COMPLIANCE REPORT APRIL 2022 - SEPTEMBER 2022

M/SERA GRANITES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

EC IDENTIFICATION NO. EC22A001KL117061

KOTTAYAM DISTRICT
KERALA

SERA GRANITES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

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Ref 1. :- EC Identification No. EC22A001KL117061

Ref 2.:- File No. IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II (NCM)

Sub: Quarry project of M/s Sera Granites India Pvt. Ltd is located at Re Survey nos. 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) to others in Nediyenga Village, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taliparamba Taluk, Kannur District, Kerala – submission of Six Monthly Compliance Report – First Half - Reg.

Respected Sir,

The Granite Building Stone mining project of 10.3274 Ha. was obtained Environmental Clearance with EC Identification No. EC22A001KL117061 dated 05.04.2022. The EC was issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi. As part of compliance towards the conditions stipulated in EC, the compliance report of First half (April 2022 – September 2022) to the specific and general conditions of the Environment Clearance order is being submitted.

Thanking you,

Yours respectfully,

For M/s Sera Granites India Pvt. Ltd

Mr. Peter Joseph

Copy to:-

1. Regional Office of MOEFCC, Bangalore

2. Central Pollution Control Board

3. State Pollution Control Board.

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TO

THE CONDITIONS

OF

ENVIRONMENT CLEARANCE ORDER

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Dated - 05-04-2022

FOR THE PERIOD OF

April 2022-September 2022

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INTRODUCTION

Quarry project of M/s Sera Granites India Pvt. Ltd is located at Re Survey nos. 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in Nediyenga Village, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taliparamba Taluk, Kannur District, Kerala. The Granite Building stone quarry project was accorded Environmental Clearance for 10.3274 Ha. on 05-04-2022 vide EC Identification No. EC22A001KL117061 and File No. IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II (NCM) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi

The half yearly compliance report needs to be submitted as part of Miscellaneous condition No.3 of Environmental Clearance order by the project proponent. The compliance report to conditions of the Environmental Clearance for the period of **April 2022** - **September2022** (First half) is being submitted.



SPECIFIC CONDITION

O1 Since the habitation is shown at 103 m from the lease boundary.

Blasting should be controlled and single low blasting to avoid noise vibration impacts.

The mining operation is yet to start. The project proponent is trying to obtain necessary approvals from various Govt. Departments. The PP will use NONEL technology for blasting operations which will reduce the impact on noise and vibration due to blating.

Monitoring of noise vibration and air quality at the lease boundary particularly in the direction of the habitation must be regularly done. The Check the efficacy of the proposed EMP shall be implemented.

The PP will engage an accredited laboratory to Monitoring of noise vibration and air quality at the lease boundary particularly in the direction of the habitation. The EMP proposed for the project will be implemented.

The EMP budget which is proposed to one year in capital should also be extended to concerns of people within one year of the start of the mine.

The PP will spend the EMP budget in connection with the concerns of people within one year of the start of the mine.

04 Strictly abide by the mining plan and shall not intersect ground water.

The PP will follow the approved Mining Plan assigned for the project. The ground water will not intersect during the mining phase.

The project proponent shall continue to monitor the air

The project proponent will monitor the air quality, noise quality at the edge of

quality, noise quality at the edge of the mine in all the directions besides specific station in the direction of village and submit the 6 monthly report to the IRO.

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06 The restoration plan submitted has to be augmentation by using scientific methods as suggested by the expert members.

The restoration plan will be implemented with scientific methods. The PP will be done a concurrent restoration.

periodically monitor and maintain the health record of the mine workers digitally prior to mining operation at the time of operation of mine and post mining operations.

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COMPLIANCE REPORT PART – B

STANDARD CONDITIONS

I. STATUTORYCOMPLIANCES

Environmental 01 The Clearance (EC) is subject to orders/judgment of Hon'ble Supreme court of India, Hon.ble High Court, Hon'ble NGT and any other court of Common Law, cause conditions as may be applicable.

The PP will abide all orders/judgment of Hon'ble Supreme court of India, Hon.ble High Court, Hon'ble NGT and any other court of Law, Common cause conditions in connection with open cast mining

02 The project proponent with all complies the statutory requirements and of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2nd August 2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No.114 of 2014 in matter of Common Cause versus Union of India & Ors before commencing the mining operations.

The project Proponent will be complied all the statutory requirements and judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2nd August 2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No.114 of 2014 in matter of Common Cause versus Union of India & Ors.

O3 The State Government concerned shall ensure that mining operations shall not be commenced till the entire compensation levied, If any, for illegal mining paid by the project Proponent through

The PP will start the mining operation after all obtaining necessarv approvals from the concerned authority, Board various Govt. Department. The obtained approvals are annexed as 1 to 4.

their respective Department of mining & geology in strict compliance of judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2nd August 2017 in writ Petition (Civil) No.114 of 2014 in matter of common Cause versus Union of India & Ors.

04 This clearance shall operational only after receiving formal **NBWL** Clearance from MoEF & CC subsequent to the recommendations of Standing committee of national Board for Wildlife, if applicable to the Project.

Environmental In the instant project the clearance hall become from NBWL is not necessary

only after receiving formal
Forest clearance (FC) under
the provision of Forest
Conservation Act, 1980, if
applicable to the project.

The instant project is in private own land, No forest land included in this project therefore Forest clearance is not necessary. 06 The Project proponent (PP) shall obtain consent Operate after grant of EC and effectively implement all the conditions stipulated therein. The mining activity shall not commence prior to obtaining Consent Establish Consent to operate from the concerned Pollution Control State **Board / Committee.**

The project proponent has applied for consent to operate at PCB. The mining will be commenced after obtaining all necessary approvals and licenses including consent to operate from PCB.

The PP shall adhere to the provision of the Mines Act, 1952, Mines and Mineral (Development & Regulation), Act, 2015 and rules regulations made there under. PP shall adhere to various circulars issued by Directorate General Mines Safety (DGMS) and Indian Bureau of mines from time to time.

The project proponent will adhere all necessary provisions of the Mines Act, 1952, Mines and Mineral (Development & Regulation), Act, 2015 and rules & regulations made there under. The PP will follow all necessary circulars issued bv Directorate General Mines Safety (DGMS) and Indian Bureau of mines from time to time.

obtain consent from all the concerned land owners, start before of mining

The Project Proponent shall To conduct mining, The PP has obtained consent from all concerned land owners, before start of mining operations, as per the

operations, as per the provisions of MMDR Act, 1957 and rule made there under in respect of lands which are not owned by it.

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follow the mitigation measures provide in MoEF&CC's Office Memorandum No. **Z**-11013/57/2014-IA.II(M), dated 29th October 2014, titled "Impact of mining activities on Habitations-Issues related to the mining Projects where Habitations and villages are the part of mine lease areas or Habitations and village are surrounded by the mine

The Project Proponent shall The mining activity is yet to start. The conditions will be followed by measures provide in MoEF&CC's Office Telated to habitations and villages Wemorandum No. Z- will be addressed by the PP in 11013/57/2014-IA.II(M), connection with mining plan.

lease area"

10 obtain necessary prior permission of the competent authorities for drawl requisite quantity of surface water and from CGWA for withdrawal of ground water for the Project.

The Project Proponent shall Since the project is located in zone, Kerala's safe it is necessary to take permission form CGWA. Further PP has developed a rain water harvesting pond near to the mine lease area.

marked to concerned Panchayat / local NGO etc. if any, from whom suggestion / representation has been received while processing the proposal.

A copy of EC letter will be The PP has submitted a copy of letter to the Local Self Government. No suggestion/ representation has been received while processing the proposal.

12 State **Pollution** Control Board / Committee shall be responsible for display of this EC letter at its Regional office, District Industries Collector's Centre and office/ Tehsildar's Office for 30 days.

The **Project Proponent** has submitted a copy of EC at Office of Pollution Control State Board. District Industries centre and Collectors office.

13 The Authorities Project should advertise widely

The PP has advertised about the grant of this EC letter by printing

about the grant of this EC letter by printing the same in at least two local newspapers, one of which shall be in vernacular language of the concerned advertisement The area. shall be done within 7 days of the issue of the clearance letter mentioning that the instant project has been accorded EC and copy of the EC letter is available with the State Pollution Control Board / Committee and web site of the Ministry Environment, Forest and climate Change (www.parivesh.nic.in). A copy of the advertisement may be forwarded to the concerned MoEF&CC Regional Office for compliance and record.

the same in at least two local newspapers, one of which shall be in vernacular language of the concerned area. A copy of the news paper advertisement is attached as Annexure No.5.

14 The Project Proponent shall inform the MoEF & CC for any change in ownership of the mining lease. In case there is any change in ownership or mining lease is transferred than mining

The Project Proponent shall There is no plan to change the inform the MoEF & CC for any change in ownership of the ownership the PP will follow the the mining lease. In case procedure.

operation shall only be carried out after transfer of EC as per provisions of the para 11 of EIA Notification, 2006 as amended from time to time.

II. AIR QUALITY MONITORING AND PRESERVATION

The Project Proponent shall 01 install a minimum of 3 (Three) online ambient Quality Monitoring Stations with 1(One) in upwind and 2 (Two) in downwind direction based on long term Climatological data about wind direction such that an angle 120° is made between the monitoring locations to monitor critical parameters, relevant for mining operations, of air pollution viz. PM10, PM2.5, NO2, CO and SO₂ etc. as per the methodology mentioned in NAAQS Notification No. B-29016/20/90/PCI/I, dated 18.11.2009 covering the

The project is yet to start. monitor various parameters of ambient Air, the PP will install an online ambient Quality Monitoring Stations with 1(One) in upwind and 2 (Two) in downwind direction or NABL а accredited engage laboratory. The results parameters will be prominently displayed at the gate company.

aspects of transportation and use of heavy machinery in the impact zone. The ambient air quality shall also be mentioned at prominent places like office building, canteen etc. as per the site condition to ascertain the exposure characteristics at specific places. The above digitally data shall be displayed within 3 months in front of the main Gate of the mine site.

Effective safeguard measures prevention of dust generation and subsequent suppression (like regular water sprinkling, metalled road construction etc.) shall be carried out in areas prone to air pollution wherein high levels of PM10 and PM2.5 are evident such as haul road, loading and unloading point transfer points. The Fugitive emissions from dust all sources shall be regularly controlled by installation of required

The project proponent will provide adequate safeguard measures for prevention of dust generation in the project site which are follows.

- 1. Installation of permanent sprinklers
- 2. Deploy tanker vehicles as mobile sprinkler unit
- 3. Construction of metaled road
- 4. Development of Green belt
- 5. Enclosed vehicles and machineries
- 6. Dust mask to all labours
- 7. Wetting before and after the blast. Etc.

equipments/machineries and preventive maintenance. Use of suitable water- soluble chemical dust suppressing agents may be explored for better effectiveness of dust control system. It shall be ensured that air pollution the leve1 conform to standards prescribed by the MoEFCC/ Central Pollution Control Board.

III. WATER QUALITY MONITORING AND PRESERVATION

01 In case, immediate mining In the instant project there is no scheme envisages intersections of ground water table. then environment Clearance shall become operational only formal after receiving clearance from CGWA. mining operation case, involves intersection of ground water table at a later stage, then PP shall ensure that prior approval from CGWA and MoEF&CC is in place before such mining

intersection of ground water table envisages in mining plan. If the ground water intersects during the course of operation, the PP will follow the necessary procedure.

operations. The permission for intersection of ground water table shall essentially be based on detailed hydro-geological study of the area.

