Minutes of the 59th Goa State Expert Appraisal Committee (Goa-SEAC) meeting held on 4th February 2016 at 02.30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the EIA Secretariat, Patto.

The fifty-ninth meeting of the Goa-SEAC (hereinafter termed as 'Committee') was held on 4^{th} February 2016 at 02.30 p.m. in the Conference room of the Goa State EIA Secretariat under the Chairmanship of Mr. Antonio Jaime Afonso. The list of members who attended the meeting is given in "Annexure – I".

At the beginning Chairman welcomed the Members present for attending the routine meeting scheduled on first Thursday of every month. While referring the Agenda items (Annexure – 2), Dr. Mohan R. Girap, Secretary, Committee appraised members about the following two Notifications, w.r.t. screening / appraisal of minor mineral quarry proposals, published by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF & CC), namely – (a) S.O. 141 (E) – PART II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) dated 15th January 2016 and (b) S.O. 190 (E) – PART II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) dated 20th January 2016. Accordingly, the Committee noted that minor mineral proposals (for the purpose of its screening, appraisal and issuance of prior environmental clearance (EC)) have been categorized into four categories based on the proposed lease area – (i) with lease area upto 5 Ha., (ii) area between 5 Ha. To 25 Ha., (iii) area between 25 Ha. To 50 Ha. And (iv) area more that 50 Ha. Further, such proposals falling under category (i) will be processed by the District Environment Impact Assessment Authority (DEIAA) as category 'B-2', category (ii) & (iii) will be processed by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) at State level as category 'B-2 / B-1' respectively, while proposal falling under the category (iv) will be processed by the Central EAC of the MoEF & CC as category 'A'.

After due deliberations and detailed discussion on the above matter, the Committee decided to re-direct all the minor mineral quarry proposals (lease area upto 5 Ha.) informing about its current status of appraisal by the Goa-SEAC (i.e. Committee) to the respective O/o the District Collectorate concerned (North / South Goa District) for further appraisal. It was also informed that the Goa State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (Goa-SEIAA – hereinafter referred as 'Authority'), during its 28th meeting held on 2nd February 2016, has decided to forward all such minor mineral proposals (irrespective of the status of scrutiny / recommendations, if any) to O/o respective District EIA Authority for further consideration.

As such, the list of such proposal, which are at different stages of processing (*i.e.* screening / appraisal) by the Committee / Authority and to be re-directed to the offices of District Collectorate concerned are listed at <u>Annexure – 3</u>. It was also decided to forward the said list to the Directorate of Mines and Geology (DMG) for further needful and with a request to forward such minor mineral proposals (lease area *upto 5 Ha*.) henceforth directly to the O/o District Collectors concerned.

Later, Committee perused the communication received from **M/s In-Orbit Malls (I) Pvt. Ltd** dated 21st January 2016 requesting for 'amendment' in the environmental clearance (EC) issued by the Authority for proposed residential development at plot bearing Survey nos. 12/1 (P), 13/1-A(P) & 13/1-B (P) at village Panellim, Tiswadi taluka, North Goa district. After detailed discussion, the Committee decided to seek additional details from the Project Proponent (PP) with specific reference to revised total Built-up Area (BUA) for further appraisal.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Mrs. A.A.B. Barreto	Sd./
Dr. P. K. John	Sd./
Mrs. Ashwini Pai Panandiker	Sd./
Mr. Suhas Gaonkar	Sd./

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

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

Place: Patto, Panaji Date: February 2016