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

Sub: SEIAA- Environmental Clearance for the proposed Quarry

project in Re. Sy. No.242 (pt), in Valayam Village, Vadakara Taluk,

Kozhikode District, Kerala by Mr. Shajith V.P., Managing Partner, - Granted

- Orders issued.

STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

No 1131/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 17/03/2018

Ref:

- 1. Application received on 17/05/2017 from Mr. Shajith.V.P., Valiyaparambath (H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode 673 517
- 2. Minutes of the 75th meeting of SEAC held on 29th & 30th June 2017
- 3. Minutes of the 84th ineeting of SEAC held on 22nd & 23rd January 2018.
- 4. Minutes of the 80th meeting of SEIAA held on 16th February 2018
- 5. Affidavit from Mr.Shajith V.P., Valiyaparambath (H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode District, Kerala-673517,

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE NO.59/2018

Mr.Shajith V.P., Managing Partner, Valiyaparambath (H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode District, Kerala-673517, vide his application received online, has sought Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for the quarry project in Re.Sy. No.242 (pt), in Valayam Village, Vadakara Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala for an area of 5.9997 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 18th May 2012 of Mi of Environment and Forests. The project comes under Category B2 as per Noti 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 PART A

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	·	I. Project details				
1.	File No.	1131/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017				

2.	Name /Title of the project	Building Stone Quarry Of Mr. V. P Shajith		
3.	Name and address of project proponent.	Mr. Shajith V.P Valiyaparambath (H) Valayam (P.O) Kozhikode- 673517		
4.	Owner of the land	As per the records, the entire lease area is a private land owned by Valiyaparambath Shajith - Shibin, Jithesh, Praseeda, Santhosh, Sudheer, Sooraj, Sujeesh, Raveendran and Cheriyakoroth Nazeer, Who have given consent to Shajith V.P.		
5.	Survey No. District/Taluk/ and Village etc.	Re-survey No-242 (pt) in Valayam Village, Vadakara Taluk, and Kozhikode District		
6.	Details of period of lease or lease with number including the beginning and expiry date of lease/lease period (Copy to be attached)	Permit no: 158/13-14/MM/GS/CRPS/DOZ/M-157/14 Dated: 19.02.2014 Expiry Date: 18.02.2015		
7.	Present Status of the project a) whether the quarty is working at present or not? b) If stopped working since when?	No. 18.02.2015		
8.	Date of submission of Application	17.05.2017		
9.	Brief description of the project.	Open cast Semi mechanized mining, B2		
10.	Details of Authorized Signatory and address for correspondence.	Mr. Shajith V.P Valiyaparambath (H) Valayam (P.O) Kozhikode -673517		
II. Land Details				
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		protected area, Wildlife Sanctuary, National Park etc.	No protected area, Wildlife Sanctuary, National Park with in 15 km radius from the mine site			
30.	k)	Distance from nearby streams/rivers/Nati	Vilangadu River – 10 km NH –Vadakara- Kannur- 30 Km			
		onal Highway and Roads		**************************************		
31.	1)	Is ESA applicable? If so distance from ESA limit	Not applicable			
32.	m)	Has approved mining plan, prepared by RQP submitted?	Yes			
33.	n)	Capacity of production in TPA	1,00,000 MT			
34.	0)	Details of mining process	The quarry is proposed to work with conventional open cast with bench system method with sem - mechanized mode of operation based on the mode and method, taking into the consideration of geological parameters of the charnockite body, the quarry pit will be so designed such that the height of the bench is kept about 5.00 m max.			
	IV. Details of Project cost					
35.	a)	Land cost	50 Lakh			
36.	b)	Plant and Machinery	25 Lakh			
37.	c)	Total Cost	75 Lakh			
38.		Financial Statement including funding sourceand details of insurance etc.	Own fund			
39.	Ma	nagement Plan	Air Pollution	No significant air pollution is expected as the mining operation is in wet stage. However during the summer water spraying suppresses the dust on roadways. The improvement of haulage road is the main remedy to suppress dust during transportation. Water sprinklers are provided to check the dusty road in the mining area. Dust released due to mining activity will be suppressed periodically by sprinkling		

			of water, by engaging water tankers
		Water Pollution	Garland drains are provided at the mine site to regulate monsoon water and direct the same to the settling ponds / mine pit to contain the mine wash off and to avoid the same joining the adjoining surface water bodies / water courses.
		Noise	Plantation will be carried out all along the lease periphery, which acts as acoustic barrier for noise transmission.
		Solid Waste Management	Solid waste will be stacked at designated places during the quarry operations and will be utilized for reclamation work during mine closure plan.
		Eco-restoration	At the end of life of mine, the excavated pit will be 4.6166Ha,, in which 4.01663Ha will be reclaimed with stacked dumping and overburden and rehabilitated by plantation
40.	VI. Whether Environment Management Plan or Eco restoration Plan satisfactory?	Yes	
41.	VIL Does it suggest mitigation measures for each activity	Yes	
42.	VIII. If Pre- Feasibility Report (PFR) satisfactory	Yes	
43.	IX. Does it need public hearing	No	
44.	X. Details of litigation and Court verdict if any	Not Applicable	
45.	XI. Details of public complaint, if any	No	

