

# Proceedings of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority Kerala

Present: Prof. (Dr.) K.P. Joy, Chairman, Dr. J. Subhashini, Member and Sri. James Varghese, I.A.S., Member Secretary.

Sub: SEIAA- Environmental Clearance for the proposed quarry project in Sy. Nos. 475/9, 475/9-1, 475/10, 477/9-1, 477/15-1, 236/1, 236/3, 236/4, 236/6, 236/7, 236/8, 236/9, 236/9-1, 235/3 & 235/10 of Manickal & Thekkada Villages, Nedumangad Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District, Kerala by Sri. Abdul Kareem, Owner M/s. Al - Falah Metal Crusher - Granted - Orders issued.

# STATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

#### No. 1097/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017

Dated, Thiruyananthapuram 22.11.2017

- Ref: 1. Application received on 01,03.2017 from Sr. Abdul Kareem, Owner M/s. Al Falah Metal Crusher, Al-falah, Mandapam, Vembayam Post, Thiruvananthapuram-695615
  - 2. Minutes of the 71<sup>st</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017
    3. Minutes of the 74<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017

  - 4. Minutes of the 76th meeting of SEAC held on 25th & 26th July, 2017

  - 5. Minutes of the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 6. Minutes of the 74<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEIAA held on 09<sup>th</sup> October 2017
  - 7. Affidavit received on 20.11.2017 from Sri. Abdul Kareem
  - 8. Certificate from Chartered Engineer dt.07.11.2017

### ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE NO.84/2017

Sri. Abdul Kareem, Owner M/s. Al - Falah Metal Crusher, Al-falah, Mandapam, Vembayam Post, Thiruyananthapuram - 695615, vide his application received on 01.03.2017 has sought Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for the quarry project in survey Nos. Sy. Nos. 475/9, 475/9-1, 475/10, 477/9-1, 477/15-1, 236/1, 236/3, 236/4, 236/6, 236/7, 236/8, 236/9, 236/9-1, 235/3 & 235/10 of Manickal & Thekkada Village, Nedumangad Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District, Kerala state for an area of 6.2764 Ha. The project comes under Category B, Activity 1(a), (i) as per the Schedule of EIA Notification 2006 (since it is below 50 hectares) and as per O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dated 18<sup>th</sup> May 2012 of Ministry of Environment and Forests. It is further categorized as Category B2 as per Notification No.S.O.141 (E) dt.15.01.2016 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, since the area of the project is below 25 hectares.

# Details of the project as furnished by the applicant are as follows;

# BASIC INFORMATION OF QUARRY (To be filled in by the Project Proponent) PART A

PAKI A	
•	Project details
File No.	1097/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017
Name /Title of the project	Proposed Stone Quarry project by M/s. Al - Falah Metal
Name /Title of the project	Crusher
	Mr. Abdul Kareem
	M/s. Al - Falah Metal Crusher,
Name and address of project	AI-falah, Mandapam,
proponent.	Vembayam Post,
	Thiruvananthapuram dist
,	Kerala State
Owner of the land	Mr. Abdul Kareem, Mrs. Nasecha, Mrs. Shyla Kareem,
Owner of the land	Mrs. MajidaBeevi
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Survey No. District/Taluk/ and	236/3, 236/4, 236/6, 236/7, 236/8, 236/9, 236/9-1,
Village etc.	235/3 & 235/10 **
Details of period of lease or	
permit with number including the	Quarry Permit No:
beginning and expiry date of	CRPS/2/2016-17/GBS/1996/DOT/ML/2015 dated
lease/permit period(Copy to be	27.04.2016 Valid upto 26.07.2017
attached)	
Present Status of the project	85°.
Date & Year of startingthe work	Not Working
of the quarry project.	Work Started:27.04.2016
whether the quarry is working at	Work Stopped:26.04.2017
present or not?	
If stopped working since when?	
Date of submission of Application	01.03.2017
Brief description of the project.	Proposed Building Stone Quarry in an area of 6.2764
bildi description of the project.	Hectares at Manickal & Thekkada Village, Nedumangad
·	Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District, Kerala with
	maximum rate of production 3,49,446 M.T. / annum.
Details of Authorized Signatory	Mr. Abdul Kareem
and address for correspondence	10/197, Al Falah,
	Thekkada, Vembayam P.O., Thiruvananthapuram –
	695615.
, , ,	Land Details
Extent of area in hectares	6.2764 Hectares

