MINUTES OF THE 116TH MEETING OF STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, JHARKHAND HELD ON 03TH AND 04TH SEPTEMBER, 2024.

The Member Secretary, SEIAA has convened 116th meeting of the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) held on 03th & 04th September, 2024 in the office of SEIAA, Ranchi, Jharkhand. The attendance in the meeting is as follows:

- 1. Shri Kamlesh Pandey, Chairman, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.
- 2. Shri Kirti Avishek, Member, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.
- 3. Shri Ashok Kumar, Member Secretary, SEIAA, Jharkhand, Ranchi.

The decisions taken in the 116th SEIAA meeting are as follows:-

- 1. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for approval of District Survey Report (DSR):
 - I. Final District Survey Report (DSR) for Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining (Stone), District: Khunti.

After Technical presentation before SEAC and appraisal of DSR, the unanimous recommendation was sent to SEIAA for approval of District Survey Report for Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining (Stone) of **Khunti** district, as the District Survey Report (Stone) contained all relevant information required as per the notification no. **S.O. 3611(E)**, dated **25.07.2018** of <u>MoEF & CC</u>, <u>Govt. of India</u>.

In the light of the recommendation of SEAC for approval of District Survey Report for Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining (Stone) of **Khunti** district, the same was considered in the 116th meeting of SEIAA. Jharkhand on 03.09.2024 and 04.09.2024.

The SEIAA, unanimously, decided to approve the District Survey Report (DSR) for Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining (Stone) of **Khunti** district on the basis **recommendation** of **SEAC**. It was also decided that a copy of approved District Survey Report of Stone should be **sent** to the concerned <u>Deputy Commissioner</u> for onward necessary action.

- 2. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Environmental Clearance to the following Minor Mineral (Stone Mining) projects:
 - I. Lodhma Stone Deposit of M/s Maa Chhinmastika Stone (Prop.: Shri Kisto Prasad Yadav), Mouza: Lodhma, Thana no.: 117, Thana: Ramgarh, Distt.: Ramgarh, Jharkhand (0.57 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493193/2024).
 - II. Kori Stone Deposit of M/s Adivashi Development Enterprises (Partners: (i) Shri Jhalu Bediya (ii) Shri Bigle Bhagat (iii) Shri Fhuldev Bediya), Mouza: Kori. Thana

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- : Ramgarh, Distt.: Ramgarh, Jharkhand (2.02 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493244/2024).
- III. Balrampur Stone Deposit of Shri Mithlesh Kumar Mahto, Mouza: Balrampur, P.S.
 : Jaridih, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (0.748 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/492671/2024).
- IV. **Nimchua Stone Deposit of Shri Goutam Mahata,** Mouza : Nimchua. Cicle : Maheshpur, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (1.311 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493541/2024).
- V. **Kashinathpur Stone Deposit of M/s Jharkhand Stone Works (Prop. : Md. Safik),** Village : Kashinathpur, Anchal : Maheshpur, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.51 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN /493625/2024).
- VI. Chedra Stone Mine of M/s Banwar Stone Chips (Partners: (i) Shri Shailendra Kumar Mehta (ii) Shri Kumar Vinay (iii) Shri Vicky Kumar), Village: Chedra, Thana no.: 54, Thana: Balumath, Distt.: Latehar, Jharkhand (1.58 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493049/2024).
- VII. Banwar Stone Deposit of M/s Banwar Stone Chips (Partners: (i) Shri Shailendra Kumar Mehta (ii) Shri Kumar Vinay (iii) Shri Vicky Kumar), Village: Banwar, Thana no.: 51, Thana: Bariyatu, Distt.: Latehar, Jharkhand (2.18 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/492904/2024).
- VIII. Bandhdih Stone Mine of M/s Jai Mata Di Enterprises (Prop. : Shri Harpreet Singh Jaggi), Village : Bandhdih, Thana no. : 11, Thana : Jaridih, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (2.436 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493275/2024).
 - IX. Nawadih Stone Mine of M/s Maa Vaishno Enterprises (Partners: (i) Shri Bijay Kumar Agarwal (ii) Shri Ritesh Roshan), Village: Nawadih, Thana: Peterwar, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (2.40 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493291/2024).

The SEAC has appraised the above projects in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018, dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearances of above mentioned project proposals. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant Environmental Clearances to the above mentioned project proposals with following specific conditions:

- i. Project Authority will ensure that personal protective equipments such as protective clothing, helmet, goggles or other garments or equipments designed to protect from injury or infection will be provided to working personnel's.
- ii. In compliance of OM No. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- iii. Suitable plant species of not less than 2 M height to be planted equal to twice the area of saplings proposed in Safety zone. This is to be planted in land available near mines and outside safety zone. This will be in addition to plantation in safety zone. Newly planted saplings to be maintained for minimum 3 years with Geo-Tagged photographs.

