MINUTES OF THE 86th MEETING OF SEAC, KERALA, HELD ON 27th FEBRUARY 2018 AT HARITHASREE HALL, DIRECTORATE OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The 86th meeting of the SEAC commenced at 10.00 am with **Sri.V. Gopinathan** in the chair. The Chairman welcomed the members and initiated the proceedings of the Committee.

Item No:86.01

Approval of Minutes of 85th SEAC Meeting held on 12th February

2018.

Approved

Item No.86.02

Environmental Clearance for the proposed building stone quarry project in Re.Sy.No. 250, 251 in Nediyiruppu Village, Kondotty Taluk, and Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. T.P. Abdul Hameed (File No.1174/EC/SEIAA/KL/2018)

Project Proponent: Mr. T.P. Abdul Hameed

Further to the intimation of SEAC, the Proponent and the RQP attended the meeting and RQP made a power point presentation about the salient features of the project. The Committee appraised the proposal based on the Mining Plan, Pre-feasibility Report and all other documents submitted along with Form1.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.7 lakh per annum (recurring) for taking up local community welfare activities in consultation with the local Panchayat.

The Committee decided to defer the item for field inspection

Item No.86.03

Environmental Clearance for the Proposed Up gradation of Existing District Hospital in Sy Nos. 955/1A, 955/1B2, 955/2, 955/3, 962, 963 at Kannur Block 15 & 20 Village, Kannur Taluk, Kannur District, Kerala by Dr.V.P.Rajesh, Superintendent of the District Hospital Kannur (File No. 1176(A)/EC/SEIAA/KL/2018)

Project Proponent: Dr.V.P.Rajesh, District Hospital Kannur

Further to the intimation of SEAC, the proponent and the engineer attended the meeting and engineer made a power point presentation about the salient features of the project briefly. The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form 1, Form I A, conceptual plan and other connected documents.

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The Committee observed that considering the expected vehicular traffic the parking facility proposed is very inadequate. In this regard, the proponent submitted that a proposal for enhancing the parking facility by exchanging land with the adjoining military cantonment, is under the consideration of the government. Efforts in this regard are ongoing. The Committee requested the proponent to submit the details of the proposal in writing. The Committee also observed that the existing pediatric block and NICU block can be demolished in future and the existing facilities there can be accommodated by the vertical expansion of the surgical block. This will open up space for additional parking facility. The Committee also observed that the recommendations of the KCZMA is yet to be obtained for the proposal. Hence it was decided to **defer the item** for the same.

Item No. 86.04

Environmental clearance for the Proposed Residential Building Project in Sy. Nos. 989/1, 989/1,2, at Kasaba Village, Kozhikode Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala by Sri.Viju Varghese, General Manager, M/s. Artech Malabar Hills (File No. 1115/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Sri. Viju Varghese, General, M/s. Artech Malabar Hills

The Committee decided to defer the item for personnel clarifications from the proponent.

Item No. 86.05

Environmental clearance for the proposed Establishment of Thrissur Zoological Park, Wildlife Conservation & Research Centre in Puthur Village, Ollukkara Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala of Sri Rajesh Ravindran, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, Thrissur Zoological Park (File No. 1127/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Sri Rajesh Ravindran, IFS, Thrissur Zoological Park

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Form I A, Conceptual Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee verified the additional documents submitted by the proponent. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following specific condition.

1. NOC for drawing water from Manalipuzha to be obtained from Irrigation

Department and produced before SEIAA

- 2. The access road running adjacent to the Zoo wall should be widened to a minimum of 12 m to accommodate to and fro vehicular movement.
- 3. Parking bays for coaches should be enhanced to 40 from 15.

Item No.86.06

Environmental Clearance for the proposed Granite building stone quarry project in Survey Nos.272(Pt) at Kizhakkanchery II Village, Alathur Taluk, Palakkad District, Kerala by Shri.K.N.Nandakumar, Proprietor (File No 1134/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Shri.K.N.Nandakumar

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee verified the additional documents submitted by the proponent and found satisfactory. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions.

1. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.15 lakh per annum (recurring) for taking up local community welfare activities in consultation with the local Panchayat.

