

MINUTES OF THE 28TH GOA STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (GOA-SEIAA) HELD ON 2ND FEBRUARY 2016 AT 03.00 P.M. IN THE CHAMBER OF ITS MEMBER SECRETARY, EIA-GOA STATE SECRETARIAT, PATTO.

The twenty-eighth meeting of the Goa-SEIAA (*hereinafter referred as 'Authority'*) was held on 2nd February 2016 at 03.00 p.m. in the chamber of its Member Secretary under the Chairmanship of Dr. Pramod Pathak. The list of members present during the meeting is annexed (*refer Annexure – 1*).

At the outset, Chairman welcomed the Members and informed about the purpose of convening the meeting to follow-up the discussions held during the last Authority meeting held on 10th December 2015 as well as deliberate on the State Expert Appraisal Committee (*SEAC – hereinafter referred as 'Committee'*) recommendations w.r.t. minor mineral quarry proposals (new / renewal of lease) seeking prior environmental clearance (EC). Accordingly, matters referred to in *Annexure – 2* were taken up project-wise, as detailed below.

1. **M/s Gera Developers Pvt. Ltd.,** (*as Power of Attorney (PoA) holder for M/s Pasavnath Developers, Panaji*) for construction of a commercial building proposed at plot no. 43/44 at Patto, Panaji.

The Authority perused the revised '**Ecology and Biodiversity report**' re-submitted by M/s Sadekar Enviro Engineers (*NABET/QCI-accredited environmental consultant on behalf of the project proponent*) and **decided to accord prior environmental clearance (EC) as mandated in the EIA Notification, 2006 (as amended).**

2. In response to the 'Notice' issued by the Authority vide letter no. 3/181/2010/STE-DIR/200 dated 25th January 2016, a personal hearing was conducted comprising of representatives from both the parties – **M/s Akar Creations Pvt. Ltd., Margao and Colva Civic and Consumer Forum (CCCF), Colva.** Adv. Hanumant Naik, representing M/s Akar Creations Pvt. Ltd., submitted a written submission to a complaint filed by CCCF, Colva objecting to issuance of post-facto environmental clearance (EC) to the construction at Vanelim village, Salcete taluka as well as appraised the Authority about its status. Mrs. Judith Almeida, Secretary, CCCF requested for grant of time since her lawyer could not able to attend the hearing. The Authority agreed to her submission.

The Authority on hearing both the parties and deliberation thereafter directed M/s Akar Creations Pvt. Ltd., to submit 'Chronology of events' w.r.t. the said development at Vanelim. Further, M/s CCCF was also informed, if desired, to submit the response to submission made by M/s Akar Crations Pvt. Ltd., Margao to the

complaint. Accordingly, it was **decided to continue personal hearing in next meeting.**

3. Later, Authority perused minutes / recommendations of the 58th SEAC meeting held on 12th January 2016 vis-a-vis deliberated on various representations / communications received from multi-stake holders (*i.e. village panchayat of Xic-Xelvona, Assolda and Hodar, Curchorem MLA, individuals, etc.*) conveying objections to the proposed development of 'Rail Freight Terminal' by **M/s Sociedade de Fomento** proposed at Xic-Xelvona / Assolda / Chandor villages of Quepem / Salcete taluka. After detailed discussions, **Authority has decided to issue Show Cause Notice (SCN) seeking clarifications to project-specific observations** made therein including following important points –
 - (a) Submission of (i) Land-use categorization and (ii) Zoning certificate for the survey numbers which are in possession of the project proponent (PP) and for survey numbers which are at various stages of acquisition by the PP.
 - (b) Submission of NOC from the competent Authority concerned (*i.e. Department of Forests,, etc.,*) for non-forest utilization of the area.
 - (c) Details of land acquired from the erstwhile establishment (*which is located within the proposed plot area*) and its status thereof.
 - (d) Additional land proposed to be acquired in future for proposed rail freight terminal, if any, and its status.
 - (e) Submission of 'conversion sanad' from the competent Authority.
 - (f) Any other observation of the office the Goa-SEAC/Goa-SEAIA.
4. Subsequently, Authority perused the compliance submitted by **M/s Ocean View Properties** dated 11th January 2016 in response to the observations made during the site-inspection conducted on 7th January 2016. (*i.e. (i) drawing / plan for discharge of storm water and effluents – underground pipe-line networking, (ii) Traffic management for one-time exit of about 600 cars as well as provision of emergency exit / access (i.e. demarcation of any proposed road across the plot along its NDZ upto by-pass road at Alto-Raibandar), (iii) Source of water requirement vis-a-vis water harvesting initiatives and (iv) Energy conservation initiatives (i.e. South-facing walls to be utilized to install solar pattern and effective utilization of roof-top to harness solar energy)*). It was noted that the project proponent (PP) is seeking environmental clearance for construction of residential group-housing cum commercial project in survey no. 26/2 of village Baingiumim, Tiswadi taluka, North Goa. After detailed deliberation / discussion, the **Authority has decided to re-inspect the site** to ascertain provision to address alternate route for entry / exit from the plot area and as such, defer the decision to be considered thereafter.
5. As regard to item no. 5 (a) to (d), **the Authority**, in response to Notifications published by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF &CC) vide Gazette of India – 'Extraordinary' 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, **decided to re-direct these proposals to**

approach the respective offices of the District Collectorate concerned for further appraisal / consideration and suitable decision.

- 6. The Authority has decided** to avail the services of the Goa Tourism and Development Corporation (GTDC) **to hire the vehicle as and when required** to conduct site-inspection / outdoor meetings / office-related dispatch / day-to-day mobility, etc. and accordingly ensure the availability of vehicle on hire-basis for smooth functioning of Goa-SEAC/Goa-SEIAA.

Meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Sd./-

Mr. Srinet N. Kothwale
Member Secretary, Goa-SEIAA

Sd./-

Mr. Vivekanand L. Sawkar
Member, Goa-SEIAA

Sd./-

Dr. Pramod V. Pathak
Chairman, Goa-SEIAA

Place: Patto, Panaji

Date: February 2015.