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- iv. Dedicated water tanker to be provided for mine. The tanker to be used for spraying water on haul road and for irrigating newly planted saplings only. Sprinkling to be done such that the haul road is kept moistened all the time with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- v. Pre employment Occupational health check up for employees to be done and thereafter at annual interval for PLFT, Audiometry and other required tests. Summary findings of same to submitted along with 6 monthly compliance.
- vi. Ensure use of Quality PPEs equivalent not less than 3M make. Records of same to be maintained and submitted with 6 monthly compliance report with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- vii. Keep vulnerable areas unmanned. Ensure rotation of duties. Records to be maintained and submitted with 6 monthly compliance report.
- viii. Failing of any of terms & conditions mentioned in EC can lead to revocation / cancellation of EC.
- 3. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Environmental Clearance to the following Minor Mineral (Sand Mining) projects:
 - I. Raha Sand Ghat of M/s Jharkhand State Mineral Development Corporation Limited (JSMDC Ltd.), Village: Raha, Circle: Godda, Distt.: Godda, Jharkhand (1.97 Ha). (Proposal No: SIA/JH/MIN/ 486933/2024).
 - II. Chhotakamti Sand Ghat of M/s Jharkhand State Mineral Development Corporation Limited (JSMDC Ltd.), Village: Chhotakamti, Pariharpur & Chakkamardaha, Block: Raneshwar, Distt.: Dumka, Jharkhand (3.71 Ha). (Proposal No: SIA/JH/MIN/ 493413/2024).

The SEAC has appraised the above projects in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018, dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearances of above mentioned project proposals. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant Environmental Clearances to the above mentioned project proposals with following specific conditions:

- i. The **Environmental Clearance** granted for lease period upto i.e. **15.08.2025** as per provisions of <u>Jharkhand State Sand Mining Policy</u>, <u>2017</u> and is extendable based on amendments in Jharkhand State Sand Mining Policy.
- ii. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC. Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "*Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam*" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- iii. Replenishment study shall be conducted during pre-monsoon and post monsoon every year and study report have to be submitted to SEIAA / SEAC, Jharkhand. The production shall be restricted to 60% of the replenished quantity or the proposed quantity in the mine plan, which ever is less.

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- iv. Suitable plant species of not less than 2 M height to be planted in area equal to twice the area of saplings proposed in Safety zone. This is to be planted in land available near mines and outside safety zone. This will be in addition to plantation in safety zone. Newly planted saplings to be maintained for minimum 3 years with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- v. Dedicated water tanker to be provided for spraying water on haul road and for irrigating newly planted saplings only. Sprinkling to be done such that the haul road is kept moistened all the time with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- vi. Pre-employment Occupational health checkup for employees to be done and thereafter at annual interval for PLFT, Audiometry and other required tests. Summary findings of same to submitted along with 6 monthly compliance.
- vii. Ensure use of Quality PPEs equivalent not less than 3M make. Records of same to be maintained and submitted within 6 monthly compliance report with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- viii. Keep vulnerable areas unmanned. Ensure rotation of duties. Records to be maintained and submitted within 6 monthly compliance report.
- ix. Failing of any of terms & conditions mentioned in EC can lead to revocation / cancellation of EC.
- x. Project Authority will ensure that personal protective equipments such as protective clothing, helmet, goggles or other garments or equipments designed to protect from injury or infection will be provided to working personnel's.
- xi. River Sand Mining shall not be done in rainy Season (mid June to mid October of each calendar year).
- xii. Dept. of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Jharkhand shall keep a strict vigil in the compliance of relevant provisions of applicable Jharkhand Minerals (Prevention of illegal mining, Transportation and Storage) Rule 2017 and its amendment especially scientific execution of mining plan (as approved by they themselves) and report violations if any is found as well as action taken for the same.
- xiii. Project Proponent shall submit (to the SEIAA, Jharkhand, Regional Office of MoEF&CC at Ranchi, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board) six monthly compliance report with evidence of the conditions within a fortnight after the end of every six month till validity period of Environmental Clearance.
- xiv. The project proponent before starting any activity / preparation of ground, on the leased area shall demarcate his lease hold by RCC pillars erected at the cost of lease holder after certification of the mining officer. On each pillar Geo-Coordinate and fore bearing / back bearing shall be written with permanent paint mark as described in the mining plan. All the pillars should remain intact at same geo-coordinate. Establishment / labeling of Benchmark at each pillars or ground control points.
- xv. Extraction of sand beyond annual production capacity is not permitted.
- xvi. The Project Proponent should undertake the sand mining limited to 03 meter (three meter) depth by exclusively manual method.
- xvii. The stacking area of mined-out sand which shall be situated near the mining site within a fenced area from all sides to avoid being spread in the nearby areas by high winds and the height of stacking should not exceed 2 meter. Transportation

