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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Issued by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority(SEIAA),
TAMIL NADU)



Dated 29/07/2024



To,

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Thiru.S.Iyyappan, S/o. Saravana Perumal Pillai, No.2/50A, Vadakkutheru, Kulasekarapuram Village,
Agastheeswaram Taluk, Kanniyakumari District, kulasekarapuram, KANNIYAKUMARI, TAMIL NADU,
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Sub: **Rejection of Environmental Clearance** to the proposed Project under the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof -regarding.

Sir,
This is in reference to your application submitted to SEIAA vide proposal number SIA/TN/MIN/464192/2024 dated 29/07/2024 for prior EC to the project Proposed Rough Stone Quarry over an extent of 1.10.5 Ha at S.F.Nos. 712/1B, 712/1C & 712/1D of Kulasekarapuram Village, Agastheeswaram Taluk, Kanniyakumari District, Tamil Nadu by Thiru. S. Iyyappan under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof - **Rejection of Environmental Clearance-Reg**

The particulars of the proposal are as below :

(i) EC Identification No.	EC24C0108TN5822068N
(ii) File No.	10761
(iii) Clearance Type	Fresh EC
(iv) Category	B2
(v) Project/Activity Included Schedule No.	1(a) Mining of minerals
(vi) Name of Project	Thiru. S. Iyyappan Rough Stone Quarry
(vii) Name of Company/Organization	IYAPPAN SARAVANA PERUMAL PILLAI
(viii) Location of Project (District, State)	KANNIYAKUMARI, TAMIL NADU
(ix) Issuing Authority	SEIAA
(xi) Applicability of General Conditions	no

1. In view of the particulars given in the Para 1 above, the project proposal interalia including Form-2(Part A and B) were submitted to the SEIAA for an appraisal by the SEAC in the Ministry under the provision of EIA notification 2006 and

its subsequent amendments.

2. The above-mentioned proposal has been considered by Expert Appraisal Committee of SEIAA in the meeting held on 23/07/2024. The minutes of the meeting and all the Application and documents submitted [(viz. Form-2 Part A, Part B)] are available on PARIVESH portal which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code above.

3. SEAC Remarks: Annexure I

4. SEIAA Remarks:

The Authority, after discussions, accepted the decision of SEAC, rejected the proposal for the grant of Environmental Clearance citing the following reasons in addition to the above.

1. On review of the KML file, SEIAA observed that the proposed quarry site is located in an environmentally fragile area and an ecologically sensitive area.

2. The proposed mining activity in the said area may lead to soil erosion and thereby affect the agricultural & horticultural activities in that area.

In view of the above, the Authority decided to request Member Secretary, SEIAA-TN to grant rejection letter to proponent as per 480th SEAC minutes. Further, **Authority decided to close and record this proposal.**

