

# Proceedings of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority Kerala

Present: Prof. (Dr.) K.P. Joy, Chairman, Dr. J. Subhashini. Member. Sri. James Varghese, I.A.S; Member Secretary.

Sub:

Environment Clearance for the Proposed Commercial Complex Project ("4-M Mall") in Survey No. 195/11, 195/5, 195/6, 195/16-2-57, Thodupuzha Village, Thodupuzha Municipality, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala State by Mr. K.V. Jose -orders issued.

### STATE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, KERALA

File No. 1067/EC4/2016/SEIAA

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 28/10/2017

Ref:

- 1. Application dated 30/12/2015 from the commercial complex project of Mr.K.V.Jose, ("4M Mall"), K.T.Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellery, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District
- 2. Judgment dated 27/1/2017 in WP© 1296/17 filed by Shri.K.V.Jose
- 3. Minutes of the 69<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 09<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017.
- 4. Minutes of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of SEAC held on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017
- 5. Minutes of the 76<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017.
- 6. Minutes of the 74<sup>th</sup> SEIAA meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017.
- 7. Affidavit dated 28/10/2017 from Sri.K.V.Jose for M/s.4-M Mall.

# **Environmental Clearance No.78/2017**

Mr. K.V. Jose, Authorized Signatory, K.T Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellery, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District, Kerala-685584, vide his application read as (1) above, has sought Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for the Proposed Commercial Complex Project ("4-M Mall") in Survey No. 195/11, 195/5, 195/6, 195/16-2-57, Thodupuzha Village, Thodupuzha Municipality, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala State. It is inter alia, noted that the project comes under the Category B, 8(a) of Schedule of EIA Notification 2006.

Details of project as furnished by the applicant are as follows:-

PROJECT DETAILS		
File No	1067 / EC4 / 2016 / SEIAA	
Name /Title of the project	Environment Clearance for Proposed Commercial Complex Project ("4-M Mall") to be developed by Mr. K.V. JOSE	
Name and address of	Mr. K.V. JOSE,	

project proponent.	K.T. Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellery, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District,	
	Kerala-685584	
Owner of the land	Private owned land	
Survey Nos. District/Taluk/ and Village etc.	Survey Nos. 195/11, 195/5, 195/6, 195/16-2-57, Thodupuzha Village, Thodupuzha Municipality, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala.	
Date of submission of Application	30-12-2015	
Total Built up Area	31,240.22 sq. m.	
No of apartments	Not applicable – Proposed commercial complex project	
Height of the building	34 m.	
Brief description of the project.	Proposed Construction of Commercial Complex project with total plot area 0.7695 ha. and total built-up area about 31,240.22 sq. m. which consists of retail / anchor shops, multiplex, food courts with supporting infrastructure facilities.	
Is it a new Project or expansion/modification of an existing project?	New project	
Details of the Project Cost	About Rs. 73 Crores	
If CRZ recommendation applicable?	Not applicable	
Distance from nearby habitation	The project site is within the Thodupuzha Municipality limits and several houses located within the 500 m. radius.	
Distance from nearby forest, if applicable	None within the study area	
Distance from protected	None within the study area	
area, Wildlife Sanctuary, National Park etc.		
Distance from nearby streams/rivers/National Highway Roads and Airport	Water body – about 100 m. (S & W) Highway Road: S.H. 44 (Thodupuzha-Udumbanoor) abutting the site at North direction.	
Is ESA applicable? If so, distance from ESA limit	Not applicable	
	IMPACT ON WATER	
Details of water requirement per day in KLD	About 87 KL/day	
Water source/sources.	Source: Stored Rain water (Tanks), Wells, KWA water supply and treated water from STP.	
Details of water requirements met from water harvesting.	The project has provision for rain water storage tanks which will be used as source of water during rainy days (concurrent use) & non-rainy days.	
What are the impacts of the proposal on the ground	The project has provisions for well waters supply as standby arrangement during non rainy days. The ground	