Regular monitoring of the flow rate of the springs and perennial nallahs flowing in and around the mine lease shall be carried out and records maintain. The natural water bodies and or streams which are flowing in an around the village, should not be distributed. The water Table should be nurtured so as not to go down below the pre-mining period. In case of any water scarcity in the area, the Project Proponent provide water to has to the village for their use. A provision for regular monitoring of water table in open dug wall located in should village be incorporated to ascertain the impact of mining over

table

water

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There are no springs and perennial nallahs flowing in and around the mine lease area. The natural water bodies and or streams which are flowing in an around the village, will not be distributed. The PP will provide water to the nearby village people during water scarcity time. The PP will identify an observation well to monitor the ground water change and same will be incorporated in the Half Yearly Compliance Report.

ground

Report on changes in Ground water level and quality shall be submitted on sixmonthly basis to the Regional Office of the ministry, CGWA and State Groundwater

Department/State Pollution Control Board.

03 **Project** Proponent shall The regularly monitor and maintain records w.r.t ground water level and quality in and around the mine lease by established a network of existing wells as well as new piezo-meter installation during the mining operation in consultation with Central Ground water Authority / State Ground Water Department. The Report on changes in Ground water level and quality shall be submitted on six-monthly basis to the Regional Office of the Ministry, CGWA and Groundwater State

Department / State Pollution

The project Proponent will establish a network of existing wells to observe the ground water changes. A new piezo- meter will be installed in consultation with ground water department.

Control Board.

The project Proponent shall 04 undertake regular monitoring of natural water course/water resources/springs and perennial nallahs existing/ flowing in and around the mine lease and maintain its The records. **Project** proponent shall undertake regular monitoring of water quality upstream and downstream of water bodies passing within and nearby / adjacent to the mine lease and maintain its records. Sufficient number of gullies shall be provided appropriate places with in the lease for management of water. PP shall carryout regular monitoring w.r.t pH and included the same in The monitoring plan. parameters to be monitored shall include their water quality vis-à-vis suitability usage as per **CPCB** criteria and flow rate. It shall be ensured that no

There is no natural water course/water resources/springs and perennial nallahs existing/ flowing in and around the mine lease area. Sufficient number of gullies shall be provided at appropriate places with in the lease for management of water.

obstruction and or alternation be made to water bodies during mining operations without justification and prior approval of MoEF&CC. The monitoring of water courses/bodies existing in lease area shall be carried out four times in a year viz. (April-May), pre-monsoon monsoon (August), post-(November) monsoon and winter (January) and the record of monitored data be sent regularly to Ministry of Environment, **Forest** Climate Change and its Regional Office, Central Ground Water Authority and Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, State Pollution control Board and Central Pollution Control Board. Clearly showing the trend analysis sixon monthly basis.

05 The EC obtained mine is Quality of polluted water for generated from extraction Granite building stone mining which include operations by blasting under the supervision of chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) in mines run-off; acid mine drainage and metal contamination in runoff shall be monitored along with total suspended solids (TDS), Dissolved Oxygen Total (DO), Hα and Suspended solids (TSS). The monitored data shall be the website uploaded on of the company as well as displayed at the project site in public domain, on display board, at a suitable location near the main gate of the Company. The circular No.J-20012/1/2006-1A.11(M) dated 27.05.2009 issued by Ministry of

Forest and

qualified persons. Therefore there will be no water included with COD generated from the Mine lease area. All storm water runoff will be channelised through constructed drains along with de siltation traps to a settling pond and rain water harvesting pond. Only cleared water will be letout side from the project site.

of project Proponent shall plan,
develop and implement
rainwater harvesting
measures on long term basis
to augment ground water
resources in the area in
consultation with Central

Climate Change may also be

referred in this regard.

The project proponent has developed a rain water harvesting pond near to the mine lease area. A new one will be developed at the down side of lower contour of mine lease area. A report in this regard will be submitted at regional office

environment,

Water Board/ State
Groundwater Department. A
report on amount of water
recharged needs to be
submitted to Regional Office
MoEFCC annually.

of MoEFCC annually along with the compliance report.

07 **Industrial** waste water (workshop and waste water from the mine) should be properly collected and treated so as to conform to notified standards the prescribed from time to time. The standards shall be prescribed through Consent to Operate (CTO) issued by concerned State **Pollution** Control board (SPCB). The workshop effluent shall be treated after its initial passage through Oil and grease trap.

The instant project is for extraction of miner minerals. There will be no industrial waste water from the project site. The waste water generated from the mine lease area during monsoon season will be treated with de siltation traps and settling ponds.

O8 The water balance/water auditing shall be carried out and measure for reducing the consumption of water shall be taken up and reported to the Regional Office of the

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MoEF &₅ CC and State Pollution Control Board/Committee.

IV. NOISE AND VIBRATION MONITORING AND PREVENTION

01 500M distance or within the nearest habitation. whichever is closer shall be monitored periodically as per applicable DGMS guidelines.

The peak particle velocity at | The PPV at 500M distance or within the nearest habitation, whichever is closer will be monitored periodically during blasting operation.

at night at project sites disturb the villages respect of both human and animal population. Consequent sleeping disorders and stress may affect the health in the villages located close mining operations. Habitations have a right for darkness and minimal noise levels at night. PPs must ensure that the biological clock of the villages is not disturbed, by orienting the

The illumination and sound | There will be no operation during night time. The mining operation will be carried out in between 7am to 6pm

floodlights/masks away from the villagers and keeping the noise levels well within the prescribed limits for day/night hours.

The Project Proponent shall 03 take measures for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. The workers engaged operations of HEMM etc. should be provided with ear plugs/muffs. All personnel including laborers working in dusty areas shall be provided with protective respiratory devices along with adequate training, awareness and information or safety and health aspects. The PP shall be held responsible in case it that has been found workers/personals/laborers are working without personal protective equipment.

The Project Proponent will provide adequate personal protective Equipment's to the labours engaged in the work such as mask, earplug, glow, google, helmet etc. Further the PP will provide adequate training on health and safety to the labours in consultation with Government **Departments** and experts.

V. MINING PLAN

01 The project proponent shall to the working parameters of mining plan which was submitted at the time of EC appraisal wherein year-wise plan was mentioned for total excavation i.e. quantum of mineral, waste, over burden, inter burden and top soil etc. No change in basic mining like proposal mining technology, total excavation, mineral & waste production, lease area and scope working (viz. method of mining, overburden & dump management, O.B. & dump mining, mineral transportation mode, ultimate depth of mining etc.) shall not be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment. Forest and Climate Change, which entail adverse environmental impacts, even if it is a part of approved mining plan modified after grant of EC or granted by State Govt. in the form to

The project proponent will follow the mining plan for the extraction minerals which was submitted at the time of appraisal. Mining technology and volume of minerals to be extracted will not change. If there is change, the PP will get approval of MOEFCC for the same. Short Term Permit (STP), Query license or any other name.

The Project Proponent shall get the Final Mine Closure Plan along with Financial Assurance approved from Indian Bureau Mines/Department of Mining & Geology as required under the Provision of the MMDR Act 1957 and Rules/Guidelines made there under. A copy of approved final mine closure plan shall be submitted within months of the approval of the same from the competent authority to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change for record and verification.

The PP will ger final mine closure plan along with financial assurance approved from Department of Mining and Geology. The copy of final mine closure plan will be submitted at regional office of MoEFCC within two months after approval of the mine closure plan.

O3 The land-use of the mine lease area at various stages of mining scheme as well as at the end-of-life shall be governed as per the approved

The Project proponent will follow the approved mining plan. The excavation, backfilling, afforestation at reclaimed area will be as per the approved mining plan.

Mining Plan. The excavation vis-a-vis backfilling in the mine lease and area corresponding afforestation to be raised in the reclaimed area shall be governed as per approved mining plan. shall ensure the monitoring and management of rehabilitated areas until the vegetation becomes selfsustaining. The compliance status shall be submitted half-yearly to the MoEFCC and its concerned Regional Office.

The PP will provide continuous monitoring and management until vegetation becomes self-sustaining. This will be updated in the half yearly compliance report.

VI. LAND RECLAMATION

01 The Overburden (O.B.) generated during the mining operations shall be stacked earmarked OB at dump site(s) only and it should not be kept active for a long period of time. The physical parameters of the OB dumps like height, width and angle of slope shall be governed as

The overburden generated during mining operation will be stacked at earmarked OB area. The physical parameters of the OB dumps like height, width and angle of slope will be governed as per the approved Mining Plan as per the guidelines/circulars issued by D.G.M.S. The top soil and OB will be used for land reclamation and

per the approved Mining Plan as per the guidelines/circulars issued by D.G.M.S. w.r.t. safety in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of top soil/OB dumps. The topsoil shall be used for land reclamation and plantation.

plantation.

The reject/waste generated during the mining operations shall be stacked earmarked waste dump The physical site(s) only. parameters of the waste dumps like height, width and angle of slope shall be governed as per the approved mining plan as per the guidelines/circular issued by DGMS w.r.t safety in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of waste dumps.

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O3 The reclamation of waste dump sites shall be done in scientific manner as per the

The reclamation of waste dump sites will be done in scientific manner as per the Approved Mining

Progressive Mine Closure Plan.

Approved Mining Plan cum Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan.

The slope of dumps shall be 04 scientific vegetated in manner with suitable native species to maintain the slope prevent stability, erosion and surface run off. The selection of local species regulates local climatic help parameters and adaptation of plant species to the microclimate. gullies formed on slopes should be adequately taken care of as it impacts the overall stability of dumps. The dump mass should be consolidated with the help of dozer/compactors thereby ensuring proper filling/leveling of dump mass, In critical areas, use of textiles/geo geo membranes/clay liners/Bentonite etc. shall be undertaken for stabilization of the dump.

To prevent sliding and erosion from dump, the slope of dumps will be vegetated in scientific manner with suitable native species to maintain the slope stability. AS part of stability of dump, the PP will be done the following measures.

- 1. Construction of proper drainages,
- 2. Stabilize the dump by planting grass, shrubs and tree saplings
- 3. Consolidation of lose soil
- 4. Avoid gullies at sensitive areas.
- 5. Proper leveling and filling of dump mass.
- 6. Use of geotextile
- 7. Maintain proper height and slope etc

O5 The project proponent shall carry out slope stability study in case the dump height is more than 30 meters. The slope stability report shall be submitted to concerned regional office of MoEF & CC.

The PP will carry out the slope stability study in case the dump height is more than 30 meters and report will be submitted at concerned regional office of MoEF & CC.

Catch drains, settling tanks and siltation ponds appropriate size shall constructed around the mine working, mineral yards and top soil/OB/waste dumps to prevent run off of water and flow of sediments directly into the water bodies Nallah/River/Pond etc.). The collected water should be utilized for watering the mine area, roads, green belt development, plantation etc. The drains/sedimentation sumps etc. shall be de-silted regularly, particularly after monsoon season, and maintained properly.

As part of storm water management form the mine lease aream the PP will construct Catch drains, settling tanks and siltation ponds appropriate size. The PP will construct settling poind and rain harvesting pond water project site. This water will be used form watering the mine area, roads, green belt development, plantation etc. Only de silted water/ clear water will be let out from the project site.

Check dams of appropriate size, gradient and length shall be constructed around mine pit and OB dumps to storm run-off and sediment flow into adjoining water bodies. A safety margin of **50%** shall be kept designing of sump structures over and above peak rainfall(based on 50 years data) and maximum discharge in the mine and its adjoining area which shall also help in providing adequate retention time period thereby allowing proper settling of sediments/ silt material. The sedimentation pits/sumps shall be constructed at the corners of the garland drains.

