



MINUTES OF MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE JK ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY HELD ON 13-08-2020 VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING OWING TO COVID-19 OUTBREAK AND SUBSEQUENT TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

The following members of the JKEIAA attended the session via video conferencing:

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| 1. Mr. Lal Chand, IFS (Rtd.) | Chairman, JKEIAA |
| 2. Er. Nazir Ahmad (Rtd. Chief Engineer) | Member, JKEIAA |
| 3. Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS PCCF/Director, EE&RS | Member Secretary, JKEIAA |

In pursuance to the Minutes of the Meeting of JKEAC held on 06-08-2020, conveyed vide endtt: No:EAC/JK/20/1519-31 dated 10-8-2020-2020, the meeting of JKEIAA was held on 13-08-2020 at 11:00 AM via video conference.

The detail wise proceedings of the meeting are as under: -

Agenda Item No: 01 Grant of Environment Clearance in favour of M/S Rajiv Jasrotia, R/o: Ward no 9, Hiranagar, Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir-184142. Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/163908/2020

Title of the Case: Grant of Environment Clearance for River Bed Material Project (Minor Mineral) 2.60 Ha At Village- Langryal, Tehsil-Hiranagar, District-Kathua, Jammu & Kashmir.

Deliberations: The project land proposed for mining activity is proprietary land owned by the project proponent under Khasra No. 342, Khewat No.1 and Khata No.7 of village Langryal, Tehsil Hira Nagar, for which necessary title verification has already been issued by the concerned Revenue Officials. Also, keeping in view the supporting documents including letter of intent (LoI) in favour of the project proponent issued by the Geology & Mining Department, the Authority upheld the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee for grant of Environmental Clearance in favour of the project proponent subject to General and Specific conditions as laid down by the JKEAC in the Minutes of the meeting held on 06-08-2020. However, as recommended by JKEAC, the EC will be issued only after, specific conditions No.5 and 7 are complied.

Agenda Item No: 02, 05 & 06 Proposal Nos: SIA/JK/MIN/54587/2020, SIA/JK/MIN/54789/2020 and SIA/JK/MIN/54791/2020.

Title of the Cases:

- a) Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Minor Mineral Block No 22 at Chenab River Village-Pandhal and Jeri area, Tehsil & District-Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir. (Area 7.51 Ha), favouring M/S Jugesh Aggarwal, R/O Anandpur Pathankot, Punjab;
- b) Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Minor Mineral Block No 23 at Chenab River Village-Pandhal and Jeri area, Tehsil & District-Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir. (Area 7.43 Ha) in favouring M/S Rattan Lal Jalla, R/o Roop Nagar, Jammu.
- c) Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Minor Mineral Block No 24 at Chenab River Village-Pandhal and Jeri area, Tehsil & District-Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir. (Area 7.54 Ha), favoring M/S Umesh Kumar, Saroop Nagar, Ludhiana.

Deliberations: The mineral block No. 22, 23 and 24 are located within 500 meters distance from each other. In order to assess the cumulative impact of all the three projects on the local environmental settings, the Authority unanimously agreed to uphold the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee treating it as a cluster situation, although falling in category B1. Accordingly, Authority agreed that joint EIA, EMP, CER, CSR be prepared and public hearing for these three mining blocks be conducted after issue of standard and specific Terms of Reference for these three projects as laid down by the JK Expert Appraisal Committee in the Minutes of the meeting held on 06-08-3030.

Agenda Item No: 03 & 04 Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/54787/2020 and SIA/JK/MIN/54788/2020.

Title of the Case:

- a) Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for River Bed Material in Ans River at Village-Sungri Tehsil, Mahore, District-Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir. (Area 5.43 Ha), Block 19, favouring M/S Kishori Lal, R/o Makwal, Kathua.
- b) Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for River Bed Material in Ans River Area: 5.76, Ha Block 20 at Village-Sungri Tehsil Mahore, District-Reasi, J&K favouring M/S Kapil Aggarwal, R/O House No 179 Near Panjpir Mandir Mohalla Anandpur, Pathankot, Punjab.

Deliberations: - The mineral block No's. 19 and 20 are located within 500 meters distance from each other. In order to assess the cumulative impact of the two projects on the local environmental settings, the Authority unanimously agreed to treat it as a cluster situation although falling in category B1. The Authority also agreed to uphold the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee that joint EIA, EMP, CER, CSR be prepared and public hearing for these two mining blocks be conducted after issue of conditional standard and specific Terms of Reference for these two projects as laid down by the JK Expert Appraisal Committee in the Minutes of the meeting held on 06-08-2020.