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- shall be confined to day time only that is from sunrise to sunset, to avoid inconvenience to local population in any manner.
- xviii. Mining activity shall not be done for mine lease where mining can cause danger to site of flood protection works, places of cultural, religious, historical and archaeological importance.
 - xix. Project Proponent shall submit the annual replenishment report certified by an authorized agency.
 - xx. No labour camp shall be allowed in riverbed.
 - xxi. Provision shall be made for housing labour with all necessary infrastructure and facilities (outside mining Block and river-bed) such as fuel for cooking, toilets / mobile toilets, safe drinking water, First-Aid facilities, crèche etc. The housing may be in the form of temporary structures to be removed after the completion of the project.
- xxii. Labour & Personnel working in dusty areas shall wear protective respiratory devices and they shall also be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspects. Occupational health surveillance program of the workers shall be undertaken periodically to observe any adverse health impact due to exposure to dust and take corrective measures, if needed.
- xxiii. The Project Proponent shall make arrangements for safe drinking water, first aid facility along with anti-venom injection, in case of emergency for the workers.
- xxiv. Sand and gravel may be extracted across the entire active channel during the dry season.
- xxv. Abandoned stream channels on the terrace and inactive floodplains be preferred rather than active channels and their deltas and flood plains. The stream should not be diverted to form the inactive channel.
- xxvi. Layers of sand and gravel which could be removed from the river bed shall depend on the width of the river and replenishment rate of the river.
- xxvii. Sand and gravel shall not be allowed to be extracted where erosion may occur, such as at the concave bank.
- xxviii. Sand and gravel shall not be extracted up to a distance of 1 kilo meter (1 km.) from major bridges and highways on both sides, of five times (5x) of the span (x) of a bridge / public civil structure (including water intake points) on up-stream side and ten times (10x) the span of such bridge on down-stream side, subjected to a minimum of 250 meters on the upstream side and 500 meters on the downstream side.
- xxix. Sand and gravel could be extracted from the downstream of the sand bar at river bends.
- xxx. Mining depth should be restricted to 3 meters and distance from the band should be 1/4th of river width and should not be less than 7.5 meters.
- xxxi. A buffer distance / unmined block of 50 meters after every block of 1000 meters over which mining is undertaken or at such distance as may be the directed / prescribed by the regulatory authority shall be maintained.

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- xxxii. River bed sand mining shall be restricted within the central 3/4th width of the river/rivulet of 7.5 meters (inward) from river banks but up to 10% of the width of the river, as the case may be. Regulating authority while regulating the zone of river bed mining shall ensure that the objective to minimize the effects of riverbank erosion and consequential channel migration are achieved to the extent possible. In general, the area for removal of minerals shall not exceed 60% of the mine lease area, and any deviation of relaxation in this regard shall be adequately supported by the scientific report.
- xxxiii. Transportation from the river bed will be done using the existing road.
- xxxiv. The Mining Plan has been prepared and approved in consonance with Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020.
- xxxv. Wet sand will not be transported.
- 4. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Environmental Clearance to the following Minor Mineral (Brick Soil Mining) project:
 - I. Hirhi Brick Clay Deposit of M/s Chand Bricks (Prop. : Shri Rakesh Kumar Sahu), Village : Hirhi, Thana : Lohardaga, Distt.: Lohardaga, Jharkhand (1.13 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN /493186/2024).

The SEAC has appraised the above project in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018, dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearance of above mentioned project proposal. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant Environmental Clearances to the above mentioned project proposal with following specific conditions:

- i. Project Authority will ensure that personal protective equipments such as protective clothing, helmet, goggles or other garments or equipments designed to protect from injury or infection will be provided to working personnel's.
- ii. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- 5. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Environmental Clearance to the following building project:
 - I. Proposed B+G+11 Multistoried Residential Project "AMBE HEIGHTS" by M/s Shree Shyam Developers at Saheed Ashram Road, Jhousagarhi, Distt.: Deoghar, Jharkhand. (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/INFRA2/493167/2024).