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temporarily be stored at earmarked site(s) within the mine lease only and should not be kept unutilized for long. The physical parameters of the top soil dumps like height, width and

The top soil will be stored at earmarked area as per the approved mining plan. This will be used for reclamation of mined out area in future until then this will be preserved as stabilised dump with various measures to prevent sliding and erosion.

of slope angle shall governed as per the approved Mining Plan and as per the guidelines framed by DGMS safety w.r.t in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of dumps. The topsoil shall be used for land reclamation and plantation purpose.

VII. TRANSPORTATION

01 transportation of No the minerals shall be allowed in of roads case passing through villages/habitations. In such cases, PP shall construct a bypass road for the purpose transportation of the minerals leaving an adequate gap (say at least 200 meters) so that the adverse impact of sound and dust along with chances of accidents could All costs be mitigated. resulting from widening and strengthening of existing

The PP can use existing public road for the transportation of minerals. Most of the house are constructed at either side of the roads in Kerala . The number of truck on the road will be I ow during day time. No truck will be operated during night time. The carrying capacity of the road will be considered and regulated the number of trucks accordingly. Water sprinkler will be done regularly to arrest the dust emission. All vehicles will be go under the monitoring to get PUC.

public road network shall be borne by the PP in consultation with nodal State Department. Govt. Transportation of minerals through road movement in case of existing village/rural roads shall be allowed in consultation with nodal State Govt. Department only after required strengthening such that the carrying capacity of roads is increased to handle traffic load. The pollution due to transportation load on environment will the effectively controlled and water sprinkling will also be done regularly. Vehicular emissions shall be kept under control and regularly Project should monitored. obtain **Pollution** Under Control (PUC) certificate for all the vehicles from authorized pollution testing centres.

02 The Main haulage road To supress the dust generating within the mine lease should from the haulage road the PP will

provided with be а permanent water sprinkling arrangement for dust suppression. Other roads within the mine lease should regularly with be wetted tanker-mounted water sprinkling system. The other areas of dust generation like crushing material transfer zone. points, material yards etc. should invariably be provided with dust suppression arrangements. The air pollution control equipments like bag filters. vacuum suction hoods, dry fogging system etc. shall be installed at Crushers, belt-conveyors and other areas prone to air pollution. The belt conveyor should be fully covered to avoid generation of dust while transportation. PP shall take necessary measures to avoid generation of fugitive dust emissions.

permanently fix water sprinkling arrangement, Other roads will be wetted by a mobile sprinkler unit. The belt conveyor should be fully covered to avoid generation of dust while transportation. The other of dust generation like areas crushing zone, material transfer points, material yards etc. will be provided with dust suppression arrangements.

VIII. GREEN BELT

The Project Proponent shall develop greenbelt in 7.5M wide safety zone all along the mine lease boundary as per the guidelines of CPCB in order to arrest pollution emanating from mining operations within the lease. The whole Green belt shall be developed within first years starting from windward side of the active mining The development of area. greenbelt shall be governed as per the EC granted by the Ministry irrespective of the stipulation made in approved mine plan.

The PP will develop a greenbelt in 7.5 M wide safety zone all around the mine lease boundary. The whole Green belt will be developed within first 5 years starting from windward side of the active mining area.

02 The Project Proponent shall carryout plantation/afforestation backfilled and reclaimed area of mining lease, around water body, along the roadsides. in community areas etc. by planting the native species consultation with the State

As part of eco restoration, the PP will carry out plantation in backfilled and reclaimed area of mining lease, around water body, along the roadsides, in community areas etc. by planting the native species in consultation with the State Forest department / Agriculture Department.

Forest department Agriculture **Department** Rural Development Department / Tribal Welfare **Department** / Grama Panchayath such that only those species be selected which are of use to the local people. The CPCB guidelines in this respect shall also be adhered. The density of the trees should be around 2500 saplings per Hectare Adequate budgetary provision shall be made for protection and care of trees.

03 make necessary alternative arrangements for livestock feed by developing grazing land with view to compensate those areas which are coming within the mine lease. The development of such grazing lad shall be done consultation with the State Government. In this regard, should Project **Proponent** essentially implement the

The Project Proponent shall There is no grazing land in the make necessary alternative proposed mine lease area.

directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court with regard to acquisition of grazing land. The sparse trees on such grazing ground, which provide mid-day shelter from the scorching sun, should be scrupulously guarded/protected against felling and plantation of such trees should be promoted.

04 The Project Proponent shall undertake all precautionary measures for conservation and protection of endangered flora fauna and and Schedule-I species during mining operation. A wildlife Conservation Plan shall be prepared for the same clearly delineating action taken for conservation of flora and fauna. The Plan shall be approved by Chief Wild Life Warden of the State Govt.

The project proponent has conducted a bio diversity assessment as part of obtaining EC. In this assessment no endangered flora and fauna and Schedule-I species is found form the proposed project site.

05 implemented And in consultation with the State Forest and Wildlife department. copy of Wildlife Conservation Plan and its implementation status (annual) shall submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry.

In this assessment no endangered flora and fauna and Schedule-I species is found form the proposed project site.

IX. PUBLIC HEARING AND HUMAN HEALTH ISSUES

The Project Proponent shall 01 Occupational appoint an Health Specialist for Regular as well as Periodical medical examination of the workers the engaged in mining activities, as per the DGMS guidelines. The records shall be maintained properly. shall also carryout Occupational health checkups in respect of workers which are having ailments like BP, diabetes, habitual smoking etc. The check-ups shall be undertaken once in six months and necessary

As per the DGMS guideline, the PP will conduct medical examination of all labours working in the mine. The PP will also carryout Occupational health check-ups in respect of workers which are having ailments like BP, diabetes, habitual smoking etc. The check-ups shall be undertaken once in six months and necessary remedial/preventive measures will be taken. A status report on the same will be sent to MoEFCC Regional Office and DGMS on half-yearly basis.

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sent to MoEFCC Regional
Office and DGMS on halfyearly basis.

The Project Proponent must demonstrate commitment to work towards 'Zero Harm' from their mining activities and carry out Health Risk Assessment (HRA) for identification workplace hazards and assess their potential risks to health and determine appropriate control measures to protect the health and wellbeing of workers and nearby community. The proponent shall maintain accurate and systematic records of the HRA. The HRA for neighbourhood has to focus on public Health Problems like Malaria. Tuberculosis, HIV, Anemia, Diarrhoea in children under five, respiratory infections due to

The Project **Proponent** demonstrate commitment to work towards 'Zero Harm' from their mining activities and carry out Health Risk Assessment (HRA) for identification workplace hazards and assess their potential risks to health and determine appropriate control measures to protect the health and wellbeing of workers and nearby community. The Proponent shall carryout base line HRA for all category of workers the thereafter every five years. The proponent will also create awareness and educate the nearby community workers for and Sanitation, Personal Hygiene.

bio mass cooking.

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proponent shall also create awareness and educate the nearby community and workers Sanitation, for Personal Hygiene. Hand washing, not to defecate in open, Women Health and Hygiene (Providing Sanitary Napkins), hazard of tobacco and alcohol use. The Proponent shall carrvout base line HRA for all the category of workers and thereafter every five years.

The Proponent shall carry Occupational health out surveillance which be a part HRA of and include Biological Monitoring where practical and feasible, and the tests and investigations relevant to the exposure (e.g. for Dust a X-Ray Chest, For Noise Audiometric; for Lead Exposure Blood Lead Welders **Full** For Ophthalmologic Assessment for Manganese **Miners** complete Neurological Assessment by a Certified

The PP will conduct Occupational health surveillance which be a part of HRA. Except routine tests all tests would be carried out in a Lab accredited by NABH, Records of Health Surveillance must be kept for life of mine, including the results and the records of Physical examination and tests.

Neurologist, and Manganese (Mn) Estimation in Blood, Inorganic Chromium. For Fortnightly skin inspection of hands and forearms by a responsible person. Except routine tests all tests would be carried out in a Lab accredited by NABH, of Records Health Surveillance must be kept for 30 years, including the results of and the records of Physical examination tests. The record exposure due to materials like Asbestos, Hard Rock Mining, Silica, Gold, Kaolin, Aluminium, Iron, Manganese, Chromium, Lead, Uranium need to be handed over to the Mining Department of the State in case the life of the mine is less than 30 years. It would be obligatory for the State **Mines Departments** to make arrangements for the safe and secure storage of the including records X-Ray. Only conventional X-Ray will accepted for record

purposes and not the digital one). X-Ray must meet ILO criteria (17x14 inches and of good quality).

04 The Proponent shall maintained а record of performance indicators for workers which includes (a) there should not be significant decline in their Body Mass Index and it should stay between 18.5 -24.09 (b) the Final Chest X-Ray compared with the base line X-Ray should not show any capacities (c) At the end of their leaving job there should be no Diminution in their Lung Functions forced Expiratory Volume in one second (FEV1), Forced Vital Capacity (FVC), and unless thev ratio) are smokers which has to be adjusted, and the effect of age, (d) their hearing should not be affected. As a proof an Audiogram (first and last need to be presented), (e) should not have they

The PP will maintain a record of performance indicators for workers which includes Body Mass Index, Final Chest X-Ray, and other mentioned in the condition.

developed Persistent any Back Pain, Neck Pain, and the movement of their Hip, Knee and other joints should have normal range of movement (f) they should not have suffered loss of any body part. The record of the same should be submitted to the Regional Office, MoEFCC annually along with details of the relief and compensation paid to workers having above indications.

05 ensure that Personnel | working in dustv areas should wear protective respiratory devices and they should also be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspects.

The Project Proponent shall The project proponent will ensure ensure that Personnel the provision of personal protective working in dusty areas equipment of labours. Training and should wear protective information on safety and health respiratory devices and they

O6 Project Proponent shall make provision for the housing for workers/labours or shall construct labour

shall The PP will make provision for the
the housing for workers/labours or shall
cours construct labour camps
abour within/outside (company owned

within/outside land) camps (company owned land) with necessary basic infrastructure/facilities like fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, drinking water, medical health care, crèche for kids The housing may be etc. provided in the form of temporary structures which can be removed after the completion of the project related infrastructure. domestic waste water should be treated with STP in order to avoid contamination of underground water.

land) with necessary basic infrastructure/facilities like fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, etc.

07 The activities proposed in Action plan prepared for addressing the issues raised during the Public Hearing shall be completed as per the budgetary provisions mentioned in the Action Plan and within the stipulated time frame. The Status Report on

The action plan prepared for addressing the issues raised during public hearing will be implemented within the time frame. implementation of Action Plan shall be submitted to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry along with District Administration.

X. CORPORATE ENVIRONMENT RESPONSIBILITY (CER)

01 The activities and budget earmarked Corporate for **Environmental** Responsibility (CER) as per Ministry's O.M. No.22-65/2017-IA. II (M) dated 01.05.2018 or as proposed by EAC should be kept in a separate bank account. The activities proposed for CER shall be implemented in a time bound manner annual report implementation of the same with documentary along proof viz. photographs, purchase documents, latitude & longitude infrastructure developed & road constructed needs to be submitted to Regional Office

MoEF & CC annually along

The mining operation is yet to start. A CER account will be open. The proof of CER will be submitted along with Half Yearly Compliance Report.

with audited statement.

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

on The Project Proponent shall prepare digital map (land use a land cover) of the entire lease area once in five years purpose of monitoring land use pattern and submit a report to concerned Regional Office of the MoEF & CC.

The Project Proponent will prepare digital map (land use & land cover) of the entire lease area once in five years

02 The Project Authorities the should inform to Office regarding Regional date of financial closures and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land development work.

