

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 Laterite Building Stone Quarry Project of Sri. Luka P. J., for an area of 0.9784 Ha at Re - Survey No. 149/2, 150/56 in Kadalundy Village, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode - Rejected - Orders issued STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

SIA/KL/MIN/428190/2023, 2279/EC4/2023/SEIAA

Dated.21.05.2024

Ref: 1) EC Application from Sri. Luka P. J. received on 23.05.2023.

- 2) Minutes of the 158th SEAC meeting held on 05th, 06th & 07th February 2024.
- 3) Request of Sri. Luka P. J. received on 13.03.2024.
- 4) Minutes of the 140th SEIAA meeting held on 25th and 26th March 2024.

ORDER

Sri. Luka P. J., S/o. Ousheph, Puthettu House, Panampilav Post, Malappuram - 673639, submitted an application for Environmental Clearance for the Laterite Building Stone Quarry Project for an area of 0.9784 Ha at Re-Survey No.149/2,150/56 in Kadalundy Village, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode.

The proposal was considered in the 145th, 153rd, 154th and 158th SEAC meeting and conducted the field inspection on 30.07.2023.In the 154th SEAC meeting, the Committee noticed the lack of documents with the application and the following observations in the field inspection report.

a. The site is highly sloping towards the Kadalundi river, which is 700 meters from the project site. The chance of erosion and siltation to the river is expected to be higher during quarry operation. The drainage plan submitted is only concerning the project site.

b. Due to the slope of the terrain, OB / top soil dump requires protection and such details are not specified in the mining plan.

c. A church is in the northern side of the project site and the proposed site belongs to the church. There is no separate access road to the project site.

d. The area adjoining the project site has already been subjected to mining.

In this situation, by noting the above the SEAC invited the project proponent for presentation. The project proponent and his consultant presented the project in the 158th SEAC meeting and during the presentation the Committee ascertained the above observations made in the field inspection report. After detailed deliberations, considering the nearness to the River Kadalundi, the slope of the terrain towards the river, nature and thickness of the soil and fragility of the terrain, the SEAC recommended rejection of the proposal invoking Precautionary Principle.

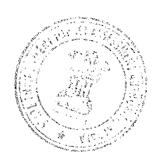
The Authority in its 140th meeting considered the request letter dated 13.03,2024 of the project proponent to consider the application along with the decision of the 158th SEAC meeting. The Authority found no reasons to review the decision of SEAC and agreed to the recommendation to reject the application. Hence the Authority decided to reject the application invoking precautionary principle.

In this circumstances, the application for environmental clearance read as 1st paper above submitted by the Sri. Luka P.J., S/o. Ousheph, Puthettu House, Panampilav Post, Malappuram - 673639, for the laterite building stone quarry project for an area of 0.9784 Ha at Re-Sy No.149/2. 150/56 in Kadalundy Village, Kozhikkode Taluk, Kozhikkode is hereby REJECTED for the reasons mentioned above. The concerned departments shall take necessary actions, if any.

Administrator, SEIAA For Member Secretary, SEIAA

To,

Sri. Luka P. J., S/o. Ousheph, Puthettu House, Panampilav Post, Malappuram – 673639



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- A. The Director, Mining & Geology, Thiruvananthapuram -4.
- 5. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- 6. The District Collector, Kozhikode
- 7. The District Geologist, Kozhikode
- 8. The Environmental Engineer, KSPCB, Kozhikode
- 9. The Tahasildar, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode
- 10. The Secretary, Kadalundy Grama panchayath, Kozhikode
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