Mohal-Jajri, Mauza and sub-Tehsil- Datwal, Distt-Hamirpur (H.P) and Khasra No.994,995,1324,1349/2,1375 at Tikka/Mohal- Ghori, Mauza and Sub-Tehsil-Datwal, Distt-Hamirpur H.P with stone extraction capacity is 107920 MTPA were fixed in 22nd meeting of SEAC. Public hearing for the proposal was held on 18-07-2013. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved in the mining area. The unit has also submitted a certificate issued by Divisional Forest Officer, Hamirpur Forest Division, Hamirpur certifying that there is no National Park, Sanctuaries, Biosphere reserve, Wildlife Corridors, Tiger/Elephant reserves within 10 Km of lease area. Public hearing for the proposal was held on 18-07-2013.

The proposal was placed before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its 31st meeting. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before committee recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-1 with terms and conditions.

As per the observations made by the SEIAA in its 17th meeting the proponent furnished their revised Form-1 along with the measures to be undertaken for mitigating impact of silt load in the downstream of perennial water flow. The matter was placed before the SEIAA in its 18th meeting held 9th December 2013 which had decided as under:
"The Authority (SEIAA) approved grant of Environment Clearance in favour of the project proponents on the recommendation and terms and conditions imposed by the SEAC in its 30th meeting with a stipulation that EC letter shall be issued after the project proponent submits letter of intent from Industries Department for revision of lease deed."

Owing to certain discrepancy in the Khasra Numbers of the lease area, a corrigendum had to be issued. After due diligence the Authority ratified the issuance of the corrigendum.

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2.5 Mining of Sand, Stone and Bajri for the stone crushing unit of Sh. Ramesh Chand & Parkash Chand, Partners M/s Shiv Shakti Stone Crusher, Village & PO Singha Soorkalan, Tehsil Haroli, Distt Una at Mauja Singha Mohal Surkalla, Tehsil Haroli Distt. Una, H.P.

The proposal is for mining of Sand, Stone & Bajri over an area of 4-33-39 Hectares (private land) in Khasra No. 3652,3654,3670,3673,3671,3677,3669 & 3680 at Mauja Singha Mohal Surkalla, Tehsil Haroli Distt. Una, H.P. The EIA/EMP has been prepared as per standard TOR's fixed in 25th meeting of the SEAC. The mining capacity of the unit is 1,21,000 TPA. No forest land is involved in the project activity.

The SEAC evaluated the proposal on the basis of documents submitted and presentation made by the Consultants for the proponent. The State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) after due diligence and the deliberations on the information/facts placed before it recommended the proposal for grant of Environment Clearance by SEIAA as B-2 category (only for the purpose of Public Hearing) with stipulated specific conditions besides the General Conditions, provided the proponent submits a certificate from the competent authority (Mining Department) with regard to non-operation of mines within the radius of 500 metres from the periphery of the proposed mining site as per MoEF notification dated 9.9.2013.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due diligence the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent as recommended by the SEAC in its 33rd meeting held on 14th November 2013, with a condition that the proponent shall revise the EMP and enhance the capital cost component for plantation to Rs 5.00 lakhs raising the cost of the EMP to Rs 12.00 lakhs as capital cost and Rs 2.5 lakhs as recurring cost before issuance of EC. The matter was placed before the Authority in its 18th meeting held on 9th December 2013, which had decided as under:

"The Authority (SEIAA) approved the grant of Environment Clearance as recommended by the SEAC in its 33rd meeting held on 14th November 2013
with a condition that the proponent shall make corrections in the EIA Report as advised during the meeting before issuance of EC.”

The matter was again placed before the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23 January 2014 for correction in the title of the mining lease i.e Extraction of Sand, Stone & Bajri which was inadvertently mentioned as ‘Sand Extraction’ by the SEAC besides inclusion of one khasra number 3679 which did not appear in the last recommendation. The rectification has now been made by SEAC and the matter is placed before the Authority for approval of EC.

After perusal of the provisional grant of mining lease by the Industries Department letter No. Udyog-Bhu (Khani-4) laghu-51/12 dated 15.09.2012 and the observation of SEAC recorded in 35th meeting that there was a typographical error, the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent as per title and khasra Nos recommended by the SEAC.


Proposal is for river bed mining for Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 58-02 Bighas or 4.69 hectare (private land) in Khasra No. 638/613/590/188/4 at Mauza Mohkampur Nawada, Tehsil, Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, H.P. Mining capacity is 35,550 TPA as indicated in forms. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. Mining has been sanctioned by the State Government, Department of Industries.