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46.	statutory sanction required	Not Applicable
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	XIII.lf CRZ	Not Applicable
47	recommendation	Trottippioucio
47.	applicable?	
		PART B
	Environm	ent Impact Assessment and Mitigation Measures
		Impact on water
		The total water requirement for the proposed project has been
	a) Details of water	estimated to be around 2.6 KLD. About 1.2 KLD is required for
48.	requirement per	domestic consumption, 0.4 KLD is required for dust suppression and
	day in KLD	1KLD is required for green belt development.
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49.	b) Water sources.	The required water will be met from Pond Water and Well water.
	source/sources.	The total water requirement for the proposed project has been
	c) Expected water	estimated to be around 2.6 KLD. About 1.2 KLD is required for
50.	use per day in	domestic consumption, 0.4 KLD is required for dust suppression and
	KLD.	1.KLD is required for green belt development.
	d) Details of water	Around 0.4 KLD is required for dust suppression will be met from
51.	requirements met	water harvesting pond
	from water	
	harvesting.	The observation made during the field studies indicate water level
	e) What are the	varying and between 15-20 m below the ground level. The ultimate
	impact of the	depth of the working of the quarry is 125m MSL. Since the working
52.	proposal on the	is much above the general ground water table, it does not affect the
	ground water?	ground water
	f) How much of the	
	water requirement	
,	can be met from	
53.	the recycling of	Not Applicable
	treated waste	
	water? (Facilities	
	for liquid waste	
-	treatment). g) What is the	
	g) What is the incremental	
	pollution load	
54.	from waste water	Not Applicable
J-T.	generated from the	
	proposed	
	activities?	
	h) How is the storm	• Storm water drains with silt traps will be suitably constructed all
55.	water from within	along the periphery of the pit area (Garland drains) to collect the
	the site managed?	run-off from the lease area and divert into the storm water

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i			pond/tanks proposed within the complex. • Appropriate channelization of storm water with channels of		
			sufficient width		
1			• All measures will be taken not to disturb the existing drainage		
		Impact	pattern adjacent to the other property		
			on Biodiversity and Eco restoration Programme		
56.	a)	Will the project involve extensive clearing or modification of vegetation	There will not be any loss of native species of genetic diversity as the quarry already exists and continuation of the same will not affect or loss of native species in general.		
		(Provide details)			
57.	(b)	What ate the measures proposed to minimize the likely impact on vegetation (details of proposal for tree plantation/landscaping)	It is proposed to develop green belt to about 80 % which includes areas like along mine lease boundary (7.5 m width), all along the periphery of the mine lease area and the reclaimed area. Grass and bushes will be planted in areas prone to erosion especially at the foot of the mine lease area. Other areas will be fertilized and planted with local species. The characteristics of this vegetation will resemble that of the natural environment		
58.	c)		This region does not have any endemic or endangered species, so any development activity in the region does not have any direct bearing or significant influences in the ecosystem stability or biodiversity		
	, (1) , (2)		Impact on Air Environment		
59.	a)	What are the mitigation measures on generation of dust,	 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. 		
		smoke and air quality	 Drill machines will be equipped with dust collectors. Use of appropriate explosives for blasting and avoiding overcharging of blast holes 		
60.	b)	Details of internal traffic management of the site.	 In case of long transportation the trucks after loading will be covered with 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. 		

61.	(c)	Details of noise from traffic, machines and vibrator and mitigation measures Impact of DG sets	 Proper maintenance of machinery, equipment's 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 areas. Creation of wide green belt of dense foliage between mine areas and residential colonies 			
62.	a)	and other equipments on noise and vibration and ambient air quality around the project site and mitigation measures	 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. 			
63.	e)	Air quality monitoring in detail	Air quality is monitored from four different corners of the project site and results are found within the limits.			
			Energy Conservation			
64.	a)	Details of power requirement and source of supply.	Electric power required for office is about 2kw/day which is drawn from KSEB.			
			Risk Management			
65.	a)	Are there sufficient measures proposed for risk liazards in case of emergency such as accident at the site?	Yes			
66.	b) c) d)	Are proposals for fencing around the quarry satisfactory? Storage of explosives/hazard ous substance in detail Facility for solid waste management	Yes			
			Socio Economic Impacts			
67.	a)	Will the project cause adverse effects on local communities				

	disturbance to sacred sites or other cultural values. What are the safe guards proposed?	Nil			
68.	b) Will the proposal result in any changes to the demographic structure of local population. If so, provide details.	Nil			
	c) Are the CSR proposa Sl. Area of Interve		ve details No of Intervention	Recurring Expense	Nonrecurring Expense
69.	1 Promotion of Ec	lucation	2	50,000	2,00,000
	2 Environmental S	Sustainability	1,4	15,000	1,86,000
	3 Health Care		2	1,00,000	-
		TOTAL		1,65,000	3,86,000
70.	d) What are the	The quarrying acti in-directly. Direct Quarry as skilled a	beneficiary will be	those who get e	th directly and mployed in

