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State Environment Impact Assessment Authority West Bengal Minutes of SEIAA Meeting

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Subject:- 38th meeting of SEIAA

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

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

From: 25 November 2021

To:- 25 November 2021

I. CONSIDERATION/RECONSIDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

(1) Proposed residential complex 'CGEWHO' by M/s Central Govt. Employees Welfare Housing Organisation at Mouza – Sarmestarchak & Daulatpur, JL No. 17 & 79, R.S. Dag No. 115, 116, & 117, L.R. Dag No. 114, 115 & 116 and 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/180008/2020dated 21.10.2020 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.

The project was placed in the 35th meeting of SEIAA held on 04.10.2021. The project proponent made a presentation before SEIAA on 04.10.2021. It was observed that the above mentioned project is a part of the erstwhile 'The 102' project. The configuration of the project proposal differs from the original layout submitted against the project 'The 101' (Proposal No. SIA/WB/MIS/63430/2017) for which the EC was granted.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the submission made by the project proponent vide their letter ref. No. THE 102/003/2021-22 submitted on 10.05.2021 and observed the following:-

i. The project proponent has submitted land conversion certificates dated 08.05.2015 wherein some Dag Nos. were submitted which are not relevant to the project. In the said documents the updated ownership status is also not mentioned. Further to mention that in the document dated 09.09.2020, the ownership is mutated to M/s. Central Govt. Employees Welfare Housing Organisation wherein the land classification of all Dag Nos. excepting Dag no. 23 is shown as 'Shali'. It is not understood why the latest land document is not reflecting the updated land classification status.

- ii. In the land classification document, Dag No. 23 is found to be 'doba' as per document dated 09.09.2020 whereas the same Dag no. is found to be converted from 'Shali' to 'Bastu' as per the document dated 08.05.2015.
- iii. Map showing all the Dag nos. within the project boundary to be submitted.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The above mentioned project is a part of the erstwhile 'The 101' project which was later on renamed as 'THE 102' for which an EC was issued vide no. 431/EN/T-II-1/013/2017 dated 22.02.2018. A site inspection was conducted on 13.04.2021 by SEIAA, wherein it was observed that the project has undergone major modification with respect to ownership and configuration. The project proponent appeared before SEIAA on 04.10.2021 and accepted the changes occurred at the site. As a result SEIAA decided to revoke the EC issued against 'The 101' vide No. 431/EN/T-II-1/013/2017 dated 22.02.2018.

Meanwhile the project proponent had applied for a part of the said project in the name of 'CGEWHO'. In order to process the EC application for 'CGEWHO', the earlier EC issued in favour of 'The 101' which is still uploaded in the PARIVESH portal needs to be revoked and the updated status to be reflected in the portal. In absence of any provision for revocation of the EC in the portal MS, SEIAA is requested to take up the matter with MoEF&CC and NIC.

CONCLUSION

Deferred (Additional Information).

(2) Proposed modification and expansion of the residential complex by **M/s. Navin Space Housing LLP** at Holding No. 176, Badu Road, Madhyamgram Municipality-Ward No.11, P.S.- Madhyamgram, Dist. 24 Parganas (North), West Bengal.

Proposal No. :- SIA/WB/NCP/73305/2018, File No. : EN/T-II-1/037/2018 Type-EC

INTRODUCTION

The proponent made online application vide proposal no.SIA/WB/NCP/73305/2018 dated 04.05.2018 along with copies of EIA/EMP 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.

The project was placed in the 26th meeting of SEIAA held on 17.06.2021 and noted that:

i. The project proponent has submitted the building permit no. 115 dated 06.02.2019 issued by Madhyamgram Municipality wherein it is mentioned that occupancy of the use group for the said project as Commercial. From the details of the project as submitted by the project proponent it is understood that the project falls under Residential category. The project proponent is required to clarify and submit

supporting document.

- ii. A field inspection was made on 13.08.2019 however since a considerable time has elapsed, a fresh survey should be organised by a third party in order to assess the present status of the project. The report should contain the following information:
 - a) Ground floor area.
 - b) Area of exclusive tree plantation.
 - c) Internal Road area.
 - d) Surface parking area.
 - e) Soft area
 - f) Total paved area.
 - g) Parking area.
 - h) Services & Amenities area.
 - i) Other soft area

The project proponent was required to clarify and submit the matching document with respect to building permit.

The project proponent submitted reply through letter vide Memo No. NSHLLP-N/2021/08/01 dated 03.08.2021.

MS, SEIAA was requested to initiate action for engaging third party consultant to carry out the site inspection. Accordingly West Bengal Pollution Control Board (WBPCB) was requested to engage a licensed surveyor to conduct the required field verification. The report was received from WBPCB on 22.11.2021.

DELIBERATION IN SEIAA

SEIAA considered the recommendation of SEAC and the inspection report received from WBPCB dated 22.11.2021 and accepted the same.

The breakup of the land use as provided in the inspection report should be reflected in the EC.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SEIAA

The application for EC is approved based on the Madhyamgram Municipality Building Permit No. 115 dated 06.02.2019.

CONCLUSION

Approved for EC.

II MISCELLANEOUS

(1) Discussion on categorization of applications for obtaining EC for Rolling Mills without furnace.

Some applications for Rolling Mill without furnace have been submitted to SEIAA. It was decided in the 30th SEIAA meeting held on 13.08.2021 to seek clarification from MoEF&CC regarding categorization of such projects (B1 or B2). A letter was sent to MoEF&CC vide no. 1447/EN/T-II-1/077/2012(pt-1) dated

19.08.2021. Since no reply was received, another letter was sent to MoEF&CC vide No. 1735/EN/T-II-1/077/2012(pt-1) dated 30.09.2021. No reply to the above mentioned letters has been received till date.

There are a large number of existing Rolling Mills in the State which are operating on the basis of CTE/CTO obtained from the WBPCB. As per the order of NGT, Principal Bench in IA No. 04/2020 dated 16.01.2020 all Rolling Mills (including existing rolling mills) are required to obtain EC within a period of one year from the date of issue of the order. In order to process the EC application for such mills they are required to be categorised either as B1 or B2 projects as per EIA Notification, 2006, para 7(i) 'for categorisation of projects into B1 or B2 except item 8(b) the MoEF&CC shall issue appropriate guideline from time to time'. References were made to MoEF&CC to issue such guideline for categorisation of the project into B1/B2 category vide letters referred above. In the absence of clear guidelines from the MoEF&CC it has been observed that different states are categorising the Rolling Mills into either B1 or B2 projects. There is a very limited time available for processing and clearing the EC applications of the Rolling Mills as per the directives of the Hon'ble NGT for processing of such applications within a year of their order which falls on 15.01.2021.

Member Secretary is requested to take up the matter with the MoEF&CC for obtaining necessary guidelines urgently.

(2) Request by M/s. Dhulkomra Feldspar & Quartz Mine (O.C.) for change of validity period of Environmental Clearance for Feldspar & Quartz Mine obtained earlier from DEIAA, Birbhum.

Deferred for next meeting.

(3) Discussion on processing fees of application for Environmental Clearance.

Deferred for next meeting.

(4) Review of online pending applications.

Deferred for next meeting.

(Ujjwal Kumar

Bhattacharya

Chairman

(Prof. Madhumita Roy)

Member

(K. Balamurugan)

Member Secretary