SEAC has appraised the above project and made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearance to above mentioned project proposal. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant

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Environmental Clearance to the above mentioned project proposal with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

- i. The existing temporary structure on the site will be dismantle & disposed, following the C&D Rules, 2016.
- ii. Provision for additional exit to the campus must be provided for emergency purposes.
- iii. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- iv. Ground water to be drawn for use in the project only after obtaining permission from the Competent Authority.
- v. Environment management system including organization structure to be drawn to ensure compliance of EC conditions stipulated based on principles of Continual Improvement and periodical management review.
- vi. All raw material to be stored only under covered shed.
- vii. PAs to offset (upto20%) consumption of conventional energy sources by promoting use of solar energy, passive energy utilization, optimum fenestration, shading effect and heat islands.
- viii. Developers to promote energy conservation measures such that it offsets not less than 02 % of connected load. It is to be achieved by solar panels etc meeting ECBC norms.
 - ix. Trees should be developed & maintained not less than 15% of project area.
 - X. Organic Waste Converter (OWC) to be installed of sufficient capacity such that all organic waste (bio degradable) generated is composted at source only.
- xi. Developers/Company to install STP of sufficient capacity such that all the sewer produced is treated and reused.
- xii. Developers/Company to install Rain water harvesting structures such that all the roof top water runoff is collected and harvested including reuse on 100% basis.
- xiii. Developers/Company to conduct and submit carbon footprint and carbon sequestration study report including mitigation measures as a part of EC compliance.
- Xiv. Water runoff originating from open non constructed areas of project premises to be harvested /guided in such a way that it does not create water logging condition outside.
- XV. Sufficient number of EV fast charging points to be installed.
- xvi. After approval of Building Plan from competent Authority, it should be submitted to the SEIAA.

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- xvii. MSW Collection centre should be located in isolated and preferably unmanned area. Movement of the vehicle carrying waste should be under tarpaulin covered condition only. Route of vehicle should be such that it avoids residential areas as far as practical.
- xviii. ISO 14k EMS system standard to be followed for implementation of EMPs with MRM in place for feedback to Sr management.
 - xix. A cycling tract to be provided in residential complex so as to save on fuel and make in campus movement environment friendly.
- 6. SEIAA considered the recommendations made by SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Environmental Clearance to the following Industries projects:
 - Expansion of existing 27000 TPA M.S. Ingot unit to 1,48,500 TPA MS Ingot / Billets by installing 3x15 T (by replacement of existing 2x4 T Furnace with 2x15 T & Addition of 1x15 T IF) along with CCM- 1x2 strand, 4/7 m radius, enhancement of slag crusher capacity from 9000 TPA to 33,000 TPA and production of 1,45,500 TPA Rolled Products (TMT Bars / Structural / etc) by installing 1x25 TPH Rolling Mill along with 1x30 TPH capacity reheating furnace (for emergency use) by M/s Kumardhubi Steels Pvt. Ltd., Village: Rajpura, P.O.: Kumardhubi, Distt.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand (Proposal No.: SIA/JH/IND1/493102/2024).

SEAC has appraised the above project and made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearance to above mentioned project proposal. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant Environmental Clearance to the above mentioned project proposal with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

- i. The proposed reheating furnace shall be used only in emergency situation.
- ii. Maximum quantity of Rain Water Harvested shall be used within the plant permises and only surplus RWH water shall be recharged to ground.
- iii. No effluent to be discharged out side the plant premises.
- iv. The Wildlife Conservation Plan has been submitted to DFO, Dhanbad vide letter dated 17.08.2024. Approved copy of Wildlife Conservation Plan shall be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC within 06 months of the grant of EC.
- v. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "*Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam*" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- vi. MoU is to be executed with the buyers of the use refractory material before this expansion project comes into operation. Copy of MoU to be submitted SEIAA / SEAC, Jharkhand before expansion project comes into operation.
- vii. Ground water to be drawn for use in the project only after obtaining permission from the Competent Authority.