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		PART C
71.	Details of NABET/RQP approved EIA Consultant engaged- Their name, address and accreditation details	NAZAR AHAMED.K.V DMG/KERALA/RQP/7/2016 GEOMARINE SOLUTION PVT.LTD. 1 st FLOOR SAMEER COMPLEX C.V.JUNCTION, PONNANI
		Summary and Conclusion
72	a) Overall justification for implementation of the project	It is predicted that socio-economic impact due to this project will positively bring prosperity and improvements in physical and social infrastructure in the area. It will increase the chance of more employment to local people. There is no resettlement and rehabilitation involved in this project. Revenue of the state government will be increased through collection of various taxes. It is proposed to reclaim the land to a maximum possible extent by

		providing green belt in refilling and surrounding areas. In addition to this 10% of the total area is converted to water pond. Thus the proposed project is not likely to affect the environment or adjacent ecosystem adversely.
73.	b) Explanation of how adverse impact have been mitigated.	 All working placers will have safe means of access, safe working platform and exit. Persons working in hazardous dust prone area will be provided with dust mask. Personal protective equipments like respirators, ear plug, noise muff, helmet etc. Will be provided to the workers. Proper unit design and engineering controls in order to protect workers, including by control or process and fugitive emissions. Adequate arrangement of drinking water will be done. Education & training will be provided to the workforce about facilities, protective equipment, risk associated, potential health effects, etc. Display board will be provided showing the hazards associated and recommend precautionary measures.

2. The proposal was placed in the 75th meeting of SEAC held on 29th & 30th June 2017 and decided to defer the item for field inspection.

Accordingly site visit to the quarry was carried out on 2nd December 2017 by Dr P S Harikumar and Dr Khaleel Chovva. The report states that the lease area consists of 5.9997 hectares. There is no any human settlement within 100 m of the quarry area. The access road to the quarry is badly managed and the width is less than 5 m at many locations. The topography of the lease area is hilly. The highest elevation of the lease area is approx. 200 m MSL. Approx 85,353 tones of topsoil have to be removed and a large quantity of over burden needs to be removed.

The area is having rich biodiversity. Not included in the red zone of disaster management authority. The red zone is about 1 km North of the proposed site.

After discussion in the SEAC meeting the following conditions may be stipulated in addition to the general conditions while recommending EC

- 1. A separate area should be demarcated to transfer the overburden.
- 2. Garland drainage and settling ponds are to be developed properly.
 - 3. Rare, endangered and endemic plants are to be protected.
 - 4. A separate plot has to be set aside to plant rare species of plants
 - 5. Mining should be restricted in the area where over burden is less than two metres
 - 6. Road to quarrying site should be constructed and maintained as per rules
- 3. The proposal was considered in the 84th meeting of SEAC held on 22nd & 23rd January 2018. 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 along with the following specific conditions.
 - 1) Garland drainage and settling ponds are to be developed properly.

- 2) Road to quarrying site should be constructed and maintained as per rules
- 3) 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.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 placed in the 80th meeting of SEIAA held on 16th February 2018. Authority accepted the recommendation of SEAC and decided to issue EC subject to general conditions in addition to the above specific conditions as recommended by SEAC The proponent should set apart Rs.6 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local body. The CSR amount should be included in the annual account of the company and the expenditure statement should be submitted to SEIAA along with the compliance report after getting certified by a Chartered Accountant. A notarised affidavit for the 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 an affidavit vide reference 5th cited, satisfying all the above conditions.
- 5. Environmental clearance as per the EIA notification 2006 is hereby accorded for the proposed quarry project of Mr. Shajith. V. P., Managing Partner, Valiyaparambath (H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode District in Re. Survey No.242(Pt) in Valayam Village, Vadakara Taluk in an area of 5.9997 bectares subject to the specific conditions as recommended by SEIAA in para 3rd & 4th 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.
- 6. 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 4 (Mining), Chapter 5 (Blasting), Chapter 12 (Progressive 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.
- 7. 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, 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 is Mr.Shajith.V.P., Valiyaparampath(H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode 673 517.

Sd/-P.H.Kurian I.A.S, Member Secretary (SEIAA)

To,

Mr.Shajith.V.P., Valiyaparampath(H), Valayam Post, Kozhikode- 673 517.

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. The Director, Mining & Geology, Thiruvananthapuram -4.
- 4. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- 5. The District Collector, Kozhikode
- 6. The District Geologist, Kozhikode
- 7. The Tahsildhar, Vadakara Taluk
- 8. Qhairman, SEIAA.
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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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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.
- 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 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.
- 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.
- 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

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