water?	water abstraction will be of permissible limit of yield of the
well. Therefore, no impact on the ground water.	
	WASTE MANAGEMENT  Provision of STR for treatment of governo and it's portially.
Explain the facilities for Liquid waste Management	Provision of STP for treatment of sewage and it's partially recycling for meeting the water requirement for flushing, horticulture & make-up water requirement for cooling towers attached to HVAC system within the site.
Solid Waste Management	Provision of bio-gas generation plant / bio bin system within the project site for disposal of the bio-degradable solid waste
E-Waste Management	Discarded computer parts, monitor, key boards etc. constitutes e-waste and this waste will be stored in an earmarked area. E-waste will be generated after 4-5 years latency period. Separate earmarked space will be provided for e-waste storage. E-waste will be disposed as per E Waste (Management & Handling) Rules, 2016.
Facilities for Sewage Treatment Plant	Yes, Provision of STP for treatment of sewage and it's fully recycling for meeting the water requirement for flushing, horticulture & make-up water requirement for cooling towers attached to HVAC system within the site.
How much of the water requirement can be met from the recycling of treated waste water? (Facilities for liquid waste treatment)	The total domestic water requirement of about 87 KLD (which includes daily fresh water requirement of about 51 KL). Treated water from STP to be used for flushing, horticulture & make-up water requirement for cooling towers attached to HVAC system within the site.
What is the incremental pollution load from waste water generated from the proposed activities?	Treated water from STP (with BOD level as per KSPCB norms) will be only after providing additional aeration in the final treated water storage tank.
How is the storm water from within the site managed?	Provision of roof rain water storage tanks. The excess runoff from the site will be channelized through drain to de-siltation cum screen arrangement before it is discharged from the site.
Will the deployment of construction labourers particularly in the peak period lead to unsanitary conditions around the project site ( Justify with proper explanation)	Yes, The proposed project has provision of labor colony and the domestic sewage will be channelized to the mobile STP for treatment of sewage during the construction period to handle the sewage. Also, it is proposed to have the food waste disposal from labor colony through the bio-bin facility. Also, it is proposed to have a dedicated staff for good housekeeping of the construction site premises and the labor colony premises. These measures will ensure good hygienic conditions around the labor colony.
What on- site facilities are provided for the collection, treatment & safe disposal of sewage? (Give details of the quantities of wastewater generation, treatment	The project has provision of mobile STP for the treatment of sewage during construction phase and STP of 84 KL capacity within the project premises to treat the sewage during operation phase. The technology for the treatment of the sewage is up to tertiary level treatment technology. The total quantity of sewage generation will be 70 KL/day. The

capacities with technology & facilities for recycling and disposal)  Give details of dual plumbing system if treated waste is used for flushing of toilets or any other use.	treated water will be fully recycled for meeting the flushing, horticulture & make-up water requirement for cooling towers attached to HVAC system within the site  The treated waste water from the proposed Sewage Treatment Plant during the operation phase of the project will be used for flushing, horticulture & cooling purposes and for which dual plumbing system is proposed.  ENERGY CONSERVATION
Details of power requirement and source of supply, backup source etc. What is the energy consumption assumed per square foot of built-up area? How have you tried to minimize energy consumption?	The total power requirement is estimated to be about 2,500 kW and will be from by Kerala State Electricity Board. The project will make provision of D.G. Sets (500 kVA x 4 nos.) as standby arrangement of electricity. The proposed project will have provision of power saving and maximum natural light will be provided to minimize energy consumption.  Other measures are:  > Water cooled chillers in place of air cooled chillers which are energy intensive & the treated water available from STP would be used as make-up water attached to the water cooled chillers.  > Solar Energy operated Photovoltaic lighting for partial external areas lighting.  > Savings in energy by the use of LED lamps.  > Building Management System (BMS) through sensors for maximizing the energy conservation.  > Electrical fixtures & HVAC unit would be of 5 star series as per Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) to achieve reduction in energy consumption.  > Building materials selection would be in compliance to Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) as
What type of, and capacity of power back-up to you	centrally air conditioned building.  The project proponent has made provision of D.G. Sets (500 kVA x 4 nos.) as standby arrangement of electricity.
plan to provide? What are the characteristics of the glass you plan to use? Provide specifications of its characteristics related to both short wave and long wave radiation?	The details are given below:- 1. Roof area RCC with thermal insulation 2. Use of double glass with air cavity 3. High efficiency transformers.
What passive solar architectural features are being used in the building? Illustrate the applications made in the proposed project	All the relevant features are incorporated like the orientation of the building, shading effect etc.
Does the layout of streets & buildings maximize the	Due consideration has been taken for maximum use of the solar energy while preparation of layout plan. The project

potential for solar energy proponent shall made provision for solar panel system (hot devices? Have you water purpose) and solar energy devices will be used for considered the use of street street lighting, emergency lighting in the proposed project lighting, emergency lighting and solar hot water systems for use in the building complex? Substantiate with details All the relevant features are incorporated like the Is the shading effectively orientation of the building, shading effect etc. used to reduce cooling/heating loads? What principles have been used to maximize the shading of Walls on the East and the West and the Roof? How much energy saving has been effected? Suitable energy optimization will be adopted during the Do the structure use energycalculation of energy load of the proposed project. The efficient space conditioning space heating load will be minimized using passive solar , lighting and mechanical structure and suitable buildings envelop material. Uses of systems? Provide technical incandescent lamp and halogen lamps have been avoided details. Provide details of and energy efficient LED lamps will be used for all transformers and motor common area. The diesel generator sets shall efficiencies, lighting automatically controlled to optimize their usage based on intensity and airthe actual load requirements at any time. Variable conditioning load frequency drive systems would be adopted for the lifts, etc assumptions? Are you to maximize the energy saving. using CFC and HCFC free chillers? Provide specifications. More open spaces are proposed within the site to creation What are the likely effects of any heat islands. The roads and parking spaces would be of the building activity in with concrete slabs intermittent with grass on surrounding. altering the micro-climates? Provide a self assessment on the likely impacts of the proposed construction on creation of heat island & inversion effects? The building construction material namely bricks, concrete and steel are being used in the construction. U-factor, also What are the thermal known as Thermal Transmittance, is heat transmission in characteristics of the unit time through unit area of a material or construction and building envelope? (a) roof the boundary air films, induced by unit temperature (b) external walls; and (c) difference between the environments on each side. fenestration? Give details of The glass used will be low with low emissivity and the the materials used. other specifications of the glass will comply with the norms as per ECBC. The use of non-conventional source of energy in the proposed What is the rate of air nonconstruction project are as follows: conventional energy