	Is the property forest land/Govt. land/own land/patta land	Own land
	Quantity of top soil/over burden	Top soil 52317 M.T
	produced and managed	Over burden 90218 M.T
	Letitude and Lengitude	08°38'41.11"N - 08°38'53.85"N
	Latitude and Longitude	76°57'04.68"E 76°57'18.76"E ,
	Topography of land and elevation	hilly terrain
	Slope analysis	Lease area is sloping towards North
	Will there be any significant land	
	disturbance resulting in soil Due to excavation, significant land disturbance	
erosion, subsidence & natural occur.		occur.
	drainage.	
Access road to the site width and condition  Width of the access road to site is 8m. Whole be used for quarry purpose.  Will there be any adverse impact	Width of the access road to site is 8m. Whole land will	
	be used for quarry purpose.	
	on the aesthetics of the proposal	
	site	
		Mining details
	Minimum and Maximum height of	69 m
	excavation.	09 III
	Life of mine proposed.	5 Years
	Underground mining if any	No
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	Method of Mining Open cast, semi mechanized mining	
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	Method of Mining  Distance from the adjacent quarry	Open cast, semi mechanized mining 50m
	Distance from the adjacent quarry	50m
	Distance from the adjacent quarry  Cluster condition if any	50m
	Distance from the adjacent quarry Cluster condition if any Has "No cluster certificate"	50m
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	permanent roads, planning the development work,
	formation of working faces, approach road to various
	benches for movement of dumpers, selection and
	recruitment of man power, machineries, construction of
	infrastructures, selection of dump sites, stacking yards
	for undressed blocks, finished products and other
	facilities.
	etails of Project cost
Land cost	50 lakh
Total project Cost	71.70 lakh
Financial Statement including	17
funding sourceand details of	The funding will be given by the Own funding of M/s.
insurance etc.	Al - Falah Metal Crusher
	MANAGEMENT PLAN:
	Air pollution > Water sprinkling will be done by
·	water tanker fitted with water
	pump to reduce generation of dust
	during loading.
	Dust masks will be provided to
	operators and other persons near loading.
	> Green belt will be developed
	around the mine lease boundary in
	order to reduce spread of air
	pollution and plantation will be
	done around mine office, haul
	road, etc to control dust pollution.
	Water ➤ No waste water generation is
	pollution envisaged during the mining
	process. The domestic effluent
	generated from the mine office,
Management Plan	will be disposed off in soak pits
	via septic tanks.
	Water will be stored in the pit required for irrigation of plants,
	spraying water on roads and other
	miscellaneous purposes by
	diverting direction of the garland
	drain towards pit when required
	Noise > Green belt will be developed
	around the mine lease boundary in
	order to reduce noise pollution in
	the surroundings.
	Controlled Blasting will be carried
	out to minimize noise generation.
	Blasting will be done in day time.
· ·	Drilling will be done with sharp
	drill bits, which reduces generation
	of noise during drilling.  Solid Waste > Solid waste will be disposed or
3.	1
	Management utilized for filling excavated areas,

