



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. No. 147/2A2, 149/2B1 at Thazhekode Village, Mukkam Panchayat, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala – 673602for M/s Safa Stone Crusher of Sri. SahulHameed granted- Orders issued.

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

No.889/SEIAA/EC4/3320/2015

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 22/11/2017

Ref:

- 1. Application received on 05/08/2015 from Sri. SahulHameedThazhekode Village, Mukkam Panchayat, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala 673602
- 2. Minutes of 68th meeting of SEAC held on 20th & 21st February 2017
- 3. Minutes of thethe 74th meeting of SEAC held on 14th & 15th June 2017.
- 4. Minutes of the 72nd meeting of SEIAA held on 01^h August 2017
- 5. Affidavit dated 29/9/17 and 30/11/17 from Sri. Sahul Hameed

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE NO.94/2017

Sri SahulHameed Managing Partner M/s Safa Stone Crusher, Omassery Road, Augusthymuzhi, Mukkam P.O., Kozhikode, Kozhikode District Kerala-673602 vide his application received on 05/08/2015 has sought Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for the quarry project in Sy. No. 147/2A2, 149/2B1 at Thazhekode Village, Mukkam Panchayat, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala-673602 for an area of 2.6565 hectares. The project comes under Category B/B2, 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 18th May 2012 of Ministry of Environment and Forests. It is further categorized as Category B2 as per the notification No S.O.141(E) dated 15/1/2016 of Ministry of Environment and Forests ,since the area of the project 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

·	I. Project details				
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	Name /Title of the	Environment Clearance for Building S	tone Quarry project of		
2.	project	M/s Safa Stone Crusher for area 2.6565 h	nectar es .		
	Name and address	Mr.SahulHameed, Managing Partner,			
3	of project	M/s Safa Stone Crusher,			
	proponent.	Omassery Road, Augusthymuzhi,			
		Mukkam P.O., Kozhikode, Kerala-67360	2.		
4	Owner of the land	Private own land			
	Surray No				
5	Survey No. District/Taluk/	Survey Nos. 147/2A2, 149/2B1, Thazha	kode Village, Mukkam		
)	and Village etc.	Panchayat, Taluk & District, Kozhikode,	Kerala.		
	and vinage etc.				
		The quarry was in operation with two	short term quarrying		
	Details of period	permits and the details are given below:-			
	of lease or permit				
	with number	Short Term Permit No. & Date	Valid upto		
	including the	A COLOR OF THE COL	17 / 11 / 2016		
6	beginning and	39/2015-16/GS/CRPS/DOZ/M-	1//11/2010		
	expiry date of	1000/15 Dt. 18/11/2015			
	lease/permit	64/2015-16/GS/CRPS/DOZ/M-	29 / 12 / 2016		
	period (Copy to	973/15 Dt. 30/12/2015			
ľ	be attached)				
	4.	The copies of the short term permits are a	attached.		
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!	Present Status of				
	the project	Mining activity starting from 19 / 11 / 20	015		
7	a. Date & Year of				
'	starting the work				
	of the quarry				
	project.				

	b. whether the quarry is working at present or not?	Presently, the quarry is not working.
	c. If stopped working since when?	The mining activity was stopped at site from 29/12/2016 due to expiry of mining permit.
8	Date of submission of Application	5-08-2015
9	Brief description of the project.	The land for the proposed quarry is private owned land and the land is possessed in the name of M/s Safa Stone Crusher. The targeted production of mine will be 1,00,000 MTA. The estimated project cost will be Rs. 2.60 Crores. The expected life of mine will be about 5 years. The working will be carried out by opencast semi-mechanized method.
10	Details of Authorized Signatory and address for correspondence	Mr.SahulHameed, Managing Partner, M/s Safa Stone Crusher, Omassery Road, Augusthymuzhi, Mukkam P.O., Kozhikode, Kerala-673602. Ph. 0495-2291360 Mobile no. 09048506848. E-mail: safamkm@gmail.com
		II. Land Details
11	Extent of area in hectares	2.6565 ha.
12	Is the property forest land/Govt. land/own land/patta land	Private own land
13	Quantity of top soil/over burden produced and managed	A total estimated quantity of 17,267 cu. m. of topsoil is proposed to be removed during the mining operations. The topsoil excavated from the quarry will be dumped separately at pre-determined place and subsequently will be utilized in spreading over reclaimed areas for plantation. Precautions will be taken to limit the height of the topsoil dump to 5 to 6 meters in order to preserve its fertility and shelf life. It will be suitably protected from soil erosion and infertility by planting fodder grass and leguminous plants during temporary storage.
		About 5,313 cu.m. of overburden will be generated throughout