Item No. 86.07

Extension of Validity of Environmental Clearance & Amendment in Environmental Clearance for construction of Group Housing & Commercial Complex Project in Sy. Nos. 558 p, 559/1 to 11, 557/2, 560/1, 2, 563/5p, 11p, 12p, 569/1, 2, 569/1 to 11, Kakkanad village, Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala by Fr. Jose Cletus Plackal, Provincial- CMI, S.H. Provincial House (File No.1136 (C)/EC/SEIAA/ KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Fr. Jose Cletus Plackal, Provincial-CMI, S.H. Provincial House

The Committee observed that the proponent has increased the parking facility for four wheelers from 323 to 428 cars. However, the Committee **deferred the item** for submission of the results of yield test of two already developed wells.

Item No. 86.08

Environmental clearance for the Proposed Development of International Exhibition Cum Convention Center at Survey Nos.

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574 & 581 Kakkanad Village, & Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala of Sri.Sunil.G, Manager (Technical) (File No. 1142/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Sri.Sunil.G, KINFRA

The Committee took on record the revised site plan prepared incorporating the additional 2 hectares of area. After deliberation, the Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following specific condition.

- 1. The footpath in front of the site shall be widened to at least 4 m considering the experience of people movement in similar projects.
- 2. A median opening shall be made directly in front of the proposed exit and present proposal of exit necessitating U turn should be changed.
- 3. Six Rain Water Harvesting (RWH) tank facilities are provided with a total capacity of 130 KL. Excess water shall be channelled to the pond which is provided as common facility. Mean depth of RWH pond is reported as 2.5 m above High Flood Level (HFL) of Kadambrayar river which should be followed. If possible this pond which is now about 2500 m2 should be enlarged.

Item No.86.09

Environmental clearance for the propose expansion of Special Residential-cum-Commercial Complex Project at Re-survey Nos. 4/3B, 4/4B, 4/5, Kottooli Village, Kozhikode Corporation, Kozhikode Taluk & District, Kerala of Mr.G.Baiju, Director, M/s Sree Gokulam Hotel (India) Pvt. Ltd. (File No. 1110/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr.G.Baiju, Director, M/s Sree Gokulam Hotel (India) Pvt. Ltd.

The Committee decided to **defer the item** for submission of the following additional details from the proponent:

- 1. Compliance report of the conditions specified in the EC already issued by the MoEF&CC to be submitted.
- 2. Parking provision shall be increased by at least by 25% and a revised parking plan to the scale shall be submitted.
- 3. Break up of sourcing water supply shall be provided. If it is proposed to be sourced from wells/ponds located elsewhere, copies of documentations for

ensuring its uninterrupted supply shall be provided. Yield test result of the existing well shall also to be furnished

- 4. Quantification of solar energy proposed to be harvested.
- 5. A floor wise drawing highlighting the changes, if any, made in the drawing which was submitted for original EC.
- 6. Traffic circulation plan proposed for the building.
- 7. Revised CSR commitment for taking up community welfare activities for ameliorating the environmental impacts during the construction phase.

Item No. 86.10

Environmental Clearance for the Proposed construction of new buildings within the existing hospital campus in Sy. Nos. 43/1A, 1B, 43/2A, 2B, 42/1D, 43/1, 44/9, 43/3, 43/4, 44/8, 50/6, at Kottoli Village, Kozhikode Corporation, Kozhikode Taluk & District, Kerala of Mr. Basheer.U, Executive Director, M/s Malabar Institute of Medical Sciences Ltd. (File No. 1155/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr. Basheer.U, M/s Malabar Institute of Medical Sciences Ltd.

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Form I A, Conceptual Plan, field inspection report and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The subcommittee which inspected the site has observed the following points:

- a. As per the proposal 52,273.91 sq.m. has Environment Clearance MoEF, but 1,863.87 sq.m. additional built-up area do not have EC. Since the proposal is part of an existing hospital copy of building permit/EC to existing building is to be submitted to ensure that existing building are EC compliant.
- b. The available parking area is seen reserved for hospital staff leaving less than 100 parking space left for visitors. This is not acceptable. There fore the proponents shall submit a parking plan drawn to scale for the whole hospital/buildings taken together.
- c. Details of RWH facility.
- d. A drainage is flowing on the side of the proposed plot. The proponent should take care not to pollute the drain and also make necessary steps to clean it before discharging to Cannoly canal.
- e. Adequate width to the entrance to the proposed building should be provided so that congestion should not occur for the vehicles including medical ambulances.