Whe	ether Environment	Eco restoration	road construction and artificial soil for greenhouse pot trails for grass & tree growth at mining area.  > Green belt will be developed around the mine lease boundary, around mine office, haul road, etc to restore the ecology and aesthetics of the mine site.
	agement Plan or Eco pration Plan satisfactory?	Yes. Environment EC application	nt Management Plan is provided with
If Do	Does it suggest mitigation measures for each activity	Yes	
satis	e-Feasibility Report (PFR) factory	Yes	
	s it need public hearing	Not required	
verdi	ils of litigation and Court	No court case is pending against this project	
Deta	ils of public complaint, if any		
requi	10000000000000000000000000000000000000		
1 1	RZ recommendation Not required		
	PART B Environment Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures		litigation Measures
ļ		mpact on water	
	ls of water requirement per	FKLD)	D, Green belt & Dust suppression – 2
	r source/sources.	Mineral water ind water harvesting p	ustries and harvested water from Rain pits
KLD.	entrary and a second	3 KLD	
	s of water requirements met water harvesting.	2 KLD	
propo	are the impact of the sal on the ground water?	There is no impact The mining activitable.	et on ground water due to this project.  Ity is terminated 3m above the water
requir recycl	much of the water rement can be met from the ring of treated waste water? rities for liquid waste rent)	Sewage will be dis soak pit.	sposed to Septic tank followed by the

What is the incremental pollution load from waste water generated from the proposed activities?  How is the storm water from within the site managed?  The mine pit will be used as a storm water reservoin Excess water will be diverted to drainage to reach the external drainage.  Will the project involve extensive clearing or modification of vegetation (Provide details)  The mine pit will be used as a storm water reservoin Excess water will be diverted to drainage to reach the external drainage.  There shall be minor clearing activities which will take place to clear the shrubs and trees and it will be suitable planted after the mining or subsequent years  Due to this project, small amount of vegetation loss we occur. The following trees will proposed to plant in the	e e e y
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Description of vegetation loss w	444
occur. The following trees will proposed to plant in the	ıII
00041, 1110	1e
greenbelt area.	_
Botanical Name Vernacular Name	_
What ate the measures proposed to Grevillearobusta Silver oak	_
minimize the likely impact on Cocosmicifera Thengu (Coconut)	_
vegetation (details of proposal for Alstoniascholaris Pala	$\neg$
	$\neg \parallel$
tree plantation/ landscaping)    Garciniacambogia   Kodampuli (Malabar   Camboge)	_
Carica Papaya Kappanga / Omakaya	\\
Mangiferaindica Mavu (Mango)	
Mungy	
Is there any displacement of fauna	
- both terrestrial and aquatic If  The proposed activity is neither displacing any  The proposed activity is neither displacing any	1
so what at the sound of the sou	
Illedourys to the first terms	
Presence of any continues	!
species or red listed category (in	
detail)	
Impact on Air Environment	<u>.</u>
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What are the mitigation measures   and developing green belt along	ше
on generation of dust, smoke and periphery of the pit will be carried out for contro	lling
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equipments on noise and vibration and ambient air quality around the project site and mitigation and hence, noise will be very minimum. How periodical noise level monitoring will be carried	out t

