## MINUTES OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE STATE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE (SEAC) CONVENED ON 25.05.2015 AT 9.30 A.M. IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, PHB, PUDUCHERRY

The lists of members attended are enclosed as Annexure - I.

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC convened on 03.11.2014 and 04.11.2014.

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting.

Agenda Item No.2: Action taken report on the minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SEAC held on 03.11.2014 and 04.11.2014.

1. Proposed RAAK College of Engineering and Technology at Sulthanpet, Villianur, Puducherry.

The Committee after due deliberation decided that based on notification S.O.3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi the proposal does not fall / comes under the provisions of EIA Notification and hence, Environmental Clearance is not required for the project.

2. Construction of Residential Township at Pilliyarkuppam and Seliamedu villages proposed by M/s Pelican Realty Projects Private Limited.

The Committee decided to defer action for want of clarification sought from the MOEF&CC, GOI regarding constructions for gated communities.

3. M/s. Serene Pelican, Pinnachikuppam.

The Committee decided to defer action for want of clarification sought from the MOEF&CC, GOI regarding constructions for gated communities.

4. M/s. Mahatma Gandhi Medical College and Research Institute, Pillaiyarkuppam.

The Committee after due deliberation decided that prima facie based on notification S.O.3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi the proposal does not fall / comes under the provisions of EIA Notification and hence, Environmental Clearance is not required for the project. However, MoEF&CC may be requested to clarify whether Medical College attached with hospitals dealing with toxic chemicals and hazardous wastes should be treated purely as an Educational Institution.

5. M/s. Ganesh College of Engineering and Technology, Mullodai.

The Committee noted that based on the letter dated 05.12.2014 from the Member Secretary, Puducherry Planning Authority stating that the total floor area of the College of Engineering and Technology is 17,638 Sq. M., the file is closed with the approval of M.S. (SEIAA).

6. Proposed construction of Boys Hostel-cum-Dining Room at Pondicherry University, Puducherry.

The Committee noted that based on notification S.O.3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi and with the approval of the Chairman, SEAC and Chairman, SEIAA the project proponent was communicated vide Letter dated 19.03.2015 that the proposal does not fall / comes under the provisions of EIA Notification and hence, Environmental Clearance is not required for the project.

7. Proposed construction of additional institutional buildings by M/s. Sri Manakula Vinayaga Educational Trust in their existing Medical Campus at Kalitheerthalkuppam Revenue Village, Mannadipet Commune, Puducherry.

The Committee noted that Environmental Clearance was issued on 04.03.2015, after placing the proposal in the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SEIAA held on 15.12.2014.

8. Proposed construction of additional institutional buildings by M/s. Sri Manakula Vinayaga Educational Trust in their existing Engineering Campus at Madagadipet Revenue Village, Mannadipet Commune, Puducherry.

The Committee noted that Environmental Clearance was issued on 04.03.2015, after placing the proposal in the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SEIAA held on 15.12.2014.

9. Proposed institutional building project (Phase – I) of 'National Institute of Technology' at Poovam Village, Thiruvettakudy Revenue Village, Kottucherry Commune Panchayat, Karaikal.

The Committee noted that based on notification S.O.3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi and with the approval of the Chairman, SEAC and Chairman, SEIAA the project proponent was communicated vide Letter dated 19.03.2015 that the proposal does not fall / comes under the provisions of EIA Notification and hence, Environmental Clearance is not required for the project.

10. Proposed Sulphonation Plant at PIPDIC Industrial Estate, Sederapet, Puducherry by M/s. Power Soaps Ltd., Puducherry.

The Committee after due deliberation decided to continue the process of technical appraisal.

11. M/s. M.R.F. Ltd., for the proposed 11.45 MW standby power generation.

The Committee noted that based on the circular dated 22.12.2014 of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi that Diesel Generating Sets (Captive not supplying power to grid) do not fall under Thermal Power Plant Category of EIA Notification, 2006. Therefore, this activity does not attract the provision of the EIA Notification, 2006 as amended from time to time. The Committee after due deliberation decided to apply the provisions of the Circular of MoEF&CC dated 17.03.2015 to this proposal with the approval of the SEIAA.

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Agenda Item No. 3: Examination of Project proposals under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 and its subsequent amendments for onward appraisal to the SEIAA for further examination to consider issue of Prior Environmental Clearance (PEC):

Proposal for issue of EC for excavation of ordinary earth in Karaikal District: The Committee after due deliberation decided to recommend all the six proposals to SEIAA for issue of prior Environmental Clearance as per the conditions enclosed as Annexure - II.