The Project Authorities will inform to the Regional Office regarding date of financial closures and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land development work.

O3 The Project Proponent shall submit six monthly compliance reports on the status of the implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards to the MoEFCC & its concerned

The PP will submit sic monthly compliance report on the status of the implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards to the MoEFCC & its concerned Regional Office. Central Pollution Control Board and State

Regional Office. Central
Pollution Control Board and
State Pollution Control
Board.

Central | Pollution Control Board.

separate 'Environmental 04 Management Cell' with suitable qualified manpower should be set-up under the of control а Senior Executive. The Senior Executive shall directly Head of the report to Organization. **Adequate** number of qualified **Environmental Scientists** and Mining Engineers shall be appointed and submit a report to RO, MOEFCC.

A separate 'Environmental Management Cell' with suitable qualified manpower will be set-up under the control of a Senior Executive.

Regional 05 The concerned Office of the MoEFCC shall randomly monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities should extend full to cooperation the **MoEFCC** officer(s) by furnishing the requisite date / information / monitoring

The project authorities will extend full cooperation to the MoEFCC officer(s) by furnishing the requisite date / information / monitoring reports during their inspection or when they asking for.

reports.

Of The Ministry or any other competent authority may alter/modify the above conditions or stipulate any further condition in the interest of environment protection.

The condition is noted for compliance.

07 submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above result in may withdrawal of this clearance and attracts action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act 1986.

Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the PP does not conceal any data to obtain Environmental Clearance.

All data submitted for appraisal was true.

O8 The above conditions will be In enforced inter-alia, under the provisions of the water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (prevention & Control of

In addition to the conditions stipulated in the EC all other relevant Acts, Rules, notification, and court order will be followed.

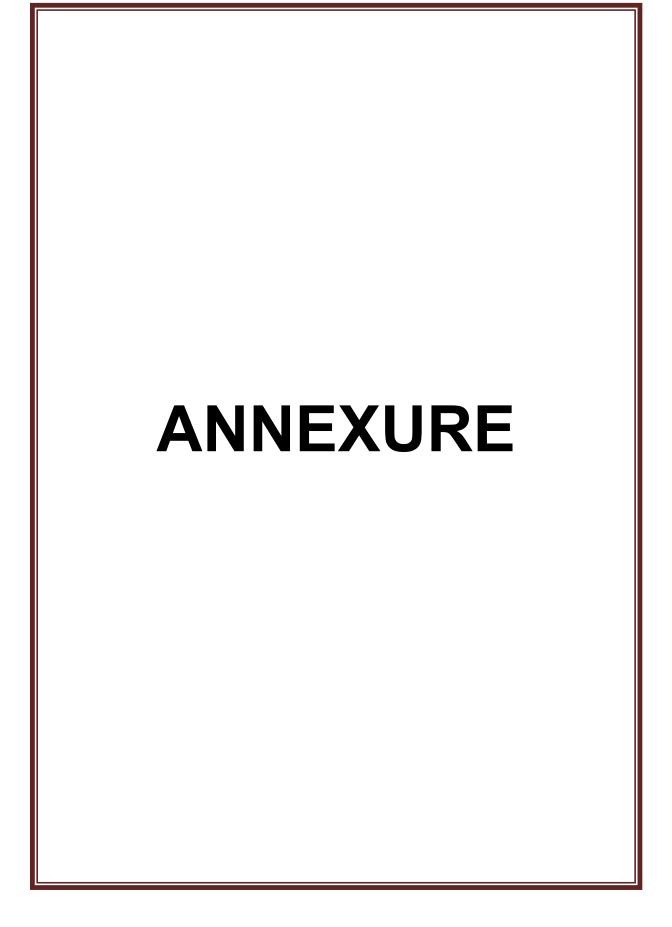
Pollution) Act, 1981, Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 along with their amendments and rules made there under and also any other orders the Hon'ble passed by Supreme Court of India/High Court of Rajasthan and any other Court of Law relating to the subject matter.

Any appeal against this

There is no appeal against the EC at NGT till date.

environmental clearance shall lie with the National Green Tribunal. If, preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

10 This issues with the approval Noted. of Competent Authority.



Annexure No.1

FILE NO: PCB/KNR/ICO/R22KAN20762/2022

Date of issue: 17/05/2022



KERALA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

CONSENT TO

OPERATE/AUTHORISATION/REGISTRATION

ISSUED UNDER

The Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 The Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981

and

The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986

As per Application No. :17663307 Dated:13-04-2022

TO

M/s SERA GRANITIES INDIA PRIVATED LIMITED SERA GRANITIES INDIA PRIVATED LIMITEDPAYATTUCHAL,P.O.CHEMPERI,KANNUR-670682

Consent No. :PCB/KNR/ICO/216/2022

Valid Upto :31/03/2027

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1. GENERAL

1.1. This integrated consent is granted subject to the power of the Board to withdraw consent, review and make variation in or revoke all or any of the conditions as the Board deems fit.

| 1 | |
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| VALIDITY | 31/03/2027 |
| Name and Address of the establishment | SERA GRANITIES INDIA PRIVATED LIMITED PAYATTUCHAL,P.O.CHEMPERI,KANNUR- 670682 670682 |
| Communication | Telephone :91-9447080722 Fax :- E-mail:JPGROUPOFCOMPANIES@YAHOO.IN |
| Occupier Details | PETER JOSEPH,PUNHCAPUTHUSSERY, THURUTHUKARA,KIZHAKKABALAM.P.O,ER ANAKULAM-683562 |
| Local Body | SREEKANDAPURAM |
| Survey Number | 25/1A(25/2308),25/1A(25/2310),25/1A(2309) |
| Village | NEDIYANGA |
| Taluk | THALIPARAMBU |
| District | KANNUR |
| Capital Investment(Rs in Lakhs) | 972.75L |
| Scale | Medium |
| Category | RED |
| Annual fee(Rs) | 70000 |
| Total Fee remitted(Rs) | 70000 |
| RAW MATERIAL | PRODUCTS |
| ROCK @2450 Metric Tonnes | Quarrying area - 10.3274 Hectare BOULDER @2450 Metric Tonnes |
| Total Power Required (HP) | NIL |
| | Name and Address of the establishment Communication Occupier Details Local Body Survey Number Village Taluk District Capital Investment(Rs in Lakhs) Scale Category Annual fee(Rs) Total Fee remitted(Rs) RAW MATERIAL ROCK @2450 Metric Tonnes |

2. CONDITIONS AS PER

The Water(Prevention and Control of Pollution)Act, 1974

- 2.1 In case of generation of trade effluent from the industry, effluent treatment system consisting of treatment units having adequate capacity established as per the Integrated Consent to Establish issued shall be operational at all times during which the industry is functional. Additional facilities required, if any, to achieve the standards laid down by the Board u/s 17(1) (g) of the Water Act shall also be made along with.
- 2.2 Water consumption: 200L/D
- 2.3 Effluent generation:
- 2.4 The characteristics of effluent after treatment shall confirm to the following tolerance limits:

| SI.NO. | Characteristics | Unit | Tolerance Limit | |
|--------|-----------------|------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | | Sewage | Trade Effluent |

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2.5 Mode of disposal of treated effluent: No Trade Effluent Generated

3. CONDITIONS AS PER

The Air(Prevention and Control of Pollution)Act, 1981

3.1 Adequate air pollution control measures shall be operational at all times during the functioning of the industry. Additional facilities required, if any, to achieve the standards laid down by the Board shall also be made along with.

| Stack No. | Sources of Emission | Emission Rate(Nm3/Hr) | Stack Height | above | Control Equipment |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------|
| | | | Ground Level | Roof Level | |

3.2 Emission characteristics shall not exceed the following:

| SI.No. | Parameter | Limiting Standards (mg/Nm3) |
|---------|--------------|------------------------------|
| 51.110. | 1 didilietei | Emming Standards (mg 1 tims) |

4. CONDITIONS AS PER

The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

- 4.1 The operation of the industry shall be strictly in compliance with the provisions of the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules 2000.
- 4.2 Used lead acid batteries shall be disposed of as per the Batteries (Management and Handling) Rules,
- 4.3 Hazardous waste generated, if any, shall be handled as per the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016.
- 4.3.1 Activities for which Authorisation is granted

| Collection | transport | |
|------------|-----------------------|--|
| Reception | Storage | |
| Treatment | Reprocessing/Disposal | |

4.3.2 Type, quantity and mode of storage/collection/disposal of hazardous wastes shall be as follows:

| SI.No. | Hazardous Waste | Schedule Category | Quantity Tonne/year |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| | | | |

| Mod | de of |
|---------|----------|
| Storage | Disposal |

4.4 E-waste shall be disposed off safely as per the E-Waste (Management)Rules, 2016.

5. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

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- 5.1 The location of the industry/out let shall be as per the approved drawing attached. No change or alteration or expansion of the unit is to be made without the prior permission of the Board. Any change in the particulars furnished in the application and/or in the identity of the occupier/authorized agent is to be intimated to the Board forthwith.
- 5.2 For renewal of the Consent to Operate in case of continuance of operation of the quarry, application in the prescribed form shall be submitted through the web portal of the Board for Online Consent Management
- & Monitoring System 2 months prior to the date of expiry. Late application will be accepted only with fine.

 5.3 The consent issued from the board is only with respect to the powers vested under the Water (prevention
- and control of pollution) Act 1974, Air(prevention and control of pollution) Act 1981 and the Rules there under. The operation of the quarry shall be commenced only after obtaining clearances from all concerned Authorities.
- 5.4 This consent will be valid only when the Environmental Clearance obtained for the quarry is valid.
- 5.5 There shall not be any quarrying activity between 6 pm to 6 am.
- 5.6 The suspended particulate matter (PM 10) in ambient air at the boundary of the quarry shall not exceed100 microgram/m3
- 5.7 The suspended particulate matter (PM 2.5) in ambient air at the boundary of the quarry shall not exceed 60 microgram/m3
- 5.8 The sound level (Leq)at 1 m outside the boundary of the site should not exceed the ambient noise Standard applicable to the adjoining areas.
- 5.9 The applicant shall provide adequate facilities to conduct ambient air and sound monitoring as noted incondition 5.6 to 5.8.
- 5.10 Periodical monitoring of ambient air. and sound shall be conducted by the applicant and the report shall be submitted to the District office of the Board once in a year.
- 4.4 E-waste shall be disposed off safely as per the E-Waste (Management)Rules, 2016. Page5
- 5.11 The applicant shall put up a sign board of size 6ft x 4ft. near the main entrance of the quarry. The board shall display the name of the industry and important consent conditions

DATE:18/05/2022

SIGNATURE & SEAL OF ISSUING AUTHORITY ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER



To

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Annexure No.2

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

> Pro-Active and Responsive Facilitation by Interactive, Virtuous Environment Single-Window Hub)



Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Impact Assessment Division)

To,

The MD

M/S SERA GRANITES INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED

Mr. Peter Joseph, Managing Director, M/s Sera Granites India Private Limited, 3/546 V, St. Antonys Shopping Complex, Kizhakkambalam P.O., Ernakulam, Kerala,, Ernakulam, Kerala-683562

Subject: Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project Activity under the provision of EIA Notification 2006-regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application for Environmental Clearance (EC) in respect of project submitted to the Ministry vide proposal number IA/KL/MIN/230373/2020 dated 21 Sep 2021. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

1. EC Identification No. EC22A001KL117061

2. File No. IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II(NCM)

3. **Project Type** New

4. Category

Project/Activity including Schedule No.