- f. The height of the proposed building is given as 42 m and 51 m in different parts of the application form. This required clarification from the proponent.
- g. Break up of quantity of water proposed to be sourced from different sources.

The committee decided to defer the item for clarification/remarks from the proponent

Item No. 86.11

Environmental Clearance for the expansion of the existing Hospital campus Project by M/s Kunhitharuvai Memorial Charitable Trust (KMCT) in Sy Nos. 39/3A, 2, 39/1, 2, 4, 44/1, 2, 4, 78, 42/2, 43/2, 43/1A, 101/1A, 43/1B, 2B, 102/1, 47/1, 101/2C, 2B, 102/2, 49/2A, 101/2A, 39/3, 39/3B, 49/1B, 30/1 at Thazhakkode Village, Mukkom Municipality, Kozhikode Taluk & District Kerala by Dr.Navas.K.M Trustee & Authorised Signatory of KMCT Medical College Campus, Manassery, Mukkam, Kozhikode, Kerala (File No.1157/EC/SE1AA/2017)

Project Proponent: Dr.Navas.K.M, KMCT Medical College Campus

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Form I A, Conceptual Plan, field inspection report and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee observed that there was no hospital at the site prior to 2006. Later on, over a period of time, a number of buildings came up in the proposed site at different points in time. The total built up area of 96,974 sq.m were regularised on 29.01.2010 by the local body. But the site plan attached to the regularisation order shows 37,760.02 sq.m including hospital building of 19,135 sq.m and buildings of other uses of 8984 sq.m. The present total built up area is around 98,000m2. However, as reported by the proponent the existing building got regularised when 2006 EC notification was in force. Hence, there could be a possible EC violation in the construction of these buildings. The Committee decided to seek clarifications from the proponent in this matter. Hence it was decided to defer the matter for the above clarifications along with the two documents sought by the Committee in its 83rd meeting.

Item No.86.12

Environmental clearance for the proposed building stone quarry project in Re survey Nos.168, 282, at Anakkayam Village, Ernad Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. K.Muhammed (File No. 1160/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr. K.Muhammed

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following Specific Condition.

1. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.6 lakh per annum (recurring) for community welfare activities in consultation with the local body.

Item No.86.13

Environmental clearance for the proposed building stone quarry project in survey No.1/1, at Valambur Village, Perinthahlmanna Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr.N. Abdul Rasheed, Managing Partner, M/s Nalakath Granites (File No. 1161/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr.N. Abdul Rasheed, M/s Nalakath Granites

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following Specific Condition.

2. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.10 lakh per annum (recurring) for community welfare activities in consultation with the local body.

Item No.86.14

Environmental Clearance for the proposed building stone quarry project in Re survey Nos.25/2, 37/3, 38/3, 38/4, 38/11at Muthuthala Village, Pattambi Taluk, Palakkad District, Kerala by Mr. Najeeb Hassan.N (File No. 1167/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr. Najeeb Hassan.N

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The proponent produced a map from Village Officer indicating that the distance of water tank from the lease boundary is 120 m. The Committee decided to Minutes of the 86th SEAC Meeting held on 27th February 2018

Recommend for issuance of EC subject to general conditions and the following Specific Condition.

1. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.10 lakh per annum (recurring) for community welfare activities in consultation with the local body.

Item No.86.15

Environmental clearance for the proposed masonry stone quarry project in survey Nos.79/2, 80/1A-02, 80/1A-03, 80/1A-04, 80/1A-05, 80/1A-06, 80/1A-07, 80/1A-08, 80/1A-09, 80/1A-10, 80/1A-11, 80/1A-12, 80/1A-13, 80/1A-14, 80/1A-15, 80/1A-16, 80/1A-17, 80/1A-18, 80/1A-19, 80/1A-20, 80/1A-21, at Arakuzha Village, Muvattupuzha Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala by Mr.Shans Paul, Managing Director, M/s Hanna Rock Products (P) Ltd. (File No 1168/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr. Shans Paul, M/s Hanna Rock Products (P) Ltd.

