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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADMINISTRATOR, STATE
ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

(Present. MINIMOL V.G.)

**Sub: SEIAA- Environmental clearance for the proposed Govt. Medical College Idukki
in Sy. Nos. 161/1 in Cheruthoni of Idukki Village, Vayathope Panchayath,
Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala- Environmental Clearance
Granted - Orders issued**

State Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Kerala

No.1771/A2/2019/SEIAA

dated, Thiruvananthapuram 06.07.2019

- Ref: 1. Application received on 19.01.2015 from Dr. PGR Pillai, Special Officer, Govt. Medical College, Idukki
2. Minutes of the 40th meeting of SEAC held on 29th May 2015
3. Minutes of the 42nd meeting of SEAC held on 2nd July 2015
4. Minutes of the 53rd meeting of SEAC held on 25th & 26th February 2016.
5. Minutes of the 60th meeting of SEAC held on 28th & 29th July 2016
6. Minutes of the 61st meeting of SEAC held on 11th August 2016
7. Minutes of the 63rd meeting of SEAC held on 4th October 2016.
8. Minutes of the 65th SEAC Meeting held on 6th December 2016
9. Minutes of the 63rd meeting of SEIAA held on 31st January 2017.
10. Rejection Order No. 748/SEIAA/KL/221/2015 dated 18.08.2017
11. Letter No.A1-555/2019/KSREC dated 10-5-2019 from the Director, Kerala State Remote Sensing & Environment Centre, Thiruvananthapuram
12. Appeal petition dated 22.05.2019 from the Principal, Govt. Medical College Idukki
13. Minutes of the 94th SEIAA meeting held on 06.07.2019.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE NO.29/2019

Government Medical College, Idukki in the application received as 1st paper above has sought environmental clearance under the EIA Notification, 2006 in Sy. No.161/1 in

Cheruthoni of Idukki Village, Vayathope Panchayath, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District Kerala. The project comes under the Category B, 8(a) of Schedule of EIA Notification 2006.

2. The SEAC meeting read as 2nd paper above have appraised the proposal based on the Form I, Form IA, Conceptual plan and details submitted. The proposal is for developing a Medical College. Therefore in view of the proposal being a category 8(a) application, as per OM of MoEF and CC dated 22-12-2014, the proposal does not requiring EC and the hospital building can be considered as an integral part of the proposed Medical College. Hence the Committee decided to recommend to close further processing in the application and to intimate the proponent accordingly. The Committee, also recommended to direct the proponent to ensure sustainable environment management, solid and liquid waste management, rain water harvesting etc in the project as envisaged in the OM.

3. The proposal was placed in 42nd meeting of SEAC as read as 3rd paper above. On verification of proposal it is found that the existing hospital has a built-up area of 11019.75m² and they have proposed expansion with additional built up area of 39158.60 m². The total built up area of the project is 50178.35m² and hence the Committee decided to defer the item for field visit by a subcommittee consisting of Dr.Keshav Mohan and Sri. S.Ajayakumar. Field visit was conducted on 28.1.2016. The proposal was considered in 53rd SEAC meeting read as 4th paper above. The committee decided to call for the modified design incorporating the suggestions of the subcommittee for further appraisal.

4.. The proposal was considered in the 60th meeting of SEAC held on 28-29th July, 2016. The minutes of the said meeting are as that the item was deferred for considering in next meeting. Hence the proposal was considered in the 61st meeting of SEAC held on 11th August, 2016 and decided to defer the item for further appraisal by the SEAC subcommittee

5. The proposal was placed in the 63rd meeting of SEAC, Kerala, held on 04th October, 2016. The committee appraised the proposal. The committee recommended a second inspection of the site on the suitability of the building structure in that particular area by the sub committee and the sub committee inspected the site on 22.11.2016.

6. The proposal was considered in the 65th meeting of SEAC held on 6th December 2016. The proposal was appraised by SEAC considering Form I, Form IA, field visit report and all other documents and details provided by the proponent as sought by SEAC during the

appraisal process. Though omitted out in the Form I application, it is observed that the project site falls in Idukki Village which is categorised as an ESA Village in the Western Ghats by the MoEF &CC. Construction activity as proposed in the application is prohibited in such areas. Hence the Committee decided to recommend to reject the proposal.

7. The proposal was then considered in the 63rd SEIAA meeting held on 31st January 2017. The Authority accepted the recommendation of SEAC to reject the proposal.

8. As per the proceedings read as 10th paper above, the rejection proceedings have been issued for the proposed Govt. Medical College, Idukki.

9. The Principal, Government Medical College, Idukki submitted an appeal petition dated 22.05.2019 and in that appeal petition it is clarified that the part of Sy.No. 161/1 in relating to the proposed Medical College at Idukki is not in ESA area as per the map prepared by Kerala State Remote Sensing & Environment Centre (KSREC) and the said area does not come under the ESA. The KSREC vide the letter read as 11th paper above, also informed that the proposed Medical College location is not coming in the ESA area.