	technologies are utilized in the overall energy consumption? Provide details of the renewable energy technologies used.	Solar Water Heater:- The proposed project would install solar water requirements and hence the dependent for hot water generation can be minimize conserve lot of coal which produces the elepublic supply and also load on D.G. sets reduced and there by conserve diesel.  Solar Street Light: - It is also suggested to use solar cell power within the proposed project site for celectricity.  Use of LED Lamps: - The project proponent would use LED conserve less electricity.	d. This would extricity through also would be red street lights conservation of
	Details of renewable energy (non – conventional) used.	Solar water heating system for the hot water solar power operated street lights.	generation and
	IM	PACT ON AIR ENVIRONMENT	
	What are the mitigation measures on generation of dust, smoke, odours, fumes or hazardous gases	The dust generation during construction controlled by enclosures at appropriate loc by sprinkling of water for suppression gas/smoke generation expected is from D.C the gases will be vented out through stack height.	ations and also of dust. The G. sets only and t of appropriate
	Details of internal traffic management of the site.	The internal road width will be of about 7 m smooth vehicular movement and separate e provided at site.	
	Details of noise from traffic, machines and	The proposed project is a commercial compethere would be some increase in noise and the vehicular movement within the project shas provision of large area for the parking	vibration due to site. The project for the vehicles
	vibrator and mitigation measures	and the parking arrangement which is plan would be easy movement of vehicles within and smooth movement is provided for t reduce the traffic congestion.	the project area
	Air quality monitoring in detail	The ambient air quality of the site carried accredited laboratory which is well withilimit.	-
	Will the proposal create shortage of parking space for vehicles? Furnish details of the present level of transport infrastructure and measures proposed for improvement including the	No shortage of parking space.  Parking provisions would be made as per the KMBR requirements.  The parking arrangement will be made at basement, lower ground & terrace level within the site.  Also, there are four accesses to the project site and the details are given below:  Name of road  Direction of location of	
-	traffic management at the entry & exit to the project site.	Thodupuzha-Udumbanoor Road  Kanjiramattam Byepass Road	the road North South

Provide details of the movement patterns with internal roads, bicycles tracks, Pedestrian pathways, footpaths etc., with areas	Connecting road (Thodupuzha- Udumbanoor Road to Kanjiramattam Byepass Road)  Connecting road to Main Eastern West Highway  The conceptual plan clearly shows the internal traffic management with entry and exit to the proposed project site, all internal roads with width, pedestrian path ways etc. Further provisions of ramps are proposed for the easy access to the building for physically challenged persons.
Will there be significant increase in traffic noise & vibrations? Give details of the sources and the measures proposed for mitigation of the above.	The proposed project is a commercial complex project and there would be some increase in noise and vibration due to the vehicular movement within the project site. The project has provision of large area for the parking for the vehicles and the parking arrangement which is planned, that there would be easy movement of vehicles within the project area and smooth movement is provided for the vehicles to reduce the traffic congestion.
What will be impact of DG sets & other equipments on noise levels & vibration in & ambient air quality around the project site? Provide details	The D.G. sets which would be used for the project will be with sound proof acoustic enclosures and hence there will be no impact to the surroundings. The D.G. sets would be attached with proper anti vibration pads to reduce any vibration impact to the site surrounding.  The flue gases from the D.G. sets will be vented out through stack of appropriate height as per C.P.C.B. norms to reduce the impacts on air quality around the project site. The ambient noise level of the site is carried out through an accredited laboratory and the ambient noise level is well within the standard limit.
	SOCIO- ECONOMIC ASPECTS
Will the proposal result in	The proposed project is a commercial complex project.  During operation phase, on full occupancy of the project,
any change to the demographic structure of local population? Provide the details.	the maximum population expected is 5,057 persons (floating) and hence there will be influx of people to the project area and surrounding.
Give details of the existing social infrastructure around the proposed project	The project site is within the Thodupuzha Municipal limit, therefore, there are several schools, colleges, religious places commercial and residential buildings, Govt. and private offices, hospitals, which are located around the proposed project. The vicinity map showing the surrounding details of the proposed project is provided.
Will the project cause adverse effects on local communities, disturbances to sacred sites or other cultural values? What are the safeguards proposed?	The project would not cause any adverse effects on local communities, disturbance to sacred sites or other cultural values. The proposed project is a commercial complex project and thereby the living index of the people around the project site will definitely improve. Also there will be various ancillary activities like convenient shops, transport facilities etc. attached to the project which will benefit the local people and change their living condition.  BUILDING MATERIALS