Proposal was also listed in 32nd meeting of SEAC and proponent was asked to submit information about mining leases operating within 500 mtrs of mining area. Now the proponent has submitted a certificate from Mining Officer, Nahan, Distt-Sirmour H.P that some leases exists within the radius of 500 mtrs of the proposed mining lease area but at present no mining lease is in operation due to want of EIA clearance.

The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before committee recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions for consideration by the SEIAA after the proponent shall submit a certificate from competent authority whether permission under Section 118 for mining lease area is applicable or not. If the permission is required, then the clearance shall only be considered after such permission is obtained and submitted to the Authority.
After detailed deliberation on the contents of certificate issued by the Mining Department and the applicability of Section 118 of HP Land Reforms Act 1971, the authority decided that clarification with regard to grant of Environment Clearance to lease holders who are non-agriculturists and non-himachali should be sought from Revenue and the Industries Department so that holistic view in the matter is taken by the Authority.

Further it was decided to ask the proponents to submit a clear certificate on mining leases as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment dated 24/12/2013.

The Authority directed that the matter be put up after the above clarification/certificate is received.


ToRs for proposal for mining/collection of Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 27-16 Kanals (private land) in Khasra No. 1406 at Mohal- Tikka Panoh, Mauza- Spahal, Tehsil-Sujanpur, District-Hamirpur. H.P with Stone, Sand and Bajri extraction capacity is 20,000 MTPA were fixed in 28th meeting of SEAC to prepare EIA/EMP as per standard ToRs fixed in 25th meeting of SEAC.

The unit had submitted EIA /EMP report and gave a presentation on the Project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts submitted recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due consideration the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the conditions recommended by SEAC in the 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013 and the proponents producing certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration. The proponents shall also revise the EMP with respect to the cost of plantation and species to be planted.

ToRs for the proposal for mining/collection of Sand, Stone and Bajri for the Stone Crushing Unit over an area of 4.44-00 Hectares in the private land in Khasra No. 601/1 at Mohal- Batlahu, Mauza- Dhatwal, Tehsil- Barsar, Distt-Hamirpur H.P with mineral extraction capacity is 28,600 TPA were fixed in 23rd meeting of SEAC. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved in the mining area. The proponent has submitted certificate issued by DFO, Hamirpur stating that there is no Wild Life Sanctuary within 10 KM of lease area.

The unit had submitted EIA /EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it, the committee recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. The Authority took serious note of the certificate issued by the Mining Officer. The Authority decided that he matter be referred to Director Industries. The Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce revised certificate of the Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration as per records of the Mining Department of the area. The proponents shall also give details of the plantation and species to be planted. These are in addition to the terms recommended by the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013.

2.9 Mining of Minor minerals (Stone, Bajri & Sand) by M/s Paras Stone Crusher by Sh. Pratap Singh, PO- Palchan, Tehsil- Manali, District-Kullu H.P at Mauza &Mohal- Buruwa, Tehsil- Manali, Distt-Kullu H.P.

Proposal is for mining of Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 9 Bighas (private land) in Khasra Nos. 97 at Mauza- Buruwa, Tehsil-Manali, District- Kullu (H.P). Mining capacity is 10,000 TPA as indicated by the Proponent. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. Proponent has prepared EIA/EMP report as per standard ToRs fixed in 25th meeting of SEAC.
The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it recommended the matter to SEIIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIIAA. The Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent on the terms recommended by the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013.

2.10 M/s Cadbury India Limited, Unit-I, Village-Sandholi, Baddi, H.P for expansion of capacity of DG set from 2020 KVA to 6738 KVA.

The Proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013. The committee examined the proposal in light of EIA, Notification, 2006 and its schedule. It is observed that generation of power through DG sets is not covered under the schedule of the EIA, Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendment No. SO-3067(E) Dated 01-02-2009.

The proponent had also submitted copy of letter No J-13012/106/2010-IA. II(T) dated 28-10-2010 issued by Ministry of Environment and Forest indicating that the installation of 7 MW DG set within the cement grinding unit of M/s Grasim Cement Unit at Bhatinda in Punjab does not require prior Environment Clearance in accordance with the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIIAA. In view of the provisions of EIA, Notification 2006 and subsequent amendment in 2009 and clarification submitted by the proponent and considering the views made by SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013 the authority endorses the views of the SEAC that the proposal of M/s Cadbury India Limited Unit-I, Village-Sandholi, Baddi H.P for expansion of capacity of DG set from 2020 KVA to 6738 KVA does not require Environmental Clearance. The Authority decided that since the EC is not required in the instant case, the matter stands closed.

