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File No.: 501736/349-MIN/10-2024

Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

(Issued by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA),
ODISHA)



Dated 20/01/2025



To,

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Subject: Extension in validity of prior Environmental Clearance (EC) Identification No.-EC23B001OR110540 dated 03.01.2023 granted to the project Balanda Stone Quarry-3 to Sri Shankar Lal Agarwal under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006 and as amended thereof regarding.

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application submitted to SEIAA, Odisha vide proposal number SIA/OR/MIN/501736/2024 dated 18/10/2024 for an extension in validity of prior Environmental Clearance (EC) granted to the project of Balanda Stone Quarry-3 over an area of 10.00 acres or 4.046 Ha. in Village Balanda under Lathikata Tahasil of Sundargarh District Odisha to Sri Shankar Lal Agarwal under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof.

2. The particulars of the proposal are as below :

(i) Validity Extension Identification No.	EC24C0108OR5333209N
(ii) File No.	501736/349-MIN/10-2024
(iii) Clearance Type	Application for Validity Extension of EC- Form-6
(iv) Category	B2
(v) Schedule No./ Project Activity	1(a) Mining of minerals
(vii) Name of Project	EXTENSION OF VALIDITY OF EC OF BALANDA STONE QUARRY-3 OVER AN AREA OF 10.00acres or 4.046Ha. in Village Balanda under Lathikata Tahasil of Sundargarh District
(viii) Location of Project (District, State)	SUNDARGARH, ODISHA
(ix) Issuing Authority	SEIAA, Odisha
(x) EC date	03/01/2023
(xi) Status of implementation of the project	CTE was taken and project is under construction/development
(xiii) Whether any amendment to the earlier EC has been sought?	No

3. In view of the particulars given in the Para 1 above, the project proposal interalia including Form-6 were submitted to the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) under the provision of Para 9.0 of the EIA notification 2006 and its subsequent amendments. Details in Form 6 can be accessed from the PARIVESH portal by scanning the QR Code above.

4. The brief about the reasons for an extension of validity of EC, as submitted by the Project Proponent in Form-6 and presented during SEAC is annexed to this letter as Annexure (2).

5. The above-mentioned proposal has been considered by SEAC in the meeting held on 19th & 20th November, 2024. The minutes of the meeting and all the project documents are available on PARIVESH portal which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code above.

6. The SEAC, in its meeting held on 19th & 20th November, 2024 based on information & clarifications provided by the project proponent and after detailed deliberations recommended the proposal for extension in validity in Environment Clearance till validity of lease period and based on approved mining plan under the provision of EIA Notification, 2006 and as amended thereof.

7. The SEIAA, Odisha has examined the proposal in 186th meeting held on 15.01.2025 in accordance with the provisions contained in the Para 9 of Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 & further amendments thereto and based on the recommendations of the SEAC hereby accords Extension in Validity of Environment Clearance Identification no.EC23B001OR110540 dated 03.01.2023 for the instant proposal of Balanda Stone Quarry-3 of Sri Shankar Lal Agarwal upto lease period or 5 years whichever is earlier under the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006 and as amended thereof subject to compliance of EC conditions, general instructions issued vide EC letter dated 03.01.2023.

8. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

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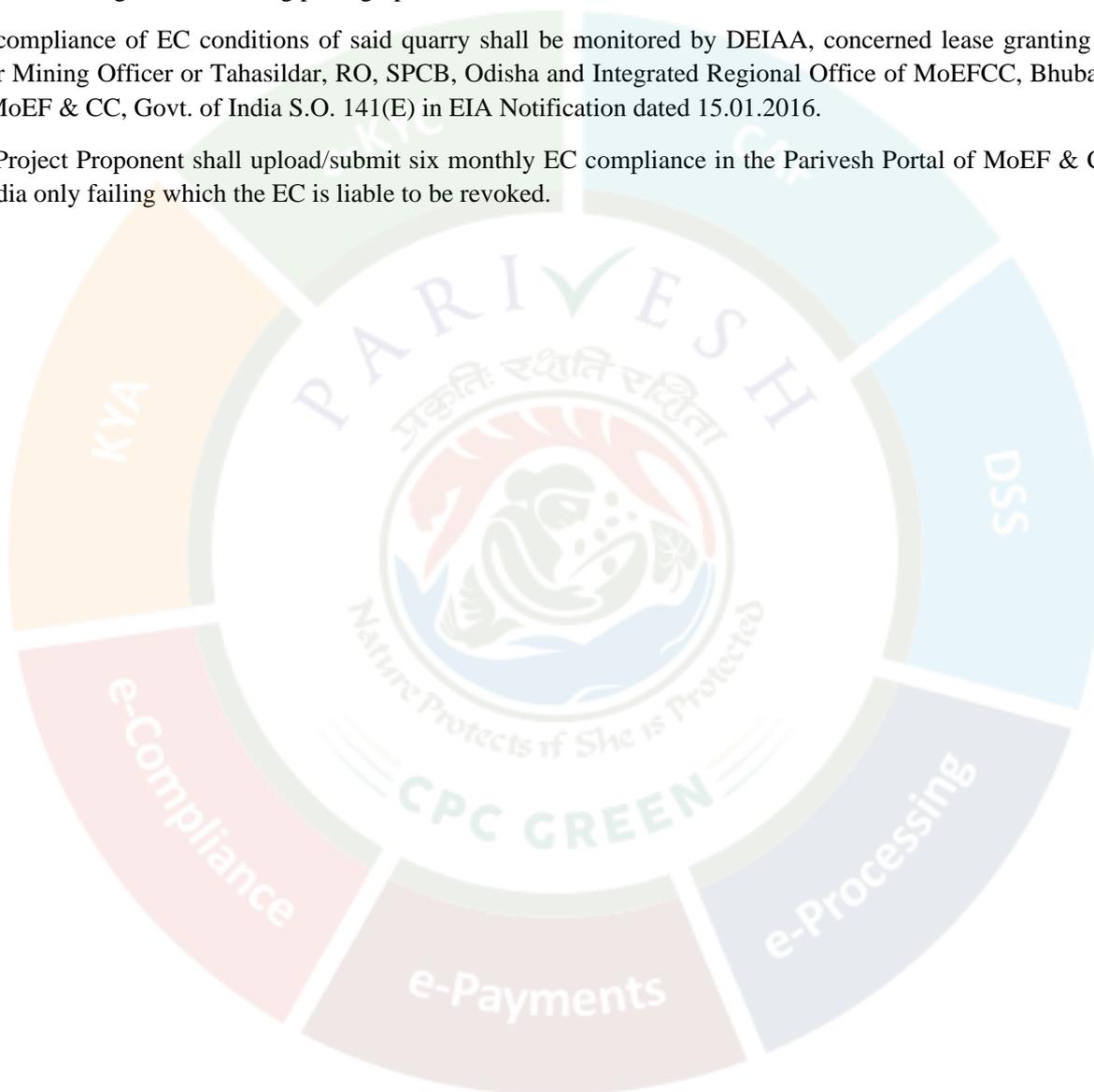
1. Principal Secretary, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Dept., Government of Odisha for information.
2. Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha, Paribesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakantha Nagar, Unit-8, Bhubaneswar for information.
3. The Director of Mines, Steel & Mines Dept, Govt. of Odisha Bhubaneswar for information.
4. Additional Principal Conservator of Forests, Integrated Regional Office (IRO), Ministry of Environment & Forests, A-31, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar for information.
5. Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, CBD-cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi-110032 for information.
6. Chairman/Member/Member Secretary, SEIAA for information.
7. Member Secretary, SEAC, Paribesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakantha Nagar, Unit-VIII, Bhubaneswar for information.
8. Collector & DM, Sundargarh, Sub-Collector, Sundargarh, Deputy Director of Mines, Sundargarh, DFO, Sundargarh, RO, SPCB, Sundargarh, Tahasildar, Lathikata/Mining Officer, Sundargarh for Information and necessary action.
9. Guard file for record/Website/Parivesh Portal

Annexure 1

Additional EC Conditions

1. The extraction quantity of stone is limited to 95855.4 cum in 1st year, 95973.7 cum in 2nd year, 96092 cum in 3rd year, 96210 cum in 4th year and 97097 cum in 5th year with depth of mining 6.0 meter as per approved mining plan for the remaining lease period subject to condition that DEIAA shall take initiative steps for early submission of revised DSR for approval of SEAC and SEIAA.