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- viii. Environment management system including organization structure to be drawn to ensure compliance of EC conditions stipulated based on principles of Continual Improvement and periodical management review.
 - ix. All raw material to be stored only under covered shed.
 - X. Developers to promote energy conservation measures such that it offsets not less than 02 % of connected load. It is to be achieved by solar panels etc meeting ECBC norms.
- xi. Trees should be developed & maintained not less than 33% of project area.
- xii. Developers/Company to install ETP and / or STP of sufficient capacity such that all the waste water produced is treated and reused.
- xiii. Developers/Company to install Rain water harvesting structures such that all the roof top water runoff is collected and harvested including reuse on 100% basis.
- xiv. Developers/Company to conduct and submit carbon footprint and carbon sequestration study report including mitigation measures as a part of EC compliance.
- XV. MSW Collection centre should be located in isolated and preferably unmanned area. Movement of the vehicle carrying waste should be under tarpaulin covered condition only. Route of vehicle should be such that it avoids residential areas as far as practical.
- xvi. Suitable plants of not less than 2 M height to be planted equal to twice the area of saplings proposed in Safety zone. This is to be planted in land available near mines and outside safety zone. This will be in addition to plantation in safety zone. Newly planted saplings to be maintained for minimum 3 years with Geo-Tagged photographs.
- II. Expansion & Modernization project for enhancement in the production capacity of TMT Bar in coils & MS Rods from 21,349 TPA to 237,600 TPA through modernization of its existing Re-Rolling Mill from 9 TPH to 50 TPH capacity along with replacement of existing 1x10 TPH Reheating Furnace by 1x30 TPH Reheating furnace and production of 148,500 TPA MS Billets by replacing the existing (2x8T & 1x6T) Induction Furnace by 3x15T induction Furnace along with installation of new 3x2 strand CCM and modernization of existing slag crusher from 5 TPH to 10 TPH capacity by M/s Atibir Hi-Tech Private Limited, Village: Mohanpur, Tehsil: Giridih. Distt.: Giridih. Jharkhand. (Proposal No.: SIA/JH/IND1/492673/ 2024).

SEAC has appraised the above project and made unanimous recommendations for grant of Environmental Clearance to above mentioned project proposal. The SEIAA, based on the recommendations of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant Environmental Clearance to the above mentioned project proposal with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

- i. The reheating furnace shall be used only for the billets procured from out side the plant.
- ii. Maximum quantity of Rain Water Harvested shall be used within the plant permises and only surplus RWH water shall be recharged to ground.

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- iii. No effluent to be discharged out side the plant premises.
- iv. The Wildlife Conservation Plan has been submitted to DFO, Giridih vide letter dated 06.08.2024. Approved copy of Wildlife Conservation Plan shall be submitted to SEIAA/SEAC within 06 months of the grant of EC.
- v. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- vi. MoU is to be executed with the buyers of the use refractory material before this expansion project comes into operation. Copy of MoU to be submitted SEIAA / SEAC, Jharkhand before expansion project comes into operation.
- vii. Ground water to be drawn for use in the project only after obtaining permission from the Competent Authority.
- viii. Environment management system including organization structure to be drawn to ensure compliance of EC conditions stipulated based on principles of Continual Improvement and periodical management review.
 - ix. All raw material to be stored only under covered shed.
 - x. Developers to promote energy conservation measures such that it offsets not less than 02 % of connected load. It is to be achieved by solar panels etc meeting ECBC norms.
- xi. Trees should be developed & maintained not less than 33% of project area.
- xii. Developers/Company to install ETP and / or STP of sufficient capacity such that all the waste water produced is treated and reused.
- xiii. Developers/Company to install Rain water harvesting structures such that all the roof top water runoff is collected and harvested including reuse on 100% basis.
- xiv. Developers/Company to conduct and submit carbon footprint and carbon sequestration study report including mitigation measures as a part of EC compliance.
- xv. MSW Collection centre should be located in isolated and preferably unmanned area. Movement of the vehicle carrying waste should be under tarpaulin covered condition only. Route of vehicle should be such that it avoids residential areas as far as practical.
- xvi. Suitable plants of not less than 2 M height to be planted equal to twice the area of saplings proposed in Safety zone. This is to be planted in land available near mines and outside safety zone. This will be in addition to plantation in safety zone. Newly planted saplings to be maintained for minimum 3 years with Geo-Tagged photographs.

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- 7. SEIAA considered the Recommendations of SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) to the following Minor Mineral (Sand Mining) project:
 - I. Harladangal Sand Ghat of M/s Jharkhand State Mineral Development Corporation Limited (JSMDC Ltd.), Village: Harladangal, Mochandih & Kurumtarn, Block: Jama, Distt.: Dumka, Jharkhand (2.24 Ha). (Proposal No: SIA/JH/MIN/485785/2024).

