

# 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.V.Venu IAS, Member Secretary)

Sub:- SEIAA - Environmental Clearance for the Granite Building Stone Quarry Project of Sri.K.R.Viswanathan in Survey Nos. 138(pt), 836(pt), 837(pt), 839(pt), 847(pt) of Killimangalam Village, Thalappilly Taluk, Thrissur Kerala – Revalidation - Granted – Orders issued.

## State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Kerala

#### File No. 855/SEIAA/EC12979/2015

dated 13.03.2023

- Ref:- 1. Environmental Clearance Order No. 855/SEIAA/EC12979/2015 dt.18.05.2017
  - 2. Judgment dated 29.09.2021 in WP(C) No. 20472 of 2021
  - 3. Minutes of the 126<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> April 2022
  - 4. Minutes of the 128<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022.
  - 5. Minutes of the 131st meeting of SEAC held on 05th, 06th, 19th & 20th August 2022.
  - 6. Minutes of the 136<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022
  - 7. Minutes of the 123<sup>rd</sup> meeting of SEIAA held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> January 2023
  - 8. G.O(Rt.) No.29/2019/Envt dt.12.04.2019

### **ORDER**

Vide Order read 1<sup>st</sup> above, Environmental Clearance was issued to the quarry project of Sri.K.R.Viswanathan for an area of 4.1132 Ha in Sy.No. 138(pt), 836(pt), 837(pt), 839(pt), 847(pt) of Killimangalam Village, Thalappilly Taluk, Thrissur for a period of five years.

2. Vide Judgment read paper (2) above, the Hon'ble High Court disposed of the Writ Petition by directing the regulatory bodies concerned to call for additional recommendations from the appraisal committees after estimating the life of the project of the petitioner in respect of which EC had been issued, and there upon re-validate the EC granted to the petitioner.

- 3. After due appraisal, the Committee in its 136<sup>th</sup> meeting, verified the report of compliance with the SEAC direction and the CCR dated 25.4.2022 and decided to recommend that the project is eligible for revalidation of EC for a project period of 10 years from the date of the original EC (18.05.2017) subject to certain Additional Specific Conditions in addition to the Specific and General conditions stipulated in the original EC i.e 18.05.2017.
- 4. In the 123<sup>rd</sup> meeting, the Authority decided to revalidate the Environmental Clearance for the project life of 10 years from the date of original EC (18.05.2017) for the balance quantity mentioned in the approved mine plan dated 08.01.2018 and considering the report of Tahsildar, Thalappilly on total quantity removed from the lease area. The revalidation of EC is subject to the Terms and Conditions in the original EC in addition to the General Conditions and the following Additional Specific Conditions.
  - 1. Buffer Zone with a width of 7.5m should be maintained all around the Project area
  - 2. Green belt along Buffer Zone should be strengthened by planting vegetation of indigenous species and nurtured regularly
  - 3. Garland Canal with silt traps, siltation pond and outflow channel should be provided considering the entire project area
  - 4. More number of avenue trees should be planted and nurtured
  - 5. The cleaning and desiltation of silt traps, siltation pond and outflow channel should be done periodically and the geo-tagged photographs of the process should be included in the HYCR.
  - 6. Overflow water from the siltation pond should be discharged to the nearby natural drain after adequate filtration
  - 7. Overburden should be stored at the designed place and retaining/protective wall should be provided for the topsoil and overburden storage
  - 8. No mining should be done where the slope is more than  $45^{\circ}$ .
  - 9. In the wake of occurrence of large scale landslides in the state, as per the information provided by the Department of Mining & Geology, it is directed to use only NONEL (Non Electrical) technology for blasting to reduce the vibration of the ground, which is one of the causative factors that triggers landslides, formation of cracks in the surrounding buildings and disturbance to human and wildlife.
  - 10. Blasting mats should be used during rock blasting to contain the blast, prevent fly rocks and suppress dust.
  - 11. The violation of EC condition may lead to cancellation of EC and action under The Environment (Protection) Act 1986.

- 5. In the circumstance, Environmental Clearance issued vide paper 1<sup>st</sup> above is hereby revalidated for a period of 10 years from the date of issuance of original EC i.e 18.05.2017. The revalidation of Environmental Clearance is accorded subject to Terms and Conditions in the original EC in addition to the General Conditions and the additional Specific Condition mentioned in Para 4 above. The Project Proponent shall ensure that no violation of EC conditions takes place during the revalidation period of EC.
- 6. 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.

Administrator, SEIAA For Member Secretary, SEIAA

To,

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