1(a) Mining of minerals

Name of Project

e Protects Building Stone Mine (Minor Mineral) Quarry Project situated at Re-survey nos. 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in village-Nediyenga, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taluk-Taliparamba, Distri

Name of Company/Organization

M/S SERA GRANITES INDIA PRIVATE

Location of Project Kerala 03 Feb 2020

TOR Date

The project details along with terms and conditions are appended herewith from page no 2 onwards.

Date: 05/04/2022

(e-signed) Pankaj Verma Scientist E IA - (Non-Coal Mining sector)



Note: A valid environmental clearance shall be one that has EC identification number & E-Sign generated from PARIVESH.Please quote identification number in all future correspondence.

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IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II (NCM) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Impact Assessment Division

2nd Floor, Prithvi Block Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj New Delhi-110 003 Date: 5th April, 2022

To

M/s Sera Granites India Private Limited 3/546 V St. Antony's Shopping Complex Kizhakkambalam P.O., Ernakulam – 683 562 Kerala

Sub: Proposal for Environmental Clearance for Building Stone Mine Quarry Project of M/S Sera Granites India Private Limited over an area of 10.3274 ha with total production capacity of 92,48,683 MT (ROM) [building stone 88,82,293 MT, overburden 1,29,830 MT and top soil 59,012 MT] situated at re-survey no.25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in Village Nediyenga, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taluk Taliparamba, District Kannur, State Kerala- reg.

Sir,

This has reference to the proposal no. IA/KL/MIN/230373/2020 for Environmental Clearance for Building Stone Mine (Minor Mineral) Quarry Project of M/S Sera Granites India Private Limited over an area of 10.3274 Hectares with total production capacity of 92,48,683 MT (ROM) [Building stone 88,82,293 MT, overburden 1,29,830 MT and top soil 59,012 MT] situated at Re-survey nos. 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in Village Nediyenga, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taluk Taliparamba, District Kannur, State Kerala.

| EAC Meeting | 47 th EAC Meeting | Je FY |
|-----------------|---|-------|
| Date of Meeting | 7 th to 9 th March 2022 | |

The mine lease area is located between Latitude 12°05'09.88" to 12°05'28.12" N and Longitude 75°31'14.19" to 75°31'25.67" E. The mine lease area falls in 48P/12 toposheet and Seismic Zone III. The EIA consultant is M/s Environmental Engineers & Consultants Pvt. Ltd. The category of the project is Category "B", Project or Activity 1(a) – 4 for Mining of Mineral as per EIA Notification S.O. 1533 (E), dated 14th September

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2006 and subsequent amendments. SEIAA, Kerala has been constituted on 3rd March 2022, however, as per the Ministry's O.M. dated 23rd October 2017, "In cases, the proposal is appraised by the EAC due to non-existence of SEIAA/SEIAC, then irrespective of whether recommended, deferred or additional information sought, it will continue to be appraised and decided at the central level, even if the SEIAA/SEIAC is constituted later on."

2. Tenure of SEIAA/SEAC, Kerala got completed on 18.09.2021 due to which the project proponent made an online application vide proposal no: IA/KL/MIN/230373/2020 dated 21-09-2021 for Environmental Clearance. The proposed quarry project for obtaining Environmental Clearance is for mine lease area of 10.3274 hectares with targeted annual production capacity of 9,00,000 MT with life of mine as 10 years. Earlier the proposal for Environmental Clearance was considered in the 41st EAC meeting held during 15th – 16th November and 18th November, 2021. After detailed deliberations, the Committee noted that the project proponent has not submitted the authenticated District Survey Report as per Ministry's Notification S.O 3611(E) dated 25.07.2018. As per 2018 Notification "The District Survey Report shall form the basis for application for environmental clearance, preparation of reports and appraisal of projects". Therefore, the Committee deferred the proposal. The project proponent needs to submit the above information on Parivesh Portal. The project proponent submitted the reply on 15.02.2022. The project proponent submitted the Hon'ble High Court, Kerala order vide WP(C) NO. 4875 OF 2022 dated 14/02/2022. The relevant extract is produced below:

"this writ petition is also disposed of, directing the 2nd respondent to consider and pass orders on the application submitted by the petitioner for Environmental Clearance which is referred to in Exhibit P2, on the basis of DSR 2016 issued by the Department of Mining and Geology, Government of Kerala, which has been certified to confirm with Notification No.S.O.3611(E) dated 25.07.2018. Appropriate steps shall be taken within a period of one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment."

3. The project proponent submitted that ToR was approved by SEAC, Kerala in its 112th Meeting held on 12-14th August, 2020. Based on the ToR, EIA study was conducted by accredited consultancy organization (ACO), accredited under QCI/NABET Scheme (ACO: M/s Environmental Engineers & Consultants Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi) in the month of March (2020), April (2020), May (2020) and March (2021) & April (2021) and the draft EIA report was prepared. The draft EIA report was submitted at Kerala Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) for conduction of public hearing. It was conducted on 10.03.2021 under the Chairmanship of the Additional District Magistrate, Kannur at Collectorate Auditorium, Kannur by as procedure stated in the EIA Notification, 2006. PP submitted the Pre-feasibility report. The Mining plan was approved by the District Geologist, Mining & Geology Department, Govt. of Kerala vide letter dated 09 Dec 2019.

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| | | sprinkler system | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|------|------|---|
| | | Plantation on road side-3m interval and buffer zone – 3m interval plus maintenance | 5.0 | 1.0 | Re-plant the non- surviving plants, watering and protection from animals. |
| | | Regular cleaning of paved roads, | 0.1 | 3.0 | Two workers daily |
| | | Construction of speed controllers | 0.5 | 0.1 | Construction cost of speed breakers |
| | | Asphalting of roads and its maintenance | 25.0 | 2.0 | |
| | Sub | -Total | 45.8 | 13.7 | |
| 2 | Noise & vibration | Maintenance of machinery suitably | 8 | 4 | Included in maintenance cost |
| | Pollution | PPE's like Ear muffs | 2 | 1 | Once in six months |
| | | Acoustic enclosure for DG set | 3 | 0.5 | |
| | | Blasting siren and notice boards | 2 | 0.2 | - |
| | Sub | -Total | 15 | 5.7 | |
| 3 | Water Pollution | Construction of garland drains with intermittant siltation traps (storm water management) | 10 | 4 | Once only for the lease period /life of mine. |
| | | De-silting operations | 5 | 2 | Yearly and manua operation |
| | | Construction of ponds (rain water harvesting) | 10 | 2 | Once in year, cost incurred is to buy sand bags and filling sand. and de-siltation |
| | | Construction of retaining wall for waste dump in slope side | 4 | 2 | Cost of construction of wall around the dip side of the dump. |
| | Sub | Total | 29 | 10 | |
| 4 | Occupational Safety and Health | First aid kits – 2 nos. Fire extinguishers-2 nos. | 2 | 1 | Once in year, replace by conducting periodically check- up |
| | | Training and awareness programs on risk | 2 | 3 | Once in six months and create sign boards about |

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- 4. The project proponent submitted that the Letter of Intent was granted vide letter no. 7016/M3/2019 dated 29.10.2019. The project proponent submitted the LOI extension letter dated 09.01.2022. PP submitted that the mining plan was approved vide letter no. DOC/M-1302/2019 dated 09.12.2019 for about 10 years. The project proponent submitted that the total excavation will be 88, 82,293 MT (Mineable Reserve) wherein production capacity of building stone will be 9,00,000 MTA, total top soil production will be 59,012 MT and total waste will be 1,29,830 MT. The PP submitted the EIA/EMP report on 21.09.2021.
- 5. The project proponent submitted that the method of mining will be opencast with multiple blast holes of 1.5 to 2.5 m depth will be drilled with the help of 32 mm drill rod, Jack Hammer and Air Compressor of 100 cfm capacity. The controlled blasting through "NONEL" blasting technique using Nitrate Mixture as explosive is proposed by adopting all the safety measures. Bench height will be 5 m and bench width will be 5 m. Individual bench slope will be 72° and overall pit slope will be 45° . About 10 years is the life of mine. Vehicles will be engaged for transfer of mined out material and about 25 trips of 15 T capacity tipper / dump will be utilized for transporting the mineral on per hour basis. The mine lease area of 10.3274Ha is the private land.
- 6. The project proponent submitted that the daily water demand will be about 22 KL wherein 7 KLD for domestic purposes, 10 KLD for dust suppression in mine and 5 KLD for plantation purposes. Source of water will be open well &stored rain water in pond. Proposed area for green belt/plantation will be 1.0 ha. The budget for plantation of 8,300 trees is Rs. 91.30 Lakhs.

7. Details of EMP:

| Sr. No. | | | Capital Cost | Recurring Cost | Remarks |
|------------|---------------|---|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| | Para Maria | | (Rs. lı | n Lakhs) | |
| 1. | Air Pollution | Personnel Protective Equipments (PPE) to mine workers | 6 | 2 | Safety shoe twice in a year, helmets once in three years and hand gloves (daily). ear plugs, safety goggles |
| | | Uniform for mine workers | 0.4 | 0.2 | Issued six monthly |
| | | Blast mats | 0.8 | 0.4 | As and when needed (L/S) |
| | | Wetting of roads (paved and unpaved) and | 8.0 | 5.0 | Water tanker cost @one tanker per day for 300 days. |

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| | | factors during emergencies by the experts. | and the second | | the risk and safety precaution regularly. |
|-----|---------------------------|---|------------------|----------------|--|
| | | Periodical medical check-up and supply of medicines | 4 | 4 | Once in a year and supply of medicines for every three months. |
| - 3 | Sub | Total | 8 | 8 | |
| 5 | Ecological Environment | Green Area development in buffer of mine lease area. Saplings of trees in mine lease area will be transplanted to land outside mine lease area owned by PP. Development of medicinal garden own land outside mine lease area owned by PP. | 85.0 | 3 | 8,300 tree plantation @ Rs. 1100/- |
| | Sub | Total | 85.0 | 3 | |
| 6 | Environmental monitoring | Ambient Air Quality study | | 0.48 | Will be done through |
| | | Noise and vibration studies | | 0.942 | MoEF&CC / NABL recognized |
| | 1 2 2 3 3 3 5 5 | Soil studies | - | 0.1 | laboratories |
| | | Water quality studies | | 0.32 | (ambient air, noise, soil & |
| | | Hydrogeology | | 0.1 | water) & by |
| | | Ecology assessment | | 0.25 | approved experts |
| | | Socio-economic assessment | | 0.2 | of Accredited environmental consultancy organization (Hydrogeology, Ecological & Socio-economic assessment). |
| | Sub | Total | • | 2.392 | |
| | | TOTAL | 182.8 say 183 | 40.4 say 41 | |

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- (vi) The restoration plan submitted has to be augmentation by using scientific methods as suggested by the expert members.
- (vii) The Project Proponent should periodically monitor and maintain the health records of the mine workers digitally prior to mining operations, at the time of operation of mine and post mining operations.

