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### **Government of India** Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Issued by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority(SEIAA), KERALA)

To,

The

ABBAS SULAIMAN

Pothiyil House, VengolaP O, Arakkappady -683556

Subject: Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project Activity

under the provision of EIA Notification 2006-regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application for Environmental Clearance (EC) in respect of project submitted to the SEIAA vide proposal number SIA/KL/MIN/439465/2023 dated 07 Aug 2023. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

1. EC Identification No. EC24B001KL189047

2. File No. 2398/EC1/2023/SEIAA

3. **Project Type**  New

4. Category

5. Project/Activity including

1(a) Mining of minerals

Schedule No. Name of Project 6.

Ordinary Earth Quarry Project of Shri. Abbas P S

7. Name of Company/Organization

**ABBAS SULAIMAN** 

8. **Location of Project**  KERALA

**TOR Date** 9.

N/A

The project details along with terms and conditions are appended herewith from page no 2 onwards.

Date: 12/06/2024

(e-signed) Dr Rathan Ü kelkar IAS **Member Secretary** SEIAA - (KERALÁ)

Note: A valid environmental clearance shall be one that has EC identification number & E-Sign generated from PARIVESH.Please guote identification number in all future correspondence.

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

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

Sub:- SEIAA - Environmental Clearance for the removal of Ordinary Earth to Sri.

Abbas P.S, Pothiyil House, Arakkappady, Vengola P.O, Ernakulam - 683556

- Granted – Orders issued.

### STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

Proposal No: SIA/KL/MIN/439465/2023 File No. 2398/EC1/2023/SEIAA

- Ref: 1. EC application received from Sri. Abbas P.S via PARIVESH on 07.08.2023.
  - 2. Minutes of 161st SEAC meeting held on 13th, 14th & 15th March 2024.
  - 3. Minutes of the 141<sup>st</sup> meeting of SEIAA held on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE NO.122/OE/2024**

Sri. Abbas P.S, Pothiyil House, Arakkappady, Vengola P.O., Ernakulam - 683556 submitted an application for Environmental Clearance for the removal of Ordinary Earth for an area of 0.3674 Ha at Block No.22, Re-Survey Nos. 431/6-2,431/7 in Arakkappady Village, Kunnathunad Taluk, Ernakulam. The project details are as follows.

# 1) Project Details

SL.No.	Particulars	Details
1	Name of the Project	Removal of Ordinary Earth of
		Sri. Abbas P.S
2	Proposed Activity	Removal of Ordinary Earth
3	Name of the Sector &	Category B2, Schedule 1(a)
	Schedule No. (in the EIA	
	Notification, 2006)	
4	Name & Address of the	Sri. Abbas P.S
	Project Proponent	Pothiyil House
	J	Arakkappady
		Vengola P.O.
		Ernakulam - 683556
5	Project Location	
	a) Block No.	22
	b) ReSurvey No	431/6-2,431/7
	c) Revenue Village	Arakkappady
	d) Taluk	Kunnathunad
	e) District	Ernakulam
7	Extent (in Hectare)	0.3674
8	Project Cost (in Lakh)	Rs.8 Lakh
9	Mineable Resource	The Mining & Geology Department shall
		reassess the mineable quantity as per Specific
		Condition No.(3)

### 2) EMP Details

Sl.No.	Items		Details	Capital Cost (in
				Rs)
1	Noise and Air	•	Sprinkling water on	1,00,000
	Pollution		haul roads	
	Control	•	Planting trees,	

			bushes and scrubs	
		•	Maintenance of	
			machineries and	
			vehicles.	
		•	Mufflers to	
			machineries and	
			equipment	
		•	PPEs	
		•	Limiting noise	
			levels to 85 dBA.	
		•	Trucks covered with	
			tarpaulin sheets.	
2	Water	•	Garland drains	1,00,000
	Pollution	•	Provision for	
	Control		overflow clean	
			water to natural	
			drain after filtration.	
3	Green Belt	•	Planting 300 No.s	50000
	Development		of local trees.	
	including cost			
	of			
	afforestation in			
	buffer zone			
4	Solid waste	•	Provision of soak	50000
	management		pits, garbage bins	
	and Domestic			
	effluent			
	management			
5	Reclamation &	•	Part of the	1,00,000
	Rehabilitation		excavated area as	
			rain water harvest	
			pond and balance	
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		area will be planted	
		with 800 local	
		saplings.	
Total		Rs.4,00,000/-	