2.11 M/s Cadbury India Limited, Unit-II, Village-Sandholi, Baddi, H.P for expansion of capacity of DG set from 4558 KVA to 9888 KVA.

The Proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013. The committee examined the proposal in light of EIA, Notification, 2006 and its schedule. It is observed that generation of power...
through DG sets is not covered under the schedule of the EIA, Notification, 2006 and subsequent amendment No.3067 (E) dated 1-12-2009.

The proponent had also submitted a copy of letter No J-13012/106/2010-IA. II (T) dated 29-10-2010 issued by Ministry of Environment and Forest indicating that the installation of 7 MW DG set within the cement grinding unit of M/s Grasim Cement Unit at Bhatinda in Punjab does not require prior Environment Clearance in accordance with the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. In view of the provisions of EIA, Notification 2006 and subsequent amendment in 2009 and clarification submitted by the proponent and considering the views of SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013, the authority endorses the views of the SEAC that the proposal of M/s Cadbury India Limited Unit-II, Village-Sandholi, Baddi H.P for expansion of capacity of DG set from 4558 KVA to 9888 KVA does not require Environmental Clearance. The Authority decided that since the EC is not required in the instant case, the matter stands closed.

2.12 Mining of Minor minerals (Stone, Bajri & Sand) by M/s S.C.S Enterprises by Sh. Ram Chand at Mauza-Lodhwan, Mohal- Tipri, Tehsil- Nurpur, Distt-Kangra H.P.

The Proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013. The proponent apprised the SEAC that there are mining leases within 500 mtrs of the lease area and some of mining lease holders have already applied for grant of Environmental Clearance to Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt of India.

The Committee is of the view that there is concentration of mining activity in the entire area including the area in Chakki River and its tributaries between Kandwal to Lodhwan and bridge on the Pathankot- Jallandar GT road. The committee further decided that the integrated environment management plan for this entire area is essential. Committee also perused the amendment in EIA Notification No. 2731 (E) dated 09-09-2013 and it is observed that all the leases in the entire area shall not within the competence of SEAC/SEIAA and an integrated environment management plan covering all impacted issues cannot be incorporated by the SEAC/SEIAA.

After detailed deliberations, the committee unanimously decided to recommend for consideration and approval of SEIAA that the lease applications of environmental clearance in Chakki & its tributaries from Raja ka Bagh to Mohtli should be dealt with at one level i.e. at the level of Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt. of India to take holistic view of the entire area and the environment, social, infrastructural and other issues.
The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due considerations and considering the views of the SEAC made in its 34th meeting, the SEIAA decided that the lease applications of environmental clearance in Chakki & its tributaries located one kilometer upstream of bridge on Mandi-Pathankot National highway and 3 kms downstream of Railway bridge on Pathankot Jullundar section should be dealt with as a cluster mining operation. The Authority decided that State Mining Department be asked to indicate the total area under all mining leases (including non-operational mines) within the entire stretch, so that holistic view in the matter is taken. The Authority decided to keep the matter pending till response of the Mining Department is received.

2.13 Mining of Minor minerals (Stone, Bajri & Sand) by M/s Shivam Stone Crusher VPO- Lodhwan, Tehsil- Nurpur, District-Kangra H.P at Mauza &Mohal- Lodhwan, Tehsil-Nurpur, Distt-Kangra H.P

The Proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 34th meeting held on 17th December 2013. The proponent apprised the SEAC that there are mining leases within 500 mtrs of the lease area and some of mining lease holders have already applied for grant of Environmental Clearance to Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt of India.

The Committee is of the view that there are concentration of mining activity in the entire area including the area in Chakki River and its tributaries between Kandwal to Lodhwan and bridge on the Pathankot- Jallandar GT road. The committee further decided that the integrated environment management plan for this entire area is essential. Committee also perused the amendment in EIA Notification No. 2731 (E) dated 09-09-2013 and it is observed that all the leases in the entire area shall not within the competence of SEAC/SEIAA and an integrated environment management plan covering all impacted issues cannot be incorporated by the SEAC/SEIAA.