B. Standard conditions

I. Statutory compliance

- (1) This Environmental Clearance (EC) is subject to orders/ judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble High Court, Hon'ble NGT and any other Court of Law, Common Cause Conditions as may be applicable.
- (2) The Project proponent complies with all the statutory requirements and judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2nd August,2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 114 of 2014 in matter of Common Cause versus Union of India &Ors before commencing the mining operations.
- (3) The State Government concerned shall ensure that mining operation shall not be commenced till the entire compensation levied, if any, for illegal mining paid by the Project Proponent through their respective Department of Mining & Geology in strict compliance of Judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 2nd August, 2017 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 114 of 2014 in matter of Common Cause versus Union of India &Ors.
- (4) This Environmental Clearance shall become operational only after receiving formal NBWL Clearance from MoEF&CC subsequent to the recommendations of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife, if applicable to the Project.
- (5) This Environmental Clearance shall become operational only after receiving formal Forest Clearance (FC) under the provision of Forest Conservation Act, 1980, if applicable to the Project.
- (6) Project Proponent (PP) shall obtain Consent to Operate after grant of EC and effectively implement all the conditions stipulated therein. The mining activity shall not commence prior to obtaining Consent to Establish / Consent to Operate from the concerned State Pollution Control Board/Committee.
- (7) The PP shall adhere to the provision of the Mines Act, 1952, Mines and Mineral (Development & Regulation), Act, 2015 and rules & regulations made there under. PP shall adhere to various circulars issued by Directorate General Mines Safety (DGMS) and Indian Bureau of Mines from time to time.
- (8) The Project Proponent shall obtain consents from all the concerned land owners, before start of mining operations, as per the provisions of MMDR Act, 1957 and rules made there under in respect of lands which are not owned by it.
- (9) The Project Proponent shall follow the mitigation measures provided in MoEFCC's Office Memorandum No. Z-11013/57/2014-IA.II (M), dated 29th October, 2014, titled "Impact of mining activities on Habitations-Issues related to the mining Projects

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8. The project proponent submitted that total Cost for EMP is 1.83 crore and recurring cost is 0.40 crore. The project cost is Rs. 11.95 crores and manpower requirement is 50 persons.

9. Observation and Recommendation of the Committee:

The proposal for Environmental Clearance was considered in the 47th EAC meeting held during 7th to 9th March 2022. After the detailed deliberations, the Committee **recommended** the proposal for Environmental Clearance of Building Stone Mine (Minor Mineral) Quarry Project of M/s Sera Granites India Private Limited over an area of 10.3274 Hectares with total production capacity of 92,48,683 MT (ROM) [Building stone: 88,82,293 MT, overburden: 1,29,830 MT and top soil: 59,012 MT] situated at Re-survey nos. - 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in Village-Nediyenga, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taluk Taliparamba, District- Kannur, State-Kerala subject to the compliance of certain Specific conditions in addition to all Standard conditions applicable for non-coal mining projects.

10. The Ministry has examined the proposal in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 and further amendments thereto; and after accepting the recommendations of 47th EAC meeting held during 7th to 9th March 2022 hereby accords the Environmental Clearance of building stone mine quarry project of M/s Sera Granites India Private Limited over an area of 10.3274 ha with total production capacity of 92,48,683 MT (ROM) [building stone 88,82,293 MT, overburden 1,29,830 MT and top soil 59,012 MT] situated at re-survey nos. 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310) & others in Village Nediyenga, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taluk Taliparamba, District Kannur, State Kerala along with the following specific conditions and standard conditions subject to compliance of conditions and environmental safeguards mentioned below:

A. Specific conditions

- (i) Since the habitation is shown at 103 m from the lease boundary, blasting should be controlled and single low blasting to avoid noise vibration impacts.
- (ii) Monitoring of noise vibration and air quality at the lease boundary particularly in the direction of the habitation must be regularly done. To check the efficacy of the proposed EMP shall be implemented.
- (iii) The EMP budget which is proposed to one year in capital should also be extended to addressing concerns of people within one year of the start of mine.
- (iv) Strictly abide by the mining plan and shall not intersect ground water.
- (v) The project proponent shall continue to monitor the air quality, noise quality at the edge of the mine in all the directions besides specific station in the direction of village and submit the 6 monthly report to the IRO.

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- wherein Habitations and villages are the part of mine lease areas or Habitations and villages are surrounded by the mine lease area".
- (10) The Project Proponent shall obtain necessary prior permission of the competent authorities for drawl of requisite quantity of surface water and from CGWA for withdrawal of ground water for the project.
- (11) A copy of EC letter will be marked to concerned Panchayat / local NGO etc. if any, from whom suggestion / representation has been received while processing the proposal.
- (12) State Pollution Control Board/Committee shall be responsible for display of this EC letter at its Regional office, District Industries Centre and Collector's office/ Tehsildar's Office for 30 days.
- (13) The Project Authorities should widely advertise about the grant of this EC letter by printing the same in at least two local newspapers, one of which shall be in vernacular language of the concerned area. The advertisement shall be done within 7 days of the issue of the clearance letter mentioning that the instant project has been accorded EC and copy of the EC letter is available with the State Pollution Control Board/Committee and web site of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (www.parivesh.nic.in). A copy of the advertisement may be forwarded to the concerned MoEFCC Regional Office for compliance and record.
- (14) The Project Proponent shall inform the MoEF&CC for any change in ownership of the mining lease. In case there is any change in ownership or mining lease is transferred than mining operation shall only be carried out after transfer of EC as per provisions of the para 11 of EIA Notification, 2006 as amended from time to time.

II. Air quality monitoring and preservation

- (1) The Project Proponent shall install a minimum of 3 (three) online Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations with 1 (one) in upwind and 2 (two) in downwind direction based on long term climatological data about wind direction such that an angle of 120° is made between the monitoring locations to monitor critical parameters, relevant for mining operations, of air pollution viz. PM10, PM2.5, NO₂, CO and SO₂ etc. as per the methodology mentioned in NAAQS Notification No. B-29016/20/90/PCI/I, dated 18.11.2009 covering the aspects of transportation and use of heavy machinery in the impact zone. The ambient air quality shall also be monitored at prominent places like office building, canteen etc. as per the site condition to ascertain the exposure characteristics at specific places. The above data shall be digitally displayed within 03 months in front of the main Gate of the mine site.
- (2) Effective safeguard measures for prevention of dust generation and subsequent suppression (like regular water sprinkling, metalled road construction etc.) shall be carried out in areas prone to air pollution wherein high levels of PM10 and PM2.5 are evident such as haul road, loading and unloading point and transfer points. The

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water quality vis-à-vis suitability for usage as per CPCB criteria and flow rate. It shall be ensured that no obstruction and/ or alteration be made to water bodies during mining operations without justification and prior approval of MoEFCC. The monitoring of water courses/ bodies existing in lease area shall be carried out four times in a year viz. pre- monsoon (April-May), monsoon (August), post-monsoon (November) and winter (January) and the record of monitored data may be sent regularly to Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and its Regional Office, Central Ground Water Authority and Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board, State Pollution Control Board and Central Pollution Control Board. Clearly showing the trend analysis on six-monthly basis.

- (5) Quality of polluted water generated from mining operations which include Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) in mines run-off; acid mine drainage and metal contamination in runoff shall be monitored along with Total Suspended Solids (TDS), Dissolved Oxygen (DO), pH and Total Suspended Solids (TSS). The monitored data shall be uploaded on the website of the company as well as displayed at the project site in public domain, on a display board, at a suitable location near the main gate of the Company. The circular No. J- 20012/1/2006-IA.II (M) dated 27.05.2009 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may also be referred in this regard.
- (6) Project Proponent shall plan, develop and implement rainwater harvesting measures on long term basis to augment ground water resources in the area in consultation with Central Ground Water Board/ State Groundwater Department. A report on amount of water recharged needs to be submitted to Regional Office MoEFCC annually.
- (7) Industrial waste water (workshop and waste water from the mine) should be properly collected and treated so as to conform to the notified standards prescribed from time to time. The standards shall be prescribed through Consent to Operate (CTO) issued by concerned State Pollution Control Board (SPCB). The workshop effluent shall be treated after its initial passage through Oil and grease trap.
- (8) The water balance/water auditing shall be carried out and measure for reducing the consumption of water shall be taken up and reported to the Regional Office of the MoEF&CC and State Pollution Control Board/Committee.

IV. Noise and vibration monitoring and prevention

- (1) The peak particle velocity at 500m distance or within the nearest habitation, whichever is closer shall be monitored periodically as per applicable DGMS guidelines.
- (2) The illumination and sound at night at project sites disturb the villages in respect of both human and animal population. Consequent sleeping disorders and stress may affect the health in the villages located close to mining operations. Habitations have a right for darkness and minimal noise levels at night. PPs must ensure that the

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Fugitive dust emissions from all sources shall be regularly controlled by installation of required equipments/ machineries and preventive maintenance. Use of suitable water-soluble chemical dust suppressing agents may be explored for better effectiveness of dust control system. It shall be ensured that air pollution level conform to the standards prescribed by the MoEFCC/ Central Pollution Control Board.

III. Water quality monitoring and preservation

- (1) In case, immediate mining scheme envisages intersection of ground water table, then Environmental Clearance shall become operational only after receiving formal clearance from CGWA. In case, mining operation involves intersection of ground water table at a later stage, then PP shall ensure that prior approval from CGWA and MoEFCC is in place before such mining operations. The permission for intersection of ground water table shall essentially be based on detailed hydrogeological study of the area.
- (2) Regular monitoring of the flow rate of the springs and perennial nallahs flowing in and around the mine lease shall be carried out and records maintain. The natural water bodies and or streams which are flowing in an around the village, should not be disturbed. The Water Table should be nurtured so as not to go down below the pre-mining period. In case of any water scarcity in the area, the Project Proponent has to provide water to the villagers for their use. A provision for regular monitoring of water table in open dug wall located in village should be incorporated to ascertain the impact of mining over ground water table. The Report on changes in Ground water level and quality shall be submitted on six-monthly basis to the Regional Office of the Ministry, CGWA and State Groundwater Department / State Pollution Control Board.
- (3) Project Proponent shall regularly monitor and maintain records w.r.t. ground water level and quality in and around the mine lease by establishing a network of existing wells as well as new piezo-meter installations during the mining operation in consultation with Central Ground Water Authority/ State Ground Water Department. The Report on changes in Ground water level and quality shall be submitted on sixmonthly basis to the Regional Office of the Ministry, CGWA and State Groundwater Department / State Pollution Control Board.
- (4) The Project Proponent shall undertake regular monitoring of natural water course/ water resources/ springs and perennial nallahs existing/ flowing in and around the mine lease and maintain its records. The project proponent shall undertake regular monitoring of water quality upstream and downstream of water bodies passing within and nearby/ adjacent to the mine lease and maintain its records. Sufficient number of gullies shall be provided at appropriate places within the lease for management of water. PP shall carryout regular monitoring w.r.t. pH and included the same in monitoring plan. The parameters to be monitored shall include their

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- biological clock of the villages is not disturbed; by orienting the floodlights/ masks away from the villagers and keeping the noise levels well within the prescribed limits for day /night hours.
- (3) The Project Proponent shall take measures for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. The workers engaged in operations of HEMM, etc. should be provided with ear plugs /muffs. All personnel including laborers working in dusty areas shall be provided with protective respiratory devices along with adequate training, awareness and information on safety and health aspects. The PP shall be held responsible in case it has been found that workers/ personals/ laborers are working without personal protective equipment.

V. Mining plan

- (1) The Project Proponent shall adhere to the working parameters of mining plan which was submitted at the time of EC appraisal wherein year-wise plan was mentioned for total excavation i.e. quantum of mineral, waste, over burden, inter burden and top soil etc.. No change in basic mining proposal like mining technology, total excavation, mineral & waste production, lease area and scope of working (viz. method of mining, overburden & dump management, O.B & dump mining, mineral transportation mode, ultimate depth of mining etc.) shall not be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, which entail adverse environmental impacts, even if it is a part of approved mining plan modified after grant of EC or granted by State Govt. in the form to Short Term Permit (STP), Query license or any other name.
- (2) The Project Proponent shall get the Final Mine Closure Plan along with Financial Assurance approved from Indian Bureau of Mines/Department of Mining & Geology as required under the Provision of the MMDR Act, 1957 and Rules/ Guidelines made there under. A copy of approved final mine closure plan shall be submitted within 2 months of the approval of the same from the competent authority to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for record and verification.
- (3) The land-use of the mine lease area at various stages of mining scheme as well as at the end-of-life shall be governed as per the approved Mining Plan. The excavation vis-à-vis backfilling in the mine lease area and corresponding afforestation to be raised in the reclaimed area shall be governed as per approved mining plan. PP shall ensure the monitoring and management of rehabilitated areas until the vegetation becomes self-sustaining. The compliance status shall be submitted half-yearly to the MoEFCC and its concerned Regional Office.