		the mine life. This waste will be utilized within the pit for lying of haul roads. At the end use, OB can be reutilized as soil base for plantation.		
14	Latitude and	Latitude (N)	11°20'14.77" to 11°20'08.61"	
	Longitude	Longitude (E)	75°58'49.70" to 75°58'41.61"	
15	Topography of land and elevation	vegetation and remain with native trees, shru	d land is rocky area and there is no ning part of the proposed land is covered abs, herbs, grass, climbers, bushes etc. n of the lease area is 127 m MSL and	
16	Slope analysis	Towards north-east si	de.	
17	Will there be any significant land disturbance resulting in soil	the hill to collect run There is no danger	n to provide channel all around the foot of off and also to avoid soil erosion. of flood or inundation as the proposed	
	erosion, subsidence & natural drainage. Access road to	susceptible to floods.	e normal ground level. The area is not	
18	the site width and condition	8 m. wide tarred road		
19	Will there be any adverse impact on the aesthetics of the proposal site	backfilling the pits ar	be fully reclaimed and rehabilitated by and plantation. Plantation and afforestation provement in environment and aesthetic	
		III.Mining	details	
20	Minimum and Maximum height of excavation.	The exploitation of m 37 m. MSL in concep	nineral is being done from 127 m. MSL to tual phase.	
21	Life of mine proposed.	About 5 years		
22	Underground mining if any proposed	Not applicable		
23	Method of Mining	The working will be method as per the app	carried out by opencast semi-mechanized roved Mining Plan.	

24	Distance from the adjacent quarry	There is one other quarry of Mr. Abdul Rahim is in operation within 500 mtr radius of the proposed quarry project for mining area of 0.24 Ares.
25	Cluster condition if any	No cluster condition
26	Has "No cluster certificate" submitted?	Cluster certificate is already submitted with Environment Clearance Application.
27	Distance from nearby habitation	Nearest house is about 102m towards SE side.
28	Distance from nearby forest, if applicable	Thekkumkutty, 15 km., SE
29	Distance from protected area, Wildlife Sanctuary, National Park etc.	None within the study area
30	Distance from nearby streams/rivers/N ational Highway and Roads	Water Bodies: Chaliyar River, 7.5 km., S Iruvazhinji, 1 km., E Cherupuzha, 4.5 km., W Highway – S.H. 34 (Manjeri-Thammarassery), 104 m. NE
31	Is ESA applicable? If so distance from ESA limit	Not falling in ESA
32	Has approved mining plan, prepared by RQP submitted?	Yes, the approved mining plan prepared by RQP is already submitted along with the application.
33	Capacity of production in TPA	1,00,000 MTA
34	Details of mining process	The mining will be done by open cast semi-mechanized method of mining. The bench height and width will be maintained 5 m. Excavated material is transported to the crusher unit for further processing. The ultimate depth of the mine workings is

