

MINUTES OF 28TH MEETING OF SEAC KERALA HELD ON 25TH & 26TH APRIL 2014, AT HARITHASREE HALL, DoECC

The twenty-eighth meeting of SEAC-Kerala was held on 25th and 26th April 2014 at Harithasree Hall, Department of Environment and Climate Change, Thiruvananthapuram. The list of participants is given at the end.

Chairman, SEAC welcomed all the members. Chairman in his introductory remarks suggested to simplify the appraisal of proposals and stipulating general/specific conditions in EC on removal of ordinary earth received from genuine proponents for constructing houses, agriculture purpose etc. The Committee discussed on the processing of applications for Environmental Clearance, especially with respect to the removal of brick earth/ordinary earth from areas less than 5 hectares. It was observed from the earlier cases of appraisal of such applications that many of the conditions suggested by SEAC are common to all such projects which is based on the O.M. of MoEF dt. 24.06.2013 on the guidelines for consideration of proposals for grant of environmental clearance under EIA Notification, 2006 for mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares. Considering the same it is recommended to include the conditions in the said O.M. as general conditions in all Environmental Clearances for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth. (as in other category of projects like building/construction projects/mining projects,) in addition to the specific conditions stipulated for each item. Further, after examining each conditions on the said O.M. and considering the Kerala scenario of high population density, it was also decided to modify one of the conditions in the said O.M. as "A berm shall be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth (minimum 2 m) of proposed excavation".

Thereafter, regular agenda items were taken up for deliberations:

Item No. 28.01 Confirmation of the minutes of the 26th and 27th SEAC meetings, **held on 20th & 21st March 2014, and 27th March 2014 respectively at Harithasree Hall, Department of Environment and Climate Change, Thiruvananthapuram**

Confirmed.

Item No. 28.02 Action taken report on the decisions of the 26th and 27th SEAC meetings

Noted.

Item No. 28.03 Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 701/01 at Aamballoor Village, Alagappa Nagar Panchayath, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Smt. Rugmani Amma (File No. 249/SEIAA/KL/1044/2014)

Further to intimation from the Secretariat of SEAC/SEIAA, Mr. Unnikrishnan, authorized representative of the applicant attended the SEAC meeting with due authorization from the applicant. The applicant has expressed her inability to attend the meeting due to health reasons. During appraisal, the Committee found that the proponent has left blank Col. 3 of the application regarding the extent of area proposed for removal of earth. To this end the proponent stated the same as 0.14 hectares. Further considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided thereon and after seeking clarifications from the authorized representative, some of which were not satisfactorily addressed, the Committee DEFERRED the item and

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directed the proponent to provide the following to SEAC for further consideration of their proposal:

1. Since the Sy.No.701/1 is owned by Rugmani Amma & others, consent from 'others' to be provided.
2. The name of the applicant is given as Rugmani amma in the application whereas in the Voter's ID card the name is given as Rugmani. So 'One and the Same' certificate from Village Officer.
3. Valid document to prove that the removed earth from Sy. No. 701/1 will be used to fill the pit in (Sy. No. 67/2) from where the clay is extracted earlier.
4. Location sketch duly signed by Village Officer.

Item No. 28.04 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 127/3 and 132/1 at Aloor Village, Kandanassery Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. P.V. Rajan (File No. 255/SEIAA/KL/1113/2014)**

Further to intimation from the Secretariat of SEAC/SEIAA, the applicant, Mr. P.V. Rajan (and not V.V. Rajan as mentioned in the application) attended the SEAC meeting to provide necessary information/clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that even though the proponent has not provided copy of land tax receipt for Sy. No. 132/1 along with the application, he has submitted saakshyapathram from Village Officer, Aloor stating that he has remitted the basic tax for Sy. No.132/1 for the financial year 2013-14. The same was verified and found to be satisfactory. Since the applicant has left some columns blank in the application, clarification was sought regarding the extent of area in hectare proposed for removal of earth and the purpose of utilization of removed earth. To this end the proponent stated the extent of area as 0.7506 hectare (Sy. No. 132/1 is 0.0323 hectare and Sy. No. 127/3 is 0.07183 hectare). As per the NOC from District Collector, Thrissur, the applicant is given permission to remove only 1650 m³ of earth from 0.0809 hectare of land and that the removed earth shall be used for the road works of Punnayoor & Vadakkekad Panchayaths and Guruvayoor Municipality. But since it was found that the proponent has not submitted any valid document to prove the purpose of utilization of removed earth, he is directed to provide the same. The Committee also found the consent from other owners of the land given to the applicant to be satisfactory. The Committee's major concern with respect to the application was the proposed mining depth of 5 m by the applicant, as evident from the FMB provided by the proponent. Hence it was reiterated that excavation up to a maximum depth of 2 m from the ground level is only permissible. To this end the proponent stated that they are proposing to remove earth in benches as they are doing so to prevent soil from falling over their house and hence the depth will not exceed 2 m.