- 1. Setting up of a fish farm pond of extent 00H -57A-50CA at R.S.No.84/3, Thiruvettakudy Revenue village, Kottuchery Commune, Karaikal by Thiru R. Navajeevan.
- 2. Setting up of a fish farm pond of extent 00H -52A-00CA at R.S.No.278, Kottucherry Revenue village, Kottuchery Commune, Karaikal by Thiru. Nandhagopalakrishnan.
- 3. Setting up of a fish farm pond of extent 00H -80A-00CA at R.S.No.191/3, Sukaan Katalai, Kanniakoil street, Kurumbagaram, Karaikal by Tmt. P. Selvakumari.
- 4. Excavation of an existing farm pond of extent 00H-53A-50CA at R.S.No.35/1, Nallezhedur Revenue Village, Thirunallar Commune by A. R. Majigar Nisha W/o (Late) Thiru A. Abdul Rahman.
- 5. Setting up of a farm pond of extent 00H -72A- 00CA at R.S.No.194/2, Vizhidiyur Revenue Viullage, Karaikal by Tmt. N. Vijayalakshmi.
- 6. Excavation of existing fish farm ponds of extent 01H -70A-00CA at R.S.No.75/3B, Keezhaiyur (North) Revenue Village, T.R.Pattinam Commune, Karaikal by Thiru. U. Venkatesan. (The communication to the proponent will be sent only on receipt of Revenue Map).

Agenda Item No. 4: Any other item with the permission of the Chairman.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. R. Saravanan

(Member)

Dr. K. Omar Hattab (Member)

Dr. S. Ganapathy Venkatasubramanian

Dr. R. Sagaya Alfre

(Secretary)

(Member)

Dr. K.K. Sivadasan (Member)

Prof. M. P. Ramanujam

(Chairman)

## ANNEXURE - I

SI. No	Name and Designation of the Members Present	1000	
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1.	Prof. M. P. Ramanujam Puducherry.	10 14 100 <u>11</u> 0 100 viej	Chairman
2.	Dr. R. Saravanane Professor Department of Civil Engineering		Member
	Pondicherry Engineering College.		to ou mains
3.	Dr. K. Omar Hattab Dean, PAJANCOA&RI Karaikal.		Member
4.	Dr. S. Ganapathy Venkatasubramanian Professor, Centre for Environmental Studies Anna University Chennai.	an To section	Member
5.	Dr. K.K. Sivadasan Associate Professor Department of Botany Mahatma Gandhi Government Arts College Mahe.		Member
	Dr. R. Sagaya Alfred Senior Scientific Officer Department of Science, Technology and Environm Puducherry.	 nent	Secretary

## ANNEXURE - II

## Proposal for issue of EC for excavation of ordinary earth in Karaikal District:

- 1. The activity associated with borrowing / excavation of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' for purpose of brick manufacturing, construction of roads, embankments etc., shall not involve drilling and blasting.
- 2. The borrowing / excavation activity shall be restricted to a maximum depth of 2m below general ground level at the site.
- 3. The borrowing / excavation activity shall be restricted to 2m above the ground water table at the site.
- 4. The borrowing / excavation activity shall not alter the natural drainage pattern of the area.
- 5. The borrowed / excavated pit shall be restored by the project proponent for useful purpose(s).
- 6. Appropriate fencing all around the burrowed / excavated pit shall be made to prevent any / mishap.
- 7. Measures shall be taken to prevent dust emission by covering of burrowed / excavated earth during transportation.
- 8. Safeguards shall be adopted against health risks on account of breeding of vectors in the water bodies created due to burrowing / excavation of earth.
- 9. Workers / labourers shall be provided with facilities for drinking water and sanitation.
- 10. A berm shall be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth of proposed excavation.
- 11. A minimum distance of 15m from any civil structure shall be kept from the periphery of any excavation area.
- 12. The excavation activity shall be done manually.
- 13. The applicant shall clearly demarcate the excavation site.
- 14. Excavation shall be carried out between 7.00 A.M. and 5.00 P.M.
- 15. Pre and Post measurement of site to be done by officials from Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Karaikal.
- 16. Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Karaikal shall ensure effective execution of the excavation plan by the applicant as per the conditions stipulated in the Environmental Clearance.
- 17. Environmental clearance will be valid for a period of three years only.

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- 18. In the case of any change(s) in the scope of the project, a fresh approval from the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority shall be obtained.
- 19. The State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority reserves the right to add additional safeguard measures subsequently, if found necessary and to take action including revoking of the Environmental Clearance under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to ensure effective implementation of the suggested safeguard measures in a time bound and satisfactory manner.
- 20. The applicant shall obtain necessary other statutory / administrative clearances from the concerned authorities.
- 21. The SEIAA, U.T. of Puducherry may alter / modify the above conditions or stipulate any further conditions in the interest of environment protection.
- 22. Failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 23. The clearance so granted shall be liable to be cancelled in case of any violation of the above conditions.
- 24. Any appeal against this Environmental Clearance shall lie with the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

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