<del></del> -		check the noise level in and around	the quarry site
me	asures		
Ì		Periodic air quality survey wil	
Air	r quality monitoring in detail	monitor the quality and for time	
110	quartey morning	The environmental monitoring pl	an is provided in the
		EMP.	·
	Ene	rgy Conservation	
De	etails of power requirement and	4 Nos of 35 HP Generator will be	used
son	urce of supply.	Fuel usage - 80 Litre/day	
Details of renewable energy (non -			
l L	nventional) used.		
		sk Management	
Α,	re there sufficient measures		
	oposed for risk hazards in case of	First aid facility will be provi	ded at the site and
1 -	nergency such as accident at the	emergency vehicle will be provide	
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h 1	re proposals for fencing around	Explosives will be stored as per	We in
1 1	e quarry satisfactory?	Act 1958 & explosive rules 1983.	
1 1	orage of explosives/hazardous	Solid waste will be proposed to s	tack initially along the
1	abstance in detail	lease boundary and will be backf	illed finally within the
l I	acility for solid waste	mine lease area	
m	anagement		
	***************************************	Economic Impacts	·
	/ill the project cause adverse		41 . 4
1 1	ffects on local communities	The proposed project will not ca	
d	isturbance to sacred sites or other	the local communities. There a	re no sacred sites or
cultural values. What are the safe		cultural values nearby.	
g	uards proposed?	4.	
V	vill the proposal result in any		
C	hanges to the demographic	No	
	tructure of local population. If so,	NO	
l p	rovide details.		<u></u>
		Common CSR activities already	carried out
		Description	Approx. Amount
1 (1)	S. C.		proposed (Lakhs)
		D	1.5
		Repairing of Thekkada to	1.3
1 1,	Are the CSR proposals	Panavoor road	10
	satisfactory? Give details	Organizing Health camps	1.0
`	··· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Sanitary facilities for Schools	1.5
	•	(Toilets, Drinking water	
		facilities, etc.)	
	·	Total	4.0
		Proposed CSR activity details ar	re enclosed.
<del>  - -</del>	What are the projects benefits in	About 17 nos of local people w	
	terms of employment potential?	to this project implementation.	
	contra or comproductive potential:	Tro Arrelanda Maria	<del></del>

PART C		
Consultant engaged-Their name,	Certificate No.: NABET/EIA/1619/RA0048 No. 400, 13th Street, SIDCO Industrial Estate, North Phase, Ambattur, Chennai - 600098 Ph: +91 -422 -2453737	
Summary and Conclusion		
Overall justification for implementation of the project.	Adequate resources are available in the project site and adjacent facilities & infrastructure are adequate. Currently market value of the building stone is good in the surrounding area.	
Explanation of how adverse impact have been mitigated	Land Environment Source of impact: Change of land use Mitigation measures: Construction of check dams, greenbelt development Water Environment Source of impact: Domestic wastewater Mitigation measures: Domestic sewage will beseptic tank followed by soak pit. Air Environment: Source of impact: Excavation, loading, transportation Mitigation measures: water sprinkling & greenbelt development. Noise Environment: Source of impact: drilling, blasting, loading and unloading of mineral Mitigation measures: Proper maintenance of machinery and equipments & design, Use of personnel protective	

The proposal was placed in the 71<sup>st</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017. Further to the intimation of SEAC, the Proponent and the RQP attended the meeting and RQP made a power point presentation about the salient features of the project. The Committee appraised the proposal based on the Mining Plan, Pre-feasibility Report and all other documents submitted along with Form1. The proponent agreed to set apart Rs.15 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.15 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local Panchayat.

The Committee decided to defer the item for field inspection. The committee also directed the proponent to submit the following additional documents.

- 1. A copy of Letter of Intent from the Department of Mining & Geology.
- 2. The Certificate [27.2(f)] of KMMC Rule, 2015] from the Village Officer certifying that the land is not assigned for any specific purpose.
- 3. A list of plant species proposed to be planted at the site should also to be provided.

Field visit to the Quarry project site of M/s Al-Falah Metal Crusher, Manickal and Thekkada villages, Nedumangad Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram district, was carried out on 10.06.2017 by the sub-committee of SEAC, Kerala, comprising Dr. Oommen V Oommen and Sri. John Mathai. Sri. Abdul Kareem and other representatives were present at the site at the time of site visit.

The proposed lease area consists of 6.2764 ha falling in own land. This project is located at about 2 km northeast of Vembayam junction. Boundary pillars are erected and numbered as given in the surface plan, but fencing is incomplete. The lease land falls on the upper western slopes of a hillock with moderate to steep slopes. The area in general is covered with boulders and rock outcrops and the soil cover/OB is thin. The rock type belongs to Khondalite suite of rocks. The proposed quarry is partly developed by working with permits but is not working presently. Storm water management is planned through catch water drains leading to a crusher unit on the south at a lower level from where it will be clarified and let out. The main haulage road and the approach road are well laid with hard top. Rubber is seen in patches. The area is mostly rocky and disturbed but very small bits of natural vegetation are seen. One building is observed around 100 m from the quarry area. Two Quarries (one of Covenent Stones for which EC has been given and another small sized quarry) that are currently working are seen within 500 m but the combined area is less than 25 ha. Based on an overall evaluation of the site it can be recommended after considering the following:-