Considering the above, the item is RECOMMENDED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of MoEF. The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA subject to the satisfactory receipt of valid document by the Secretary SEAC from the proponent to prove the purpose of utilization of removed earth.

Item No. 28.05 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 146/1C3, 147/2C and 146/1C at Puthenchira Village and Panchayath, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Smt. P.G. Bhanumathi (File No. 256/SEIAA/KL/1115/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant was absent for the meeting. Hence the item is DEFERRED and the project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

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Item No. 28.06 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 142 at Thrissur Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Srinivasan K.R. (File No. 257/SEIAA/KL/1129/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the removed earth shall be given by the proponent for Maarar Kole Padavu Bund and the same has been reported by the Addl. Tahsildar, Thrissur. It was also found that the Sy. No. of the land is mentioned as 142/1 in the saakshyapathram and mentioned as 142/1 P in the sale deed and in the land tax receipt whereas the applicant has sought EC for earth removal in Sy. No. 142. Hence it was decided to consider EC for 0.0581 hectares and 0.0584 hectares of land in Sy. No.142/1P as per the two sale deeds. It was also found that the 'nilam' in the land documents is reclaimed land at present as per Thrissur Urban Development Authority acquisition.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance as per the usual conditions specified in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests on mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares with the specific condition that *only 692 m³ of earth should be removed from land bearing Sy. No. 142/1P at Thrissur Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala, limiting the depth of excavation to 2 m from the ground level.*

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.07 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 111/p, 112/1 and 127/1 at Aloor Village, Kandanassery Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Joby & Joshy (File No. 259/SEIAA/KL/1146/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicants attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. As stated by the proponent, the purpose of removal of earth is for levelling the land. The proponent stated that the major portion of earth removed from 1.5 hectares of land will be used within the plot for levelling the land and only the excess earth of 1530 m³ shall be given outside which shall be used for NABARD RIDF-19 Thrissur Ponnani kole development. Further, Addl. Tahsildar, Talappilly has reported the proposed utilization of earth to be removed from the site.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance as per the usual conditions specified in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests on mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares with the specific condition that *only 1530 m³ of excess earth left after levelling the plot will be given outside from 1.5 hectares of land bearing Sy. Nos. 111/p, 112/1 and 127/1 at Aloor Village, Kandanassery Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala, for NABARD RIDF-19 Thrissur Ponnani kole development.*

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.08 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 996/p at Ollukkara Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Smt. Celin Jacob (File No. 260/SEIAA/KL/1174/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, Mr. John J. Chowallur, son of the applicant, with due authorization from the applicant, attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that as per the proceedings of Sub collector, Thrissur, permission is granted to the applicant to remove 200 m³ of earth from Sy. No. 996/P. Since the applicant has not mentioned in the application the proposed quantity of earth to be removed, it is decided to grant permission to remove the quantity as permitted by Sub collector, Thrissur. As given in saakshyapathram from Addl. Tahsildar, Thrissur, the proposed project site is a hill at present. But the Committee found that the quantity of earth to be removed is less and the purpose of removal is for preparing the land for constructing the house. Since the purpose was found to be genuine and the quantity to be extracted a small one, it is decided to recommend the project for Environmental Clearance. The Committee found that even though the proponent has stated in the application that the removed earth shall be utilized for filling the floor within the plot and shall be deposited on the premises of Innovative HS Kuttanaloor Phase III, Kerala State Housing Board, located at a distance of 10 km from the project site, no valid document to prove the same is provided. Hence the proponent is directed to provide a letter from the High School authority stating that the earth removed from the plot of the applicant in Sy. No. 996/p at Ollukkara Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala shall be used on their premises.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the authorized representative of the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance as per the usual conditions specified in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests on mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares with the specific condition that *200 m³ of earth shall be removed from 0.0405 hectare of land in Sy. No. 996/p at Ollukkara Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala.*

