## Minutes of the 65<sup>th</sup> Meeting of State level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Jharkhand, held on 07<sup>th</sup> January, 2019.

The 65th meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) was convened on 07/01/2019 in the office of SEIAA, Ranchi. The meeting was chaired by Shri S.E.H. Kazmi, Chairman, SEIAA, Jharkhand. The attendance in the meeting was as follows:-

- 1. Shri S.E.H. Kazmi, Chairman, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.
- 2. Shri Kamlesh Pandey, Member Secretary, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.
- 3. Shri S.C. Narayan, Member, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.

The decisions taken in the 65th SEIAA meeting are as follows:-

1. Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi order dated 11.12.2018 in EA-55/2018 in O.A. 520/2016 and Ministry of Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate change Govt. of India vide Office Memorandum F.No-L-11011/175/2018- IA-II (M) dated-12.12.2018. regarding..

The Hon'ble NGT, Principal Bench, New Delhi has inter-alia directed the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate change Govt. of India as follows:-

- I. Providing for EIA, EMP and therefore public consultation for all areas from 5 to 25 Ha falling under category B-2 at par with category B-1 by SEIAA/SEAC as well as for cluster situation wherever it is not provided:
- II. Form-1M be made More comprehensive for areas of 0 to 5 Ha by dispensing with the requirement for public consultation to be evaluated by SEAC for recommendation of grant of EC by SEIAA instead of DEIAA/DEAC;
- III. If a cluster or an individual lease size exceeds 5 ha the EIA/EMP be made applicable in the process of grant of prior Environmental Clearance.
- IV. EIA and /or EMP be prepared for the entire cluster in terms of recommendations 5 (supra) of the guidelines for the purpose of recommendations 6, 7 and 8 thereof;
- V. Revise the procedure to also incorporate procedure with respect to annual rate of replenishment and time frame for replenishment after mining closure in an area:
- VI. The MoEF & CC to prepare guidelines for calculation of the cost of restitution of damage coused to mined- out areas along with the Net present value of Ecological services forgone because of illegal or unscientific mining.

As per above order of Hon'ble NGT (Principal Bench) Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate change Govt. of India vide Office Memorandum F.No- L-11011/175/2018-IA-II (M) dated - 12.12.2018, has directed to comply the above direction of Hon'ble NGT. Besides this, Hon'ble NGT Principal Bench in its order dated - 11.12.2018 in

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EA 55/2018 in O.A.- 520/2016 has suspended the activity of issuing Environmental Clearance by DEIAA/DEAC for Minor Minerals as per Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate change Govt. of India, Notification dated-15.01.2016 till a fresh notification is issued by Ministry. Therefore, in compliance of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate change Govt. of India, OM dated-12.12.2018, it is decided that for Environmental Clearance of all mining cases of minor minerals having 0 to 5 Ha area will be appraised by SEIAA, Jharkhand. Hence, all concerned project proponent are directed to apply in SEIAA, Jharkhand in Form-1 with other required supporting documents on online MoEF & CC, Govt. of India, website - www.moef.nic.in for process of application.

It has also been decided that applications fee submitted by project proponents in all DEIAAs, for pending applications be transferred to SEIAA for consideration of the pending projects. Project proponent will have to comply with all the directions and guidelines given by MoEF & CC, in compliance of said NGT order in future, if any. All concerned to be informed accordingly.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Member

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Member - Secretary

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