

## ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪ੍ਰਦੂਸ਼ਣ ਕੰਟਰੋਲ ਬੋਰਡ PUNJAB POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

Dated. 14/5/24

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 09.04.2024 in connection with application filed by Executive Engineer-cum-District Mining Officer, SBS Nagar for obtaining environmental clearance under EIA notification dated 14.09.2006 for mining of minor minerals in the revenue estate of Village Mandhala & Mahadipur and Dhulewal, Tehsil & District SBS Nagar.

It is intimated that the subject cited project proponent has applied to SEIAA, Punjab for obtaining environmental clearance for mining of minor minerals @ 70191 TPA (for 3 years) in an area of 8.7 hectares situated in the revenue estate of Village Mandhala & Mahadipur, Tehsil & District SBS Nagar and 79992 TPA (for 3 years) in an area of 4.96 hectares in the revenue estate of Village Dhulewal, District SBS Nagar. As per report of Mining Officer, SBS Nagar both the mining sites situated in 500 meters distance from each other, hence a mining cluster is formed. 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/53 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.

It is pertinent to mention here that the mining site of Village Dhulewal, which has mentioned by the Mining Department to the effect that the site is falls in District SBS Nagar, the part of the mining site is actually falls in Tehsil Machhiwara, District Ludhiana, which has come to the notice of the field staff of the Board, as such, publicity/announcement were made in the village also.

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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 09.04.2024 in Village Dulewal-Mand Chaunta Near Chandi Peer Dargah, District SBS Nagar and the public notice of 30 days in this regard was issued in two daily newspapers namely 'Indian Express' & 'Punjabi Tribune' on 07.03.2024 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 was conducted on 09.04.2024. The public hearing process was supervised & presided over by the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Nawanshahar, District SBS Nagar in the presence of Addl. Senior Environmental Engineer & Assistant Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Hoshiarpur. 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, Nawanshahar, District SBS Nagar, Addl. Senior Environmental Engineer & Assistant Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Hoshiarpur, are enclosed herewith as Annexure-IV further necessary action at the end of the ŞEIAA, Punjab.

DA/- As above

For Member Secretary

A copy of the above alongwith a copy of proceedings' is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar 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

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

- The Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Zonal Office, Jalandhar.
- 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.

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3. The Addl. Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Hoshiarpur. 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, SBS Nagar. 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 Secretar