

Minutes of the 8th Goa State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (Goa-SEIAA) held on 1st April 2013 at 04.00 p.m. in the Conference room of the EIA Secretariat, O/o Goa State Pollution Control Board (GSPCB), Patto.

The eighth meeting of the Goa-SEIAA was held on 1st April 2013 in the Conference room of the GSPCB under the Chairmanship of Mr. Jose M. Noronha. The list of members is annexed (*refer Annexure – 1*).

At the outset, Chairman welcomed the Members and informed about the purpose of convening the meeting at the very short notice. Accordingly, Agenda Items (*refer Annexure – 2*) were taken up for detailed deliberation / discussions and suitable decision in the matter, namely -

1. The Authority, w.r.t. the matter pertaining to strengthening the EIA-Goa State Secretariat has agreed to undertake –
 - a. Recruitment of staff on contract / temporary / deputation basis
 - b. Hiring / purchase of office premises to function independently
 - c. Charging of scrutiny fees from prospective project proponents (PPs) at the rate of 0.02% of the project cost but limited to Rs. 1 lakh only.

Accordingly, it was decided to put up a detailed proposal, justifying the need to strengthen the Authority, to the Government for its approval prior to initiate any further action in the matter.

2. The Authority decided to consider the following two expansion proposals subject to payment of 'penalty' @ Rs. 500/- per sq.mts. of already constructed area as on date and issue prior Environmental Clearance (EC) with a mandatory compliance to provisions of the Office Memorandum (O.M.) issued by the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Govt. of India, New Delhi dated 12th December 2012 namely – (a) **'M/s Rockfirst Real Estate Developers, Panaji** and (b) **M/s Nitin Developers Ltd., Panaji**.

3. Following proposals, seeking New / Renewal for Minor Mineral Quarry Lease were discussed / deliberated in response to the compliance to SEAC's observation submitted by respective project proponents followed by site-inspections conducted by the Authority on 3rd and 5th April 2013. Accordingly, the **Authority has decided to recommend the following proposals for grant of prior EC** namely -

- i. Renewal proposals by **M/s Halarnkar Industries, Mapusa** of *two* 'Basalt stone quarries' namely –
 1. *Lease no., 09/Basalt/90 – 5,200 sq.mts.*) located in Survey No. 272(P) of village Casarvarnem in Pernem taluka of North Goa district.
 2. *Lease no., 06/Basalt/03 – 12,075 sq.mts.*) located in Survey No. 47/1 and 47/2, of village Alorna in Pernem taluka of North Goa district.

- ii. Renewal proposal by **Mrs. Anila Rege, Margao** for *one* 'Basalt stone quarry' (*Lease no.05/Basalt/06 – 4,800 sq.mts.*) located in Survey No. 86/0 of Kotambi village in Quepem taluka of South Goa district.
- iii. **New** 'Basalt stone quarry' proposal by **Mr. Chandrashekhar G. Dessai, Canacona.** (*plot area – 5,000 sq.mts*) located in Survey No, 62/1 of village Cordem in Quepem taluka of South Goa district.

subject to the compliance to the following by the Directorate of Mines and Geology (DMG), Govt. of Goa, namely –

- a. 'Goa Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2012 notified by the Directorate of Mines and Geology (DMG) and published in Official Gazette Series-I, No. 24 dated 17th September 2012.
- b. Submission of '**approved quarrying plan**' by the competent officer as per Sub-rule (7) as well as specific compliance to Sub-rules 7(A) to 7(D) of the above-referred Rules, as applicable.
- c. Ascertaining the compliance to "Order" issued by National Green Tribunal (NGT) dated 21st September 2012 in a matter related to Review Application no. 8/2012 in Application No. 26/2012 and verifying that the minor minerals lease areas referred in (i), (ii) and (iii) above do not fall within the Ecologically Sensitive Zone (ESZ-1) as defined in the Western Ghats Ecology Expert Panel (WGEEP) report.

While, with respect to the proposal submitted by **Shri. Rumaldo Fernandes, Sanguem** for a **New** 'Laterite stone quarry' (*plot area – 7,180 sq.mts.*) located in Survey No. 42/0 of Muguli village in Sanguem taluka of South Goa district, the **Authority has decided to defer the proposal pending submission / compliance to site/project-specific observations.**

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd./-

Dr. Arvind G. Untawale,
Member, Goa-SEIAA

Sd./-

Mr. Levinson J. Martins
Member Secretary, Goa-SEIAA

Sd./-

Mr. Jose Manuel Noronha
Chairman, Goa-SEIAA

Place: Patto, Panaji
Date: 7th April 2013.

ANNEXURE – 1

List of members who attended the eighth Goa-SEIAA meeting

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| 1. Mr. Jose Manuel Noronha, Margao | – | Chairman |
| 2. Dr. A. G. Untawale, D'Paula | - | Member |
| 3. Mr. Levinson J. Martins | - | <i>Member Secretary-SEIAA</i> |
| 3. Dr. Mohan R. Girap, Panaji | - | Secretary, SEAC |

ANNEXURE – 2

Agenda Items for the 8th Goa-SEIAA meeting held on 1st April 2013

1. Issues pertaining to strengthening of the EIA-Goa State Authority w.r.t (a) Recruitment of staff for day-to-day functioning of the office, (b) purchase of stationery items / infrastructure requirement (i.e. table, cupboard, telephone-fax, photocopier, etc.,) independently for office, (c) purchase / hiring of office premises, (d) Charging of scrutiny fees from Project Proponents seeking prior EC, etc.,
2. **Follow-up action subsequent to compliance to ‘Notice for payment of Penalty’ issued to –**
 - a. **M/s Rockfirst Real Estate Developers, Panaji.**
 - b. **M/s Nitin Developers Ltd., Panaji**
3. **Final decision regarding following New / Renewal of Minor Minerals (road metal / laterite stones) quarrying leases subsequent to submission / compliances to SEAC’s site/project-specific observations. (These proposals were deferred / reserved pending submission of details)**
 - iv. **Renewal** proposals by M/s Halarnkar Industries, Mapusa of *two* ‘Basalt stone quarries’ namely –
 1. *Lease no., 09/Basalt/90 – 5,200 sq.mts.)* located in Survey No. 272(P) of village Casarvarnem in Pernem taluka of North Goa district.
 2. *Lease no., 06/Basalt/03 – 12,075 sq.mts.)* located in Survey No. 47/1 and 47/2, of village Alorna in Pernem taluka of North Goa district
 - v. **Renewal** of *one* ‘Basalt stone quarry’ (*Lease no.05/Basalt/06 – 4,800 sq.mts.)* located in Survey No. 86/0 of Kotambi village in Quepem taluka of South Goa district by **Mrs. Anila Rege, Margao.**
 - vi. **New** ‘Basalt stone quarry’ (*plot area – 5,000 sq.mts*) located in Survey No, 62/1 of village Cordem in Quepem taluka of South Goa district by **Mr. Chandrashekhar G. Dessai, Canacona.**
 - vii. **New** ‘Laterite stone quarry’ (*plot area – 7,180 sq.mts.*) located in Survey No. 42/0 of Muguli village in Sanguem taluka of South Goa district by **Shri. Rumaldo Fernandes, Sanguem.**

4. Any other matter as per the approval of the Chairman, Goa-SEIAA.