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to the satisfactory receipt of valid document by Secretary SEAC from the proponent to prove the utilization of removed earth from the site.*

Item No. 28.09 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 2057 at Kuttichira Village, Chalakudy Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Shibu P. John (File No. 261/SEIAA/KL/1189/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the land bearing Sy. No. 2057 is owned by the applicant and his wife Smitha Shibu, but consent from the wife for removing the earth is not provided. Hence the Committee directed the proponent to provide consent from his wife, for removing the earth from the land owned by her. When asked as to why the proponent has not provided the distance left from all sides of the plot for removal of earth, the proponent stated that the nearby plot is owned by him and his relatives. The Committee found that the quantity of earth to be removed for which EC is sought is large. To this end the proponent stated that the major portion of the removed earth shall be used within the plot for levelling the same for planting rubber and the remaining portion shall only be given for the construction of Kole bund of KLDC Ltd. It was also found that the applicant has sought

EC for removal of earth from 0.8094 hectare of land whereas in the saakshyapathram in the application certified by Thahsildar, Chalakudy, the extent of area is given as 1.8185 hectares. However, the Committee decided to consider EC for removing earth from 0.8094 hectare of land as sought by the proponent.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the authorized representative of the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance as per the usual conditions specified in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests on mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares with the specific condition that *10000 m³ of earth shall only be removed from 0.8094 hectare of land in Sy. No. 2057 at Kuttichira Village, Chalakudy Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala out of which only the portion of earth left after levelling the plot shall be given for the construction of Kole bund of KLDC Ltd.*

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to the satisfactory receipt of consent from Smitha Shibu, by Secretary SEAC, for removing the earth from the land owned by her.*

Item No. 28.10 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 1070 at Kizhakkummuri Village, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Johnson V. K. (File No. 262/SEIAA/KL/1192/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. It was found that the proponent has provided notarized affidavit in stamp paper wherein the declaration is incomplete. However, on verifying the same it is found that the content of the declaration serves the purpose of the same and found to be acceptable. It was found that the photograph of the applicant in the application was not attested by Gazetted Officer. The proponent submitted the photograph attested by Gazetted Officer before the Committee. It was also found that the witness has not signed the application and also the applicant has left many columns blank in the same, including the declaration. Hence the proponent is directed to resubmit the application form.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance as per the usual conditions specified in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests on mining of 'brick earth' and 'ordinary earth' having lease area less than 5 hectares with the specific condition that *250 m³ of earth shall only be removed from 4 cents of land in Sy. No. 1070 at Kizhakkummuri Village, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala.*

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA subject to the submission of following documents to Secretary SEAC, who is authorized to verify the same for its satisfactory receipt for forwarding to SEIAA:

1. Revised application form
2. Valid document to prove that the removed earth shall be utilized for construction of Children's Park at Annamanada.
3. Location sketch (in original)

Item No. 28.11

Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 532/1, 628/2, 628/3, 628/15, 536/1 and 628/4 at Mulayam Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Manoj Joseph and Ruby Manoj (File No. 263/SEIAA/KL/1194/2014)

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that as per the land documents Sy. No. 532 is Purambokke Govt. tharisu and hence asked the proponent as to how they possessed the land. To this end the proponent stated that they have obtained pattayam for that Sy. No. Committee verified the same which was found to be genuine. The Committee found that in Col. No. 1 of the application, the names of applicants are given as Manoj Joseph and Ruby Manoj, but photograph of only Manoj Joseph is affixed in the application form and in the saakshyapathram certified by Addl. Tahsildar, Thrissur, the names of both are included. Further it was observed with concern that the proponent has sought EC for removal of huge quantity of earth (12330 m³). But the proponent stated that even though the quantity of earth proposed to be removed is 12330 m³, more than three-fourth of the quantity shall be used within the plot for levelling the land for preparing the same to construct house. Other discrepancies noted in the application were:

1. The applicant has not duly filled in the declaration part in the application.
2. Location sketch is not original
3. Consent from Ruby Manoj given to the applicant to remove earth from the land owned by her not provided.
4. The proponent has stated in the application that the removed earth shall be utilized for construction of PMG. SY Central Govt. Road Work, Ambilikunnu, Ezhamkallu. But no valid document to prove the same is provided.

