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File No: 490561/310-MIN/07-2024

Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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

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Date 20/01/2025



To,

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**Subject:** Rejection of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project under the EIA Notification 2006- and as amended thereof -regarding.

**Sir/Madam,**

This is in reference to your application submitted to Ministry vide proposal number SIA/OR/MIN/490561/2024 dated null for Rejection of prior Environmental Clearance (EC) to the project under the provision of the EIA Notification 2006-and as amended thereof.

2. The particulars of the proposal are as below :

(i) EC Identification No.	EC24C0107OR5640643A
(ii) File No.	490561/310-MIN/07-2024
(iii) Clearance Type	Amendment in EC
(iv) Category	B2
(v) Project/Activity Included Schedule No.	1(a) Mining of minerals
(vii) Name of Project	Proposal For Ammendment of Environmental Clearance for Tikrapada Sand Quarry over an Area of 12.00 Acrers or 4.85 Hectares in Village Tikrapada Under Saintala Tahasil of Balangir District.
(viii) Name of Company/Organization	UMAKANTI BEHERA
(ix) Location of Project (District, State)	BALANGIR, , ODISHA,
(x) Issuing Authority	SEIAA
(xi) Applicability of General Conditions as per EIA Notification, 2006	No

1. In view of the particulars given in the Para 1 above, the project proposal interalia including Application for Amendment in EC were submitted to the SEAC, Odisha for an appraisal by the State Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) under the provision of EIA notification 2006 and its subsequent amendments.

2. The above-mentioned proposal has been considered in 186th Meeting of State Environment Impact Assessment Authority meeting held from 15/01/2025. Based on the recommendations of the State Expert Appraisal Committee,

Odisha (SEAC, Odisha), information & clarifications provided by the project proponent and after detailed deliberations the Authority decided “After detailed deliberation, the authority decided to reject the amendment of EC as recommended by SEAC due to the following reasons:-

i. Production of sand from the quarry during the years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 (Till end October 2024) is to be ascertained by the mining officer concerned for ensuring compliances with the stipulated conditions of the EC grant order. Page 29 of 249 ii. No document could be found in support of the evidence that satisfactory Replenishment Study Reports have been submitted by the lessee before 31st December 2022 and in previous years as per the conditions stipulated in the EC grant transfer order.

iii. Compliance with the other stipulated conditions of the EC granted and transfer order mentioned above also needs to be ascertained from the concerned officers of MoEF&CC. iv. The PP has submitted revised RSR which is not satisfactory.

v. No Mining Zone of 250 meter has to be maintained on the upstream side from the nearest bridge as per the Sustainable Sand Mining Guidelines and Enforcement and Monitoring Guidelines, 2020 issued by MOEFCC. This distance is only 50 meters in the instant case.”

Therefore, the proposal for Amendment in EC is Rejected as per provision of EIA Notification, 2006 and as amended thereof.

3. The minutes of the meeting and all the Application and documents submitted are available on PARIVESH portal which can be accessed by scanning the QR Code above.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

#### **Copy To**

1. Additional Chief 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. Member Secretary, SEAC, Paribesh Bhawan, A/118, Nilakantha Nagar, Unit- VIII, Bhubaneswar for information.

4. Deputy D.G.Forest., Integrated Regional Office (IRO), Ministry of Environment & Forests, A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar for information.

5. Director of Mines, Steel & Mines Dept., Govt. of Odisha

6. Collector & DM, Balangir /Sub Collector, Balangir /, DFO, Balangir , Mining Officer, Balangir for Information and necessary action.

7. Guard file for record/Website/Parivesh Portal.

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