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PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

No. 11681

Dated. 8/5/24

To

The Member Secretary,  
State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority,  
Punjab Bio-Technology Incubator (PBTI Complex),  
Knowledge City, Sector-81,  
SAS Nagar – 140308.

**Subject:** Proceedings of the public hearing conducted on 18.04.2024 in connection with application filed by Executive Engineer-cum-District Mining Officer, Pathankot for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA notification dated 14.09.2006 for mining of sand in the revenue estates of Village Kharkhara, Maira Kalan & Chak Hari Rai, Tehsil & District Pathankot

It is intimated that the subject cited project proponent has applied to SEIAA, Punjab for obtaining environmental clearance for mining of minor minerals @ 14,86,789 TPA in an area of 86.36 hectares situated in the revenue estate of Village Kharkhara, Maira Kalan & Chak Hari Rai, Tehsil & District Pathankot. The project is covered under Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Govt. of India, notification no. S.O. 1533 (E) dated 14.09.2006 and thus is required to obtain environmental clearance from SEIAA, Punjab. The 'Terms of Reference' for preparing draft EIA study report for the said project have been prescribed by the SEIAA, Punjab vide No. SEIAA/PB/MIN/2023/TOR/48 dated 14.11.2023 & vide No. SEIAA/PB/MIN/2023/TOR/55 dated 14.12.2023. Accordingly, the project proponent had submitted draft rapid EIA study report alongwith summary report of the same to the Punjab Pollution Control Board and requested for conduct of the public hearing for the proposed project..

In compliance to the provisions laid down in the EIA notification dated 14.9.2006, the date of public hearing for the project was fixed by the Board as 18.04.2024 at the project site, Village Hari Rai, Pathankot and the public notice of 30 days in this regard was issued in two daily newspapers namely 'Hindustan Times' & 'Rozana Spokesman' on 16.03.2024 for getting responses from public and intimating time, date & venue of the public hearing. A copy of the said notices is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I**. The public announcements and banners were displayed in the vicinity/nearby villages by the Board to give the wide publicity of the public hearing. Thereafter, public hearing for the said project

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was conducted on 18.04.2024. The public hearing process was supervised & presided over by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Pathankot in the presence of Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Batala. The entire process of the said hearing was videographed. A copy of the attendance sheet containing the details of persons, who attended the said hearing alongwith copy of the Pen drive containing video recording, is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-II & III**, respectively.

The proceedings of the public hearing reflecting the views and concerns expressed during the public hearing, duly signed by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Pathankot in the presence of Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Batala, are enclosed herewith as **Annexure-IV** further necessary action at the end of the SEIAA, Punjab.

DA/- As above

Endst. No. E.E.(Mega)/2024/ 11682Dated 8/5/24

For Member Secretary

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot for information and necessary action. He is requested to get a copy of the proceeding of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office.

DA/- As above

Endst. No. 11683-86Dated 8/5/24

For Member Secretary

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. The Sr. Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office, Amritsar.
2. The Environmental Engineer (Computers) Punjab Pollution Control Board, Head Office, Patiala for displaying the proceedings of public hearing on the web site of the Board.
3. The Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Batala. He is also requested to get a copy of the proceeding of the public hearing displayed conspicuously at his office. Also, a copy of the proceedings may be sent to the concerned Zila Parishad and Village Panchayat for displaying the same conspicuously.
4. The Executive Engineer-cum-District Mining Officer, Drainage-cum-Mines & Geology, Water Resources Department, Punjab, Pathankot. The project proponent is advised to submit final EIA report after incorporating the grievances/suggestions raised by the public in the public hearing to the SEIAA, Punjab for obtaining the environmental clearance, before starting any developmental activities on its proposed project.

DA/- As above.

For Member Secretary