May involve the use of building materials with high -embodied energy. Are the construction materials produced with energy efficient process? (Give details of energy conservation measures in the selection of building materials and their energy efficiency) The proposed commercial complex project and the building is a centrally air conditioned building, the selection of building materials plays a major role in the energy consumption. The proposed project will make all attempts to use to avoid building materials with high embodied energy. Cement blocks & hollow blocks will be replaced with country made red bricks. Further, the river sand will be replaced by manufactured sand from stone crushers. The glass used will be low emissivity and having U value as per ECBC norms.

Transport and handling of materials during construction may result in pollution, noise & public nuisance. What measures are taken to minimize the impacts?

All vehicles which bring construction material to the site would possess Pollution Under Control Certificates (PUC). All vehicles would be of close body to avoid spread of dust from the loose materials, and vehicles which bring sand, stone dust, etc. would ensure that the above mentioned material are properly wetted during transportation to avoid dust generation. Pucca Road to be made in the construction site for the vehicle movement so that the dust generation due to the vehicular movement within the project site can be minimized. Stacking of construction material shall be confined to the project site only. All the D.G. Sets would have attached with Acoustic Enclosure for the sound pollution control and all sound generating construction activity to be minimized. Further barricading of the site with GI sheets of 20 ft height in the side abutting the public road during construction phase.

Are recycled materials used in roads and structures? State the extent of savings achieved?

The plastic (non-biodegradable solid waste) will be used along with coal tar during the construction of internal roads. This will increase the life of roads.

Give details of the methods of collection, segregation & disposal of the garbage generated during the operation phases of the

project.

- ➤ The Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 will be followed in the Solid Waste Disposal Mechanism at the site during operation phase.
- ➤ Collection & segregation within the site (biodegradable waste (green bins), non-biodegradable waste (blue bins) and domestic hazardous waste (yellow bins).
- ➤ The recyclable waste like packaging material, paper etc. would be sold through vendors.
- ➤ The Bio-degradable waste would be disposed through the bio-gas generation unit / bio bin system to be installed within the site.
- > The bio-gas generated will be utilized in the kitchen/canteen area and the manure generated will be utilized for green area development within the premises.
- The domestic hazardous waste which includes discarded painted drums, pesticide cans, CFL bulbs,

Are there sufficient measures proposed for risk hazards in case of emergency such as accident at the site during construction & post construction phase.	tube lights, expired medicines, broken mercury thermometers, used batteries, used needles and syringes and contaminated gauge etc. generated at the household level will be collected in yellow bins and to be handed over to authorized waste pickers or waste collectors.  RISK MANAGEMENT  Risk hazard from fire - List of equipments proposed for Fire Fighting Measures:-  A. The major equipments proposed for Fire Fighting Measures are :- Hydrant Pump, Sprinkler Pump, Diesel Engine Pump, Jockey Pump.  B. Capacity of Fire Water Storage Tanks & Number:- It is proposed to have Fire Water Storage Tank appropriate capacity of overhead tank for fire fighting provided at the tower.  C. Fire Detecting Equipments: - The Fire Detecting Equipments would be as per BIS and NBC norms.  D. Other Fire Fighting Measures: - The other Fire Fighting Measures proposed includes, an Emergency Control Room, Separate Fire exit during
construction phase.	Emergency Control Room, Separate Fire exit during emergency, all rooms with Fire Detector / Smoke Detector, Fire
	Extinguishes at each entry and exit point on each floor, (5 Kg,
	10 Kg and 9 Ltr. capacity), Public address system etc. The Fire
	Fighting Measures are backed by Electrical supply from D.G. sets in case of emergency.
	The nearest fire station is at Ramamangalam, Thodupuzha
	Fire Station which is about 2 km. away from the project
	site
Storage of	Not applicable
explosives/hazardous	
	Details already provided above.
What precautions & safety measures are proposed	Details already provided above.
against fire hazards?	
Furnish details of	
emergency plans	
	AESTHETICS
Will the proposed	No. There is no natural feature of aesthetics located in the
constructions in any way	immediate vicinity of the project site
result in the obstruction of a view, scenic amenity or	
landscapes? Are these	
considerations taken into	
account by the proponents?	
Will there be any adverse	The project site surrounded with commercial, residential,
impacts from new	institutional building. In the north side there are houses
constructions on the	with a road (Thodupuzha-Udumbanoor Road) & south side
existing structures? What	of the project site is another access road (Kanjirapally
are considerations taken	Byepass) the project site. Also in the west site of the site