Considering the above, the item is DEFERRED directing the proponent to provide the following clarifications/documents to SEAC for further consideration of the proposal:

1. Resubmit the application form
2. Location sketch in original
3. Consent from Ruby Manoj given to the applicant to remove earth from the land owned by her and to do all acts and deeds that may be necessary for obtaining EC.
4. Valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth.
5. Affidavit to the effect that the excess earth left after levelling the plot shall only be given outside for construction of PMG. SY Central Govt. Road Work, Ambilikunnu, Ezhamkallu (specifying the quantity).

Item No. 28.12

Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Sy. No. 67/2 at Amballoor Village, Alagappanagar Panchayath, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. M.A. Chandran (File No. 265/SEIAA/KL/1214/2014)

Mr. Biju, son of the applicant attended the meeting with due authorization from the applicant stating his inability to attend the meeting due to health reasons. However in this case the Committee found that even though the applicant has sought EC for removal of earth, in the proceedings of District Collector, Thrissur permission is granted for mining clay from 0.1943 hectare of land in Sy. No. 67/2. The Committee felt that mining of clay may require the usual appraisal process as per the procedures laid down in EIA Notification and its subsequent amendments. The proponent also informed the Committee that he has his own tiles factory for which raw material is proposed to be taken from the project site and that the left over pit after

extraction of clay shall be refilled with sand. The Committee decided to visit the site and to further proceed in the matter after examining the procedural aspect of appraising the project along with satisfactorily addressing the following for further consideration of the proposal:

1. Col. 3 in the application regarding the extent of area in hectares is left blank. But in the affidavit in stamp paper and in the Saakshyapathram certified by Additional Tahsildar, Mukundapuram, the extent of area is mentioned as 0.1943 hectare
2. Col. 25 of the application regarding the distance left from adjacent plot on all the four sides not specifically provided.
3. As stated by the applicant in col. 29 of the application, the project site is a partly reclaimed 'paadam'.
4. Location sketch not provided.
5. As per the land tax receipt, the Sy. No. mentioned in the application is owned by Bhasy, but his consent given to the applicant to remove earth from land owned by him not provided.
6. No document to prove the utilization of removed earth for the purpose stated in the application as above, is provided.

Considering the above, the item is DEFERRED FOR SITE VISIT and seeking the above additional clarifications from the proponent.

Item No. 28.13 **Environmental clearance for removal of red earth in Sy. No. 556/11 at Thamarakkulam Village, Mavelikkara Taluk, Alappuzha District, Kerala by Mr. Sureshkumar** (File No. 266/SEIAA/KL/1215/2014)

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the extent of area and the quantity of earth to be removed (both 24.50 are) is the same in the application. When sought clarification on this, the proponent stated that they are removing laterite from the site, which is quarrying of laterite block and hence they have mentioned the quantity of earth proposed to be removed as the extent of area. In this case also, the Committee felt that since the activity comes under quarrying of laterite block, the activity could be considered as quarrying, for which simplified procedure is not applicable. The Committee felt that quarrying of laterite block is an activity that may require the usual appraisal process as per the procedures laid down in EIA Notification and its subsequent amendments. Hence it is decided to visit the site and to further proceed in the matter after examining the procedural aspect of appraising the project and directing the proponent to satisfactorily address the following for further consideration of the proposal:

1. Original Location sketch not provided.
2. The utilization of removed earth is not specifically stated in the application as it is mentioned for commercial purposes without mentioning the location in which the same shall be dumped / purpose for which the same shall be utilized.
3. Valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth is not provided.

Considering the above, the item is DEFERRED FOR SITE VISIT and seeking the above additional clarifications from the proponent.