#### 3) CER Details

Sl.No.	Activity	Cost (Rs.)
1	Implementation of Rain water harvesting	50,000
	facility in CHC, Vengola panchayath,	
	Ernakulam	
	Total	Rs.50,000/-

- 2. In the 161<sup>st</sup> meeting, the SEAC had appraised the project based on Form 1, Pre-Feasibility Report, Mining Plan and the additional details/documents obtained from the Project Proponent. As per the approved mining plan, the mine life is 1 year. After due appraisal, the SEAC recommended EC for the mine life of 1 (One) year subject to certain specific conditions in addition to the general conditions.
- 3. In the 141<sup>st</sup> SEIAA meeting, the Authority perused the proposal and noted the decisions of SEAC meetings held on different dates. The Authority also noted that the SEAC in its 161<sup>st</sup> meeting, recommended EC for the mine life of 1 year, subject to certain Specific Conditions in addition to the General Conditions.

In the above circumstances, the Authority decided to issue Environmental Clearance for the project life of 1(One) year, subject to the following Specific Conditions in addition to the General Conditions.

1. The Project Proponent shall carry out quarrying as per the approved Mining Plan and the Specific Conditions mentioned hereafter. The Project Proponent should strictly follow the Kerala Minor Mineral Concession Rules 2015 and amendments thereby.

- 2. The EC shall be valid from the date of execution of permit/lease from the Department of Mining and Geology. The copy of the permit / lease order should be provided to the SEIAA before commencing the mining activity.
- 3. The depth of mining should be limited to 6m bgl considering the depth to water table.
- 4. The general slope of the area should be maintained.
- 5. Proper benches should be provided at an interval of every 1.5m
- 6. A buffer distance of 50m should be maintained from the boundary of the proposed area to the nearest building.
- 7. The excavation activity should not involve blasting.
- 8. The excavation activity should be restricted to 2m above groundwater table at the site.
- 9. The excavation activity should not alter the natural drainage pattern of the area.
- 10. The excavated pit should be restored by the project proponent for agriculture and other useful purposes.
- 11. Appropriate fencing all around the excavated pit should be made to prevent any mishap.
- 12. Measures should be taken to prevent dust emissions by covering excavated earth during transportation.
- 13. Safeguards should be adopted against health risks on account of breeding of vectors in the water bodies created due to the excavation of earth.
- 14. Workers/labourers should be provided with facilities for drinking water and sanitation.
- 15. A berm should be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth of the proposed excavation.
- 16. A minimum distance of 50m from any civil structure should be kept from the periphery of the project area.

- 17. No water logging should be allowed in the mine pit. Appropriate drainage should be ensured from the project area prior to the commencement of mining.
- 18. The drain should be provided with silt traps and siltation pond and the overflow water should be clarified and drained to the nearest natural drain without any hindrance.
- 19. The drainage system should be cleaned and desilted periodically to facilitate unhindered drainage.
- 20. Measures incorporated in the CER should be implemented within 6 months from the date of EC.
- 21. Transportation of mined material should not be done during the peak hours in the forenoon (8.00am to 10.00am) and afternoon (3.30pm to 5.00 pm)
- 22. As per OM no F.No.22-65/2017-IA.III dated 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020, under Corporate Environmental Responsibility (CER) the Project Proponent should implement the Environment Management Plan (EMP)/CER as directed by SEAC during appraisal, covering the issues to address the environmental problems in the project region, from the beginning of the project, indicating both physical and financial targets year wise. The EMP/CER shall be implemented in consultation with Local Self Govt. Institutions. A copy of the approved EMP/CER shall be made available to the concerned Panchayat for information and implementation support. The indicated cost for implementation of CER activities shall be 2% of the project cost.
- 23. As per the directions contained in the OM F.No.22-34/2018-IA.III dated 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 issued by MoEF&CC, in obedience to the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court the Project Proponent shall, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to his mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc. The compliance of this direction shall be included in the Half Yearly Compliance Report which will be monitored by SEAC at regular intervals.
- 24. The violation of EC condition may lead to cancellation of EC and action under The Environment (Protection) Act 1986.

4. Environmental Clearance, under Notification S.O. No.1533 (E) dated 14.09.2006 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, is hereby accorded to Sri. Abbas P.S., Pothiyil House, Arakkappady, Vengola P.O., Ernakulam - 683556 for the removal of Ordinary Earth for an area of 0.3674 Ha at Block No.22, ReSurvey Nos. 431/6-2, 431/7 in Arakkappady Village, Kunnathunad Taluk, Ernakulam for the quantity reassessed by Mining & Geology Department as per specific condition No. (3) for the project life of 1 (One) year from the date of issue of Permit from Department of Mining and Geology as per S.O.1807 (E) dated 12.04.2022 of MoEF & CC, subject to the Specific Conditions stipulated by SEIAA in Para 3<sup>rd</sup> above in addition to the following General Conditions.

