

Proceedings of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority Kerala

Present: Prof. (Dr.) K.P. Joy, Chairman; (Dr. J.Subha.shini, Member; Sri. P.K. Mohanty IAS, Member Secretary

Sub: SEIAA Kerala – Removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 124/1 at Aamballoor Village and Panchayath, Kanayamur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Father Augustine Bharanikulangara. – Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification 2006 accorded – Orders issued

Environmental Clearance

No. 250/SEIAA/KL/1062/2014

dated, Thiruvananthapuram 7.5.2014

Read: Minutes of the 29th SEIAA meeting dt. 09-04-2014

ORDER

Fr. Augustine Bharanikulangara, St. Francis Assisi Church, Ernakulam District, Kerala, has applied for Environmental Clearance on 07.03.2014 in simplified format for removal of 1968 m³ of ordinary earth from 9.84 ares of land (24.314 cents) in Sy No. 124/1 of Amballoor Village, Kanayannoor Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala, for preparing the land for construction of class rooms (Parish hall) for the church. Part of the removed earth shall be utilized for constructing approach road for the class room & part of it shall be sold for construction of Panchayath roads & flooring of houses. The application has been duly examined and certified by Addl. Tahsildar, Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam. Forest land is not involved in the project. It is interalia, noted that the project comes under Category B, Activity 1(a), (i) of Schedule of EIA Notification 2006.

The proposal has been appraised by the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee Kerala constituted by the competent authority, as per prescribed procedure in the lights of provisions under the EIA Notification 2006 and subsequent amendments, in its 26th SEAC meeting held on 20th and 21st March 2014. SEAC Kerala considering the application, documents and clarifications provided by the proponent in person, recommended environmental clearance to the project.

The SEIAA, after due consideration of the relevant documents and additional clarifications submitted by the project proponent, and in view of the recommendations of SEAC, approved for issuance of Environmental Clearance for the project mentioned above at its 29th SEIAA meeting held on

09-04-2014. Accordingly, the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) Kerala constituted by Govt. of India vide Notification No. S.O. 2484(E) dt. 3-11-2011 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India, published as Gazette extraordinary No. 2074 on 3-11-2011 and further amended by Govt. of India vide Notification No. S.O. 546(E) dt.25.02.2014 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India, published as Gazette extraordinary No. 466 dated 25-02-2014, hereby accord necessary Environmental Clearance to Fr. Augustine Bharanikulangara, St. Francis Assisi Church, Ernakulam District, Kerala, for removal of 1968 m³ of ordinary earth from 9.84 ares of land (24.314 cents) in Sy No. 124/1 of Amballoor Village, Kanayannoor Taluk, Emakulam District, Kerala, as per powers vested with it under the provisions of Environment Impact Assessment Notification—2006 and subsequent amendments and also under the provisions made in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dated 18th May 2012 of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, and further subject to strict compliance of the following specific conditions:

- (i) The activity shall not involve blasting.
- (ii) The maximum depth of removal of earth should not go beyond 2 m from the general ground level of the site, which should be prominently marked before initiating the work.
- (iii) Removal of earth should be restricted to 2 m above to the ground water table at the site.
- (iv) The excavation activity shall not alter the natural drainage pattern of the area.
- (v) The borrowed/excavated pit shall be restored by the project proponent for useful purpose(s) as specified in the application.
- (vi) Appropriate fencing all around the borrowed/excavated pit shall be made to prevent any mishap.
- (vii) Measures shall be taken to prevent dust emission by covering of borrowed/excavated earth during transportation.
- (viii) Safeguards shall be adopted against health risks on account of breeding of vectors in the water bodies created due to borrowing/excavation of earth.
- (ix) Workers / labourers shall be provided with facilities for drinking water and sanitation.
- (x) A bern shall be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth of proposed excavation.
- (xi) A minimum distance of 15 m from any civil structure shall be kept from the periphery of the excavation area.
- (xii) The Environmental Clearance shall be liable to be concelled in any case of violation of above guidelines.

Compliance of the above conditions will be monitored by the Directorate of the Department of

Environment and Climate Change, Government of Kerala or its agencies and also by the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India located at Bangalore. Necessary support for entry and inspection should be provided by the project proponent to the staff of the Directorate and Ministry for monitoring purposes. In case of non-compliance of conditions, noted, if any, the Director, Department of Environment and Climate Change shall report the matter to the District Collector concerned to take necessary action under Environment Protection Act 1986.

The given address of correspondence of the Authorized Signatory of the project is:- Fr. Augustine Bharanikulangara, St. Francis Assisi Church, Ernakulam District, Kerala.

The validity of EC is for a period of six months from today.

Sd/-

P.K. Mohanty IAS
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Environment, Forest & Wildlife Departments

To

Fr. Augustine Bharanikulangara, St. Francis Assisi Church, Ernakulam District, Kerala.

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- 2. MoEF Regional Office, Southern Zone, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wing, II Block Koramangala, Bangalore-560034
- 3. The Addl. Chief Secretary to Government, Environment Dept., Government of Kerala
- 4. The Principal Secretary to Government, Local Self Government Department
- The District Collector concerned
- 6. The Director, Dept. of Environment and Climate Change, Govt. of Kerala, Tvm 24.
- Chairman and Members of SEIAA Kerala
- 8. Chairman, SEAC Kerala
- 9. Website uploading
- 10. Stock file

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