

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

Present: Dr.H.Nagesh Prabhu IFS (Retd), Chairman; Dr.V.Venu IAS, Member Secretary and Shri.K.Krishna Panicker, Member

Sub:- SEIAA – Environmental Clearance for the Quarry Project of Sri. Tomy Joseph, M/s Immanuel Crushers & Mines Pvt Ltd in Sy. No. 279/5, Kuthanur-1 Village, Alathur Taluk, Palakkad District, Kerala - Revalidation—Granted - Orders issued.

STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY

No. 934/SEIAA/EC1/3911/2015

Read:1. Environmental Clearance No. 934/SEIAA/EC1/3911/2015 dated 31.03.2017

2. Judgment in WP (c) No. 10862 of 2020 dated 02.11.2020 in filed by Sri. Tomy Joseph, M/s Immanuel Crushers & Mines Pvt Ltd

dated: 29.09.2022

- 3. Minutes of the 130th SEAC meeting held on 4th to 06th July. 2022
- 4. Minutes of the 117th SEIAA meeting held on 30th & 31st August 2022
- 5. G.O(Rt.) No.29/2019/Envt dated.12.04.2019

ORDER

Environmental Clearance was issued vide paper read 1st above, to the Quarry Project of Sri. Tomy Joseph, M/s Immanuel Crushers & Mines Pvt Ltd in Sy. No. 279/5, Kuthanur-1 Village, Alathur Taluk, Palakkad District for a period of five years.

- 2. Vide Judgement read paper (2) above, the Hon'ble High Court disposed off 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 revalidate the EC granted to the petitioner.
- 3. After due appraisal in various Committees, the 130th SEAC meeting held on 4th to 06th July, examined the proposal and discussed the field inspection report. The Committee observed that the proponent has produced satisfactory CCR from MoEF & CC, IRO, Bangalore. The

Committee recommended that the project is eligible for revalidation of EC for 7 years from the date of original EC subject to the following additional specific conditions in addition to the specific and general conditions stipulated in the original EC.

- 1. Though benches are provided, they are not appropriate at places which should be corrected with immediate effect and geo-tagged photographs should be submitted.
- 2. Where ever mining is done without maintaining 45° slope, such areas should be closed for mining and rehabilitated with immediate effect considering the closure plan and geotagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
- 3. The planting and nurturing of avenue trees using suitable indigenous species should be strengthened and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
- 4. Garland drain, silt traps, siltation tanks and outflow channel should be provided covering the entire project area and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
- 5. There is haphazard dumping of overburden in the quarry site and it should be corrected and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
- 6. Overburden dump should be properly protected with retaining wall/ gabion structure and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
- 7. Segregate 7.5 m buffer zone from the quarry pit and develop a green belt all over the buffer zone. If hard rock is exposed in the buffer zone compensatory afforestation should be developed and geo-tagged photographs of the afforested area should be submitted".
- 4. In the 117th SEIAA meeting held on 30th & 31st August 2022, the Authority decided to revalidate the Environmental Clearance for the project life of 7 years from the date of original EC (31.03.2017). 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. Though benches are provided, they are not appropriate at places which should be corrected with immediate effect and geo-tagged photographs should be submitted.
 - 2. Wherever mining is done without maintaining 45° slope, such areas should be closed for mining and rehabilitated with immediate effect considering the closure plan and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
 - 3. Blasting mats should be used during rock blasting to contain the blast, prevent fly rocks and suppress dust.
 - 4. The planting and nurturing of avenue trees using suitable indigenous species should be strengthened and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
 - 5. Garland drain, silt traps, siltation tanks and outflow channel should be provided covering the entire project area and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
 - 6. There is haphazard dumping of overburden in the quarry site and it should be corrected and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
 - 7. Overburden dump should be properly protected with retaining wall/ gabion structure and geo-tagged photographs of the same should be submitted.
 - 8. Segregate 7.5 m buffer zone from the quarry pit and develop a green belt all over the buffer zone. If hard rock is exposed in the buffer zone compensatory afforestation

should be developed and geo-tagged photographs of the afforested area should be submitted.

- 5. In this circumstance, Environmental Clearance issued vide paper read 1st above is hereby revalidated for the project life of 7 years from the date of original EC (31.03.2017) subject to the review by SEAC at the end of five years, to verify whether the Project Proponent has caused any damage to the Environment in the project region by violating any EC conditions. The revalidation of Environmental Clearance is accorded subject to the Terms and Conditions mentioned in the original EC in addition to the General Conditions and the additional Specific Conditions mentioned in Para 4 above. The Project Proponent should ensure that no violation of EC conditions takes place during the revalidation period of EC. Violations of instances if any shall be reported to the DC, Palakkad.
- 6. The Half Yearly Compliance Report (HYCRs) with its contents, covering letter, compliance report and environmental monitoring data have to be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal and the website of the proponent. The compliance report with the name of the project. EC No and date, period of submission should be sent to the Regional Office of MoEF & CC by e-mail only at email ID rosz.bng-mef@nic.in. Hardcopy of HYCRs shall not be acceptable.

Administrator, SEIAA For member secretary, SEIAA

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- 3. The Director, Directorate of Environment & Climate Change, 4th Floor, KSRTC Bus Terminal, Thampanoor, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala 695001.
- 4. The District Collector, Palakkad
- 5. The Director, Mining & Geology, Thiruvananthapuram -4.
- 6. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
- 7. The District Geologist, Palakkad
- 8. The Tahsildhar, Alathur Taluk, Palakkad District
- 9. The Secretary, Kuthanur I Panchayath, Alathur, Palakkad
- 10. Chairman, SEIAA.
- 11. Website.
- 12. S/f
- 13. O/c