- The certificate that the land is not assigned for any special purpose, issued by the village officer is not verified.
- A map with cadastral base to be submitted indicating the total land under possession and the proposed quarry area within it.
- A clear distance of 100 in must be left from the dwelling units seen on the eastern side.
- A separate plot may be set apart to relocate and protect shrubs and plants in the area that are rare to the locality.
- Catch water drains to be provided to channelize storm water and check dams for clarification before safe disposal.
- The stack of OB on the western side should be provided with adequate side protection
- Dedicated RWH structure may be provided in the lower part near the crusher unit to enhance water availability.
- 3. The proposal was placed in the 74<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and decided to defer the item for the submission of following documents.
  - 1. A copy of Letter of Intent from the Department of Mining & Geology.
  - 2. The Certificate [27.2 (f) of KMMC Rule, 2015] from the Village Officer certifying that the land is not assigned for any specific purpose.
  - 3. A map with cadastral base to be submitted indicating the total land under possession and the proposed quarry area within it.

- 4. The proponent has submitted the documents sought by 74<sup>th</sup> SEAC meeting. The proposal was placed in the 76<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 and decided to defer the item for submission of the following document.
  - 1. Copy of the certificate [27.2(f)] of KMMC Rule, 2015] from the Village Officer certifying that the land is not assigned for any specific purpose.

The proponent had submitted the documents sought by 76<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC.

- 5. The proposal was considered in the 77<sup>th</sup> meeting SEAC held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017. The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions in addition to the following specific condition for mining.
  - A clear distance of 100 m must be left from the dwelling units seen on the eastern side.
  - Catch water drains to be provided to channelize storm water and check dams for clarification before safe disposal.
  - The stack of OB on the western side should be provided with adequate side protection
  - Dedicated RWH structure may be provided in the lower part near the crusher unit to enhance water availability.
  - If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent agreed to set apart Rs.15 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.15 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local Panchavat.

- 6. Authority considered the proposal in the 74<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 09<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Authority accepted the recommendation of SEAC and decided to issue EC subject to general conditions in addition to the following specific conditions.
  - A clear distance of 100 m must be left from the dwelling units seen on the eastern side.
  - Catch water drains to be provided to channelize storm water and check dams for clarification before safe disposal.
  - The stack of OB on the western side should be provided with adequate side protection
  - Dedicated RWH structure may be provided in the lower part near the crusher unit to enhance water availability.
  - If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.
- 7. As the project cost seems to be under estimated a certificate from a Chartered Accountant stating the exact project cost should be submitted. The proponent should set apart an amount of Rs.15 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.15 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR

activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local Panchayat. A notarised affidavit that a clear distance of 100m will be left from the nearest dwelling unit and commitment of CSR activities and also agreeing all the general and specific conditions should be submitted before the issuance of EC. The proponent has submitted the affidavit vide reference 7<sup>th</sup> cited. Certificate from a Chartered Engineer vide reference 8<sup>th</sup> cited has been submitted stating that the total project cost is Rs.1,61,50,000/-.

