## MINUTES OF THE 41<sup>ST</sup> MEETING OF STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (SEIAA) HELD ON 01<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018 AT PRANI SAMPAD BHAVAN

The forty-first meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was held on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2018 in the Conference Room of Environment Department, Prani Sampad Bhavan, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, LB - Block, Sector - III, Salt Lake, Kol-106. Following cases were discussed:

## I. Cases for Final Environmental Clearance

1. Application for Environmental Clearance for the proposed expansion by installation for 2x7 MT Induction Furnace for production of 4200 MT/month M.S. Billets with Ladle Refining Furnace and 8,000 MT/Month Rolling Mill at J.L. No. 58, 65, Bamunara Industrial Area, Vill., P.O. & Mouza – Bamunara, P.S. Kankasha, Durgapur, Dist.- Paschim Bardhaman, PIN – 713 212, West Bengal by M/s. Durgapur Iron & Steel Company Pvt. Ltd.

The SEIAA examined the recommendations made by the SEAC and observed the following:

- i. It is found that the said industry being an existing unit was given Consent to Operate which is valid upto 30.06.2022. However, no Inspection Report by WBPCB was made available.
- ii. The existing green cover should be specified.
- iii. The existing arrangement for solid waste disposal to be specified with supporting documents.
- iv. The capacity is increased in the new proposal. It is assumed that the activities related to the expansion of the unit would have additional space requirement including loading / unloading of raw materials, finished product, solid waste, storage facility, green belt and parking. In the attached site plan, spaces for all these activities have not been specified.
- v. In the attached site plan it appears that no internal road network has been shown.

In view of the above observations, the matter is sent back to SEAC for reappraisal.

## II. Stipulated Conditions

Application for Environmental Clearance for the proposed residential complex at R.S. / L.R. Dag No. (442, 447, 453, 454, 443, 444), J.L. No. 29 of Khamar Mouza & R.S. /L.R. Dag Nos. [99(P), 101, 102, 103, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113(P), 114(P), 115, 125, 126, 127, 128, 141, 142, 143, 144, 185, 186, 187, 188, 85(P), 680, 686, 687, 688, 689], J.L. No. – 44, of Bishnupur Mouza, Rajarhat Bishnupur 2 No. Gram Panchayat, P.S. Rajarhat, Dist. North 24 Parganas, West Bengal by M/s. Chetak Vyapar Pvt. Ltd. & Ors.

The SEIAA examined the recommendations made by the SEAC and observed the following:

i. It is found that M/s. Chetak Vyapar Pvt. Ltd. & Ors. had applied vide SIA/WB/NCP/17598/2016 on 20.10.2016 and accordingly a ToR was

issued vide No. 285-ŽN-22/2016(E) dated 06.05.2016 for the construction of proposed residential building at R.S. / L.R. Dag No. 439, 442-454 under JL. No. 29 of Khamar Mouza & R.S. /L.R. Dag Nos.99-115, 121, 125-128, 142-144, 185-188, 680, 686-688, 85, 141, J.L. No. -44, of Bishnupur Mouza, Rajarhat Bishnupur 2 No. Gram Panchayat, P.S. Rajarhat, Dist. North 24 Parganas, West Bengal which is still valid till 05.05.2019.

Again the same project proponent made another application vide SIA/WB/NCP/28397/2018 on 24.04.2018 as mentioned in the title.

- ii. It is found that the individual land documents are available with the application but the indexing of the land owner with the corresponding land parcel has not been provided.
- iii. The fresh water requirement of 1391 KLD as proposed is not fulfilled by the permissions issued by SWID as submitted by the project proponent.
- iv. Regarding solid waste management, the project proponent should get specific details mentioning the exact location, capacity and other necessary details from the Rajarhat Bishnupur II Gram Panchyat.
- v. The SEAC recommended the stipulated conditions for environmental clearance based on the application No. SIA/WB/NCP/28397/2018 on 14.09.2018. In the mean time the project proponent has submitted an application vide No. NIL dated 29.10.2018 requesting for change in name of the project proponent from M/s. Chetak Vyapar Pvt. Ltd. & Others to M/s. Merlin Projects Ltd.

In view of point (i) and (v) above the project proponent is required to withdraw both the applications SIA/WB/NCP/17598/2016 and SIA/WB/NCP/28397/2018 and apply afresh.

III. Discussion regarding time frame of stipulated conditions given to building and construction projects.

It is observed that there is no validity period mentioned while issuing the 'Stipulated Conditions' for environmental clearance. In number of cases where Stipulated Conditions were issued, the project proponents did not follow up for obtaining environmental clearance nor did they withdraw their applications. This has resulted in unwarranted pendency. Therefore, it is decided that the validity of the Stipulated Conditions will be for a period of three years from the date of its issue and after the expiry period the application will be treated as rejected.

## IV. Miscellaneous

It was decided that in case of existing industrial as well as building projects the Compliance Report of EC/Inspection Report of WBPCB, as applicable should be checked by SEAC during appraisal and made available to SEIAA alongwith recommendation.

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Chairman

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