10. The proponent vide Authority's letter No.748/SEIAA/KL/221/2014, was informed to submit the clarifications regarding the observations made by the SEAC subcommittee field visit on 22.11.2016 and also to submit layout approval from the Chief Town Planner. The proponent submitted the clarifications with regard to the observations of the Sub committee inspection report and also layout approval from Chief Town Planner.

11. The proposal was placed in the 94th SEIAA meeting held on 06.07.2019. SEIAA had rejected EC earlier on the grounds that the College area comes in ESA, as pointed out by SEAC. It has subsequently been clarified by Government in Environment Department that part of Survey No 161/1 relating to Idukki Medical College is not in ESA as per the map of Kerala Remote Sensing and Environment Centre. SEIAA also noted that SEAC had earlier in 2016 pointed out some observations which need to be addressed by the proponent. The proponent in his letter dated 22/5/2019 has stated that the design interventions suggested by SEAC have been subsequently complied and integrated in the project designs. It is also noted

that the proponent vide his letter dated 06.07.2019, informed that the proponent submitted the clarifications with regard to the observations of the Sub committee inspection report on 22.11.2016 and also layout plan approved from Chief Town Planner has been received.

12. The proponent as directed by the Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare (S) Department as per his letter dated 22.05.2019 requested to grant clearance for the project at the earliest looking into the importance of the project for the region, as all the required details pointed out by SEAC have been furnished.

13. The proponent has sought the establishment of an educational institution in a needy area. A hospital is an absolutely essential component of the Medical College. Hence SEIAA decided to issue EC to the proposed Govt. Medical College Idukki in Sy. Nos. 161/1 in Cheruthoni of Idukki Village, Vayathope Panchayath, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala subject to general conditions in addition to the following specific conditions:

1. Proponent shall attend all the observations made by sub committees of SEAC for the environmental stability of the region
2. Proponent shall ensure that all mandatory clearances are obtained from respective local administration departments for the implementation of the project

14. In the circumstance, Environmental Clearance is granted to Govt. Medical College, Idukki for the proposed project in Sy. Nos. 161/1 in Cheruthoni of Idukki Village, Vayathope Panchayath, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala subject to the condition in para 13 of this order and the usual general conditions for projects other than mining appended hereto. Also the following green conditions should be strictly adhered to.

Green Conditions.

1. *Adequate rain water harvesting facilities shall be arranged for.*
2. *Technology and capacity of the STP to be indicated with discharge point (if any) of the treated effluent.*
3. *Effluent water not conforming to specifications shall not be let out to water bodies.*

4. *Maximum reuse of grey water for toilet flushing and gardening and construction work shall be ensured.*
5. *Dual plumbing for flushing shall be done.*
6. *Provisions for disposal of e-wastes, solid wastes, non-biodegradables and separate parking facility for the buildings shall be provided.*
7. *Generation of solar energy to be mandatory for own use and/or to be provided to the grid.*
8. *There shall be no compromise on safety conditions and facilities to be provided by the project proponent, which shall be ensured for occupation, regularisation or consent to operate.*

15. The Clearance will also be subject to full and effective implementation of all the undertakings given in the application form, all the environmental impact mitigation and management measures undertaken by the project proponent in the documents submitted to SEIAA, and the mitigation measures and waste management proposal as assured in the Form - 1 and Form-1A, Environment Management Plan as submitted. The assurances and clarifications given by the proponent in the application and related documents will be deemed to be part of these proceedings as conditions as undertaken by the proponent, as if incorporated herein.

16. Validity of the Environmental Clearance will be for seven years from the date of issuance of E.C, subject to inspection by SEIAA on annual basis and compliance of the conditions, subject to earlier review of E.C in case of violation or non-compliance of any of the conditions stipulated herein or genuine complaints from residents within the scrutiny area of the project.

17. Compliance of the conditions herein will be monitored by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority or its agencies and also by the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India, Bangalore.

- i. Necessary assistance for entry and inspection by the concerned officials and staff should be provided by the project proponents.
- ii. Instances of violation if any shall be reported to the District Collector, Idukki to take legal action under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986.
- iii. The given address for correspondence with the authorized signatory of the project is, Special Officer, Government Medical College, Idukki. .

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Administrator, SEIAA

To,

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Copy to:

1. MoEF Regional Office, Southern Zone, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wing, II Block, Koramangala, Bangalore-560034
2. The Principal Secretary to Government, Environment Department
3. The Principal Secretary to Government, Health & Family Welfare Department (Vide letter No.S3/602/2016/Health dated 16-5-2019)
4. The District Collector, Idukki
5. The District Town Planner, Idukki
6. The Tahsildhar, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District
7. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board
8. The Secretary, Vayathope Grama panchayath, Idukki - 685511
9. Chairman, SEIAA, Kerala
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