- 8. Environmental Clearance as per the EIA Notification 2006 is hereby accorded for the proposed quarry project of Sri. Abdul Kareem, Owner M/s. Al Falah Metal Crusher, Alfalah, Mandapam, Vembayam Post, Thiruvananthapuram 695615, in Sy. Nos. 475/9, 475/9-1, 475/10, 477/9-1, 477/15-1, 236/1, 236/3, 236/4, 236/6, 236/7, 236/8, 236/9, 236/9-1, 235/3 & 235/10 of Manickal & Thekkada Village, Nedumangad Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District, Kerala for an area of 6.27.64 Ha, subject to the specific conditions as in para 6 above, all the environmental impact mitigation and management measures undertaken by the project proponent in the Form I, EMP, PFR and Mining plan submitted to SEIAA. The assurances and clarifications given by the proponent will be deemed to be a part of these proceedings as if incorporated herein. Also the general conditions for projects stipulated for mining (items 1 to 61), appended hereto will be applicable and have to be strictly adhered to.
- 9. The clearance issued will also be subject to full and effective implementation of all the undertakings given in the application form, mitigation measures as assured in the Environment Management Plan and the mining features including progressive mine closure plan as submitted with the application and relied on for grant of this clearance. The above undertakings and the conditions and the undertakings in Chapter 6 (Mining), Chapter 7 (Mines Drainage), Chapter 8 (Stacking of Mineral rejects and Disposal of waste), Chapter 10 (EMP) Chapter 11 (Mine Closure Plan) of the Mining Plan as submitted will be deemed to be part of this proceedings as conditions as undertaken by the proponent, as if incorporated herein.
- 10. Validity of the Environmental Clearance will be five years from the date of this clearance, subject to inspection by SEIAA on annual basis and compliance of the conditions, subject to earlier review of E.C in case of violation or non-compliance of conditions or genuine complaints from residents within the security area of the quarry.

- 11. Compliance of the conditions herein will be monitored by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority or its authorised offices and also by the regional office of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, Bangalore.
  - Necessary assistance for entry and inspection should be provided by the project proponent and those who are engaged or entrusted by him to the staff for inspection or monitoring.
  - ii. Instances of violation if any shall be reported to the District Collector,
    Thiruvananthapuram
- iii. The given address for correspondence with the authorised signatory of the project is Sri. Abdul Kareem, Owner M/s. Al Falah Metal Crusher, Al-falah, Mandapam, Vembayam Post, Thiruvananthapuram 5 695615.

Sd/

JAMES VARGHESE.I.A.S, Member Secretary (SEIAA)

To,

Sri. Abdul Kareem,
Owner M/s. Al-Falah Metal Crusher,
Al-falah, Mandapam, Vembayam Post,
Thiruyananthapuram
Kerala – 695615

### Copy to.

- MoEF Regional Office, Southern Zone, Kendriya Sadan, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, E&F Wing, II Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034.
- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment Department, Government of Kerala.
- 3. District Collector, Thiruvananthapuram
- 4. Director, Mining & Geology, Thiruvananthapuram -4.
- 5. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- 6. District Geologist, Thiruvananthapuram
- 7. Tahsildhar, Nedumangad Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram
- 8. Chairman, SEIAA.
- Website.
  - 10. S/f
  - 11. O/c

