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File No: OL/EC/MIN/DURG/3202

Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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



Date 19/05/2025



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/CG/MIN/465622/2024 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.	EC24C0108CG5523352N
(ii) File No.	OL/EC/MIN/DURG/3202
(iii) Clearance Type	Fresh EC (Mining)
(iv) Category	B2
(v) Project/Activity Included Schedule No.	1(a)
(vii) Name of Project	PATORA LIMESTONE QUARRY AREA 2.15 HEC.
(viii) Name of Company/Organization	VIKAS AGRAWAL
(ix) Location of Project (District, State)	DURG, , CHHATTISGARH,
(x) Issuing Authority	SEIAA
(xi) Applicability of General Conditions as per EIA Notification, 2006	No

Deliberations of SEAC, Chhattisgarh : The Committee observed and found the following facts:- The project proponent has excavated 8,830 ton in the year 2017-18. The project proponent has excavated more than the excavation quantity (8,551 ton per year) mentioned in the issued environmental clearance, which falls in the category of violation. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change issued Standard Operating Procedure vide Office Memorandum dated 07.07.2021 regarding identification and handling of violation cases under EIA Notification 2006 in compliance to order of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in O.A. No.34/2020. In this Office Memorandum para 11 (B) (i) following is

mentioned:- "As per extant regulations at the time of scoping, if it is viewed that the project activity is otherwise permissible, Terms of Reference (TOR) shall be issued with directions to complete the impact assessment studies & submit Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report & Environmental Management Plan (EMP) in a time bound manner." As per the above OM and the applied case is a violation, project proponent needs to apply in TOR, but project proponent applied directly for Environment Clearance. After discussion by the Committee, as per the above facts, it was unanimously decided to reject the applied case from the list and recommended to apply for TOR as per the Notification/Office Memorandum issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change from time to time Deliberations of SEIAA in its 191th Meeting held on 24/04/2025 perused the case and minutes of the 587th meeting of SEAC-3 held on 06/02/2025. It is noted that the PP has excavated 8,830 ton in the year 2017-18. The project proponent has excavated more than the granted capacity (8,551 ton per year) mentioned in the environmental clearance, which falls under violation category. In compliance to order of the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in O.A. No.34/2020 ,the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change issued Standard Operating Procedure vide Office Memorandum dated 07.07.2021 regarding identification and handling of violation cases under EIA Notification 2006. In this Office Memorandum para 11 (B) (i) following is mentioned:- "As per extant regulations at the time of scoping, if it is viewed that the project activity is otherwise permissible, Terms of Reference (TOR) shall be issued with directions to complete the impact assessment studies & submit Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report & Environmental Management Plan (EMP) in a time bound manner." As per the above OM and since the applied case is a violation case, project proponent needs to apply for TOR. But the project proponent has applied directly for Environment Clearance. Based on the above details, SEAC recommended to reject the application. SEIAA, Chhattisgarh unanimously accepted the recommendation of SEAC-3, Chhattisgarh and decided to reject the application. .

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