

# File No: 331/2024

### **Government of India**

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



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To,

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**Subject:** 

Rejection of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project under the EIA Notification 2006and as amended thereof -regarding.

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your EC application submitted to the SEIAA, Kerala vide proposal number SIA/KL/MIN/513495/2024 for prior Environmental Clearance (EC) to the Granite Building Stone Quarry project under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof.

2. The particulars of the proposal are as below:

(i) EC Identification No. EC24C0108KL5294395N

(ii) File No. 331/2024

(iii) Clearance Type Fresh EC (Mining)

(iv) Category B2 (v) Project/Activity Included Schedule No. 1(a)

(vii) Name of Project Granite Building Stone Quarry Project of M/s

Truestone Industries LLP

(viii) Name of Company/Organization M/s Truestone Industries LLP

(ix) Location of Project (District, State)Malappuram, Kerala(x) Issuing AuthoritySEIAA, Kerala

(xi) Applicability of General Conditions as per Yes

EIA Notification, 2006

3. In view of the particulars given in the Para above, the project proposal interalia including Form-2, approved scheme of mining, etc were submitted to the Ministry for an appraisal by the State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, Kerala under the provision of EIA notification 2006 and its subsequent amendments.

4. The above-mentioned proposal has been considered by the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) in its 180<sup>th</sup> meeting held during 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025, and the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) in its 156<sup>th</sup>

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meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025. The minutes of the meeting and all the Application and documents submitted [(viz. Form-2, approved scheme of mining, etc.)] are available on PARIVESH portal which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code above.

- 5. The SEAC in its 180<sup>th</sup> meeting, noticed that the Project Proponent has not submitted the proof of application for Wildlife Clearance since the Silent Valley National Park is located within 10km radius. The original mining plan submitted is not legible. As per the scheme of mining, the Project Proponent carried out illegal mining for a quantity 60,154.25 MT from the lease area beyond the buffer zone and imposed a penalty of Rs. 43,56,106/- as royalty. Subsequently, the Project Proponent has extracted excess quantity and remitted a fine amount of Rs. 99,21,181/-. The Committee noted that the Project Proponent has not submitted the recent Cluster Certificate, Common Cause affidavit and the regrassing proposal as per the checklist of OM dated 28.04.2023 for the reappraisal. Hence, the SEAC recommended rejection of the application, considering the non-submission of documents required for reappraisal.
- 6. The Authority in its 156<sup>th</sup> meeting noticed that the EC was issued by the DEIAA, Malappuram to the Granite Building Stone Quarry Project of Sri. Ayoobkhan K on 01.12.2017 and the reapparisal application was submitted by M/s Truestone Industries LLP. As per the documents, the project proponent has conducted over-extraction, and through illegal/over-extraction of the resources, the project proponent violated the EC conditions also, which caused severe damage to the environment that necessitates action for violation as per the EP Act, 1986. Further, Project Proponent has not submitted as per the checklist of documents to be provided as per OM dated 28.04.2023 required for reappraisal DEIAA issued ECs. Considering these, the Authority decided to reject the reappraisal application due to non-submission of documents and violation of environmental conditions.
- 7. In the above circumstances, the application for the reappraisal of Environmental Clearance issued by DEIAA, Malappuram for the Granite Building Stone Quarry Project, of Sri. Ayoob Khan K., Kizhisseri House, Velliyancheri PO, Malappuram, for an area of 1.3760 Ha, at Re-Sy No. 40 pt in Edapatta Village, Perinthalmanna Taluk, Malappuram District, is hereby **REJECTED**, for the reasons mentioned above.
- 8. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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The Environmental Engineer, KSPCB, Malappuram

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