

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

(Present: Dr. Nagesh Prabhu IFS(Rtd), Chairman, Sri.K.Krishna Panicker, Member, Dr. Rathan U Kelkar, IAS, Member Secretary)

Sub: SEIAA- Environmental Clearance for the Granite Building Stone Quarry of Sri. Unneenkutty, Kallingal House, Pulassery P.O., Palakkad - Rejected - Orders issued.

STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

SIA/KL/MIN/411075/2022, 2241/EC1/2023/SEIAA

Dated. 21.05.2024

Ref: 1) Application from Sri. Unneenkutty, received on 25.03.23

- 2) Minutes of the 159th meeting of SEAC held on 19th to 21st February 2024.
- 3) Minutes of the 140th meeting of SEIAA held on 25th & 26th March 2024.

ORDER

Sri. Unneenkutty, Kallingal House, Pulassery P.O., Palakkad, Kerala submitted an application for Environmental Clearance for the Granite Building Stone Quarry, for an area of 51.92 Ares, at Block No.36, Re survey No. 347 in Kulukkallur Village, Pattambi Taluk, Palakkad, Kerala.

2. In the 159th SEAC meeting, the Committee noted that as per OM dated 08.06.2022 of the MoEF, the baseline data should not be more than 3 years old at the time of submission of application for EC. Also, in case the baseline data is older than 3 years, but less than 4 years (except in the case of river valley and HE projects), the same shall be considered subject to the condition that it is revalidated with one season fresh non-monsoon data collected after 3 years of the initial baseline data". In the present case, the Committee noted that the application is not found acceptable as there is gap of more than four years between the date of monitoring of baseline data and the date of application.

- 3. The Authority in its 140th meeting, noted the observations of SEAC and noticed that as per OM dated 08.06.2022, the concerned Member Secretary shall not accept the proposal and process shall be initiated *de novo* by the Project Proponent. Hence, the Authority decided to accept the recommendation of SEAC to reject the proposal and direct the Project Proponent to submit a fresh application. Preference may be given by SEAC to the new application since appraisal of present application was progressed considerably.
- 4. In the above circumstances, the application for Environmental Clearance submitted by Sri. Unneenkutty at Block No.36, Re survey No. 347 in Kulukkallur Village, Pattambi Taluk, Palakkad, Kerala, for the Granite Building Stone Quarry, for an area of 51.92 Ares, is hereby **REJECTED**, for the reasons mentioned in Para (2) above. The concerned department shall take necessary actions, if any.

Administrator, SEIAA For Member Secretary, SEIAA

To,

Sri. Unneenkutty Kallingal House Pulassery P.O. Palakkad, 679307

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- 2. The Secretary to Government, Environment Department, Government of Kerala.
- 3. The Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, 4th Floor KSRTC Bus Terminal, Thampanoor, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695001.
- 4. The Director, Mining & Geology, Thiruvananthapuram -4.
- 5. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board.
- 6. The District Collector, Palakkad.
- 7. The District Geologist, Palakkad
- 8. The Environmental Engineer, KSPCB, Palakkad.
- 9. The Tahasildar, Pattambi Taluk, Palakkad District, Kerala
- 10. Secretary, Kulukkallur Grama Panchayath, Palakkad, Kerala
- 11. Village Officer, Kulukkallur Village, Palakkad, Kerala.
- 12. Chairman, SEIAA.
- 13. Website.
- 14. S/f, O/c