Item No. 28.14 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 2785 at Peechi Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. V.U. Abraham** (File No. 267/SEIAA/KL/1219/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that

in the affidavit in application the applicant has given PAN card no., whereas the relevant page of passport was provided as ID proof in the application. The same was cleared during the meeting as the Committee verified the original PAN card produced by the applicant, which was found to be satisfactory. The Committee found that as per the sale deed the applicant owns 'part' of Sy. No. 2785. It was also found that in the saakshyapathram certified by Addl. Tahsildar, Taluk office, Thrissur, the 'part' of Sy. No. mentioned in the application is given and hence the Committee found that the proponent is eligible to remove earth from only 'part' of Sy. No. 2785. It was also found that the application is submitted in the name of Mr. V.U. Abraham, whereas it is signed by his wife Mary Abraham. As directed, the applicant signed the application before the Committee.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA.II(M) dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for Sy. No. 2785 part only.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.15 Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 1992/1 at Thrissur Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Manzoor M.K. (File No. 269/SEIAA/KL/1222/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The following discrepancies were noted in the application:

- The name of the applicant is given as Manzoor M.K. and others, but the photo of only one person is affixed. (*From the applicant, at the time of meeting, it was came to know that 'Manzoor and others' refer to eleven number of persons, including Manzoor, who are partners*)
- Copy of land tax receipt for Sy. No.1992/1p in the name of Manzoor. M.K., Nehitha Manzoor & others provided but the names of 'others' are not known.
- Signature and name of witness is not provided in the application.
- Copy of Field measurement sketch (and not original) provided wherein the Sy. No. is given as 1992/1P. The Sy. No. in the land tax receipt is also 1992/1P.
- As per the land tax receipt, the extent of area of Sy. No. 1992/1P is 0.0782 hectare whereas the applicant has sought removal of earth from 0.0476 hectares only. Hence it has to be ascertained that the proponent is removing earth specifically from 0.0476 hectares of land.
- Consent from Nehitha Manzoor & others, who also owns the land bearing Sy. No. mentioned in the proposal not provided.
- No document to prove the utilization of removed earth for the purpose stated in the application, provided.

Considering the above, the item is DEFERRED directing the proponent to provide the following, for further consideration of the proposal:

1. Valid document to prove the names of 'others' (along with their photo ID proof) as mentioned in the land tax receipt.
2. Consent from 'others' (claimed by the applicant as 10 persons other than him), authorizing the applicant to apply for EC and to remove earth from land bearing Sy. No. 1992/1 at Thrissur Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District owned by them.

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3. Consent from Nehitha Manzoor, who also owns the land bearing Sy. No. mentioned in the proposal.
4. Revised application form with the Signature and name of witness.
5. Location sketch in original (clearly specifying the Sy. No. and extent of area from where the earth is removed, specifically marking the area from where the earth is proposed to be removed.)
6. Valid document to prove that the removed earth shall be utilized for PWD works and filling of S.C. Colony within the limits of Thanniam Gramapanchyath and to places in Kurumbilaavu, Puzhakkal and Chittilappilly villages.

Item No. 28.16 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 229/9 at Chelakkode Village, Kondaazhy Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Babu P.R. (File No. 272/SEIAA/KL/1232/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. SEAC found that as per the village sketch, the proposed depth for removal of sand extends up to 9 m which is not permissible. Taking into account the maximum permissible depth of 2 m from the ground level, the proponent is directed to remove only 200 m³ of earth from 0.3470 hectares of land. The proponent has stated that the removed earth shall be utilized for levelling the ground within the places in village as permitted by the Village Officer. But no valid document to prove the same is provided.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 200 m³.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to the satisfactory receipt of valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth, by Secretary SEAC.*

Item No. 28.17 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 55/3 at Mangad Village, Porkulam Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Jithu George K. (File No. 273/SEIAA/KL/1275/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that Col.19.4 regarding quantity of earth proposed to be removed is left blank by the applicant, but as per the details provided in the application the quantity proposed to be removed from 0.9323 hectares of land comes to nearly 18000 m³. When sought clarification on this, the applicant stated that the same is a mistake from his part as the extent of area of land is nearly 93 cents. Also the applicant has stated in the application that the removed earth shall be utilized for the construction of KLDC Thrissur Bund, Nooradithode, but no document to prove the utilization of removed earth for the same is provided. The applicant has stated in col. 36 of the application that he has enclosed copy of Govt. work order but the same is also not provided. The Committee found a lot of factual errors in the application, especially with respect to the quantity of earth proposed to be removed, extent of area of the plot, etc. among others and

hence decided to REJECT/DELIST the application as the same is totally incomplete and with factual errors.

