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

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Subject:- 33rd meeting of SEIAA

Venue:- Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5th

Floor, LB - Block, Sector - III, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700106

From:- 09 September 2021

To:- 09 September 2021

# I. CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed multistoried housing complex 'Akanksha' by Govt. of West Bengal, Office of the Executive Engineer, New Town Construction Division-II, Housing Directorate at Plot No. DB-2, premises no. 07-0300, Action Area ID, Newtown, Rajarhat, Kolkata.

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/49324/2017, File No. : EN/T-II-1/088/2018 Type-EC

#### INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application with final EIA report vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIS/49324/2017 dated 02 Jan 2020 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. 8(b) Townships and Area Development projects, under Category "B2" of EIA Notification 2006.

The project proponent obtained ToR (SIA/WB/NCP/22919/2018 dated 08.09.2017) vide memo no. 483-2N-57/2018(E) dated 30.05.2019. The project proponent has made another application for obtaining ToR (SIA/WB/NCP/22733/2018 dated 28.03.2018). The project proponent was informed by EDS on 07.05.2018 to withdraw this duplicate application.

The proposal was placed in the 12th meeting of SEIAA held on 24.12.2020. SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed that the project proponent has not submitted the proper Natural Community Rehabilitation and Augmentation plan and the plan for need based activities for local people under EMP. Therefore, the project proponent was directed to submit the same.

The project proponent submitted reply through letter vide Memo No. NTCD-II/AKN/219 dated 19.08.2021 submitted on 24.08.2021. The project proponent further vide their Memo No. NTCD-II/AKN/234 dated 06.09.2021 requested SEIAA to withdraw their duplicate proposal (SIA/WB/NCP/22733/2018). This request for withdrawal of application was made by the project proponent by sending a letter and not through the portal.

#### DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submissions containing Remediation Plan along with the Natural Community Rehabilitation and Augmentation Plan made by the project proponent vide their letter memo No. NTCD-II/AKN/219 dated 19.08.2021 submitted on 24.08.2021. It was observed that some of the items e.g. health check up, distribution of PPE kits to labours etc. are not connected with the environmental remediation. Hence, the project proponent is requested to recast the components of the remediation plan in consultation with the WBPCB.

The project proponent has made 3 applications viz. 2 ToR applications and 1 EC application simultaneously on 08.09.2017, 23.08.2018 and 02.01.2020. The ToR application dated 08.09.2017 was granted and subsequently the EC application dated 02.01.2020 are being processed by SEIAA. However, the ToR application No. SIA/WB/NCP/22733/2018 is still lying with the project proponent which should have been withdrawn. Though the project proponent had requested SEIAA to withdraw the redundant ToR application but the withdrawal process cannot be initiated by SEIAA and can only be done by the project proponent. Issuance of EC cannot be done unless the redundant application is either withdrawn or delisted.

# RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

- i. The project proponent is directed to submit the revised Remediation Plan & Natural Community Rehabilitation and Augmentation plan.
- ii. The withdrawal/delisting process of application SIA/WB/NCP/22733/2018 should be completed online by project proponent.

## Conclusion

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

(2) Proposed residential complex "Sunrise Aura" by **M/s. Sureka Isha Zion Developers Pvt. Ltd.** at Dag Nos. 3-12, 16-23, 26-31, 37-42, 46, 49, 52, 53 & 68, J.L. No. – 36, Mouza – Baikunthapur, PS – Baruipur under Hariharpur Gram Panchayat, Dist. – South 24 Parganas, West Bengal.

Proposal No.:- SIA/WB/NCP/73874/2018, File No:- EN/T-II-1/031/2019 Type- EC

## INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/NCP/73874/2018 dated 31 Mar 2018 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.

i. There is a mismatch in the dag nos. defining the project boundary as per the application and the sanctioned plan. Some of the dag nos. are mentioned as 5(P),

- 8(P), 9(P), 12(P), 42(P) whereas in the application there is no mention about Part dag nos. The project proponent is requested to reconcile the discrepancies.
- ii. In the letter dated 08.09.2021 submitted by the project proponent there is a mention about the development permission of the project which was obtained from KMDA. The documents have not been submitted.
- iii. In the portal the satellite imagery could not be accessed. A fresh link to the imagery superimposing the project boundary should be provided.
- iv. The project proponent has submitted a Sanctioned Building Plan No. 344/474 dated 12.02.2021 issued by Baruipur Panchayat Samity wherein it is mentioned 'proposed addition of 4 floors over the **existing** G+16 storied tower 3 & 4 and addition of 2 floors over the **existing** G+16 storied tower 5, 6, 7, 8 and addition of 4 storied MLCP building in the residential complex'. In the Form-IA the description of the project is mentioned as 'Tower 1,2,3,4 -G+20, Tower 5,6,7,8 -G+18 and with <u>podium</u>, <u>Club-G+1</u>, MLCP & <u>Basement'</u>. The configuration of the project mentioned in the application is not matching with the sanctioned plan.