		estimated to reach upto 37 m MSL.			
	IV. Details of Project cost				
35	Land cost	Rs. 2.60 Crores (All inclusive)			
36	Plant and Machinery	Rs. 2.60 Crores (All inclusive)			
37	Total Cost	Rs. 2.60 Crores (All inclusive)			
38	Financial Statement including funding source and details of insurance etc.	Project Cost = Rs. 2.60 Crores Insurance = Insurance to the quarry workers would provide through insurance company. Funding = Own source & bank loan			
39	Management Plan	Air Pollu tion Mining activities will generate certain quantities of dust during drilling, blasting, loading and transportation operations. The following measures will be taken to mitigate the fugitive dust from different operations. Laying of haul road as per the standards, black topping of permanent haul road and service road to avoid or eliminate air borne dust. To avoid the dust generation from the drilling operations, wet drilling method will be adopted. Drill machines will be equipped with dust collectors. Use of appropriate explosives for blasting and avoiding overcharging of blast holes. Controlled blasting techniques will be adopted. Watering of haul road and other road at regular intervals. Provision of dust filters/ mask to workers working at highly dust prone and affected areas. Provision of green belt all along the periphery of the lease area. Periodical monitoring of ambient air quality in and around the lease area. The extracted mineral will be transported from the quarry to the end user by adopting following measures so as to minimize dust emissions.			

		> In case of long transportation the trucks
		after loading will be covered with
	11	tarpaulin sheets.
		> Speed of the vehicles will be maintained
		within the prescribed limits.
		> Trucks will not be over loaded and will
		be maintained to the body level
	Wate	Provision of storm water collection pond
	r	with an appropriate capacity. The water
	Pollu	requirement for sprinkling on sources of dust
! !	tion	emission, on roads, landscaping etc. Can be
		met from the stored rainwater in the
		pond/tank.
	Nois	The major noise generating source from the
	l e	proposed activity is working machinery,
		drilling, blasting and plying of vehicles. The
.		following control measures are to be
		undertaken to bring down the noise levels:-
	! .	> Proper maintenance of machinery,
		equipments and improvement on design of
		machines.
		➤ Use of personal protective devices i.e.,
		earmuffs and earplugs by workers, who
	.	are working in high noise generating
	1	areas.
		Creation of wide green belt of dense
		foliage between mine areas and residential
		colonies.
	ile.	> Proper training to personnel to create
		awareness about adverse noise level
		effects.
		Planned noise monitoring at suitable
	1000	locations in the plant and outside location
	C-1:4	for proper effective remedial actions.
	Solid	Topsoil Management
No.	Wast	The topsoil excavated from the quarry will be
	e	dumped / stacked separately at pre-determined
***	Man	place and subsequently will be utilized in
	agem	spreading over reclaimed areas for plantation
	ent	as part of eco-restoration. Precautions will be
		taken to limit the height of the topsoil dump /
	[]	stacked to 5 to 6 meters in order to preserve its
		fertility and shelf life. It will be suitably
		protected from soil erosion and infertility by
·		planting fodder grass and leguminous plants
		during temporary storage.

		Overburden Management		
		This waste will be utilized within the pit for lying of haul roads. At the end use, OB can be reutilized as soil base for plantation.		
		Eco- resto mine will be made and about 2,000 trees will be ratio n		
40	Whether Environment Management Plan or Eco restoration Plan satisfactory?	Yes and detailed Environment Management Plan is already submitted with E.C. Application		
41	Does it suggest mitigation measures for each activity	Detailed Environment Management Plan is already submitted with E.C. Application.		
42	If Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) satisfactory	Detailed Environment Management Plan is already submitted with E.C. Application.		
43	Does it need public hearing	Not Applicable		
44	Details of litigation and Court verdict if any	No litigation pending.		
45	Details of public complaint, if any	None		
46	Details of statutory sanction required	 The following statutory sanction required:- Consents from the Kerala State Pollution Control Board. Permission from Mining & Geology Department. Permission from Explosive Department Permission from Panchayat Office 		
47	If CRZ recommandation applicable?	Not Applicable		