Further, JKEIAA upheld the recommendations of JKEAC to advice Geology & Mining Department to get a detailed ecological study done through an Expert Research Institution of repute to determine the cumulative impact of mining activity on the fragile ecology of the area, as there is apprehension that such mining activities may trigger landslides in the area.

Agenda Item No: 07. Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) in favour of M/S Abhijeet Singh R/O Plot no 8, Zila Sanik Farms, 7 Park Lane Kishangarh, Vasant-Kunj, New-Delhi. Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/54881/2020.

Title of the Case:

Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Minor Minerals Block01 (28) Sahar Khad Upstream Railway Bridge, District-Kathua. Area 7.68 Ha.

The JK Environment Impact Assessment Authority upheld the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee regarding issuance of Terms of Reference (TOR) in favour of the Project proponent as laid down by the Committee in the Minutes of the meeting held on 06-08-2020 for enabling the project proponent to formulate the EIA/EMP.

Agenda Item No: 08. Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) in favour of M/S Kapil Aggarwal R/o H.no 179 Mohalla Anandpur, Pathankot, Punjab. Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/54891/2020

Title of the Case:

Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Minor Mineral Block No. 28 Rui River, Upstream Daboh Bridge (Dhruvi Area), District Samba, Area 6.65 Ha.

Deliberations: The JK Environment Impact Assessment Authority upheld the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee regarding issuance of Terms of Reference (TOR) in favour of the Project proponent as laid down by the Committee in the Minutes of the meeting held on 06-08-2020 for enabling the project proponent to formulate the EIA/EMP.

Agenda Item No: 09 Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) in favour of M/S Karanvir Singh R/O: 01, Lane No. 3, Saheed Udham Singh Nagar, Distt. Pathankot, Punjab. Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/54890/2020.

Title of the Case:

Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for Proposed Minor Minerals Block-02(31) Sahar Khad downstream NH-1A Bridge, located Near Village Sahar, Tehsil & District Kathua. Area 6.16 Ha.

Deliberations: The JK Environment Impact Assessment Authority upheld the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee regarding issuance of Terms of Reference (TOR) in favour of the Project proponent as laid down by the Committee in the Minutes the meeting held on 06-08-2020 for enabling the project proponent to formulate the EIA/EMP.

Agenda Item No: 10. Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) in favour of M/S Kishori Lal R/O: Makwal, Kathua Proposal No: SIA/JK/MIN/54889/2020.

Title of the Case:

Grant of Terms of Reference (ToR) for River bed Minor Minerals Block-15, Bhini River Downstream Naj Bridge Bilawar (Plan X), Tehsil Bilawar, District Kathua. Area 9.16 Ha.

Deliberations: The JK Environment Impact Assessment Authority upheld the recommendations of the JK Expert Appraisal Committee regarding issuance of Terms of Reference (TOR) in favour of the Project proponent as laid down by the Committee in the Minutes the meeting held on 06-08-2020 for enabling the project proponent to formulate the EIA/EMP.

Agenda Item No: 11. Discussion on allowing the Consultant to present projects for ToR without performing the site visit in view of COVID-19 lockdown/restrictions.

The Authority held a detailed discussion on the matter and in view of COVID-19 lockdown/restrictions decided to allow the consultant (s) to present projects for ToR without performing the site visit. Further, the field visit should be ensured and data incorporated/corrected before the final appraisal by JKEAC. The exemption is specific only with respect to ToR.

The meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd/-

Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS PCCF/Director,
Member Secretary, JKEIAA, EE&RS

Sd/-

Nazir Ahmad (Rtd. Chief Engineer)
Member, JKEIAA

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Lal Chand, IFS (Rtd.)
Chairman, JKEIAA

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1. Mr. Lal Chand, IFS (Rtd.), Chairman, JKEIAA, for information.
2. Er. Nazir Ahmad (Rtd. Chief Engineer), Member, JKEIAA, for information.
3. Dr. Neelu Gera, IFS PCCF/Director, EE&RS, Member Secretary, JKEIAA, for information.
4. The Secretary, JK Expert Appraisal Committee for information.



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