After detailed deliberations, the committee unanimously decided to recommend for consideration and approval of SEIAA that the lease applications of environmental clearance in Chakki & its tributaries from Raja ka Bagh to Mohlti should be dealt with at one level i.e. at the level of Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt. of India to take holistic view of the entire area and the environment, social, infrastructural and other issues.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due considerations and considering the views of the SEAC made in its 34th meeting, the SEIAA decided that the lease applications of environmental clearance in Chakki & its tributaries located one kilometer upstream of bridge on Mandi-Pathankot National highway and 3 kms downstream of Railway bridge on Pathankot Jullundar section should be dealt with as a
cluster mining operation. The Authority decided that State Mining Department be asked to indicate the total area under all mining leases (including non-operational mines) within the entire stretch, so that holistic view in the matter is taken. The Authority decided to keep the matter pending till response of the Mining Department is received.


The proposal is River Bed mining for Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 59-00 Bighas or 4.93 hectare (private land) in Khasra No. 638/613/590/188/8 at Mauza Mohakampur Nawada, Tehsil, Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, H.P. Mining capacity is 53760 TPA as indicated in forms.

Proposal was listed in 34th meeting of SEAC but no one was present to turn up the case so, was deferred. The proposal was again placed before the SEAC in its 35th meeting. The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 11-11-2013 from Mining Officer, Nahan, Distt- Sirmour H.P that some leases exists within the radius of 500 mtrs of the proposed mining lease area but at present no mining lease is in operation due to want of EIA clearance. Inter-state Boundary of Uttrakhand and Simbalwara Wild Life Sanctuary lies within 10 Km radius. The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report.

The proponent gave a presentation on the project before the SEIAA on Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due diligence the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration, besides terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.

2.15 River Bed Mining for Sand, Stone and Bajri, Prop. Smt. Shublata Sharma, at P.O. Devinagar, Tehsil Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour (H.P.) at Mauja-Rampur Ghat, Tehsil-Paonta Sahib, Distt-Sirmour H.P.

The proposal is of River Bed Mining for Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 18-18 Bighas or 1.51 hectare (private land) in Khasra No. 486/332/148 at Mauza Rampur Ghat, Tehsil, Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, H.P. Mining capacity is 14,888 TPA as indicated in forms. Applicant has mentioned in the
application that no forest land is involved. Mining has been sanctioned by the State Government, Department of Industries.

Proposal was listed in 34th meeting of SEAC but no one was present to turn up the case so, the case was deferred. The proposal was again placed before the SEAC in its 35th meeting. The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 11-11-2013 from Mining Officer, Nahan, Distt- Sirmour H.P that some leases exists within the radius of 500 mtrs of the proposed mining lease area but at present no mining lease is in operation due to want of EIA clearance. Inter-state Boundary of Uttrakhand and Simbalwara Wild Life Sanctuary lies within 10 Km radius

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After due diligence the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration besides terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.

2.16 Mining of Brick Earth/ Ordinary earth by M/s Sh. Pawan Kumar Prop.

The proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 35th meeting. The proposal is for mining of Brick Earth/ Ordinary Earth over an area of 4.88 Hectare (private land) in Khasra No. 19, 805/20, 26, 822/782/435, 831/787/463, 36, 33, 40,112/95,33/1, 97/4, 12, 16, 22, 33, 115/35, 37/1 and 49 at Mauza Riri, Jukhala, Tehsil Sadar, Distt. Bilaspur, H.P. The proposed capacity as mentioned in the application form is 12,00,000 Bricks per annum.

The proponent has submitted that in view MoEF, GOI, Office Memorandum No. L-11011/47/2011 IA.II (M) dated 24-06-13, the proposal does not require EIA/EMP and has requested for grant of Environmental Clearance.

In view of above Office Memorandum issued by MoEF, GoI SEAC also observed that the unit does not require preparation of EIA/EMP. The Project Proponent gave a presentation on the Project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC). The clay mining area is less 5 Hectares, the SEAC categorized the project as B-2.

The Authority advised the proponent to submit the letter of intent issued by the Mining Department for approval of mining operation of the project for its consideration.

Proposal is for river bed mining of Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 4-87-72 Hectare (private land) in Khasra Nos. 1749, 1751 & 1763 at Mauza & Mohal Oel, Tehsil Amb, District Una (H.P). Mining capacity is 28,305 TPA as indicated by the Proponent. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved in the lease area. Proponent has prepared EIA/EMP report as per standard ToRs fixed in 25th meeting of SEAC.

The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 25-09-13 that there is no mining lease a in radius of 500 mtrs. from this lease area. Interstate Boundary of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab lies within 10 Km radius of Project site as informed. It has been observed in EIA report that there are discrepancies in the data bases on flora and fauna etc.

