

State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Jharkhand

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Letter No: EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/

Ranchi, Date:

To: M/s Sri Manish Kumar Lal

Armai Stone Mine

Village - Dumerdih, P.O. - Dumerdih, Thana - Gumla, District: Gumla, Pin Code: 835207 (Jharkhand).

Sub: Reinstate of Environmental Clearance for the project "Armai Stone Mine of Sri Manish Kumar Lal, Village: Armai, Teshil + Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand (2.430 Ha)", (Proposal No. SIA/JH/MIN/181036/2020) - regarding.

Your online application dated: 21.11.2022. Ref:

Sir.

- This is in continuation of Environmental Clearancre (EC) issued by the State 1. Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Jharkhand vide letter no.-EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/2434, Ranchi, Date: 30.12.2015 and further reference to your online application no. : SIA/JH/MIN/181036/2020 requesting for reinstate of earlier Environmental Clearance as the mining site/lease hold area i.e. Mouza - Armai is outside of ECO Sensitive Zone of Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary.
- The State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA). Jharkhand has accorded the EC to the said project yide office letter no. : EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/2434, Ranchi, Date: 30.12.2015 for "Armai Stone Mine of Sri Manish Kumar Lal, Village: Armai, Teshil + Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand (2.430 Ha)".
- Your request has been examined by the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC). Jharkhand in its 99th meeting held on 07th, 08th, 09th, 10th & 11th December, 2022. based on the information furnished/provided and discussion held, the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, (SEAC) recommended to reinstate of earlier Environmental Clearance issued vide letter no.: EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/2434, Ranchi, Date: 30.12.2015, as the following:-

"This is a existing project which has been taken for appraisal on 07.12.2022.

This mine was granted Environmental Clearance vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/2434, dated 30.12.2015.

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Subsequently, the above EC was revoked by SEIAA vide letter no. 608, dated 04.11.2019.

The reason for revoking of EC was on the basis of letter no. 1065, dated 24.09.2019 by DFO, Wildlife Ranchi stating that the project falls under the ESZ of Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary.

The Project Authorities requested the Wildlife DFO Ranchi to re-examine the location of the site w.r.t. ESZ of Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary. SEIAA also made a similar request to DFO. Wildlife Ranchi vide letter no. 25, dated 16.01.2020 in response to the letter of request from the PAs to SEIAA.

During the re-examination of the documents it was evidenced that the lease falls under Mauza Armai which is outside of the ESZ of Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary. It was also clarified that the letter no. 1065, dated 24.09.2019 issued by DFO, Wildlife Ranchi as it was mistakingly taken that the lease was situated in Mauza Dumardih instead of Mauza Armai.

The DFO, Wildlife Ranchi vide letter no. 44, dated 15.01.2021 confirmed that the lease being located in Mauza Armai does not attract the provisions of ESZ of Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary.

The Deputy Commissioner, Gumla vide letter no. 41 / M, dated 08.11.2020 requested SEIAA to consider withdrawal of the revoking order and reinstate the EC granted to the project.

The above facts were placed before the Committee for examination.

Based on the facts mentioned above the committee recommends that earlier issued Environmental Clearance should be reinstate to the following extent alongwith rest other terms & conditions mentioned in previous Environmental Clearance letter no. EC/SEIAA 2014-15/480/2014/2434, Ranchi, Date: 30.12.2015 shall remain the same."

- 4. The recommendation of SEAC. Jharkhand in this regard has been examined by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Jharkhand in its 100th meeting held on 21st and 22nd December, 2022 and decided to **reinstate the earlier Environmental** Clearance of said project proposal as recommended by SEAC alongwith all other terms and conditions of earlier EC letter no. **EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/2434**, Ranchi, Date: 30.12.2015 shall remain the same.
 - 5. This issues with the approval of SEIAA, Jharkhand.

Sd/-

Member Secretary
State Level Environment Impact
Assessment Authority, Jharkhand.
Ranchi, Date: 29/12/2022

Memo No : EC/SEIAA/2014-15/480/2014/ 353 Copy to:

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Forests, Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Jharkhand.
- 2. Deputy Commissioner, Gumla, District- Gumla, Jharkhand.
- 3. Divisional Forest Officer, Gumla Forest Division, Gumla, Jharkhand.
- 4. Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife Division, Ranchi, Jharkhand.

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- 5. Director IA Division, Monitoring Cell, MoEF and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jorbag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi 110003.
- 6. Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, 2nd Floor, Jharkhand State Housing Board (HQ), Harmu Chowk, Ranchi, Jharkhand 834002.
- 7. District Mining Officer, District Gumla, Jharkhand
- 8. Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board, Ranchi.
- 9. Secretary, Jharkhand State Expert Appraisal Committee. Ranchi.
- 10. Website.

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