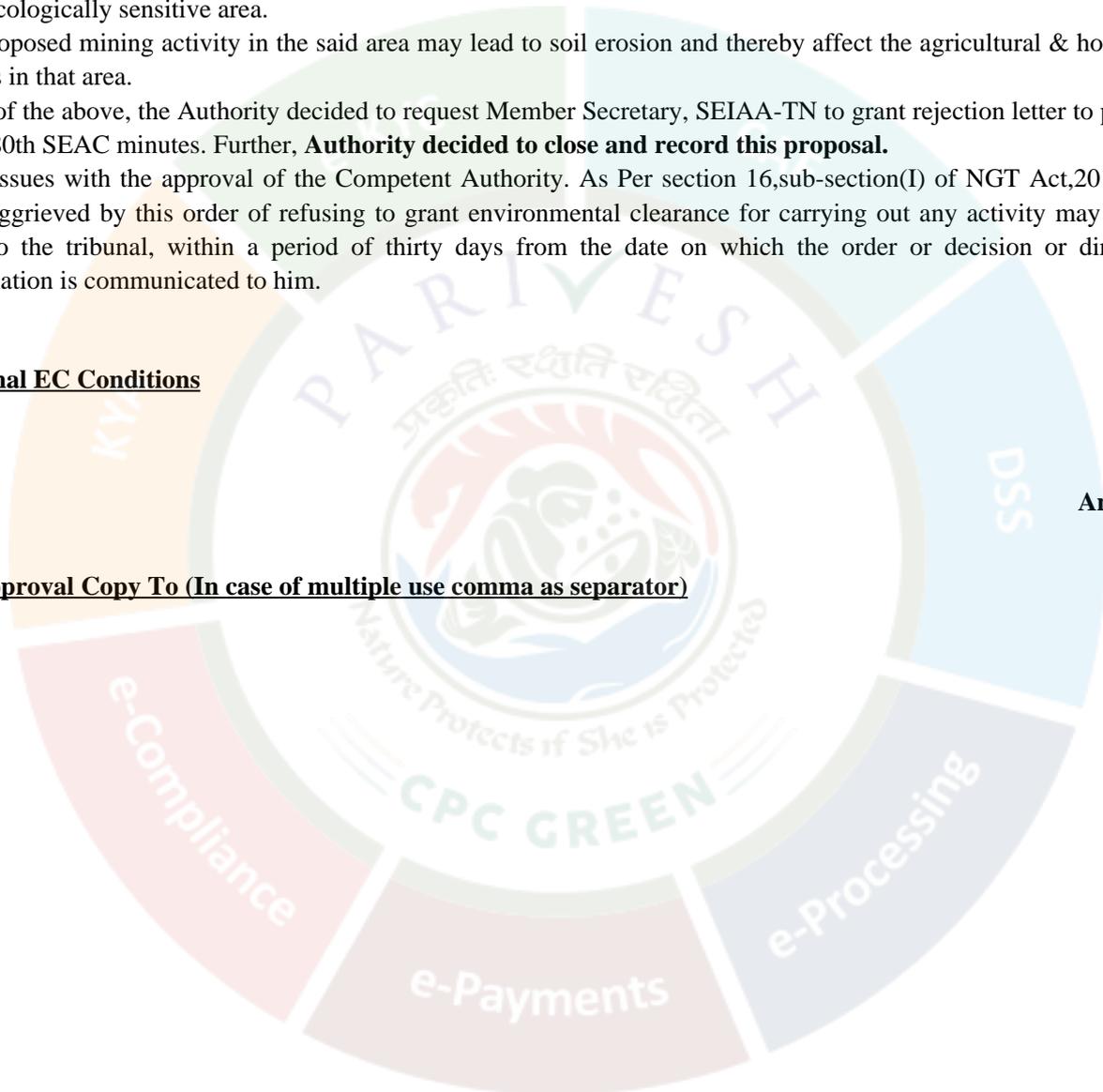
5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority. As Per section 16, sub-section(I) of NGT Act, 2010, If any person aggrieved by this order of refusing to grant environmental clearance for carrying out any activity may prefer an appeal to the tribunal, within a period of thirty days from the date on which the order or decision or direction or determination is communicated to him.

Additional EC Conditions

N/A

Annexure 1

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SEAC REMARKS: Annexure I

The SEAC noted the following:

1. The project proponent, Thiru. S. Iyyappan has applied for Environmental Clearance for the Proposed Rough Stone Quarry over an extent of 1.10.5 Ha at S.F.Nos. 712/1B, 712/1C & 712/1D of Kulasekarapuram Village, Agastheeswaram Taluk, Kanniyakumari District, Tamil Nadu.
2. The project/activity is covered under Category “B2” of Item 1(a) “Mining of Minerals Projects” of the Schedule to the EIA Notification, 2006.
3. Earlier, the proposal was placed for appraisal in the 462nd meeting of SEAC held on 26.04.2024. Based on the presentation and the documents furnished by the project proponent, the SEAC decided to call for the following details from the project proponent:
 - (i) The PP shall enumerate the water bodies located around the quarry site at a distance within 500m and mention its name and distance from the boundary of the quarry site.
 - (ii) The proponent is requested to carry out a survey and enumerate on the structures located within the radius of (i) 50 m, (ii) 100 m, (iii) 200 m and (iv) 300 m (v) 500m shall be enumerated with details such as dwelling houses with number of occupants, whether it belongs to the owner (or) not, places of worship, industries, factories, sheds, etc with indicating the owner of the building, nature of construction, age of the building, number of residents, their profession and income, etc.
 - (iii) The PP shall furnish the details of brick chamber located in the eastern side of the quarry site (no. of workers, no. of workers staying inside the brick chamber premises, working hours, total no. of working days in a year, distance from the boundary of the quarry site).
 - (iv) The PP shall furnish the contour map.

On receipt of the above details, the SEAC would further deliberate on this project and decide the further course of action.

On receipt of the above details, the proposal was again placed in this 480th meeting of SEAC held on 05.07.2024. The Project proponent has made a presentation along with clarification for the above shortcomings observed by the SEAC.