2. The EC is valid for 5 years or for the balance lease period subject to the quantity prescribed in the modified DSR or revised Mining Plan whichever is less.
3. The PP shall implement the EMP with a budgetary allocation of Rs. 11.40 Lakh/annum (Capital Cost) and Rs. 6.0 Lakh (Recurring cost) as proposed in the EMP report during EC application.
4. The PP shall plant **1010 nos. of tree species** like Banyan (Ficus benghalensis), Peepal(Ficus religiosa), Neem (Azadirachta indica), Jamun(Syzygium cumini), Mango(Mangifera indica), Karanj(Pongamia pinnata), Arjun(Terminalia Arjuna), Jackfruit (Artocarpus heterophyllus), Siris (Albizia lebbeck), etc.. as part of tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (<https://merilife.nic.in>).The PP shall submit the status of plantation during every six-months (06) compliance of EC conditions with geo-coordinating photographs.
5. The compliance of EC conditions of said quarry shall be monitored by DEIAA, concerned lease granting Authority either Mining Officer or Tahasildar, RO, SPCB, Odisha and Integrated Regional Office of MoEFCC, Bhubaneswar as per MoEF & CC, Govt. of India S.O. 141(E) in EIA Notification dated 15.01.2016.
6. The Project Proponent shall upload/submit six monthly EC compliance in the Parivesh Portal of MoEF & CC., Govt. of India only failing which the EC is liable to be revoked.



1. Proposal in brief:

The highlights of the proposal as per the information submitted by the PP in the application and from SEAC proceedings/discussion held during their meeting, are given as under.

- (i) This is a proposal for Extension of Validity EC of Balanda Stone Quarry-3 over an area of 10.00 acres or 4.046 Ha. in Village Balanda under Lathikata Tahasil of Sundargarh District Odisha.
- (ii) The project proponent has obtained EC from SEIAA, Odisha vide EC letter no. /EC Identification No.–EC23B001OR110540 dated 03.01.2023 for Balanda Stone Quarry-3 over an area of 10.00 acres or 4.046 Ha. in Village Balanda under Lathikata Tahasil of Sundargarh District Odisha.
- (iii) The SEIAA allowed EC for 1st year production of stone 95855 cum/annum and 2nd year production quantity 95973 cum/annum in favour of Sri Shankar Agarwal (the earlier lessee).
- (iv) The PP has mentioned that The Environmental Clearance (EC) was granted to Balanda Stone Quarry-3, on January 3, 2023, and is valid for two years from the date of issue, contingent upon the preparation and submission of a revised District Survey Report (DSR) to the State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) within this period. However, the validity of the DSR for Sundargarh District extends until March 2025. Therefore, the validity of the EC will also be extended to March 2025, despite the initial expiration date of January 2, 2025 (two years from issuance).
- (v) The lease agreement was made on 01.05.2023
- (vi) The PP has deposited the amount of Rs. 1.80 Lakh to District Environment Society, Sundargarh A/c. No.10969174121 for raising tree plantation as per EC conditions.
- (vii) Any deficiencies/omission have been noticed in the above documents- Nil

2. Whether SEAC recommended the proposal – Yes, the proposal was placed in the SEAC meeting held on **19th& 20th November, 2024** and the SEAC pinned that the SEIAA recommended the following:

- i. Condition no 7.11 of EC granted stipulates that – Any further extension of EC beyond two years shall be considered only with submission of duly approved DSR.
- ii. Now Mining Officer has recommended for extension of lease upto 31.03.2025 and mentioned that DSR is valid upto March 2025.

However, DSR copy is not submitted.

- i. SEIAA may consider the case as per status of DSR of the district in view of condition no 7.11 of E granted.