into account?	there advers	is <i>Thodupuzha</i> lese impacts due to	ding and in the east side of the site Post office. There will be no any to the development of the proposed	y
Whether there are any local considerations of urban form & urban design influencing the design criteria? They may be explicitly spelt out.	The proposed project would be constructed in conformity with the Kerala Municipal Building Rules (KMBR).  The site is falling in Thodupuzha Municipal limits. The external infrastructural services viz. water supply, electricity supply, storm water drainage, road connectivity, fire fighting and health & educational institutions are available within the vicinity of the project site.  As per seismic classification, the project site falls in Zone-III. No reported cloudburst in the area. Also, there is no hilly area around the project site, there is no chance of landslide. Structural design aspects as per the seismic codes — IS 1893 (2002), IS 13920 (1993) and IS 456 (2000) as emplicable would be incorporated in our project.			
Are there any anthropological or archaeological sites or artefacts nearby? State if any other significant features in the vicinity of the proposed site have been considered	applicable would be incorporated in our project.  There is no report of existence of any anthropological or archaeological site nearby the project area. The proposed project is located in Municipal limits of Thodupuzha. The vicinity map showing the site & surrounding area is provided.			
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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION		
Overall justification for implementation of the project.	The proposed project is a construction of commercial complex project and the total implementation / completion period for the construction is about 36 months from the start of the construction.	
Explanation of how adverse impacts have been mitigated.	It is predicted that socio-economic impact due to this project will positively increase the chance of more employment opportunities for local inhabitants. There are no Resettlement and Rehabilitation issues involved in this project. The project infrastructures will be of use to people of the area. The revenue of the State Govt. will be definitely increase due to the proposed activity. The entire project area is devoid of any endemic / endangered flora and fauna. As part of the eco restoration with native species to a maximum possible extent. Also, rain water tanks are proposed for storage of rain water and for its subsequent use so as to conserve fresh water consumption. The municipal solid waste will be handled and disposed as per norms. Thus the proposed project is not likely to affect the environment or adjacent ecosystem adversely and will ensure a sustainable development.	

The proponent has filed writ petition on 27.01.2017 (WP (C) 1296 of 2017 (J)) since the project was not considered by SEIAA.

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, in its Judgment dated 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017 directed SEIAA to consider the application filed by the petitioner, accordance with law, and attain finality to the same, within two months from the date of receipt of a copy of the judgement.

2. The proposal was placed in the 69<sup>th</sup> meeting of SEAC held on 09<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017. The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form 1, Form I A and conceptual plan. The proposal includes parking facility for 53 cars on the terrace by taking the vehicles 6 stories up through an electric lift. Since this is a high energy consuming proposal Committee expressed doubt about the desirability of such an arrangement. The proponent agreed to set apart Rs.10 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.11 lakh per annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in consultation with the local body. The Committee decided to defer the item for field inspection.

Accordingly Site Inspection was conducted on 17.05.2017 by the sub-Committee of SEAC consisting of Dr K G Padmakumar, Dr.Oommen V Oommen, Dr George Chackacherry and Sri John Mathai in the presence of the proponent. The report of site visit is as follows:

The proposed 4M Mall is located in a flat land within Thodupuzha town on the northern side of Thodupuzha river. The site is bounded on the south by the main road known as bye-pass road. It has access from Udumbannoor road on north and a smaller road on east. The site is surrounded with buildings but less than 5 levels. Small sized existing building is to be demolished for the construction, 4.5 m deep excavation is planned for the basement with removal of ordinary earth and weathered rock. Excavation is likely to intercept water table at about 2 m bgl. Storm water is proposed to be let out into the roadside drain. Traffic circulation pattern is adequate but the internal roads need widening to at least 7m. Parking provision for 433 four wheelers and 250 two wheelers appears adequate, but disabled parking is also to be ensured. Water requirement is to be met from the well available at the site but rainwater harvesting facility with storage of at least 5 day's need is to be provided. Solid waste disposal system and sewage disposal system is planned for the project but the details are to be given like the location within the site, details of material recovery facility and disposal of excess waste. Green belt is planned along the periphery for name sake only. Additional area should be allotted which may be clubbed with the open parking. Use of solar energy is planned but need to be quantified. Other points that need consideration for recommending project are details of demolition of the existing building and its disposal, clear write up on the solid waste disposal mechanism at the site during operational stage, drawing for the assembly point in case of emergency and yield test for the well to assess the dependable source of water.