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1	<p>The PP shall enumerate the water bodies located around the quarry site at a distance within 500m and mention its name and distance from the boundary of the quarry site.</p>	<p>The following water bodies are located within 500 m radius of the Project Site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Marutvimalai Kulam – 110 m, N ✓ Tank 1 – 80 m, NE ✓ Tank 2 – 170 m, W ✓ Paalkulam Pond – 290 m, SW ✓ Stream – 110 m, W 																																																	
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100 m – 150 m						
4	Non-operative Brick Chamber	100 m - S	Belongs to PP	Nil	Brick Chamber	More than 5 years
5	Non-operative Chamber empty land	130 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	Nil	-	-
150 m – 200 m						
6	Abandoned Chamber	190 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NA	-	More than 5 years
150 m – 200 m						
7	Abandoned Chamber	190 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NA	-	More than 5 years
8	Chamber Stock yard	160 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NA	-	More than 10 years
200 m – 250 m						
9	Nearby Crusher Office cum labour shed	240 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NIL	Concrete building	3 Years
250 m – 300 m						
10	Non operative Crusher Office	290 m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NIL	Concrete building	3 years
11	Non operative Crusher	280m - NE	Not belongs to PP	NIL	Crusher Plant	3 years

12	Non operative Office cum labour Shed	270 m – SW	Not belongs to PP	NIL	Concrete building	2 years
13	Small Farmhouse	285 m - N	Not belongs to PP	1	Concrete wall with Asbestos Sheet	2 years
14	Small Farmhouse	280m – N	Not belongs to PP	1	Concrete building	2 years
15	Non operative Chamber Bricks	290 m – N	Not belongs to PP	NIL	Brick Chamber	More than 7 years
300 m – 400 m						
16	Animal Shed	302 m (NE)	Not belongs to PP	1	Asbestos sheet structure	2 years
17	House	340m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete Structure	More than 2 Years
18	House	360m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete Structure	3 Years
19	Farm Shed	355m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	0	Concrete wall with asbestos sheet	More than 5 Years
20	Farm Shed / House	350m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete wall with asbestos sheet	3 Years

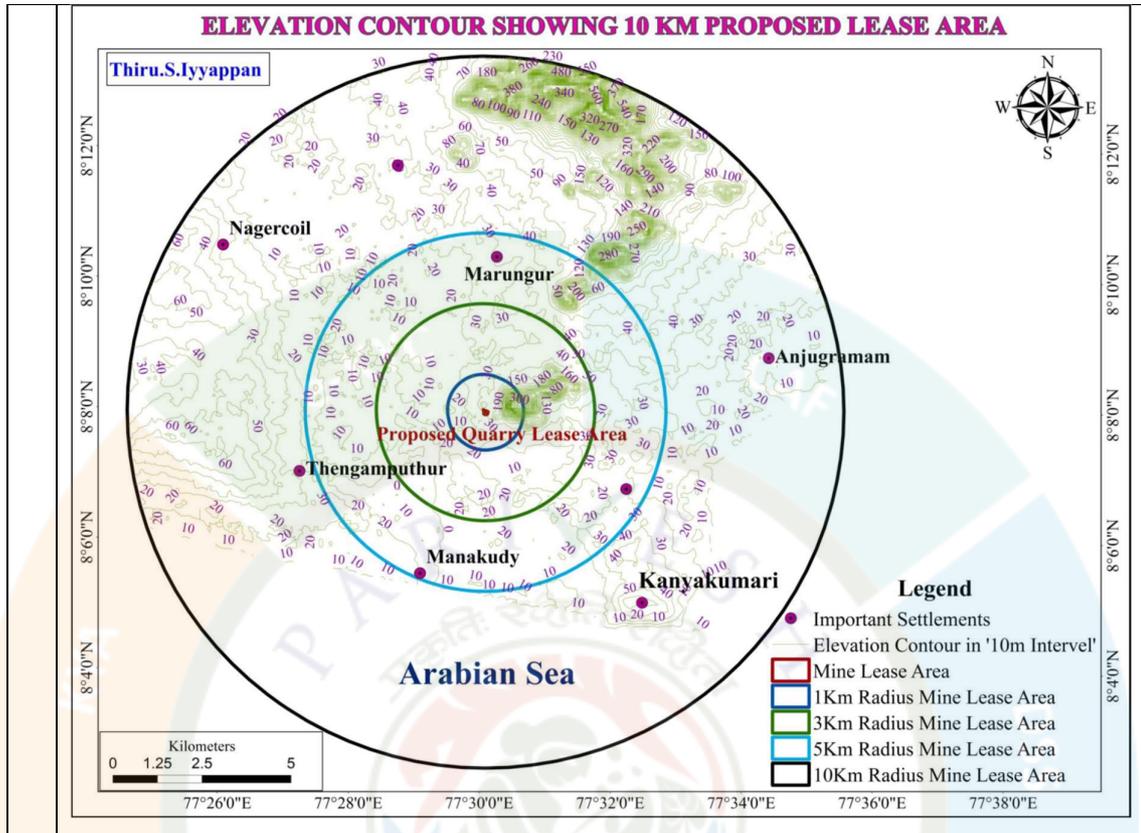
21	Unused House	335 m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	0	Concrete Structure	3 Years
22	House	320 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete Building	2 years
23	House	341 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete Building	2 years
24	House – under construction	370 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	0	Concrete Building	Under Construction
25	Unused House	354 (S)	Not belongs to PP	0	Brick building with tiled roof	More than 5 years
26	House	390 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	4	Concrete Building	1.5 years
27	Farmhouse	368 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete Structure	2 years
28	House	370 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete Structure	7 Years
29	House	390m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Brick building with tiled roof	1 Year
30	House	388 m (SE)	Not belongs to PP	3	Brick building	5 Years

