

**Minutes of the 71st Goa State Expert Appraisal Committee
(Goa-SEAC) meeting held on 29th July 2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the chamber of the
Chairman, Goa State Pollution Control Board, Patto.**

The seventy-first meeting of the Goa-SEAC was held on 29th July 2016 in the Chamber of the Chairman, Goa State Pollution Control Board (GSPCB) from 11.00 a.m. onwards under the Chairmanship of Mr. Antonio Jaime Afonso. The list of members who attended the meeting is at “Annexure – 1”.

At the outset, Chairman welcomed the Members and appraised about the purpose of convening the meeting and then requested Secretary, SEAC to proceed as per the Agenda items (refer Annexure – 2).

Based on the synoptic presentation on ‘ToR-specific compliance’, referred in the EIA report, by representative of M/s Aditya Environmental Services – environmental consultant on behalf of **M/s Trinitas Realtors India LLP.**, w.r.t. the proposed construction of residential-cum-commercial complex at survey no. 198 of Sancoale village made during the previous meeting (*i.e. 70th meeting held on 26th July 2016*) and on subsequent perusal of the EIA report, the Committee has noted that the submitted document is a compilation of data of rapid EIA covering summer and 1st phase of monsoon season. The Consultant addressed all the points raised in the ToRs’ in various functional areas necessary for environment impact appraisal. The Committee has noted that the EIA report is replete with relevant technical details. As such, the Committee is of the opinion that EIA conducted is in compliance with the ToRs’ issued and therefore EC is recommended with following ‘Specific Conditions’ to be incorporated in the EC letter.

1. Considering the scale of the construction proposed, the movement of heavy vehicles and building materials during construction phase to the site shall be strictly during non-peak hours.
2. The phase-wise construction plans / schedule be submitted to the Authority.
3. Efficient construction debris management system during construction phase be prepared and submitted at the time of post-EC compliance.
4. All sources of sediments at the site shall be effectively contained and handled avoiding its discharge into storm-water drainages on site during construction phase.
5. All avenue plantations shall be done prioritizing local species ensuring a good sapling survival rate. The landscape work may be undertaken simultaneously with the construction of the project.

6. As submitted by the PP in the EIA report, the necessary recommendation in terms of road alignment to be incorporated to reduce accident hazards.
 7. Any pertinent observation in the scope of environmental safety and protection, not covered in the EIA submitted by the PP, however observed at any phase of construction must be immediately reported to the Authority for requisite intervention / action in the matter.
 8. Considering the scale of the project, the PP may consider an appropriate budgetary allocation benefiting the local communities. The details of the same may be submitted to the Authority.
2. To effectively carry out the works assigned both to the SEAC (*hereinafter referred as Committee*) and SEIAA (*hereinafter referred as Authority*) under the scope of EIA Notification 2006, it becomes necessary for members of both these statutory bodies to undertake frequent field visits all across the State for the purpose of site visits and day to day office work, as also for movement of key office bearers, to and fro the office. The Authority / Committee meets on the regular basis and also insists on ground truthing of every single project falling under category 'B' as per 'Schedule' annexed to the said Notification. Further, the Authority / Committee is also mandated to conduct site visits for post-EC monitoring and verifying violation of EC conditions. In the light of the above, a dedicated multi-utility vehicle is not only a requirement but is absolutely essential for Authority / Committee to function effectively, efficiently and in time bound fashion. In addition, with the MOEF& CC defining the time frame for the appraisal of the project post-submission, any delay in the appraisal process is liable to constitute a default. Hence, provision of a dedicated vehicle, as proposed, shall greatly streamline and facilitate speedy appraisal process with benefits to the end users, namely the PP.

Given the focus by the incumbent State Govt. on the pace of development in the state, a dedicated vehicle is only a necessary investment and hence may please be considered on priority. Under the provision of Indian Environmental legislations, Authority / Committee are important instruments of environment appraisal and enforcement with specific reference to Environment (*Protection*) Act, 1986 and particularly Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006. Accordingly, the Committee decided to forward the above-referred 'concept note' to the Authority for further consideration by the Government.

3. The proposed site visit to Common Bio-medical Wastes Treatment Facility (CBMWTF) to Pune along with the representatives from the Solid Waste Management Cell (SWMC), C/o Department of Science & Technology (DST), Goa, during August 2016 is intended to familiarize the Committee members with location matrices of the project and the likely environment impacts and to understand the functionality inclusive of process details in order to prescribe the TORs' for conduct of EIA study to setup similar plant at Kundaim Industrial Estate in Goa. It is expected that visiting Committee shall acquaint themselves with the above details and submit a brief summary of visit to the Authority. As one of the Member of Committee - Dr. A. K. Desai, resides in Pune, the Chairman of the Committee has requested him to join the team for the site visit with no financial liabilities. The member has consented to join the team at Pune.

4. As regard to the proposal of **M/s Alcon Construction Pvt. Ltd.**, the Committee decided to discuss / deliberated the matter during its next meeting.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Manoj Borkar

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Dr. P. K. John

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Dr. Jaganath Hirkude

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Mr. Suhas Gaonkar

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

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

Place: Patto, Panaji

ANNEXURE – 1

List of members who attended the 71st Goa-SEAC meeting held on 29th July 2016

1. Prof. Antonio Jaime C. Afonso - **Chairman**
2. Dr. Manoj R. Borkar - *Member*
3. Mr. Suhas Gaonkar - *Member*
4. Dr. Mohan R. Girap - **Secretary**