- 3. The proposal was placed in the 73<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of SEAC held on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

  The proponent agreed to set apart Rs.10 lakh (non-recurring) and Rs.11 lakh per

  annum (recurring) for CSR activities for the welfare of the local community in

  consultation with the local body. The Committee decided to defer the item. The

  conceptual plan should be modified incorporating the following
  - 1. Main internal road of 6m needs widening to at least 7m
  - 2. Rainwater harvesting facility with storage of at least 5 days need is to be provided
  - 3. Disabled parking is to be ensured
  - 4. Drawing for the assembly point in case of emergency

The Committee also directed the proponent to submit the following additional clarifications on the following points:

- 1. Details of material recovery facility and disposal of excess waste.
- 2. Additional area should be allotted for Green Belt which may be clubbed with the open parking.
- 3. Solar Energy should be quantified.
- 4. Demolition of the existing building and its disposal
- 5. Write up on the solid waste disposal mechanism (as per SWM Rules 2016) at the site during operational stage

6. Yield test for the well to assess the dependable source of water

The proponent has submitted the documents sought by 73<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of SEAC.

- 4. The proposal was considered in the 76<sup>th</sup> meeting SEAC held on 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017. The Committee verified the additional documents submitted by the proponent and found satisfactory. Based on the Form.1, Form 1 A, revised conceptual Plan, all other documents submitted with the proposal and the field visit report, the committee decided to Recommend for issuance of Environmental Clearance subject to general conditions along with the following specific conditions,
  - 1. Main internal road of 6m needs widening to at least 7m
  - 2. Rainwater harvesting facility with storage of at least 5 days need is to be provided
  - 3. Disabled parking is to be ensured

SEIAA may also obtain an appropriate commitment from the proponent towards CSR activities.

- 5. The proposal was considered in the 74<sup>th</sup> SEIAA meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Authority accepted the recommendation of SEAC and decided to issue Environmental Clearance subject to general condition in addition to the following specific conditions.
  - 1. Main internal road of 6m needs widening to at least 7m
  - 2. Rainwater harvesting facility with storage of at least 5 days need is to be provided
  - 3. Disabled parking is to be ensured

2% of the total project cost should be set apart for CSR activities in consultation with the local panchayat. A notarized affidavit for the commitment of CSR activities and also agreeing all the general and specific conditions should be submitted before the issuance of Environmental Clearance. The proponent has submitted the affidavit dated on 28/10/2017 and stating that all the specific and general conditions shall be strictly implemented.

6. Environmental Clearance as per the EIA notification 2006 is hereby accorded for the proposed Commercial Complex Project ('4-M Mall') of Mr.K.V.Jose K.T.Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellery, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District – 685 584 in Survey No. 195/11, 195/5, 195/6, 195/16-2-57, Thodupuzha Village, Thodupuzha Taluk, Idukki District subject to the conditions mentioned in para 5 above. The clearance will be subject to all the environmental impact mitigation and management measures envisaged by the project proponent in the documents submitted to SEIAA, and the mitigation measures specified. The assurances in form 1A of the application (Appendix 1I) and clarifications given by the proponent will be deemed to be part of these proceedings as if incorporated herein, Also the general

conditions for projects other than mining appended hereto and the following green guidelines will be applicable and have to be strictly adhered to.

#### **Green Guidelines**

- 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, regularization or consent to operate.
- 7. Validity of the Environmental Clearance will be seven years from the date of issuance the subject to earlier review in the event of noncompliance or violation of any of the conditions stipulated herein.
- 8. Compliance of the conditions herein will be monitored by the Directorate of Environment and Climate Change 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, Mr.K.V.Jose, K.T.Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellary, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District, Kerala- 685 584.

Sd/-James Varghese I.A.S Member Secretary (SEIAA),

To

Mr.K.V.Jose, K.T.Varkey Kakkanattu Jewellary, Thodupuzha P.O., Idukki District, Kerala- 685 584

## Copy to

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- 2. Additional chief Secretary to Government, Environment Department,
- 3. The Advocate General, Ernakulam (With C/L)
- 4. The District Collector, Idukki
- 5. The District Town Planner, Idukki
- 6. Tehsildar, Thodupuzha
- 7. Member Secretary, Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Pattom
- 8. Chairman, SEIAA
- 9. The Secretary, Thodupuzha Municipality
- 10. Website
- 11. Stock File
- 12. O/c

Forwarded /By Order

Administrator(SEIAA)