	PART B Environment Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures				
	Impa	act on water			
48	Details of water requirement per day in KLD	The total water requirement is about 15 KLD in which 1 KLD is for domestic which would be sourced from open well, 12 KLD for dust suppression system in mine as well as ancillary units and 2 KLD for plantation purposes and will be sourced from storm water pond/tank.			
49	Water source/sources.	1 KLD is for domestic which would be sourced from open well, 12 KLD for dust suppression system in mine as well as ancillary units and 2 KLD for plantation purposes and will be sourced from storm water pond/tank.			
50	Expected water use per day in KLD.	15 KLD.			
51	Detai's of water requirements met from water harvesting.	12 KLD for dust suppression system in mine as well as ancillary units and 2 KLD for plantation purposes and will be sourced from storm water pond/tank.			
52	What are the impact of the proposal on the ground water?	No significant impact envisaged on ground water due to the mining project.			
53	How much of the water requirement can be met from the recycling of treated waste water? (Facilities for liquid waste treatment)	No.			
54	What is the incremental pollution load from waste water generated from the proposed activities?	The sewage to a tune of 0.8 KLD generated from the mine office will be diverted to the septic tank followed by soak pit.			
55	How is the storm water from within the site managed?	 Storm water drains with silt traps will be suitably constructed all along the periphery of the pit area to collect the run-off from the lease area and divert into the storm water pond/tanks proposed within the complex. All measures will be taken not to disturb the existing drainage pattern adjacent to the other 			

property. De-siltation traps and storm water college pond proposed for silt removal. The storm water collected from the least will be utilized for dust suppression or roads, plantation within the premises etc. Impact on Biodiversity and Eco restoration Programmes Will the project involve. Due to the mining activities, there will be	e area
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sextensive clearing or of some native species and vegeta	
modification of vegetation However, some of these species will be pl	anted
(Provide details) at the end use for eco-restoration.	c.
The year wise programme of eco-restoration	" . I
the life of mine will be made and about.	
trees will be planted in an area of 2.2065 ha	١.
Ecological restoration for the mined are	ea by
planfation of the species as per the time sch	redule
What are the measures suggested below: -	
proposed to minimize the First Six months Herbs & gr	ass
inkery impact on vegetation	İ
plantation/ landscaping) Next Six months onwards Trees	
Selection of species is based on High	Dust
Capturing, Soil Holding Capacity, ground	
recharge capacity etc. More focus is give	n for
medicinal plants.	
Is there any displacement of No	
fauna – both terrestrial and	
aquatic? – If so what are the	
mitigation measures?	
Presence of any endangered	
species or red listed category No endangered species found at site	
(in detail)	
Impact on Air Environment	
What are the mitigation Details already provided at EMP section	at Sr.
measures on generation of No. 39 above.	
dust, smoke and air quality	
Details of internal traffic Designated space will be provided for pa	rking
management of the site.	

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		of truck/tipper within the site.
		For the purposes of mining activities, existing roads are sufficient. However, haul road will be suitably developed within the proposed area.
		Speed of the vehicles will be maintained within the prescribed limits (Speed Governor fitted).
61	Details of noise from traffic, machines and vibrator and mitigation measures	Details already provided at EMP section at Sr. No. 39 above
62	Impact of DG sets and other equipments on noise and vibration and ambient air quality around the project site and mitigation measures	Details already provided at EMP section at Sr. No. 39 above
63	Air quality monitoring in detail	Details already provided at EMP section at Sr. No. 39 above.
	Energy	Conservation
64	Details of power requirement and source of supply.	The total power requirement will be 75 kW, which will be drawn from diesel engine.
65	Details of renewable energy (non – conventional) used.	We will promote renewable energy resources.
	Risk	Janagement
66	Are there sufficient measures proposed for risk hazards in case of emergency such as accident at the site?	Detailed Environment Management Plan is already submitted with E.C. Application.
·:	Are proposals for fencing around the quarry satisfactory?	Barbed wire fencing will be done all around the quarry site.
67	Storage of explosives/hazardous substance in detail	The stone quarry mine will result in increase in frequency of blasting for mining the mineral. However, controlled blasting with optimum charge of holes will be carried out to loosen the rock. Explosion hazards are envisaged due to
	Facility for solid waste management	mishandling of explosives. Explosives will be handled with utmost care in compliance of conditions imposed by Chief Controller of Explosive &Metalliferous Mines Regulation, 1961.