						with tiled roof	
31	House	384m (SE)	Not belongs to PP	0		Brick building	3 years
32	House	383 m (SE)	Not belongs to PP	4		Concrete Structure	2 years
33	House	394 m (E)	Not belongs to PP	4		Brick building with tiled roof	More than 5 Years
34	Farm House	374 m (N)	Not belongs to PP	2		Concrete Structure	More than 5 Years
35	House	330m (N)	Not belongs to PP	3		Concrete Structure	6 months
36	Farm House	359 m (NW)	Not belongs to PP	3		Concrete Structure	1 year
37	House	445m (N)	Not belongs to PP	3		Concrete Structure	1 Year
38	House	490m (N)	Not belongs to PP	2		Concrete building	1 Year
39	Shop with house	454m (N)	Not belongs to PP	2		Concrete building	2 Years

40	House	455m (N)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete building	2 Years
41	Unused Farm Shed	448m (N)	Not belongs to PP	Nil	Brick Building with sheet roof	2 years
42	Farm House	445 m (N)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete building	1 Year
43	House	460m (N)	Not belongs to PP	4	Concrete building	1 Year
44	House	475 m (N)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete building	5 years
45	House	495 m (N)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete building	1 year
46	Overhead Tank	448 m (N)	Not belongs to PP	0	Concrete	5 years
47	House	412 m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete building	1 Year
48	Farm House	431 m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete building	1 year
49	House	490m (SW)	Not belongs to PP	1	Brick building with tiled roof	5 Years

51	House with Hotel	476 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	7	Concrete building	1 year
52	Shop	491 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	5	Concrete building	2 years
53	Shop	448 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	5	Concrete building	1 Year
54	Farm House	454 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete building	1 Year
55	Unused House	446 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	0	Brick building with tiled roof	5 Years
56	House	429 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	4	Concrete building	2 Years
57	House	434 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	10	Concrete building	1 year
58	House	468 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	4	Concrete building	2 Years
59	House	490 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	3	Concrete building	1 Year
60	Farm Shed	495 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	1	Brick Building with sheet roof	3 Years

	61	Farm House	431 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	1	Concrete building	1 Year
	62	Farm House	410 m (S)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete building	3 Years
	63	Unused House	472 (NW)	Not belongs to PP	0	Concrete building	5 Years
	64	Farm House	486 m (NW)	Not belongs to PP	2	Concrete building	1 year
3	The PP shall furnish the details of brick chamber located in the eastern side of the quarry site (no. of workers, no. of workers staying inside the brick chamber premises, working hours, total no. of working days in a year, distance from the boundary of the quarry site).			<p>The Brick Chamber located at 100 m in the Southern direction belongs to Project Proponent and it has not been in operation for the past 2 years. PP assure you that he will not operate it in the future, either by PP or through other.</p> <p>Three Abandoned chambers are in the northeast direction at the distance of 170 m from the Proposed project. All the brick chambers are not in operation for about a year.</p>			
4	The PP shall furnish the contour map.						
	The Contour map of the project area is shown below.						



During the presentation, the SEAC had observed the following:

1. Puthanaaru Canal is located within a distance of 100m from the proposed project site.
2. The following water bodies are located within 500m radius of the proposed quarry site.
 - Marutvamai Kulam – 110 m, N
 - Tank 1 – 80 m, NE
 - Tank 2 – 170 m, W
 - Paalkulam Pond – 290 m, SW
 - Stream – 110 m, W
2. As per the enumerations of structures, there are 15 Nos. of structures located within 300m radius of the proposed quarry site.
3. The proposed quarry site is located in an ecologically sensitive area of Western Ghats and is surrounded by thick vegetation with rich biodiversity.
4. The quarrying operation will cause depletion of fertile topsoil which will lead to environmental degradation to flora and fauna in and around the area.

Based on the documents and presentation made by the proponent, **SEAC after detailed discussions decided not to recommend the proposal for the grant of Environmental Clearance considering all the above factors.**