## GENERAL CONDITIONS (for projects other than mining)

- (i) Rain Water Harvesting capacity should be installed as per the prevailing provisions of KMBR / KPBR, unless otherwise specified elsewhere.
- (ii) Environment Monitoring Cell as agreed under the affidavit filed by the proponent should be formed and made functional.
- (iii) Suitable avenue trees should be planted along either side of the tarred road and open parking areas, if any, inclusive of approach road and internal roads.
- (iv) The project shall incorporate devices for solar energy generation and utilization to the maximum possible extent with the possibility of contributing the same to the national grid in future.
- (v) Safety measures should be implemented as per the Fire and Safety Regulations.
- (vi) STP should be installed and made functional as per KSPCB guidelines including that for solid waste management.
- (vii) The conditions specified in the Companies Act, 2013 should be observed for Corporate Social Responsibility.
- (viii) The proponent should plant trees at least 5 times of the loss that has been occurred while clearing the land for the project.
- (ix) Consent from Kerala State Pollution Control Board under Water and Air Act(s) should be obtained before initiating activity.
- (x) All other statutory clearances should be obtained, as applicable, by project proponents from the respective competent authorities including that for blasting and storage of explosives.
- (xi) In the case of any change(s) in the scope of the project, the project would require a fresh appraisal by this Authority.
- (xii) The Authority reserves the right to add additional safeguard measures subsequently, if found necessary, and to take action including revoking of the environment clearance under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, to ensure effective implementation of the suggested safeguard measures in a time bound and satisfactory manner.
- (xiii) The stipulations by Statutory Authorities under different Acts and Notifications should be complied with, including the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and control of Pollution) act 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Public Liability (Insurance) Act, 1991 and EIA Notification, 2006.
- (xiv) The environmental safeguards contained in the EIA Report should be implemented in letter and spirit.
- (xv) Provision should be made for supply of kerosene or cooking gas and pressure cooker to the labourers during construction phase.
- (xvi) Officials from the Regional of MOEF, Banglore who would be monitoring the implementation of environmental safeguards should be given full co-operation, facilities and documents/data by the project proponents during their inspection. A complete set of all the documents submitted to MoEF should be forwarded to the CCF, Regional Office of MOEF, Bangalore.
- (xvii) These stipulations would be enforces among others under the provisions of Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention and Control Pollution) at 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Public Liability (Insurance) Act, 1991 and EIA Notification, 2006.

- (xviii) Environmental Clearance is subject to final order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter of Goa Foundation Vs. Union of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No.460 of 2004 as may be applicable to this project.
  - (xix) Any appeal against this Environmental Clearance shall lie with the National Environment Appellate Authority, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under section 11 of the National Environment Appellate Act, 1997.
  - The project proponent should advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the region, one of which (both the advertisement and the newspaper) shall be in the vernacular language informing that the project has been accorded Environmental Clearance and copies of clearance letters are available with the Department of Environment and Climate Change, Govt. of Kerala and may also be seen on the website of the Authority at www.seiaakerala.org. The advertisement should be made within 10 days from the date of receipt of the Clearance letter and a copy of the same signed in all pages should be forwarded to the office of this Authority as confirmation.
  - (xxi) A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to concerned GramaPanchayat/ District Panchayat/ Municipality/Corporation/Urban Local Body and also to the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions / representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The Environmental Clearance shall also be put on the website of the company by the proponent.
- (xxii) The proponent shall submit half yearly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) and upload the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the respective Regional Office of MoEF, Govt. of India and also to the Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Govt. of Kerala.
- (xxiii) The details of Environmental Clearance should be prominently displayed in a metallic board of 3 ft x 3 ft with green background and yellow letters of Times New Roman font of size of not less than 40.
- (xxiv) The proponent should provide notarized affidavit (indicating the number and date of Emirgumental Clearance proceedings), that all the conditions stipulated in the EC shall be scrupulously followed.

### SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

### I.Construction Phase

- i. "Consent for Establishment" shall be obtained from Kerala State Pollution Control Board under Air and Water Act and a copy shall be submitted to the Ministry before start of any construction work at the site.
- ii. All required sanitary and hygienic measures should be in place before starting construction activities and to be maintained throughout the construction phase.
- iii. A First Aid Room will be provided in the project both during construction and operation of the project.
- iv. Adequate drinking water and sanitary facilities should be provided for construction workers at the site, Provision should be made for mobile toilets. The safe disposal of wastewater and solid wastes generated during the construction phase should be ensured.
- v. All the topsoil excavated during construction activities should be stored for use in horticulture/landscape development within the project site.