SEAC has appraised the above project in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018 dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of ToR to above mentioned proposal. The SEIAA, based on the recommendation of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant ToR to the above mentioned project proposal with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

- i. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC. Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- ii. Transportation from the river bed will be done using the existing road.
- iii. The Mining Plan has been prepared and approved in consonance with Enforcement & Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining, 2020.
- iv. Wet sand will not be transported.
- v. Pre-monsoon data of current year is to be included in final EIA report.
- vi. Satellite imagery with Geo-Coordinates of pre-monsoon (current year) to be included in the final EIA report.
- 8. SEIAA considered the Recommendations of SEAC in its 116th meeting held on 23th, 24th and 25th August, 2024 for grant of Terms of Reference (ToRs) to the following Minor Mineral (Stone Mining) projects:
 - 1. Hathigarh Stone Mine of M/s Jharkhand Stone Works (Prop. : Md. Zahoor Alam), Village: Hathigarh, P.S.: Littipara, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.14 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN /493415/2024).
 - II. Baliapatra Stone Mine of M/s Navya Stone Works (Partners: (i) Shri Ashish Kumar Dutta (ii) Shri Tajel Ali), Village: Baliapatra, Thana no.: 322, Thana: Maheshpur, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (1.157 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493188/2024).

SEAC has appraised the above projects in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018 dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of ToRs to above mentioned proposals. The SEIAA, based on the recommendation of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant ToRs to the above mentioned project proposals with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

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- i. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naum" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- III. Salboni Stone Deposit of M/s Four Star Stone Products (Partners: Md. Sabiruddin Shaikh & Shri Gorachand Koda), Village: Salboni, Thana: Malpahari, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.193 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN /492666/2024).
- IV. **Shyampur Stone Deposit of M/s Mandhan Minerals Corporation,** Village: Shyampur, Thana: Malpahari (OP), Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.083 Ha). (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN /493205/2024).

SEAC has appraised the above projects in the light of Hon'ble NGT order dated 13.09.2018 dated 11.12.2018 and MoEF & CC, OM dated 12.12.2018. SEAC has made unanimous recommendations for grant of ToRs to above mentioned proposals. The SEIAA, based on the recommendation of SEAC, unanimously decided to grant ToRs to the above mentioned project proposals with the conditions recommended by SEAC and alongwith the following specific conditions:

- i. In compliance of OM no. F.No. IA3-22/3/2024-IA.III (E-241594) dated 24.07.2024 of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked green belt area as the part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- ii. The detailed EMP is to be prepared for the Habitation existing within an area of 500 meter radius of proposed project boundary. This EMP is to be included in EIA report.

9. Transfer of Environmental Clearance regarding:

1. Jockmari (Guttibera) Stone Mine of M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partners: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar) at Khata No.: 14, 06 Plot No.: 147(P), 150 at Mouza – Jockmari (Guttibera), Thana: Jirwabari, District: Sahibganj, Jharkhand (1.83 Ha) (Proposal No.: SIA/JH/MIN/494624/2024).

The above mentioned project proposal was considered in the light of section 11 of Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 for transferability of Environmental Clearance. The Environmental Clearance was granted by then **DEIAA**, **Sahebganj** vide letter no. **EC/DEIAA/2016-17/88**, dated **13.12.2016** in the favor of "Jockmari (Guttibera) Stone Mines of M/s Jai Maa Durga Stone Works (Prop.: Amit Kumar Yadav at Khata No.: 14, 06 Plot No.: 147(P), 150 at Mouza – Jockmari (Guttibera), P.S.: Mahadevganj, District: Sahibganj, Jharkhand (1.83 Ha)".

The applicant vide online application no. SIA/JH/MIN/494624/2024 has requested to transfer (transfer of ownership) of Environmental Clearance in favour of "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)" for

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which they have submitted "No Objection Certificate" affirming that the Environmental Clearance will be transferred in favour of "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)" and they do not have any objections regarding the transfer of Environmental Clearance and all the terms and conditions of Environmental Clearance dated 13.12.2016 shall be complied by "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)". Deputy Commissioner. Sahebganj has also transferred the lease deed vide transfer deed no. 506 dated 01.06.2018 in the favour of "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)".

The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Principal Bench in OA No. 23/2017, Sayed Arshad Nasar Vs Union of India & Ors. with OA No. 776/2018, Ramchandra Chaurasia Vs State of Jharkhand with OA No. 373/2019, Pardeep Kumar Singh Vs State of Jharkhand has passed an order on 23.08.2022 through which Sahebganj district has been categorized in **Grid** based on report submitted by the Joint Committee headed by Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board to Hon'ble NGT. Grid no. 1, 3, 4 and 7 are considered as negative supporting carrying capacity. As per order of Hon'ble NGT the allowable mining capacity in **Grid no.** 4 is 2655 Tons per day.

The Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board has certified the status of Terms and Conditions of Environmental Clearance of said project vide letter no. 2010 dated 27.09.2023 and also certified that the present capacity of Grid no. 4 is 2386.49 Tons per day. The then DEIAA Sahebganj has granted the Environmental Clearance in favor of "Jockmari (Guttibera) Stone Mines of M/s Jai Maa Durga Stone Works (Prop.: Amit Kumar Yadav at Khata No.: 14, 06 Plot No.: 147(P), 150 at Mouza – Jockmari (Guttibera), P.S.: Mahadevganj, District: Sahibganj, Jharkhand (1.83 Ha)" and fixed the daily production as per Approved Mine Plan of said project is 270 Tons per day.

The project Authority i.e. M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar) has submitted an affidavit affirming that Environmental Clearance can be transferred considering the daily production 150 Tons per day which is within the capacity prescribed by the Hon'ble NGT for Grid no. -4.

After the full deliberations, it was unanimously decided that Environmental Clearance issued vide letter no. EC/DEIAA/2016-17/88, dated 13.12.2016 is being transferred to "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)" with the same terms and conditions under which prior Environmental Clearance was granted by DEIAA, Sahebganj for the same validity period subject to satisfactory compliance to all stipulated terms and conditions therein alongwith following specific conditions:-

- i. The **daily production** of mineral shall be fixed **150 TPD**. The project Authority shall not increase production in any case and alter the lease area during the validity of Environmental Clearance.
- ii. This Transfer of Environmental Clearance is subject to strict compliances of OM No. F.No. IA3-22/11/2023-IA.III (E- 208230) dated 28.04.2023 and OM No.

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F.No. 1A3-22/11/2023-1A.III (E- 208230) dated <u>15.03.2023</u> of **MoEF & CC**, **Govt. of India.**

iii. This Transfer of Environmental Clearance is subject to any orders or directions that may be issued by any competent court of Law in the future. This conditions as an integral part of the transfer process and any judicial orders will take precedence over the SEIAA's decision and may affect the transfer of Environmental Clearance accordingly

M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar) is directed to obtain Consent to Operate from the State Pollution Control Board in the name of "M/s Maa Jagdambay Stone Works (Partner: Shri Amit Kumar and Shri Bipin Kumar)" In case any change is proposed in the Scope of the project. the Project Authority (PA) shall obtain fresh Environmental Clearance.

10. Other Matters:

1. Hathigarh Stone Mine with Crusher of M/s Pakur Stone Production (Prop.: Shri Uday Kumar Singh) at Khata No. 22 Plot No. 916 & 917, Khata No. 42 Plot No. 891 & 893, Khata No. 54 Plot No. 907, Khata No. 84 Plot No. 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905 & 906, Khata No. 94 Plot No. 640/P, 641 & 642 at Village: Hathigarh, Thana no.: 03, Distt.: Pakur, Jharkhand (2.76 Ha) (Proposal No.: SIA/JH/MIN/283054/2022).

The Project Proponent has applied for EC online under B2 category through PARIVESH portal on 12.07.2022 with all mandatory documents such as Form-1. Form-2, P.F.R., Mine Plan approved by District Mining Officer, Pakur. Certificate of Teritorial DFO. DFO Wildlife, CO Certificate, NOC Gram Sabha and Contiguous Certificate issued by DMO, Pakur issued vide his office memo no. 962/M, dated 12.05.2022.

The proposal was appraised by then State Level Expert Appraisal Committee. Jharkhand in its 95th meeting held on 15th July to 22nd July, 2022 in the light of contiguous certificates issued by DMO, Pakur vide his memo no. 962/M, dated 12.05.2022 wherein it has been stated that apart from applied project, 01 leases bearing areas, 5.00 Acre is also existing within the periphery of 500 meter and total area within 500 meter is 11.81 Acre or 4.77 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 96th meeting held on 26th July to 28th July, 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/2022-23/2612/2022/195. Ranchi, dated 02.08.2022.

The DMO, Pakur vide memo no. 677/M, dated 21.05.2024 has kept the said area in abeyance and informed Project Proponent with copy to Member Secretary. State Level

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Environment Impact Assessment Authority stating that the said projects belongs to B1 category as the total cluster area is **20.19 Acre** or **8.17 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. 677/M, dated 21.05.2024 the Member Secretary, SEIAA vide letter no. 128, dated 21.06.2024 issued show cause stating that under what circumstances the Project Proponent has applied for EC under B2 category?

The Project Proponent, Shri Uday Kumar Singh has submitted his clarifications vide letter dated 29.08.2024 in which he has submitted that the proposed area of "Hathigarh Stone Mine with Crusher of M/s Pakur Stone Production (Prop.: Shri Uday Kumar Singh) at Khata No. 22 Plot No. 916 & 917, Khata No. 42 Plot No. 891 & 893, Khata No. 54 Plot No. 907, Khata No. 84 Plot No. 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905 & 906, Khata No. 94 Plot No. 640/P, 641 & 642 at Village: Hathigarh, Thana no.: 03, Distt.: Pakur", area is 2.76 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 20.19 Acre or 8.17 Ha.

