Minutes of the 672nd Meeting of SEIAA dated 03.04.2021

The 672nd meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority was convened on 03.04.2021 at the Authority's Office in Environmental Planning and Co-Ordination Organization (EPCO), Paryavaran Parisar, Bhopal. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rakesh K. Shrivastava, Chairman, SEIAA. The following members attended the meeting:-

Shri R.K. Sharma

Member

Smt. Tanvi Sundriyal

Member Secretary

Review of Transfer of Prior Environmental Clearance issued from January 2020 to June 2020 as recommended by Departmental Enquiry Committee

In continuation of the process for re-examination of cases as suggested by Departmental Enquiry Committee and as per the decision of 671st SEIAA meeting dated 01.04.2021, reviewed all recommendations pertaining to all EC transfer cases from January 2020 to June 2020 on the basis of discrepancy in online application, submission of documents by PP on Parivesh, documents submitted in hardcopy by PP at SEIAA office, and transfer of EC letter issued by SEIAA.

Hence, the committee after deliberation decided to review the EC transfer case no. 5875 recommended by the Departmental Committee on priority basis:

| S.No. | Project Details | | Discrepancy | | Remarks |
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| | | EC transfer letter issued by SEIAA | NOC of Previous PP in Notarised Affidavit as per SEIAA OM dated 20.06.2019 | Notarised Affidavit of Transferee (New Applicant) as per SEIAA OM dated 20.06.2019 | |
| 1. | Case No. 5875/2019 — Prior Environmental Clearance for Sand Quarry (Open Cast Manual Method) in an area of 3.90 Ha.(out of 3.90 ha only 2.690 ha of lease available for the sand excavation) for production capacity of 36315 cum /year (As per SEAC Recommendation) at Khasra no. 01 (Part) at Village-Katarra , Tehsil — Ajaygarh, Dist. — Panna by Sarpanch, Gram Panchayat Katarra, Tehsil — Ajaygarh, Dist. — Panna, MP — | mentioned in the letter no. 4887-88/SEIAA/2 0 dtd. 05.03.2020 that PP submitted notarized affidavit of Sarpanch at point no. iii of EC transfer letter but the same not seen in online portal and hardcopy. | notarized affidavit records in case file it is observed that the CEO Janpad Panchayat Ajayagarh not given NOC on behalf of previous PP instead it is mentioned in the EC | | sent to the RO MoEF &CC, Gol fo examination and a |

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The committee noted that as per the point no. 01 (pg. 06 & 07) of recommendation made by Departmental Enquiry Committee, the detail examination of case no. 5875/2019 carried out regarding action on complaints of previous PP for non compliance of EC conditions & examined by RO, MoEF&CC office Bhopal, submission of false information on Affidavit submitted by the new PP Shri Rasmeet Malhotra, District – Panna for transferring of EC preocess and transfer of EC letter issued by SEIAA were discussed in detail. After detailed discussion the SEIAA committee decided to accept the recommendation of the enquiry committee and directed to take following action:

- 1. It is observed that submission of notarized affidavit of Sarpanch by new PP mentioned at point no. iii of EC transfer letter. However, the CEO Janpad Panchayat has given NOC on behalf of previous PP and as per the Government of Madhya Pradesh Mineral Resource Department Naveen Khanan Neeti, the CEO Janpad Panchayat has authorized to issue NOC on behalf of Sarpanch, hence it is clear that the compliance of clause no. 11 of transfer of EC of EIA Notification, 2006 have been fulfilled by the new PP. Hence, it is decided that corrigendum for revising the transfer of EC letter shall be issued. Copy to PP and all concerned.
- The applicant given NOC to himself on Notarised Affidavit instead of Affidavit of no credible action is pending, hence it is decided that PP shall submit the amended notarized affidavit at the earliest.
- 3. It is also noted that the complaint received in SEIAA for violation of EC condition by previous PP and the same send to the Regional Office, MoEF &CC, Gol for examination and also a letter has been sent to DM Panna for inspecting the site. However, the response is awaited. Hence, it is decided a reminder letter shall be sent to DM, Panna.
- 4. It is observed that online status of the case is pending on PP's end and the case has been processed offline on the basis of submission of documents in hardcopy at SEIAA office. Therefore, the PP is hereby directed to submit reply of EDS generated online as the information is pending at PP's end and SEIAA shall accept it and online process to be completed as per the procedure.
- ii. Similarly, after detailed review of the case no. 5699, 5685, 5282 and 4002 as mentioned in the Enquiry Committee report, SEIAA committee decided that :
 - a) In all cases of transfer of EC's (sand mining) issued in Panna district including the above case no. 5699 & 5685 shall be dealt same as directed in case no. 5875 for compliance to be fulfilled by PP and acceptance shall be carried out by SEIAA as per the procedure under EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments.

b) After review of another case no. 5282, it is found that query response of 606th SEIAA meeting not submitted by PP. Hence, it is decided that reminder letter to be issued to PP for submission of requisite site

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information otherwise non submission of information case may be delisted.

c) After review of the case no. 4002 it is decided to ensure compliance of the decision and direction made in SEIAA 636 meeting dated 14.09.2020

iii. The enquiry committee recommended that the SEIAA may re-examine the cases from Jan 2020 to June 2020 to verify the discrepancies found in online application and documents uploaded by PP, its acceptance mismatched in hardcopy, Affidavit / NOC submitted by previous & new PP as mention in the transfer of EC letter issued by SEIAA.

The committee decided that the then concerned project staff, shall review (online with hard copy) and verify all letters issued in 150 EC transfer cases (sand mining) out of 285 cases from Jan 2020 to June 2020 and submit a report to Member Secretary, SEIAA. The committee decided to authorize Member Secretary, SEIAA to take review the matter and take necessary action.

iv. The committee observed that the concerned RQP / Consultants not guided the PP properly which leads to the submission of false documents. The matter was discussed in detail and committee in the view of that this is a matter of serious concern and the concerned RQP / Consultants ensure to submit proper information as per EIA Notification, 2006 and the OM issued by the Ministry and SEIAA time to

It is decided that write a letter to Director, Geology & Mining Bhopal to take appropriate action against the RQP/ Consultant representing the cases in which the EC revoked due to submission of false information and a letter be written to the Director, Geology and Mining and copy to all Mining Officers for reviewing the performance of RQP on the basis of the preparation of Mining Plan.

v. The enquiry committee recommended that a proper training shall be provided to the SEIAA staff for processing the cases in SEIAA secretariat and followed the procedure as per EIA Notification 2006 and its amendments.

The Member Secretary informed that the process for development of Case Management System in collaboration with MAP_IT have been initiated for proper online functioning of the SEIAA secretariat.

After detailed discussion committee authorize Member Secretary, SEIAA to take appropriate action in all the matter recommendations and suggestion made by the Departmental Enquire Committee as per vide L.No. 263/510/2021/32-3 dated 10.03.2021 issued by Department of Environment, GoMP.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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