

**Minutes of the 23rd Goa State Expert Appraisal Committee
(Goa-SEAC) meeting held on 26th June 2014 at 10.00 a.m. in the Conference
Room of the EIA Secretariat, O/o Goa State Pollution Control Board
(GSPCB), Patto.**

The twenty-third meeting of the Goa-SEAC was held on 26th June 2014 in the Conference room of the GSPCB from 10.00 a.m. onwards under the Chairmanship of Prof. Antonio Jaime Afonso. The list of members who attended the meeting is given in “Annexure – 1”.

At the outset, Chairman welcomed the members and appraised them about the purpose of convening the said meeting so as to ascertain the status of various proposals received vis-à-vis their project-specific observations / recommendations prior to forwarding the same to Goa-SEIAA for suitable decision in the matter. Subsequently, discussion was initiated as per the agenda item referred to in “Annexure – 2”.

In response to comments sought on the communication received from the O/o Hon’ble Minister for Environment, Committee deliberated on the matter related to the decision of the Goa-SEIAA, subsequent to its recommendation by the Goa-SEAC, to mandate the requirement of either NABET/QCI-accredited or MoEF/CSIR-approved environmental consultants while preparing the EIA / EMP, as applicable, for submitting the application seeking prior EC under various categories of developmental activities as per the ‘Schedule’ annexed to the EIA Notification, 2006 (as amended). Accordingly, the Committee decided to suitably forward the comments within a week’s time.

Later, a proposal received from **M/s LUPIN Ltd., Verna** requesting to clarify the applicability of EIA Notification and prior requirement of EC for its proposed expansion / construction of building (Built-up area (BUA) of 17,004.49 sq.mts. - *Phase – I : 10,220.14 sq.mts. and Phase – II : 6,784.35 sq.mts.*) and totalling it to 39,645.89 sq.mts. was taken up for discussion. Thus, it is understood that the earlier construction comprised of 22,641.40 sq.mts. of BUA and proposes expansion with additional BUA of 17,004.49 sq.mts. Further, the unit has also proposed increase in their production capacity of (a) Tablets – 4,000 million per year, (b) Capsules – 600 million per year with no change in product. Committee has noted that the unit is located within the notified industrial estate and engaged in drug formulation. However, as the unit has proposed expansion in construction activity, exceeding 20,000 sq.mts of BUA mandates prior environmental clearance (EC) as per category 8(a) of the ‘Schedule’ annexed to the EIA

Notification, 2006 (as amended). The said category does not mention about any exemption / relaxation to be considered based on the purpose for which construction activity or expansion is proposed. The Schedule also mentions that if the unit is located within a designated industrial estate or SEZ and if that industrial estate has taken prior EC, then individual unit does not need to take EC. Hence, it was decided to ascertain the status from Goa Industrial Development Corporation (Goa-IDC). The Committee decided to forward response to the proponent accordingly.

Subsequently, a proposal received from **M/s Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd., Chennai** requesting for a change of ownership from Mahindra & Mahindra to **Mahindra Holidays & Resorts India Ltd.**, for proposed construction of Eco-resort in Moitem village, Bardez Taluka to which prior EC has been issued by the Goa-SEIAA vide letter no. 3/181/2010/STE-DIR/103 dated 22nd March 2013 was taken up for discussion. The Committee, on perusal of relevant enclosures / attachments (*i.e. Sale deed, Form I & XIV and Survey plan*) vis-à-vis earlier project proposal, decided to consider the request for change of ownership and inform the firm accordingly.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Manoj R. Borkar _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Mrs. Anita. A. B. Barreto _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Mrs. Ashwini Pai Panandikar _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Mr. Suhas N. Gaonkar _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Dr. P. K. John _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Dr. Jagannath Hirkude _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Dr. Purnanand P. Savoikar _____ *Sd. /-* _____

Sd. /-
Dr. Mohan R. Girap
Secretary, Goa-SEAC

Sd. /-
Mr. Antonio Jaime C. Afonso
Chairman, Goa-SEAC

Place: Patto, Panaji
Date: 8th July 2014.

ANNEXURE – 1

List of members who attended the twenty-third Goa-SEAC meeting

1. Prof. Antonio Jaime C. Afonso, St.Istevam		Chairman
2. Dr. Manoj R. Borkar, Nuvvem	-	<i>Member</i>
3. Mrs. Anita B. Barreto, Panaji.	-	<i>Member</i>
4. Mrs. Ashwini Pai Panandikar	-	<i>Member</i>
5. Mr. Suhas Gaonkar, Cuncolim	-	<i>Member</i>
6. Dr. P. K. John, Alto-St.Cruz	-	<i>Member</i>
7. Mr. Jagannath Hikude, Verna	-	<i>Member</i>
8. Dr. Purnanand P. Savoikar	-	<i>Member</i>
9. Dr. Mohan R. Girap, Panaji	-	<i>Secretary</i>