VI. Land reclamation

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top soil dumps like height, width and angle of slope shall be governed as per the approved Mining Plan and as per the guidelines framed by DGMS w.r.t. safety in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of dumps. The topsoil shall be used for land reclamation and plantation purpose.

VII. Transportation

- (1) No Transportation of the minerals shall be allowed in case of roads passing through villages/ habitations. In such cases, PP shall construct a 'bypass' road for the purpose of transportation of the minerals leaving an adequate gap (say at least 200 meters) so that the adverse impact of sound and dust along with chances of accidents could be mitigated. All costs resulting from widening and strengthening of existing public road network shall be borne by the PP in consultation with nodal State Govt. Department. Transportation of minerals through road movement in case of existing village/ rural roads shall be allowed in consultation with nodal State Govt. Department only after required strengthening such that the carrying capacity of roads is increased to handle the traffic load. The pollution due to transportation load on the environment will be effectively controlled and water sprinkling will also be done regularly. Vehicular emissions shall be kept under control and regularly monitored. Project should obtain Pollution Under Control (PUC) certificate for all the vehicles from authorized pollution testing centers.
- (2) The Main haulage road within the mine lease should be provided with a permanent water sprinkling arrangement for dust suppression. Other roads within the mine lease should be wetted regularly with tanker-mounted water sprinkling system. The other areas of dust generation like crushing zone, material transfer points, material yards etc. should invariably be provided with dust suppression arrangements. The air pollution control equipments like bag filters, vacuum suction hoods, dry fogging system etc. shall be installed at Crushers, belt-conveyors and other areas prone to air pollution. The belt conveyor should be fully covered to avoid generation of dust while transportation. PP shall take necessary measures to avoid generation of fugitive dust emissions.

VIII. Green Belt

- (1) The Project Proponent shall develop greenbelt in 7.5m wide safety zone all along the mine lease boundary as per the guidelines of CPCB in order to arrest pollution emanating from mining operations within the lease. The whole Green belt shall be developed within first 5 years starting from windward side of the active mining area. The development of greenbelt shall be governed as per the EC granted by the Ministry irrespective of the stipulation made in approved mine plan.
- (2) The Project Proponent shall carryout plantation/ afforestation in backfilled and reclaimed area of mining lease, around water body, along the roadsides, in

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- (1) The Overburden (O.B.) generated during the mining operations shall be stacked at earmarked OB dump site(s) only and it should not be kept active for a long period of time. The physical parameters of the OB dumps like height, width and angle of slope shall be governed as per the approved Mining Plan as per the guidelines/circulars issued by D.G.M.S w.r.t. safety in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of top soil/OB dumps. The topsoil shall be used for land reclamation and plantation.
- (2) The reject/waste generated during the mining operations shall be stacked at earmarked waste dump site(s) only. The physical parameters of the waste dumps like height, width and angle of slope shall be governed as per the approved Mining Plan as per the guidelines/circulars issued by DGMS w.r.t. safety in mining operations shall be strictly adhered to maintain the stability of waste dumps.
- (3) The reclamation of waste dump sites shall be done in scientific manner as per the Approved Mining Plan cum Progressive Mine Closure Plan.
- (4) The slope of dumps shall be vegetated in scientific manner with suitable native species to maintain the slope stability, prevent erosion and surface run off. The selection of local species regulates local climatic parameters and help in adaptation of plant species to the microclimate. The gullies formed on slopes should be adequately taken care of as it impacts the overall stability of dumps. The dump mass should be consolidated with the help of dozer/ compactors thereby ensuring proper filling/ leveling of dump mass. In critical areas, use of geo textiles/ geomembranes / clay liners / Bentonite etc. shall be undertaken for stabilization of the dump.
- (5) The Project Proponent shall carry out slope stability study in case the dump height is more than 30 meters. The slope stability report shall be submitted to concerned regional office of MoEF&CC.
- (6) Catch drains, settling tanks and siltation ponds of appropriate size shall be constructed around the mine working, mineral yards and Top Soil/OB/Waste dumps to prevent run off of water and flow of sediments directly into the water bodies (Nallah/ River/ Pond etc.). The collected water should be utilized for watering the mine area, roads, green belt development, plantation etc. The drains/ sedimentation sumps etc. shall be de-silted regularly, particularly after monsoon season, and maintained properly.
- (7) Check dams of appropriate size, gradient and length shall be constructed around mine pit and OB dumps to prevent storm run-off and sediment flow into adjoining water bodies. A safety margin of 50% shall be kept for designing of sump structures over and above peak rainfall (based on 50 years data) and maximum discharge in the mine and its adjoining area which shall also help in providing adequate retention time period thereby allowing proper settling of sediments/ silt material. The sedimentation pits/ sumps shall be constructed at the corners of the garland drains.
- (8) The top soil, if any, shall temporarily be stored at earmarked site(s) within the mine lease only and should not be kept unutilized for long. The physical parameters of the

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community areas etc. by planting the native species in consultation with the State Forest Department/ Agriculture Department/ Rural development department/ Tribal Welfare Department/ Gram Panchayat such that only those species be selected which are of use to the local people. The CPCB guidelines in this respect shall also be adhered. The density of the trees should be around 2500 saplings per Hectare. Adequate budgetary provision shall be made for protection and care of trees.

- (3) The Project Proponent shall make necessary alternative arrangements for livestock feed by developing grazing land with a view to compensate those areas which are coming within the mine lease. The development of such grazing land shall be done in consultation with the State Government. In this regard, Project Proponent should essentially implement the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court with regard to acquisition of grazing land. The sparse trees on such grazing ground, which provide mid-day shelter from the scorching sun, should be scrupulously guarded/ protected against felling and plantation of such trees should be promoted.
- (4) The Project Proponent shall undertake all precautionary measures for conservation and protection of endangered flora and fauna and Schedule-I species during mining operation. A Wildlife Conservation Plan shall be prepared for the same clearly delineating action to be taken for conservation of flora and fauna. The Plan shall be approved by Chief Wild Life Warden of the State Govt.
- (5) And implemented in consultation with the State Forest and Wildlife Department. A copy of Wildlife Conservation Plan and its implementation status (annual) shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry.

IX. Public hearing and human health issues

- (1) The Project Proponent shall appoint an Occupational Health Specialist for Regular as well as Periodical medical examination of the workers engaged in the mining activities, as per the DGMS guidelines. The records shall be maintained properly. PP shall also carryout Occupational health check-ups in respect of workers which are having ailments like BP, diabetes, habitual smoking, etc. The check-ups shall be undertaken once in six months and necessary remedial/ preventive measures be taken. A status report on the same may be sent to MoEFCC Regional Office and DGMS on half-yearly basis.
- (2) The Project Proponent must demonstrate commitment to work towards 'Zero Harm' from their mining activities and carry out Health Risk Assessment (HRA) for identification workplace hazards and assess their potential risks to health and determine appropriate control measures to protect the health and wellbeing of workers and nearby community. The proponent shall maintain accurate and systematic records of the HRA. The HRA for neighborhood has to focus on Public Health Problems like Malaria, Tuberculosis, HIV, Anaemia, Diarrhoea in children under five, respiratory infections due to bio mass cooking. The proponent shall also create awareness and educate the nearby community and workers for Sanitation,

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- project related infrastructure. The domestic waste water should be treated with STP in order to avoid contamination of underground water.
- (7) The activities proposed in Action plan prepared for addressing the issues raised during the Public Hearing shall be completed as per the budgetary provisions mentioned in the Action Plan and within the stipulated time frame. The Status Report on implementation of Action Plan shall be submitted to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry along with District Administration.

X. Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER)

- (1) The activities and budget earmarked for Corporate Environmental Responsibility (CER) as per Ministry's O.M No 22-65/2017-IA. II (M) dated 01.05.2018 or as proposed by EAC should be kept in a separate bank account. The activities proposed for CER shall be implemented in a time bound manner and annual report of implementation of the same along with documentary proof viz. photographs, purchase documents, latitude & longitude of infrastructure developed & road constructed needs to be submitted to Regional Office MoEF&CC annually along with audited statement.
- (2) Project Proponent shall keep the funds earmarked for environmental protection measures in a separate account and refrain from diverting the same for other purposes. The Year wise expenditure of such funds should be reported to the MoEFCC and its concerned Regional Office.

XI. Miscellaneous

- (1) The Project Proponent shall prepare digital map (land use & land cover) of the entire lease area once in five years purpose of monitoring land use pattern and submit a report to concerned Regional Office of the MoEF&CC.
- (2) The Project Authorities should inform to the Regional Office regarding date of financial closures and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land development work.
- (3) The Project Proponent shall submit six monthly compliance reports on the status of the implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards to the MoEFCC & its concerned Regional Office, Central Pollution Control Board and State Pollution Control Board.
- (4) A separate 'Environmental Management Cell' with suitable qualified manpower should be set-up under the control of a Senior Executive. The Senior Executive shall directly report to Head of the Organization. Adequate number of qualified Environmental Scientists and Mining Engineers shall be appointed and submit a report to RO, MoEFCC.
- (5) The concerned Regional Office of the MoEFCC shall randomly monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities should extend full cooperation to

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- Personal Hygiene, Hand washing, not to defecate in open, Women Health and Hygiene (Providing Sanitary Napkins), hazard of tobacco and alcohol use. The Proponent shall carryout base line HRA for all the category of workers and thereafter every five years.
- The Proponent shall carry out Occupational health surveillance which be a part of HRA and include Biological Monitoring where practical and feasible, and the tests and investigations relevant to the exposure (e.g. for Dust a X-Ray chest; For Noise Audiometric; for Lead Exposure Blood Lead, For Welders Full Ophthalmologic Assessment; for Manganese Miners a complete Neurological Assessment by a Certified Neurologist, and Manganese (Mn) Estimation in Blood; For Inorganic Chromium- Fortnightly skin inspection of hands and forearms by a responsible person. Except routine tests all tests would be carried out in a Lab accredited by NABH. Records of Health Surveillance must be kept for 30 years, including the results of and the records of Physical examination and tests. The record of exposure due to materials like Asbestos, Hard Rock Mining, Silica, Gold, Kaolin, Aluminium, Iron, Manganese, Chromium, Lead, Uranium need to be handed over to the Mining Department of the State in case the life of the mine is less than 30 years. It would be obligatory for the State Mines Departments to make arrangements for the safe and secure storage of the records including X-Ray. Only conventional X-Ray will be accepted for record purposes and not the digital one). X-Ray must meet ILO criteria (17 x14 inches and of good quality).
- (4) The Proponent shall maintained a record of performance indicators for workers which includes (a) there should not be a significant decline in their Body Mass Index and it should stay between 18.5 -24.9, (b) the Final Chest X-Ray compared with the base line X-Ray should not show any capacities, (c) At the end of their leaving job there should be no Diminution in their Lung Functions Forced Expiratory Volume in one second (FEV1), Forced Vital Capacity (FVC), and the ratio) unless they are smokers which has to be adjusted, and the effect of age, (d) their hearing should not be affected. As a proof an Audiogram (first and last need to be presented), (e) they should not have developed any Persistent Back Pain, Neck Pain, and the movement of their Hip, Knee and other joints should have normal range of movement, (f) they should not have suffered loss of any body part. The record of the same should be submitted to the Regional Office, MoEFCC annually along with details of the relief and compensation paid to workers having above indications.
- (5) The Project Proponent shall ensure that Personnel working in dusty areas should wear protective respiratory devices and they should also be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspects.
- (6) Project Proponent shall make provision for the housing for workers/labors or shall construct labor camps within/outside (company owned land) with necessary basic infrastructure/ facilities like fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water, medical health care, crèche for kids etc. The housing may be provided in the form of temporary structures which can be removed after the completion of the

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the MoEFCC officer(s) by furnishing the requisite data / information / monitoring reports.