Item No. 28.18 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 283/1 at Chiranellur Village, Chundal Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Joshua (File No. 274/SEIAA/KL/1276/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the name of the applicant is given as Joshua in col.1 of the application and in the affidavit in stamp paper, whereas in the affidavit in application the name of the applicant is given as Joshua Joseph K. & in the saakshyapathram forwarded by Tahsildar, Talappilly, the name of the applicant is given as Parakkal Kuttikkat Joshua. To this end the Committee verified the ID proof and land tax receipts of the land owned by the applicant and the documents were found to be genuine and that the three names refer to the same person, the applicant. Even though the applicant has provided copy of letter from Secretary, Venkidang Grama panchayath submitted to the District Collector, Thrissur, requesting to grant permission to contractor Sri. M.S. Krishnadas, for bringing, 57 m³ of gravel earth for renovation of Graveyard and 2666 m³ of gravel earth for development of play ground, to the Panchayath, no document to prove that the earth removed from the applicant's plot is taken by the contractor for the above said work is provided. Hence the applicant is directed to provide the same. Also, as per the land tax receipt, the Sy. No. is given as 283/1p (for the area of 15.27 Ares) whereas in the application the Sy. No. given is 283/1 and hence it was decided to recommend for EC for removal of 225 m³ of ordinary earth from Sy. No. 283/1p at Chiranellur Village, Chundal Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala.

Further, considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to the satisfactory receipt of valid document (letter from the contractor Sri. M. S. Krishnadas) to prove the utilization of removed earth, by Secretary SEAC.*

Item No. 28.19 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 520/3 at Vadakkumkara Village, Vellangallur Panchayath, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Sasindhran N.P. (File No. 276/SEIAA/KL/1325/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant was absent for the meeting. Hence the item is DEFERRED and the project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

Item No. 28.20 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 109/6 at Aaloor Village, Kandanissery Panchayath, Thalappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Anil C.G. (File No. 277/SEIAA/KL/1326/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that

the applicant has provided consent from Leela and Gopalan given to him for removal of earth from 16 cents of land in Sy. No. 109/6, stated as owned by them. But as per the land tax receipt and other documents submitted by the applicant, the said Sy. No. is owned by the applicant and hence the Committee sought clarification as to why the consent is given to the applicant. To this end the applicant stated that Leela and Gopalan are his neighbours and the content in the consent is a mistake as the neighbours intended to say that they do not have any objection for removal of earth from their neighbouring plot owned by the applicant. The Committee verified the land documents and found that the said land is owned only by the applicant. Even though the applicant has not provided the location sketch in original in the application, he submitted original FMB of the location before the Committee, which on verification by the Committee was found to be satisfactory. Further it has been stated by the applicant that the removed earth shall be dumped in the plot owned by applicant's father at 6 km from the project site for agricultural purposes but the consent from father for dumping the earth is not provided. Hence the proponent is directed to provide the same. It was also found that the extent of area as in land tax receipt and in the report of Village Officer is 0.0647.52 hectare whereas the extent of area in the application is given as 0.0647.92 hectare. The Committee decided to consider EC for removal of 250 m³ of earth from an area of 160 m². The Committee wanted to ascertain whether applicant has obtained quarrying permit from Dept. of Mining and Geology for mining 400 metric ton of earth from 46 cents of land Sy. Nos. 109/10,110/3 and Sy. No. mentioned in the application. On verification of the permit obtained by the applicant, it was ascertained that the permit is for mining 400 metric tonnes of laterite block, subject to certain conditions.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 250 m³ from an area of 160 m².

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to the satisfactory receipt of valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth, by Secretary SEAC.*