- vi. Disposal of muck during construction phase should not create any adverse effect on the neighbouring communities and be disposed taking the necessary precautions for general safety and health aspects of people, only in approved sites with the approval of competent authority.
- vii. Soil and ground water samples will be tested to ascertain that there is no threat to ground water quality by leaching of heavy metals and other toxic contaminants.
- viii. Construction spoils, including bituminous material and other hazardous materials, must not be allowed to contaminate watercourses and the dump sites for such material must be secured so that they should not leach into the ground water.
- ix. Any hazardous waste generated during construction phase, should be disposed off as per applicable rules and norms with necessary approval of the Kerala State Pollution Control Board.
- x. The diesel generator sets to be during construction phase should be low sulphur diesel type and should conform to Environment (Protection) Rules prescribed for air and noise emission standards.
- xi. The diesel required for operating DG sets shall be stored in underground tanks and if required, clearance from Chief Controller of Explosives shall be taken.
- xii. Vehicles hired for bringing construction material to the site should be in good condition and should have a pollution check certificate and should conform to the applicable air and noise emission standards and should be operated only during nonpeak hours.
- Ambient noise levels should conform to residential standards both during day and night. Incremental pollution loads on the ambient air and noise quality should be closely monitored during construction phase. Adequate measures should be made to reduce ambient air and noise level during construction phase, so as to conform to the stipulated standards by CPCB/KSPCB.
- xiv. Fly ash should be used as building material in construction as per the provisions of Fly Ash Notification of September, 1999 and amended as on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2003. (The above condition is applicable Power Stations).
- xv. Ready mixed concrete must be used in building construction.
- xvi. Storm water control and its re-use per CGWB and BIS standards for various applications.
- xvii. Water demand during construction should be reduced by use of pre-mixed concrete, curing agents and other best practices referred.
- xviii. Permission to draw ground shall be obtained from the Computer Authority prior to construction/operation of the project.
  - xix. Separation of grey and black water should be done by the use of dual plumbing line for separation of grey and black water.
  - xx. Fixtures for showers, toilet flushing and drinking should be of low flow either by use of aerators or pressure reducing devices or sensor based control.
  - xxi. Use of glass may be reduced by upto 40% to reduce the electricity consumption and load on airconditioning. If necessary, use high quality double glass with special reflective coating in windows.
- xxii. Roof should meet prespective requirement as per Energy Conservation Building Code by using appropriate thermal insulation material to fulfil requirement.
- xxiii. Opaque wall should meet perspective requirement as per energy Conservation Building Code which is proposed to be mandatory for all airconditioned spaces while it is aspirational for non-airconditioned spaces by use of appropriate thermal insulation material to fulfil requirement.

- xxiv. The approval of the competent authority shall be obtained for structural safety of the buildings due to earthquake, adequacy of fire fighting equipments, etc. as per National, Building Code including protection measures from lightening etc.
- xxv. Regular supervision of the above and other measures for monitoring should be in place all through the construction phase, so as to avoid disturbance to the surroundings.
- xxvi. Under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, legal action shall be initiated against the protect proponent if it was found that construction of the project has been started without obtaining environmental clearance.

### **II.** Operation Phase

- i. The installation of the Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) should be certified by an independent expert and a report in this regard should be submitted to the Ministry before the project is commissioned for operation. Treated affluent emanating from STP shall be recycled / reused to the maximum extent possible. Treatment of 100% grey water by decentralised treatment should be done. Discharge of unused treated affluent shall conform to the norms and standards of the Kerala State Pollution Control Board. Necessary measures should be made to mitigate the odour problem from STP.
- ii. The solid waste generated should be properly collected and segregated. Wet garbage should be composted and dry/inert solid waste should be disposed off to the approved sites for land filling after recovering recyclable material.
- iii. Diesel power generating sets proposed as source of back up power for elevators and common area illumination during operation phase should be of enclosed type and conform to rules made under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. The height of stack of DG sets should be equal to the height needed for the combined capacity of all proposed DG sets. Use low sulphur diesel. The location of the DG sets may be decided with in consultation with Kerala State pollution Control Board.
- iv. Noise should be controlled to ensure that it does not exceed the prescribed standards.

  During night time the noise levels measured at the boundary of the building shall be restricted to the permissible levels to comply with the prevalent regulations.
- v. The green belt of the adequate width and density preferably with local species along the periphery of the plot shall be raised so as to provide protection against particulates and noise.
- vi. Weep holes in the compound walls shall be provided to ensure natural drainage of rain water in the catchment area during the monsoon period.
- vii. Rain water harvesting for roof run-off and surface run-off, as plan submitted should be implemented. Before recharging the surface run off, pre-treatment must be done to remove suspended matter, oil and grease. The borewell for rainwater recharging should be kept at least 5 mts.above the highest ground water table.
- viii. The ground water level and its quality should be monitored regularly in consultation with Central Ground Water Authority.
- ix. Traffic congestion near the entry and exit points from the roads adjoining the purposed project site must be avoided. Parking should be fully internalized and no public space should be utilized.
- x. A Report on the energy conservation measures confirming to energy conservation norms finalise by Bureau of Energy Efficiency should be prepared incorporating details about building materials & technology, R & U Factors etc and submit to the Ministry in three months time.

- xi. Energy conservation measures like installation of CFLs/TFLs for the lighting the areas outside the building should be integral part of the project design and should be in place before project commissioning. Use CFLs and TFLs should be properly collected and disposed off/sent for recycling as per the prevailing guidelines/rules of the regulatory authority to avoid mercury contamination. Use of solar panels may be done to the extent possible.
- xii. Adequate measures should be taken to prevent odour problem from solid waste processing plant and STP.
- xiii. The building should have adequate distance between them to allow movement of fresh air and passage of natural light, air and ventilation.

### **III Post Operational Phase**

Environmental Monitoring Committee with defined functions and responsibility should foresee post operational environmental problems e.g. development of slums near the site, increase in traffic congestion, power failure, increase in noise level, natural calamities, and increase in suspended particulate matter etc. solve the problem immediately with mitigation measures

For Member Secretary, SEIAA