From the above, it is clear that cluster area of said mining lease is **20.19** Acre or **8.17** 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/2022-23/2612/2022/195 dated **02.08.2022** is 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.

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.

II. 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).

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 93rd meeting held on 18th February to 27th 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 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 94th meeting held on 13th April to 15th 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 94th meeting held on 10th May to 14th May, 2022 and accordingly Corrigendum of EC granted by then SEIAA in its 95th meeting held on 14th June to 16th 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 B1 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.

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.

III. The matter related to District Survey Report (DSR) for Minor Minerals other than Sand Mining or River Bed Mining (Stone) of Bokaro district.

- 1. Gangpur Stone Mine of M/s Maa Kunti Enterprises (Prop. : Shri Santosh Kumar Saw). Village : Gangpur, Thana : Gomia, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (2.051 Ha) (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493033/2024).
- 2. Surjyadi Stone Mine of M/s Nayak Construction (Partner: Shri Subhash Chandra Nayak). Village: Surjyadi, Thana: Siyaljori, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (2.52 Ha) (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493438/2024).
- 3. Surjyadi Stone Mine of M/s Nayak Construction (Partner: Shri Subhash Chandra Nayak). Village: Surjyadi, Thana: Siyaljori, Distt.: Bokaro, Jharkhand (2.52 Ha) (Proposal no.: SIA/JH/MIN/493438/2024).

During the appraisal of above mentioned project proposals, SEAC has unanimously made following recommendation:

"The DSR of Bokaro District was approved by SEIAA, Jhakhand on 28.04.2023 as per recommendation of SEAC based on the proposal of DSR submitted by DC. Bokaro duly authenticated by Sub-Divisional Committee.

The above project is not a part of the approved DSR as mentioned above.

The DC. Bokaro vide memo no. 1248/M. dated 21.08.2024 addressed to Member Secretary. SEIAA has mentioned that the above project alongwith several other areas are part of Potential Stone Deposits of Bokaro. However, neither the villages nor the Blocks are listed as potential area in the DSR.

Hence, SEAC is of the view that SEIAA may request the DC, Bokaro to submit his proposal for consideration of revised DSR by including all the other left out potential mining areas or the potential villages with Block details for approval to SEIAA.

This project could not be taken up for consideration for grant of EC as the project is not a part of the present approved DSR".

The SEIAA examined the same and unanimously decided to request the Deputy Commissioner, Bokaro to submit the revised DSR by including all the left out potential mining areas / potential villages with Block details for approval after complying all the direction of SO No. 3611 (E) dated 25.07.2018 of MoEF & CC, Govt. of India alongwith Hon'ble Supreme Court order in Civil Appeal No. 3661-3662/2020 Pawan Kumar Vs The State of Bihar & Ors.

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11. Remediation Plan and Natural & Community Resource Augmentation Plan - regarding:

SEIAA examined the issue of successful implementation of Remediation Plans and Natural & Community Resource Augmentation Plans in various violation cases, in which Environmental Clearance were issued. Some of the Project Proponent have submitted the implementation reports to SEIAA with the request to release their Bank Guarantees.

It was unanimously decided that during the ongoing meetings of SEAC, the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) will inspect the project sites and implementation of Remediation Plans for which the Remediation Plan implementation report have been submitted by the Project Proponents at the time of appraisal of projects.

SEAC will coordinate the Regional Office of MoEF & CC for inspection and monitoring of Remediation Plan and submit the report to SEIAA for release of Bank Guarantee submitted by Project Proponent to Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board.

12. The matter regarding applicability of Environmental Clearance for the project of Bokaro Airport of M/s Bokaro Steel Plant (SAIL).

The SEIAA revisited the decision taken in 115th meeting held on 06th and 07th August, 2024 in the instant matter, as the Chairman, Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board has seek the clarification with regard to applicability of Environmental Clearance vide letter no.: D/HZb/43/2023/DNb/B-875, Dated: 30.03.2024.

The SEIAA unanimously taken the following decision:

"On examination of the documents it is seen that the existing Airport is a captive airport of M/s Bokaro Steel Plant (SAIL) and that it is not a commercial airport.

Now the proposal is to convert this captive airport into a commercial airport. Hence, the SEIAA is of the view that as far as the commercial activities of the airport are concerned, the Environmental Clearance is required for commercial airport".

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to all present.

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