		will be	e stored separa	tely on earn	nted from the site marked place and and internal road
	Socio Eco	onomic	Impacts		
68	Will the project cause adverse effects on local communities' disturbance to sacred sites or other cultural values? What are the safe guards proposed?	No			
69	Will the proposal result in any changes to the demographic structure of local population. If so, provide details.	develor opport and a suppor	p the area unities. With t around the a	by providi he proposedurea there s/ infrastru	ectly / indirectly ing employment d development in will be many cture eventually e area.
70.		site su CSR a	rroundings & 1	need base st carried out. low :- Recurri ng Expens	us of the project tudy on proposed The summary of NonRecurring Expenses (in Rs.)
	Are the CSR proposals satisfactory? Give details	1	Promotion of education	es (in Rs.)	5,30,000
		2	Health Care	3,14,000	Nil
:		3	Developme ntof Infrastruct ure	1,36,000	1,00,000
			Total	5,90,000	6,30,000

71	What are the projects benefits in terms of employment potential? Details of NABET approved EIA Consultant engaged-Their name, address and accreditation details	
	Summary	Apartments, Palarivattom P.O., Kochi, Kerala.
73	Overall justification for implementation of the project.	It is predicted that socio-economic impact due to this project will positively increase the chance of more employment opportunities for local inhabitants. There are no Resettlement and Rehabilitation issues involved in this project. The project infrastructures will be of use to people of the area. The revenue of the State Govt. will be definitely increasing due to the proposed activity. The entire project area is devoid of any endangered flora and fauna. It is proposed to reclaim the land and develop green cover for eco-restoration with native species to a maximum possible extent. Additionally, an area is earmarked outside the proposed mining area for compensatory mass plantation. Also, a storm water pond/tank is proposed outside the mining area for storage of rain water and for its subsequent use so as to conserve fresh water consumption. Thus the proposed project is not likely to affect the environment or adjacent ecosystem adversely.
74	Explanation of how adverse impacts have been mitigated.	Detailed Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) with Environment Management Plan (EMP) is already submitted with E.C. Application.

2. The proposal was placed in 68th meeting of SEAC held on 20th& 21st February 2017. The proponent has submitted the revised Mining plan as per Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rule, 2015 on 05/04/2016. 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.7 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.6 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local Panchayat. The Committee deferred the item for field inspection.

Accordingly a site inspection was conducted by the Sub Committee consisting of Dr P. S Harikumar and Dr KhaleelChovva.

The quarry is situated in Thazhekode Village, Mukkam Panchayat, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District. The proposal is for quarrying for an area of 2.6565 hectares. The proposed project site falls within Latitude N 11° 20′ 14.77″ to 11° 20′ 08.61″ and Longitude E 75° 58′ 49.70″ to E 75° 58′ 41.61″. A crusher unit is present inside the quarry site. The proposed site is in a hilly area. A public road is seen approximately 200 m away from the site. Rubber is planted on one side of the quarry. The sign boards and marked stones are provided all around the boundary of the quarry. Fencing is done.

The collection of storm water and drainage channels has not been properly done.

Overburden is not stalked properly

Recommendation

Provided facilities to store and clarify the storm water before it is conserved or discharged The overburden should be stacked properly at an appropriate site which will not harm the environment.

It is recommended to give EC for the application after stipulating general conditions for a quarry project

- 3. The proposal was considered in the 74th meeting of SEAC held on 14th& 15th June 2017. Based on the Mining plan, Form.1, all other documents submitted with the proposal and the field visit report, the Committee decided to Recommend for issuance of ECsubject to the general conditions in addition to the following specific condition.
 - 1. Clarify the storm water before it is conserved or discharged.
 - 2. If any plant species endemic to Western Ghats are noticed in the area they shall be properly protected in situ or by transplanting to an appropriate location inside the lease area

The proponent agreed to set apart Rs.7 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs. 6 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local body

4. The proposal was finally considered in the 72^{nd} meeting of SEIAA held on 1^{st} August 2017. The Authority accepted the recommendation of SEAC and decided to issue EC subject to general condition in addition to the following specific conditions.

