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File No: J-11011/538/2007-IA-II(Ind.1)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
IA Division

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Date 26/02/2024



To,  
M/s GULBARGA CEMENT LIMITED  
Adventz Centre, 2nd Floor, No.28,Cubbon Road, Bengaluru-560001,Karnataka, India

**Subject:** Proposed Greenfield Cement Plant having Clinker Capacity 2.0 MTPA , Cement -2.5 MTPA & Power generation through WHRB 10 MW with residential colony over an area of 618 acres (250 Ha.) located at near Village of Ferozabad, Kirangi and Somnathalli, Taluka & District.- Kalaburagi, Karnataka by M/s Gulbarga Cement Limited - Grant of Surrender of Environmental Clearance -Regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is with reference to your proposal No. IA/KA/IND1/443488/2023 dated 19.12.2023 along with the application in prescribed format - Form 11 (CAF, Form 11) and sought for surrender of Environment Clearance accorded by the Ministry vide File no. J-11011/ 538/2007-IA(II)-I dated 22.07.2013 and subsequent validity extension dated 10.08.2020 in pursuance to Ministry's OM dated 29.03.2022.

2. The particulars of the proposal are as below :

(i) Unique Identification No.	EC23A1101KA5483443Q
(ii) File No.	J-11011/538/2007-IA-II(Ind.1)
(iii) Clearance Type	Surrender of EC
(iv) Category	A
(v) Project/Activity Included Schedule No.	3(b) Cement plants Proposed Greenfield Cement plant for production of Clinker (2.0 MTPA), Cement (3.23 MTPA) and Coal Based Captive Power plant(50 MW) at village Kirangi, Taluka & District.- Gulbarga, Karnataka" by M/s Gulbarga Cement Limited.
(vii) Name of Project	
(viii) Name of Company/Organization	M/s GULBARGA CEMENT LIMITED
(ix) Location of Project (District, State)	KARNATAKA
(x) Issuing Authority	Member Secretary

### (xi) Status of implementation of the project

3. M/s. Gulbarga Cement Limited was granted Environment Clearance vide File no. - J-11011/ 538/2007-IA(II)-I dated 22.07.2013 for greenfield cement plant for production of Clinker (2 MTPA), Cement (3.23 MTPA) and Coal based Captive Power Plant (50 MW) at Village Kirangi, Taluk & District Gulbarga, Karnataka. Subsequently, PP applied for extension of validity of EC which was granted by the Ministry vide letter dated 10.08.2020.

4. The instant Proposal was considered in the 52nd EAC Meeting held during during 23 – 25th January, 2024 wherein after detailed deliberations, the committee **recommended** the proposal for surrender of Environment Clearance under the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006. The PP has uploaded the written submission on 09.02.2024. The minutes of the meeting and all the project documents are available on PARIVESH portal which can be accessed at <https://parivesh.nic.in>.

5. Justification for surrender of EC: PP has reported that the Project was not installed and commenced due to litigation on land acquisition. Some Land Owners owning about 92 acres (37.23 Ha) of land approached Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Gulbarga Bench and obtained Stay Orders Court in the year 2014 which was disposed only in the year 2019. Extension of EC validity was obtained on 10.08.2020 with validity up to 21.07.2023. Accordingly, CFE was issued vide No. PCB/HPI/251/Gulbarga Cement/ 2020-21/2038 dated 02.09.2020 valid till 21.07.2023. However, the installation could not be commenced in given period due to Nation-wide lockdown to contain the spread of COVID-19. Further, PP applied for obtaining fresh TOR on 04.04.2023, which was considered during 35th Meeting on dated 06.05.2023, wherein the EAC suggested to surrender the existing EC as per OM dated 29.03.2022. The same was recorded in Minutes of meeting issued on 12.06.2023 on Parivesh portal.

#### Deliberations by the Committee

6. The EAC, in its 52nd meeting held during 23 – 25th January, 2024, inter-alia, deliberated the following:

i. M/s. Gulbarga Cement Limited was granted Environment Clearance vide File no. - J-11011/ 538/2007-IA(II)-I dated 22.07.2013 for greenfield cement plant for production of Clinker (2 MTPA), Cement (3.23 MTPA) and Coal based Captive Power Plant (50 MW) at Village Kirangi, Taluk & District Gulbarga, Karnataka. Subsequently, PP applied for extension of validity of EC which was granted by the Ministry vide letter dated 10.08.2020.

ii. The instant proposal is for surrender of Environment Clearance accorded by the Ministry vide File no. J-11011/ 538/2007-IA(II)-I dated 22.07.2013 and subsequent validity extension dated 10.08.2020 in pursuance to Ministry's OM dated 29.03.2022.

iii. PP has reported that the Project was not installed and commenced due to litigation on land acquisition. Some Land Owners owning about 92 acres (37.23 Ha) of land approached Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Gulbarga Bench and obtained Stay Orders Court in the year 2014 which was disposed only in the year 2019. Extension of EC validity was obtained on 10.08.2020 with validity up to 21.07.2023. Accordingly, CFE was issued vide No. PCB/HPI/251/Gulbarga Cement/ 2020-21/2038 dated 02.09.2020 valid till 21.07.2023. However, the installation could not be commenced in given period due to Nation-wide lockdown to contain the spread of COVID-19. Further, PP applied for obtaining fresh TOR on 04.04.2023, which was considered during 35th Meeting on dated 06.05.2023, wherein the EAC suggested to surrender the existing EC as per OM dated 29.03.2022. The same was recorded in Minutes of meeting issued on 12.06.2023 on Parivesh portal.

iv. PP also submitted documents in pursuance to Ministry's OM dated 29.03.2022 as detailed in para 52.18.5 above.

v. The EAC considered the proposal and submissions from PP, determining that the current proposal aligns with the Ministry's OM dated 29.03.2022 regarding the surrendering of EC. The documents provided by the PP are deemed to meet the necessary requirements. Hence, the proposal is eligible for consideration for EC surrender in pursuance to Ministry's OM dated 29.03.2022.

vi. The EAC also deliberated on the written submission of project proponent and found it satisfactory.

7. The EAC (Industry-1 Sector), in its 52nd meeting held during 23 – 25th January, 2024, based on information & clarifications provided by the project proponent and after detailed deliberations recommended the proposal for grant of surrender of Environment Clearance.

8. The undersigned is directed to inform that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has examined the proposal in accordance with the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 & further amendments thereto and after accepting the recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry-1 Sector) hereby decided to grant **surrender of Environment Clearance** accorded by the Ministry vide F. No. J-11011/ 538/2007-IA(II)-I dated 22.07.2013 and subsequent validity extension dated 10.08.2020 to M/s Gulbarga Cement Limited under the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006.

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

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. R. B. Lal)  
Scientist 'F'/Director

**Copy To**

1. Secretary, Forest, Ecology & Environment Department, Government of Karnataka, Secretariat, Bangalore-560 001.
2. The Director General of Forest, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi
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4. Regional Officer, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, Koramangala II Block, Bangalore – 560034
5. Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, CBD-Cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi-110 032.
6. Member Secretary, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, No. 25, 6– 9th Floor, Public Utility Building, M.G. Road, Bangalore – 560 001.
7. Member Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority, A-2, W3, Curzon Road Barracks, K.G. Marg, New Delhi-110001.
8. Guard File/Record File/Monitoring File.
9. MoEF&CC Website
10. The District Collector, Kalaburagi, Karnataka.

(Dr. R. B. Lal)  
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