Forwarded/By Order

Administrator, SEIAA

#### STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY KERALA

## GENERAL CONDITIONS (for mining projects)

- 1. Rain Water Harvesting facility should be installed as per the prevailing provisions of KMBR / KPBR, unless otherwise specified.
- 2. Environment Monitoring Cell as agreed under the affidavit filed by the proponent should be formed and made functional.
- 3. Suitable avenue trees should be planted along either side of the tarred road and open parking areas, if any, including of approach road and internal roads.
- 4. Maximum possible solar energy generation and utilization shall be ensured as an essential part of the project.
- 5. Sprinklers shall be installed and used in the project site to contain dust emissions.
- 6. Eco-restoration including the mine closure plan shall be done at the own cost of the project proponent.
- 7. At least 10 percent out of the total excavated pit area should be retained as water storage areas and the remaining area should be reclaimed with stacked dumping and overburden and planted with indigenous plant species that are eco-friendly, if no other specific condition on reclamation of pit is stipulated in the E.C.
- 8. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) agreed upon by the proponent should be implemented
- 9. The lease area shall be fenced off with barbed wires to a minimum height of 4ft around, before starting of mining. All the boundary indicators (boards, stores, markings, etc) shall be protected at all times and shall be conspicuous.
- Warning alarms indicating the time of blasting (to be done at specific timings) has to be arranged as per stipulations of Explosive Department.
- 11. Control measures on noise and vibration prescribed by KSPCB should be implemented.
- 12. Quarrying activities should be limited to day time as per KSPCB guidelines/specific conditions.
- 13. Blasting should be done in a controlled manner as specified by the regulations of Explosives Department or any other concerned agency.
- 14. A licensed person should supervise/ control the blasting operations.
- 15. Access roads to the quarry shall be tarred to contain dust emissions that may arise during transportation of materials.
- 16. Overburden materials should be managed within the site and used for reclamation of mine pit as per mine closure plan / specific conditions.
- 17. Height of benches should not exceed 5 m, and width should not be less than 5 m, if there is no mention is the mining plan/specific condition.
- 18. Mats to reduce fly rock blast to a maximum of 10 PPV should be provided.
- 19. Maximum depth of mining from general ground level at site shall not exceed 10m
- 20. No mining operations should be carried out at places having a slope greater than 45°.
- 21. Acoustic enclosures should have been provided to reduce sound amplifications in addition to the provisions of green belt and hollow brick envelop for crushers so that the noise level is kept within prescribed standards given by CPCB/KSPCB.
- 22. The workers on the site should be provided with the required protective equipment such as ear muffs, helmet, etc.
- 23. Garland drains with clarifiers to be provided in the lower slopes around the core area to channelize storm water.
- 24. The transportation of minerals should be done in covered trucks to contain dust emissions.
- 25. The proponent should plant trees at least 5 times of the loss that has been occurred while clearing the land for the project.
- 26. Disposal of spent oil from diesel engines should be as specified under relevant Rules/Regulations.
- 27. Explosives should be stored in magazines in isolated place specified and approved by the Explosives Department.
- A minimum buffer distance of 100m from the boundary of the quarry to the nearest dwelling unit or other structures, not being any facility for mining shall be provided.
- 29. 100 m buffer distance should be maintained from forest boundaries.

- 30. Consent from Kerala State Pollution Control Board under Water and Air Act(s) should be obtained before initiating mining activity.
- 31. All other statutory clearances should be obtained, as applicable, by project proponents from the respective competent authorities including that for blasting and storage of explosives.
- 32. In the case of any change(s) in the scope of the project, extent quantity, process of mining technology involved or in any way affecting the environmental parameters/impacts as assessed, based on which only the E.C is issued, the project would require a fresh appraisal by this Authority, for which the proponentshall apply and get the approval of this Authority.
- 33. The Authority reserves the right to add additional safeguard measures subsequently, if found necessary, and to take action including revoking of the environment 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.
- 34. The stipulations by Statutory Authorities under different Acts and Notifications should be complied with, including the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and control of Pollution) act 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Public Liability (Insurance) Act, 1991 and EIA Notification, 2006.
- 35. The project proponent should advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the region, one of which (both the advertisement and the newspaper) shall be in the vernacular language informing that the project has been accorded Environmental Clearance and copies of clearance letters are available with the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) office and may also be seen on the website of the Authority at www.seiaakerala.org. The advertisement should be made within 10 days from the date of receipt of the Clearance letter and a copy of the same signed in all pages should be forwarded to the office of this Authority as confirmation.
- A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned Grama Panchayat/ District Panchayat/ Municipality/Corporation/Urban Local Body and also to the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions / representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The Environmental Clearance shall also be put on the website of the company by the proponent.
- 37. The proponent shall submit half yearly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) and upload the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the respective Regional Office of MoEF, Govt. of India and also to the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) office.
- 38. The details of Environmental Clearance should be prominently displayed in a metallic board of 3