- 12. The Ministry or any other competent authority may alter/modify the above conditions or stipulate any further condition in the interest of environment protection.
- Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attracts action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 14. The above conditions will be enforced inter-alia, under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 along with their amendments and rules made there under and also any other orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India/ High Court of Rajasthan and any other Court of Law relating to the subject matter.
- Any appeal against this environmental clearance shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.
- 16. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Pankaj Verma) Scientist E

Copy to

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001.
- The Secretary, Department of Mines & Geology, Government of Kerala, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 001.
- 3. The Secretary, Department of Environment, Government of Kerala, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram- 695 001.
- 4. The Secretary, Department of Forests, Government of Kerala, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram- 695 001.
- 5. The Chief Wildlife Warden, Forest Department, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram - 695 014.
- 6. The Deputy Director General of Forests (C), Ministry of Env., Forest and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, Koramangala II Block, Bangalore - 560034

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वाणिज्य और उद्योग मंत्रालय | Ministry of Commerce & Industry

पोशिष्य आर खीं। मनात्य | Ministry of Commerce & inousity पेट्रोलियम तथा विस्फोटक मुश्ती संगठन (पेसी) | Pernolum & Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) पूर्व नाम- विस्फोटक विभाग | Formerly- Department of Explosives केन्द्रीय भवन, ब्लाक सो-2, तीसरी मीजिंत | Kendriya Bhavan, Block C-2, 3rd Floor CSEZ पी.ओ.कवकानांड कोची | CSEZ PO Kakkanad Dist. Ernatkulam Ernakulam 682037 फोन (Phone):- 2427286 | फैक्स (Fax):- 2427276

संख्या (No.): E/SC/KL/22/1509(E52766)

दिनांक (Date): 18/08/2022

Sh.P.B.TER. JOSEPH, Managing Director,
SERA GRANITES INDIA PVTLITD, 3/546 v, St. Antonoys Shopping Complex, Kizhakkambalam P.O., Town/Village - Kizhakkambalam
District-ERNAKULAM, State-Kerala, Pincode - 682038

Survey No.R.S.No.25/1.Apt,1/1., ग्राम Nediyenga village,Thaliparamba taluk, जिला KANNUR, राज्य Kerala में मेसर्स Sh.PETER JOSEPH, Managing Director द्वारा विस्फोटक के मैगजीन में उपयोग के लिए कब्जा हेतु विस्फोटक नियम, 2008 के अंतर्गत LE-3 में जारी अनुञ्जप्ति सं E/SC/KL/22/1509(E52766) के संशोधन संदर्भ में I (आरेखण / सुविधाएं / परिसर में परिवर्तन)

Possession for Use of of Explosives from magazine situated at Survey No.:R.S.No.25/IApt,1/1., Nediyenga village, Thaliparamba taluk, Dist. KANNUR, Kerala -Licence No.: E/SC/KL/22/1509(E52766) granted in Form LE-3 of Explosives Rules, 2008 - (Amendment in Drawings/Facilities/Premises).

महोदय | Sir,

आपका उपर्युक्त विषय पर पत्र संख्या 68687 दिनांक 11/08/2022 का संदर्भ ग्रहण करें।

সন্মান संख्या EISC/KL/22/1509(E52766) 1.) INTIMATION REGARDING QUARRYING OPERATIONS AT BLOCK NO 70, R SY.NO.25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2309), 25/1A (25/2309)

No.: E/SC/KL-22/1509(E52766) is torwarded herewith duly amended in respect of followings;

1.) INTIMATION REGARDING QUARRYING OPERATIONS AT BLOCK NO 70, R. SYNO.25/1A (25/2309), 25/1A (25/2309), 28/1A (25/2309), 28/1

किसी भी एक समय में लाइसेंस क्षमता निम्नलिखित वर्ग तथा मात्रा से अधिक नहीं होगी।

The licence capacity at any one time shall not exceed the kinds and quantities mentioned below;

| संख्या No | विस्फोटक Explosive(s) | • | वर्ग Class | प्रभाग Div | उप-प्रभाग Sub Div | क्षमता Capacity | ड्काई Unit |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|---------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Nitrate Mixture | | 2 | 0 | 0 | 150 | Kg. |
| 2 | Safety Fuse | | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1500 | Mtrs |
| 3 | Electric and/or Ordinary Detonators | | 6 | 3 | 0 | 4000 | Nos. |

किसी एक क्लैंडर मास में खरीदे जाने वाले विस्फोटक की मात्रा (अनुच्छेद ३ (ख) और (ग) के अधीन अनुजय्ति के लिए लागू) : 26 गुना Quantity of explosives to be purchased in a calendar month[applicable for licence under article 3(b) and (c)] : 26 times as above.

यह अनुज्ञप्ति दिनांक 31 मार्च 2027 तक प्रवृत्त रहेगी। This Licence shall remain valid till 31st day of March 2027.

अनुत्रप्ति के आगामी नवीकरण हेतु कृपया विस्फोयटक नियम, 2008 के नियम 112 के अंतर्गत प्रक्रिया का पालन करें। कृपया पावती दें। For further revalidation(if required), please follow the procedure under Rule 112 of Explosives Rules, 2008. Receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.

भवदीय | Your's faithfully

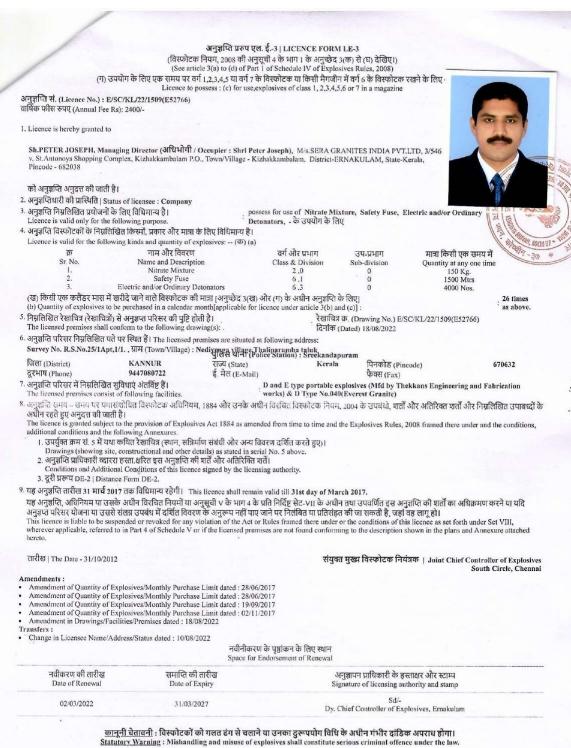
(पी.के.राणा | Dr. P. K. Rana)

उप मुख्य विस्फोटक नियंत्रक | Deputy Chief Controller of Explosives

कोच्ची | Ernakulam

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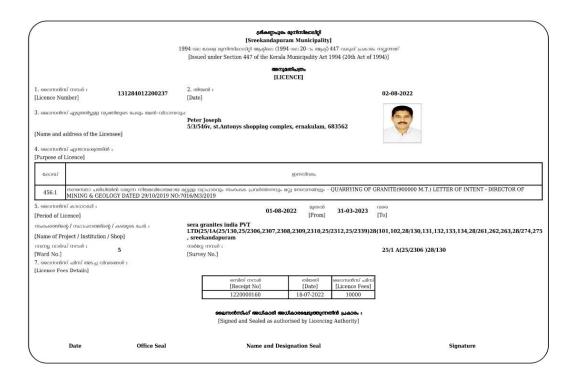
1. District Magistrate, KANNUR, Kerala with reference to his Noc No: 2010/33288/13/D4/TRNS(Transfer) Dated: 06/08/2022



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NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that the proposed quarry project at Re-survey nos.- 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310), 25/1A (25/2309), 28 (28/274), 28 (28/133), 25/1A (25/2312), 28 (28/102), 25/1A (25/130), 28 (28/263), 28 (28/131), 25/1A (25/2306), 25/1A (25/2307), 25/1A (25/2339), 28 (28/134), 28 (28/262), 28 (28/101), 28 (28/130), 28 (28/132), 28 (28/275), 28 (28/261) of Nediyenga village, Sreekandapuram Municipality, Taliparamba Taluk, Kannur District, Kerala State for an area of 10.3274 Hectares being developed by M/s Sera Granites India Private Limited is accorded with ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF & CC), Government of India vide EC Identification No. EC22A001KL117061 & File No. IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II(NCM) dated 05.04.2022 and the copy of the Environmental Clearance is available on the website of MoEF & CC [https://parivesh.nic.in]

നോട്ടീസ്

പൊതുജന ശ്രദ്ധയ്ക്കായി, കേരള സംസ്ഥാനം, കണ്ണൂർ ജില്ല, തളിപ്പറമ്പ് താലൂക്ക്, ശ്രീകണ്ഠാപുരം മുനിസിപ്പാ ലിറ്റി, നെടിയങ്ങ വില്ലേജിൽ റീസർവേ - നമ്പർ 25/1A (25/2308), 25/1A (25/2310), 25/1A (25/2309), 28 (28/274), 28 (28/133), 25/1A (25/2312), 28 (28/102), 25/1A (25/130), 28 (28/263), 28 (28/131), 25/1A (25/2306), 25/1A (25/2307), 25/1A (25/2339), 28 (28/134), 28 (28/262), 28 (28/101), 28 (28/130), 28 (28/132), 28 (28/275), 28 (28/261)-ൽ ഉൾപ്പെ ട്ട 10.3274 ഹെക്ടർ സ്ഥലത്ത് പാറ ഖനനം ചെയ്യുന്ന തിനു വേണ്ട പാരിസ്ഥിതികാനുമതി സെറ ഗ്രാനൈ റ്റ്സ് ഇന്ത്യ പ്രൈവറ്റ് ലിമിറ്റഡ് എന്ന സ്ഥാപനത്തിന് കേന്ദ്ര പാരിസ്ഥിതി, വനം & കാലാവസ്ഥ വ്യതിയാനം (Moef & cc) മന്ത്രാലയം, കേന്ദ്ര സർക്കാർ (ഗവ. ഓഫ് ഇന്ത്യ)-ൽ നിന്നും ഇസി ഐഡൻറിഫിക്കേഷൻ നം. EC22A001KL117061, ഫയൽ നം. IA-J-11015/86/2021-IA-II(NCM) & തീയതി 05.04.2022 എന്ന ഓർഡർ പ്രകാരം ലഭിച്ചിരിയ്ക്കുന്നു. ഈ ഓർഡറിന്റെ - പകർപ്പ് കേന്ദ്ര പരി സ്ഥിതി, വനം & കാലാവസ്ഥ വ്യതിയാനം (MoEF & CC) മന്ത്രാലയത്തിന്റെ വെബ്സൈറ്റിൽ (https://parivesh. nic.in) ലഭ്യമാണ്.

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