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted with the proposal. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following Specific Condition.

1. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

The proponent consented to set apart Rs.20 lakh per annum (recurring) for community welfare activities in consultation with the local body.

Item No.86.16

Environmental clearance for the proposed building stone quarry project in Re.survey Nos.174/1pt, 186/1, 186/1 pt, 190/1, 186/2,187/pt, at Pulikkal Village, Kondotty Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. P.V. Ajesh (File No.1173/EC/SEIAA/KL/2017)

Project Proponent: Mr. P.V. Ajesh

The Committee appraised the proposal based on Form I, Pre-feasibility Report, Mining Plan, field inspection report of the Sub Committee and all other documents submitted

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with the proposal. The Committee decided to **Recommend for issuance of EC** subject to general conditions and the following Specific Condition.

1. If any rare, endemic and threatened plant species are noticed, they shall be properly protected insitu or transplanted to a suitable site inside the lease area.

SEIAA may persuade the proponent to contribute appropriate amount for the community welfare activities of the local community.

Item No.86.17

Environmental Clearance for the proposed quarry project in Sy. Nos. 271/1-2, 271/1-3, 271/1-6, 271/1-10, 271/1-11, 271/1-4, 271/8-2, 271/8-1, 271/20 pt., 270/4-1, 270/4, 270/3 and 270/2 at Pallichal Village and Panchayath, Neyyattinkara Taluk, Trivandrum District, Kerala by Sri. V. Sudhakaran, Managing Partner M/s V.S.C. Hollow Blocks & Crusher Division - Direction in WP(C) No. 1669/2018 (File No. 163/SE1AA/KL/3493/2013)

Project Proponent: Sri. V. Sudhakaran, M/s V.S.C. Hollow Blocks & Crusher

The Committee observed that the communication from the Special Government Pleader to Additional Accountant General refers both WP(C) 1669/2018 filed by VSC Hollow Bricks & Crusher Division & WP(C) 1719/2018 filed by Metro Aggregates& Sand India Pvt. Ltd. The Committee also observed that on receipt of the above communication promptly contacted the District Collector, has Secretary to the Committee Thriuvananthapuram for making available a copy of Survey report prepared by Vigilance &Anti Corruption Bureau as part of the enquiry into the quarrying in Mukkunnimala area. But the District Collector on 26.02.2018 itself intimated that such a survey report is not available with them and advised to contact Vigilance &Anti Corruption Bureau itself. Inorder to take a considered view in the matter a copy of the survey report is a must. Hence the Committee decided to request the Secretary to take the following urgent steps.

- 1. Contact office of Superintendent of Police, Vigilance & Anti Corruption Bureau, Special Investigation Unit -2, Kunchalummoodu, Karama P.O, Tvpm for a copy of the Survey report with respect to the enquiry in Mukkunnimala area.
- 2. To request the proponents.
- a). Clearly demarcate the property on the ground with pillars.

- b). Also to produce a certificate from the District Geologist to the effect that the survey numbers mentioned in their proposals are free from any irregularities and are fit to be leased by Government for quarrying.
- 3. To request the District Geologist to accompany the Sub Committee to conduct a second site visit in the presence of the proponents, so as to verify the authenticity of the area demarcated in the field.

Since the period of the Committee in expiring on 18.03.2018, the Committee decided to request the Secretary to pursue action on the above points without delay.

A Sub Committee consisting Sri.JohnMathai, Dr.Oommen V. Oommen, Dr.Harikrishnan&Dr.Keshav Mohan will conduct the second site visit of the above proposals.

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Smt. Padma Mahanti IFS

Sri. V. Gopinathan IFS (Rtd)

List of members present (27.02.2018)

1. Dr.E.A.Jayson

5. Dr.K.Harikrishnan

2. Sri.John Mathai

6. Dr.Keshav Mohan

3. Sri.P. Sreekumaran Nair FIE

7. Dr.K.G.Padmakumar

4. Dr.Oommen V Oommen

8. Dr.K.M.Khaleel