- 1. Clarify the storm water before it is conserved or discharged.
- 2. The overburden should be stacked properly at an appropriate site which will not harm the environment.
- 3. If any plant species endemic to Western Ghats are noticed in the area they shall be properly protected in situ or by transplanting to an appropriate location inside the lease area

The proponent should set apart an amount of Rs.7 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.6 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local Panchayat. A notarised affidavit for the commitment of CSR activities and agreeing all the general and specific conditions was to be submitted. The proponent has submitted an affidavit vide reference 5th cited, satisfying all the above conditions. As per the decision of 77th SEIAA Meeting held on 28 November 2017 the proponent has agreed to enhance the CSR amount of Rs. 10lakhs (non-recurring) and 10 lakhs (recurring) for the welfare of the local community in consultation with local Panchayat.

- 5. Environmental Clearance as per the EIA notification 2006 is hereby accorded for the proposed quarry project of Sri. Sahul Hameed Managing Partner M/s Safa Stone Crusher, Omassery Road, Augusthymuzhi, Mukkam P.O., Kozhikode, Kozhikode District Kerala-673602 in Sy. No. 147/2A2, 149/2B1 at Thazhekode Village, Mukkam Panchayat, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala-673602 for an area of 2.6565 hectares, subject to the specific conditions as in para 4 above, all the environmental impact mirigation and management measures undertaken by the project proponent in the revised 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.
- 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 undertakings and conditions subject to all the mining features, Environmental Management Plans as undertaken in the Mining Plan and EMP submitted to SEIAA will be deemed to be part of this proceedings as conditions as undertaken by the proponent, as if incorporated herein.
- 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.
- 8 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, and Bangalore.

- i. 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, Kozhikode to take legal action under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986.
- iii. The given address for correspondence with the authorised signatory of the project isSri. SahulHameed Managing Partner M/s Safa Stone Crusher, Omassery Road, Augusthymuzhi, Mukkam P.O., Kozhikode, Kozhikode District Kerala-67360

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

To,

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Augusthymuzhi, Mukkam P.O.,
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Copy to,

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

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Administrator(SEIAA)

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GENERAL CONDITIONS (for mining projects)

- 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.

 10. Warning alarms indicating the time of blacting (to be 1).
- 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.
- 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.
- Access roads to the quarry shall be tarred to contain dust emissions that may arise during transportation of materials.
- 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°.
- 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.
- 28. 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.

Consent from Kerala State Pollution Control Board under Water and Air Act(s) should be 30. obtained before initiating mining activity.

All other statutory clearances should be obtained, as applicable, by project proponents from the 31.

respective competent authorities including that for blasting and storage of explosives.

In the case of any change(s) in the scope of the project, extent quantity, process of mining 32. 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.

The Authority reserves the right to add additional safeguard measures subsequently, if found 33. 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.

The stipulations by Statutory Authorities under different Acts and Notifications should be 34. 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.

The project proponent should advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the 35. 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/ 36. 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.

The proponent shall submit half yearly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC 37. 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.

The details of Environmental Clearance should be prominently displayed in a metallic board of 3 38. 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

The proponent should provide notarized affidavit (indicating the number and date of Environmental 39. Clearance proceedings) that all the conditions stipulated in the EC shall be scrupulously followed.

No change in mining technology and scope of working should be made without prior approval of 40. the SEIAA, No further expansion or modifications in the mine shall be carried out without prior approval of the SEIAA, as applicable.

The Project proponent shall ensure that no natural water course and/or water resources shall be 41. 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.

Monitoring of Ambient Air Quality to be carried out based on the Notification 2009, as amended 42. 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.

The top soil, if any, shall temporarily be stored at earmarked site(s) only for the topsoil shall be 43. 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 450. 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.

- 44. Catch drains and siltation ponds of appropriate size shall be constructed around the mine working, mineral and OB dumps to prevent run off of water and flow of sediments directly into the river and other water bodies. The water so collected should be utilized for watering the mine area, roads, green belt development etc. The drains shall be regularly desilted particularly after monsoon and maintained properly.
- 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 PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} 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.
- 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.
- The SEIAA may revoke or suspend the order, for non implementation of any of the specific or this implementation 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.
- 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