The unit had submitted EIA /EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After careful consideration the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration besides terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.

2.18 Mining/extraction of Stone by M/s Jai Mateshvari Stone Crusher (Prop. Vipin Sharma) Village- Dargi (Sainj), Tehsil Sunni, District Shimla at Mauza Dargi, Tehsil sunni, District Shimla, H.P.

Proposal is mining for Stone over an area of 01-62-35 hectare in Khasra No. 1244, 1246, 1247, 1248, 1249 & 1250 at Mauza Dargi, Tehsil Suni, District Shimla H.P. Mining capacity mentioned is 6500 MTPA as indicated in the forms. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved in the lease area. Mining has been sanctioned by the State Government, Department of Industries.
The proposal was placed before the SEAC in its 35th meeting. The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 22-01-2014 from Mining officer, Shimla certifying that there is no mining lease within 500 mtrs. of the mining lease area.

Proponent Clarified that the land adjoining all sides of the mining area belong to proponent and there is no likelihood of any damage to any adjoining land. The list of flora and fauna has only local names; the botanical names should also be submitted to the authority.

It has been observed in EIA report that there are discrepancies in the data bases on flora and fauna etc. which should be attended as per observation in the preceding para.

The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. The Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent on the terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.


Proposal is for Collection/extraction for Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 4-79-80 hectare (private land) in Khasra No. 297/1 at Mauza Hathol, Mohal Ghadoh of Tehsil Nadaun, District Hamirpur H.P. Annual Extraction capacity is 70,000 MTPA as indicated in forms. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. Mining has been sanctioned by the State Government, Department of Industries.

The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 22-01-2014 from Mining officer, Hamirpur informing that there is no mining lease within the radius of 500 mtrs. of existing lease area. It has been observed in EIA report that there are discrepancies in the data bases on flora and fauna etc.

The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee
after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After careful consideration the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce revised certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under consideration besides terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.

2.20 Collection/extraction of Sand, Stone and Bajri, Prop. Sh Bharat Bhushan Kapil at Village- Dhaneta, Tehsil- Nadaun, Hamirpur (H.P.) at Mauza Jassai, Mohal Mansai, Tehsil Nadaun, Distt. Hamirpur H.P.

Proposal is Collection/Extraction for Sand, Stone and Bajri over an area of 1-65-71 hectare (Self private land) in Khasra No. 1597 at Mauza Jassai, Mohal Mansai of Tehsil Nadaun District Hamirpur, H.P. Mining capacity is 40500 MTPA as indicated in forms. Unit has submitted certificate from DFO, Hamirpur informing that there is no National Park, Sanctuaries, Bio sphere reserves, Wild life Corridors within 10 Km of mining Lease Area. Applicant has mentioned in the application that no forest land is involved. Mining has been sanctioned by the State Government, Department of Industries.

The proponent has submitted a certificate of date 21-01-2014 from Mining officer, Hamirpur indicating that there is no mining lease within the radius of 500 mtrs of the proposed mining lease area. It has been observed in EIA report that there are discrepancies in the data bases on flora and fauna etc.

The unit had submitted EIA/EMP report and gave a presentation on the project before the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) on the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Management Plan. The committee after considering and deliberating on the information submitted and facts placed before it recommended the matter to SEIAA for environmental clearance as category B-2 (only for the purpose of public hearing) with the specific conditions besides general conditions.

The proponent made presentation before the SEIAA. After careful consideration the Authority approved grant of EC in favour of the project proponent subject to the condition that proponents shall produce revised certificate of the concerned Mining Officer w.r.t. existence of other mining leases with total area within 500 mts of the periphery of the lease under
consideration besides terms as recommended by the SEAC in its 35th meeting held on 23rd January 2014.

**Item No. 3.** Action taken report on the decisions/Recommendations of the 18th Meeting of SEIAA on supplementary issues.

1. The Authority ratified the actions taken by the Department.
2. The Authority categorically desired that the Industries Department be, once again, asked to undertake demand assessment of the sand, stone and grit, especially in view of the Central Government directions dated 24/12/2013 with regard to cluster mining where Environment Clearances are required. The Authority was of the considered view that the Industries Department should identify the areas of cluster mining, its capacity and economic feasibility vis-à-vis environmental sustainability. Thereafter the Industries Department may obtain environmental clearance for such clusters before granting in fresh/renewal of mining leases.

The meeting ended with Vote of Thanks to and from the Chair.

Approved and Signed by:-

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