#### **DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

The project proponent is required to submit clarification and requisite documents regarding item no. (i) to (iv).

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

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

## Conclusion

Deferred (Additional Information).

(3) Proposed Berada Quartz Mine project (Area – 1.092 Ha.) by **M/s. Kalkons** at Plot No. 2860, 2855(P), 2857, 2858, JL No. 104, Mouza – Berada, Block – Barabazar, Dist. – Purulia, West Bengal.

[Proposal No.:- SIA/WB/MIN/187407/2020, File No.:- EN/T-II-1/049/2021] Type- EC

# INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIN/187407/2020 dated 10 Dec 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. 1(a) Mining of minerals under Category "B2" of EIA Notification 2006.

#### **DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and observed the following:

i. The Letter of Intent issued by Govt. of West Bengal vide Memo No. VI/1557(1)/3026/M/2017 dated 20.07.2018 specifies the said project under 'Minor Minerals' category. As per the MoE&CC Notification no. S.O.141(E) dated 15.01.2016' District Survey Report (DSR) shall form the basis for application of Environmental Clearance, preparation of reports and appraisal of projects'. No DSR has been submitted along with the application.

ii. The project proponent has mentioned that they would provide 0.070 Ha. (around 6.41% of the total lease area) as plantation area. However, as per recommendation of SEAC on green belt 'the project proponent shall develop greenbelt in 7.5 mt. wide safety zone all along the mine lease boundary as per the guidelines of CPCB in order to arrest pollution emanating from mining operations within the lease. The development of greenbelt shall be governed as per the EC granted by the Ministry irrespective of the stipulation made in approved mine plan'.

iii. The greenbelt area percentage will be 30-33% of the total lease area as committed by the project proponent vide their letter vide no.RSP/ADMIN/20-

21/035 dated 06.08.2021.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

SEIAA decided to refer back the proposal to SEAC for reappraisal on the basis of the points discussed above.

## Conclusion

#### Referred back to SEAC.

(4) Proposed residential complex THE 102' by **M/s PS Vinayak Complex LLP** at Joka, D.H. Road, Mouza – Sarmestarchak, JL No. 17, R.S Dag No. 115 & 117 corresponding to L.R. Dag No. 114 & 116, Mouza – Daulatpur, JL No. 79, RS/LR Dag Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 48 & 49, PO – Pailan Hat, PS – Bishnupur within Kulerdari Gram Panchayat, Opp. To Bharat Seva Ashram Hospital, Dist. – South 24 Parganas, PIN:700104, West Bengal.

[Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/180865/2020, File No :- EN/T-II-1/063/2020] Type- EC

## INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/MIS/180865/2020 dated 28 Oct 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 and the proposal is appraised at State level.

### **DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

The project proponent submitted reply through letter vide Ref. No. THE 102/004/2021-22 dated 10.05.2021. From the documents submitted by the project proponent it is observed that there is lack of clarity in connection with the tree

plantation area, area specified for other services and the extent of the basement floor.

### RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

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

#### Conclusion

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred for further consideration.

(5)Proposed residential complex 'CGEWHO' by M/s Central Govt. Employees Welfare Housing Organisation at D.H. Road, Mouza – Sarmestarchak, JL No. 17, R.S. Dag Nos. 115, 116, & 117, corresponding to L.R. Dag Nos. 114, 115 & 116, Mouza – Daulatpur, JL No. 79, RS / LR Dag Nos. 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 & 49, PO – Pailan Hat, PS – Bishnupur within Kulerdari Gram Panchayat, Dist. – South 24 Parganas, PIN: 700104, West Bengal. [Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/MIS/180008/2020, File No :- EN/T-II-1/062/2020] Type- EC

#### INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. **SIA/WB/MIS/180008/2020** dated **21 Oct 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 and the proposal is appraised at State level.

#### **DELIBERATION IN SEIAA**

The project proponent submitted reply through letter vide Ref. No. THE 102/004/2021-22 dated 10.05.2021. From the documents submitted by the project proponent it is observed that there is lack of clarity in connection with the tree plantation area and area specified for other services.

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

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

## Conclusion

Therefore, the application for EC is deferred for further consideration.

## DISCUSSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:-

(1) Original Application No. 62/2021/EZ, 63/2021/EZ, 64/2021/EZ, 65/2021/EZ all dated 27.08.2021 of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Zone Bench, Kolkata.

In all the 4 cases SEIAA will write to the Integrated Regional Office of MoEF&CC, Kolkata, District Magistrate, CPCB and Directorate of Mining for nomination in the committee. SEIAA will request the expert Member on mining in SEAC to represent SEIAA in the committee. After finalisation, SEIAA will duly submit the reports in all the 4 cases to the Hon'ble NGT.

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