  ft x 3 ft with green background and yellow letters of Times New Roman font of size of not less
  than 40. Sign board with extent of lease area and boundaries shall be depicted at the entrance of
  the quarry, visible to the public
- 39. The proponent should provide notarized affidavit (indicating the number and date of Environmental Clearance proceedings) that all the conditions stipulated in the EC shall be scrupulously followed.
- 40. No change in mining technology and scope of working should be made without prior approval of the SEIAA, No further expansion or modifications in the mine shall be carried out without prior approval of the SEIAA, as applicable.
- 41. The Project proponent shall ensure that no natural water course and/or water resources shall be obstructed due to any mining operations. Necessary safeguard measures to protect the first order streams, if any, originating from the mine lease shall be taken.
- 42. Monitoring of Ambient Air Quality to be carried out based on the Notification 2009, as amended from time to time by the Central Pollution Control Board. Water sprinkling should be increased at places loading and unloading points & transfer point to reduce fugitive emissions.
- 43. The top soil, if any, shall temporarily be stored at earmarked site(s) only for the topsoil shall be used for land reclamation and plantation. The over burden (OB) generated during the mining operations shall be stacked at earmarked dump site(s) only. The maximum height of the dumps shall not exceed 8m and width 20m and overall slope of the dumps shall be maintained to 45°. The OB dumps should be scientifically vegetated with suitable native species to prevent erosion and surface run off. In critical areas, use of geo textiles shall be undertaken for stabilization of the dump. The entire excavated area shall be backfilled. Monitoring and management of rehabilitated areas should continue until the vegetation becomes self-sustaining.

45. Effective safeguard measures such as regular water sprinkling shall be carried out in critical areas prone to air pollution and having high levels of PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> such as haul Road, loading and unloading points and transfer points – it shall be ensured that the Ambient Air Quality parameters conform to the norms prescribed by the Central Pollution Control Board in this regard.

46. Fugitive dust emissions from all the sources should be controlled regularly. Water spraying arrangement on haul roads, loading and unloading and at transfer points should be provided and properly maintained.

47. Measures should be taken for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment.

48. A separate environmental management cell with suitable qualified personnel should be set-up under the control of a Senior Executive, who will report directly to the Head of the Organization.

49. The funds earmarked for environmental protection measures and CSR activate should be kept in separate account and should not be diverted for other purpose. Year wise expenditure should be reported to the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) office.

50. The Regional Office of MOEF & CC located at Bangalore shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities should extend full cooperation to the officer (S) of the Regional Office by furnishing the requisite data/information/monitoring reports.

51. Any appeal against this Environmental Clearance shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

52. Concealing the factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

53. The SEIAA may revoke or suspend the order, for non implementation of any of the specific or thisimplementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory. The SEIAA reserves the right to alter/modify the above conditions or stipulate any further condition in the interest of environment protection.

54. The above conditions shall prevail notwithstanding anything to the contrary, in consistent, or simplified, contained in any other permit, license on consent given by any other authority for the same project.

55. This order is valid for a period of 5 years or the expiry date of mine lease period issued by the Government of Kerala, whichever is earlier.

56. The Environmental Clearance will be subject to the final order of the courts in any pending litigation related to the land or project, in any court of law.

57. The mining operation shall be restricted to above ground water table and it should not intersect ground water table.

58. All vehicles used for transportation and within the mines shall have 'PUC' certificate from authorized pollution taking centre. Washing of all vehicles shall be inside the lease area'

59. Project proponent should obtain necessary prior permission of the competent authorities for drawal of requisite quantity of surface water and ground water for the project.

60. Regular monitoring of flow rates and water quality upstream and downstream of the springs and perennial nallahs flowing in and around the mine lease area shall be carried out and reported in the six monthly reports to SEIAA.

61. Occupational health surveillance program of the workers should be under taken periodically to observe any contractions due to exposure to dust and take corrective measures, if needed.

For Member Secretary, SEIAA Kerala