#### **General Conditions**

- 1. Proponent should obtain all necessary statutory clearances for mining of ordinary earth.
- 2. Mining has to be carried out as per approved Mining Plan, suggestions from SEAC, KMMC Rules 2015 and amendments there by and all other statutory rules and orders.
- 3. The mining activity shall not involve blasting.
- 4. A berm shall be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth of proposed excavation.
- 5. The maximum depth of removal of earth should be as per the approved Mining Plan and as per the recommendations of SEAC.
- 6. Removal of earth should be restricted to 2m above the average ground water table level at the site. The decision taken by the expert team of SEAC in this regard vis-a vis details given in mining plan after the field inspection shall be final.
- 7. If the mining depth exceeds 3m, benches of  $2m \times 2m$  are to be provided to prevent any slope failure.
- 8. Mining shall not be carried out during heavy rains and excavation shall not alter the natural drainage pattern of the area.
- 9. The minimum distance norm from the boundary / periphery of other properties/buildings / civil structures as prescribed in KMMC rules or any other statutory rules and orders shall be followed.
- 10. Appropriate Necessary measures are to be taken to protect the immediately adjacent structures and properties by construction of retaining walls and formation of benches

- 1.5 to 2MT as prescribed in mining plan.
- 11. Appropriate fencing all around the burrowed/excavated pit shall be provided to prevent any mishap.
- 12. All safety measures are to be adopted if machines are used for mining.
- 13. Measures shall be taken to prevent dust pollution at site while mining and by covering of burrowed/excavated earth during transportation.
- 14. The quantity of ordinary earth to be excavated and the site where it is to be deposited shall be fixed as given in the application for EC.
- 15. The excavated earth shall not be used for filling paddy fields and wet lands or any other prohibited activities.
- 16. Safeguards shall be adopted against health risks on account of breeding of vectors in the water bodies created due to burrowing/excavation of earth.
- 17. Applicable labour laws for mining shall be followed. Workers/labourers shall be provided with facilities for drinking water /sanitation/safety equipments etc.
- 18. The burrowed/excavated pit shall be restored/reclaimed by the project proponent for useful purpose(s) as specified in the progressive and final closure plans.
- 19. In case of transfer of EC, approval from SEIAA should be obtained as per existing norms.
- 20. The Environmental Clearance is liable to be cancelled in case of violation of any of the above conditions.
- 5. Validity of the Environmental Clearance will be for **One** (1) **year** from the date of execution of valid mine lease / permit from Mining & Geology Department, subject to the review by SEAC, or earlier review of EC in case of violation or non compliance of any of the conditions or genuine complaints from residents within the security area of the quarry
- 6. Violation of any of the above Specific & General Conditions as applicable to the particular case will entail cancellation of the Environmental Clearance, in addition to legal action under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Non-compliance, if any shall be reported to the District Collector, Ernakulam by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority Kerala
- 7. The Half Yearly Compliance Report (HYCRs) with name of the project, EC No. and date, the period of submission with its contents, compliance report and environmental

monitoring data & covering letter have to be uploaded in the PARIVESH Portal as per O.M. F.No.IA3-22/1/2022-IA-III(E)-17264 dated 14.06.2022 and the website of the Project Proponent. Hardcopy of HYCRs shall not be acceptable.

8. The given address for correspondence of the Project Proponent is Sri. Abbas P.S, Pothiyil House, Arakkappady, Vengola P.O., Ernakulam – 683556.

Sd/-Administrator, SEIAA For Member Secretary, SEIAA

To

Sri. Abbas P.S Pothiyil House Arakkappady Vengola P.O. Ernakulam - 683556

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- 2. The Secretary, Environment Department, Government of Kerala
- 3. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Trivandrum
- 4. The District Collector, Ernakulam
- 5. The Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, Trivandrum
- 6. The Director, Mining & Geology, Trivandrum
- 7. The District Geologist, Ernakulam
- 8. The Environmental Engineer, KSPCB, Ernakulam
- 9. The Tahsildhar, Kunnathunad Taluk, Ernakulam
- 10. The Secretary, Vengola Grama Panchayath, Ernakulam
- 11. The Chairman, SEIAA
- 12. Website
- 13. SF/O/C