

**Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> Goa State Expert Appraisal Committee (Goa-SEAC) meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> October at 10.00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the EIA Secretariat, O/o Goa State Pollution Control Board (GSPCB), Patto.**

The twenty-sixth meeting of the Goa-SEAC was held on 31<sup>st</sup> October 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 at “Annexure – I”.

At the outset, Chairman welcomed the Members and requested Secretary, SEAC to proceed as per the Agenda item (refer Annexure – 2). Accordingly, the project proposal submitted by the DST&E, Goa seeking Terms of Reference (ToRs’) and its subsequent request communicated to the Goa-SEAC vide letter no. 3-209-2012/STE-DIR/Part-16/1062 dated 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014 for setting up of Municipal Solid Waste Management Facility (MSWMF) at Calangute was discussed / deliberated and appraised so as to suitably recommend the observations to the Goa-SEIAA for further needful. In this context, it is brought to the notice of the Members that Terms of References (ToRs’) to conduct rapid EIA were issued to the DST&E, Goa on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2014, however for the purpose of environmental appraisal, no EIA/EMP report were made available to Goa-SEAC till date. As such, while appraising the said project proposal, Goa-SEAC relied upon the following -

1. Form I and annexure enclosed (*at the time of seeking ToRs’*).
2. Compiled chronology of relevant facts and figures inclusive of a preliminary baseline data on past and present site conditions (*submitted in a form of dossier by the Project Proponent – DST&E, Goa*).
3. Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) report of Pilerne Industrial Estate Region, Bardez Goa.
4. Project presentation by PP / Technical Consultant during the 17<sup>th</sup> Goa-SEAC meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014, Site visits/inspection conducted by Goa-SEAC on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014, consultative meetings held by Goa-SEAC with the project proponent and subsequent joint Goa-SEIAA & Goa-SEAC meetings (*held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014 and 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014*), report of the joint Site Inspection by the Chairpersons of Goa-SEAC and Goa-SEIAA and ground truthing held on 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> October 2014.
5. The existing location, land use / land cover vis-a-vis present status of site conditions including the nature of activities proposed. The site in question is notified as Industrial Estate / Area.
6. Ground truthing and perusal of pertinent technical documents to arrive at an appraisal inference. It is also pertinent to put on record that the committee considered the relevant sections of a SUO MOTTO Writ Petition No.2 of 2007 and subsequent High Court order pronounced on 13/08/13 to arrive at a consensus.

Considering the above observations, perusing all documents and presentation made before the Committee, the Goa-SEAC appraised the project proposal in terms of clause (7) of

the EIA Notification, 2006 considering the EIA report prepared for Pilerne Industrial Estate Region, Bardez, Goa by a NABET/QCI-accredited Environmental Consultant; from which the existing site is at a distance of approximately 300 mts. and decided that the project activity does not require further environmental studies for preparation of EIA. The Goa-SEAC reasoned out that since the said EIA has been already carried out for the Industrial Estate 'region', the proximity of the existing site to Pilerne Industrial Estate or rather its inclusion within the larger region for which the EIA was prepared, allows extrapolation and application of baseline data, collected for Pilerne Industrial Estate, in the case of the present site.

In view of the above submission, Goa-SEAC proposes to recommend to grant the prior environmental clearance (EC) in terms of the EIA notification 2006, for setting up of proposed Solid Waste Management Facility (SWMF) at Saligao/Calangute, Bardez, Goa and is of the further opinion that the PP may be also allowed to initiate the 'remediation' of the existing Dump site and concurrently compile and submit a rapid site-specific EIA report to suggest further long-term measures not later than 15<sup>th</sup> February 2015. Further, on receipt and perusal of rapid site-specific EIA report, the conditions stipulated in the EC may be reviewed and accordingly modified by the Goa-SEIAA for compliance by PP towards long term management / post-EC monitoring of the site. The Goa-SEAC also desires that the PP shall get the site conditions monitored and submit details of the same for perusal of the Committee all stages of the project execution.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Dr. Manoj R. Borkar**

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**Mrs. Anita. A. B. Barreto**

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**Mr. Jaganath Hirkude**

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**Dr. P. K. John**

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**Dr. Mohan R. Girap**  
Secretary, Goa-SEAC

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**Mr. Antonio Jaime C. Afonso**  
Chairman, Goa-SEAC

## ANNEXURE – 1

### List of members who attended the twenty-sixth Goa-SEAC meeting

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| 1. Prof. Antonio Jaime C. Afonso, St. Istevam | <b>Chairman</b>    |
| 2. Dr. Manoj R. Borkar, Nuvvem                | - <i>Member</i>    |
| 3. Mrs. Anita B. Barreto, Panaji.             | - <i>Member</i>    |
| 4. Dr. P. K. John, Alto-St.Cruz               | - <i>Member</i>    |
| 5. Mr. Jaganath Hirkude, Nuvem                | - <i>Member</i>    |
| 6. Dr. Mohan R. Girap, Panaji                 | - <i>Secretary</i> |

