

## State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Jharkhand

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Letter No.:

Ranchi, dated:

From,

Member Secretary, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.

To,

M/s Maa Tara Stone Works, Shri Chiranjit Prasad, At Village- Nalhati, P.O. & Thana – Nalhati, District – Birbhum, West Bengal – 731220.

Sub: Sundarpahari Stone Depositof M/s Maa Tara Stone Works (Prop: Shri Chiranjit Prasad) at Khata No. 09 Plot No. 290, 314, 315 & 316 at Village: Sundarpahari, Thana: Maheshpur, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.387 Ha) (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/254593/2022)- reg.

- Ref: 1. EC letter no. of said project bearing letter no. : EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/11, Ranchi, dated : 16.04.2022.
  - 2. Corrigendum EC Letter No.: EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/134, Ranchi, dated: 18.06.2022.
  - 3. Your letter dated: 29.08.2024.

Sir,

It is to inform you that the said matter was examined in 116<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SEIAA held on 03<sup>th</sup> & 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 and the following decision has been taken by SEIAA, Jharkhand in the instant matter:-

"The Project Proponent has applied for EC online under B2 category through PARIVESH portal on **02.02.2022** with all mandatory documents such as Form-1, Form-2, P.F.R., Mine Plan approved by Deputy Director Mines, Dumka, Certificate of Teritorial DFO, DFO Wildlife, CO Certificate, NOC Gram Sabha and Contiguous Certificate issued by DMO, Pakur issued vide his office memo no. **1928/M**, dated **03.11.2021**.

The proposal was appraised by then State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, Jharkhand in its 93<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February to 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 in the light of contiguous certificates issued by DMO, Pakur vide his memo no. 1928/M, dated 03.11.2021 wherein it has been stated that apart from applied project, 01 leases bearing areas, 4.29 Acre is also existing within the periphery of 500 meter and total area within

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500 meter is **10.19** Acre or **4.12** Ha, is less than 5 Ha. On the basis of this certificate the project was appraised by then SEAC under B2 category and recommended for grant of Environmental Clearance.

On the basis of recommendations of then State Level Expert Appraisal Committee and cluster report of DMO, Pakur with other requisite documents, then SEIAA in its 94<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> April to 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 decided to grant of Environmental Clearance to the said project under B2 category and accordingly Environmental Clearance letter was issued vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/11, Ranchi, dated 16.04.2022.

Further the Corrigendum of Environmental Clearance was recommended by then SEAC in its 94<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May to 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2022 and accordingly Corrigendum of EC granted by then SEIAA in its 95<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> June to 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 in accordance with online application submitted by project Authority through PARIVESH PORTAL bearing application no. SIA/JH/MIN/271940/2022. Corrigendum of EC was issued vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/134, dated 18.06.2022.

The DMO, Pakur vide memo no. 1197/M, dated 31.07.2024 has kept the said area in abeyance and informed Project Proponent with copy to Member Secretary, State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority stating that the said projects belongs to Bl category as the total cluster area is 22.09 Acre or 8.94 Ha and Project Proponent has procured Environmental Clearance under B2 category. DMO, Pakur has also directed the Project Proponent to obtain fresh Environmental Clearance under B1 category from SEIAA, Jharkhand.

In the light of DMO, Pakur letter no. 1197/M, dated 31.07.2024 the Member Secretary, SEIAA vide letter no. 179, dated 08.08.2024 issued show cause stating that under what circumstances the Project Proponent has applied for EC under B2 category?

The Project Proponent, Shri Chiranjit Prasad has submitted his clarifications vide letter dated 29.08.2024 in which he has submitted that the proposed area of "Sundarpahari Stone Depositof M/s Maa Tara Stone Works (Prop: Shri Chiranjit Prasad) at Khata No. 09 Plot No. 290, 314, 315 & 316 at Village: Sundarpahari, Thana: Maheshpur, Distt.: Pakur", area is 2.387 Ha. On the basis of this, he has applied for Contiguous Report from DMO and applied for EC under B2 category. Now DMO, Pakur has directed Project Proponent to apply in SEIAA for EC under B1 category because of cluster area of his mining lease 22.09 Acre or 8.94 Ha.

From the above, it is clear that cluster area of said mining lease is 22.09 Acre or 8.94 Ha and this falls under B1 category. Hence, SEIAA unanimously decided that Environmental Clearance issued in favor of said project vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/11 dated 16.04.2022 and Corrigendum of Environmental Clearance issued vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/134, dated 18.06.2022 are withdrawn with immediate effect. Project Proponent is at liberty to submit online application through PARIVESH portal under B1 category for getting Environmental Clearance under B1 category.

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SEIAA has also decided to request to Deputy Commissioner, Pakur and Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board to take appropriate action against the Project Proponent / earing official under the relevant Acts & Rules".

- 2. The decision taken by SEIAA is self-explanatory and in light of decision taken by SEIAA in its 116<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 03<sup>th</sup> & 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2024, the Environmental Clearance issued vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/11, Ranchi, dated 16.04.2022 and Corrigendum of Environmental Clearance issued vide letter no. EC/SEIAA/2021-22/2487/2021/134, dated 18.06.2022 to the said stone mining project are hereby withdrawn with immediate effect.
- 3. <u>Project Proponent is at liberty</u> to submit online application through PARIVESH portal under B1 category for <u>getting Environmental Clearance under B1 category</u>.
- 4. Deputy Commissioner, Pakur and Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board to take appropriate action against the project proponent / earing official under the relevant Acts & Rules.
- 5. This is issued with the approval of SEIAA, Jharkhand.

Yours Sincerely,

Sd/-

Member Secretary State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Jharkhand

Dated: 10/09/2024

Memo no.: 255

## Copy to:

- 1. Principal Secretary, Department of Forests, Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Jharkhand.
- 2. Deputy Commissioner, District Pakur, Jharkhand.
- 3. Divisional Forest Officer, Pakur Forest Division, Pakur, Jharkhand.
- 4. Divisional Forest Officer-Cum-Incharge Wildlife Sanctuary, Udhwa (Sahibganj), Jharkhand.
- 5. Director IA Division, Monitoring Cell, MoEF and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jorbag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi 110003.
- 6. Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Jharkhand State Housing Board (HQ), Harmu Chowk, Ranchi, Jharkhand 834002.
- 7. District Mining Officer, District Pakur, Jharkhand.
- 8. Member Secretary, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board, Ranchi.
- 9. Member Secretary, State Level Expert Appraisal Committee, Jharkhand, Ranchi.
- 10. Website.
- 11. Guard file.

Member Secretary

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