Item No. 28.21 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 109/10 at Aaloor Village, Kandanassery Panchayath, Thalappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Smt. Alice (File No. 278/SEIAA/KL/1327/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that as per the possession certificate and as per the NOC, the Sy. No. mentioned in the application is owned by the applicant but as per the saakshyapathram from Village Officer the said Sy. No. is owned by the 'applicant and others'. To this end the applicant stated that the 'others' refer to her parents. The applicant has provided copy of proposed alignment of Guruvayoor – Choondal Road as a proof that her property is acquired for widening of the said road.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.22 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 103 at Aloor Village, Kandanissery Panchayath, Talappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Haridasan (File No. 279/SEIAA/KL/1328/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the applicant has not provided copy of land tax receipt along with the application. The proponent produced the copy of land tax receipt before the Committee, which on verification was found to be satisfactory. In the NOC from Addl. Tahsildar, Talappilly and in the report from Village Officer, Aloor, the Sy. No. mentioned is 103/P whereas the Sy. No. mentioned in the application and in the possession certificate is 103. Further, in the field plan for Sy. No. mentioned in the proposal, the extent of area is given as 0.1821 hectare, whereas the extent of area in the application is given as 0.0607 hectare. Considering these, it is decided that the earth removal could be permitted from the part of the land in Sy. No. 103 lying adjacent to Sy. No. 100. As stated by the applicant in col. 5 of the application, the owners of neighbouring plots are George, Anil and Prakasan. But consent from Anil and *Gopalan (whose name is not mentioned as neighbour)* is provided and consent of George and Prakasan (who are the neighbours) are not provided. When sought clarification on this, the applicant has stated that he has submitted all the required consent in Taluk Office, Talappilly, on the verification of which his application was forwarded from that office.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 240 m³ from the part of the land in Sy. No. 103 lying adjacent to Sy. No. 100.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.23 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 68/2 A1A1A3 at Manathavady Village and Panchayath, Manathavady Taluk, Wayanad District, Kerala by Mr. Shibu Joseph (File No. 281/SEIAA/KL/1355/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that even though the applicant has stated in the application that the earth is removed for commercial purposes, the real purpose for removal of earth is for preparing the land for installing a petrol pump, for which pits exceeding a depth of 2 m from the ground level has to be dug for underground tanks. The Committee, considering the requirement of the applicant, stated that a cutting of 40 m x 30 m up to a depth of 2 m (totalling to 2400 m³) is permissible and that in addition to the same, quantity of earth while digging for underground tanks of the petrol pump can also be removed. It was found that the applicant has provided copy of NOC from RDO given for removal of 19,680 m³ of earth and that the Geology dept. has given permission for removal of 1700 m³ of earth. The applicant has paid royalty only for that much quantity and removed that much quantity of earth. As per letter dt. 15.03.2014 of the RDO, the Geologist Wayanad is requested to estimate the quantity of earth removed, quantity of earth proposed to be removed by the applicant and to take further necessary action if he has removed excess quantity as against

the permissible quantity. But it was stated by the applicant that he has not removed any excess quantity as against the royalty paid by him.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 2400 m³. In addition to this, quantity of earth while digging for underground tanks of the petrol pump can also be removed.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.24 Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 3362/2 and 2444/3 at Peechi Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Kunjunju (File No. 282/SEIAA/KL/1359/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the applicant has sought EC for removal of 10000 m³ of earth from 0.4735 hectare (in Sy. No. 3362/2) and 0.2023 hectare (in Sy. No. 2444/3). But it was found that in the saakshyapathram in application certified by Addl. Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Thrissur, only Sy. No. 3362/2 is given and the other Sy. No. mentioned in the application (Sy. No. 2444/3) is not given. It was also found that in the affidavit in application, the extent of area is given correctly as 0.6758 hectare, but one Sy. No. mentioned in the application is seen stricken off (Sy. No. 2444/3). The applicant has provided copy of proceedings of Revenue Divisional Officer, Thrissur stating that there is no objection for removing earth from land bearing Sy. Nos. 3362/2 and 2156/3 but in the same, the other Sy. No. 2444/3 in the application is not mentioned. In the request from KLDC addressed to District Collector, Thrissur and in the letter from Geologist, Thrissur addressed to District Collector, Thrissur also, the Sy. No. 2444/3 in the application is not mentioned. In the agreement entered into between K.V Varghese and Kunju Kunju P.P., mutually agreeing to remove earth from Sy. No. 3362 owned by the latter to be utilized for the development of Thrissur Taluk, NABARD RIDF 19, Kole area, renovation of Chettupuzha canal and construction of two engine floors, the name of the owner of Sy. No. 3362 is given as Kunju Kunju P.P. whereas in the application it is written as only Kunju Kunju and in the Voter's ID card, the name of the applicant is written as Kunjunju. The Committee verified the ID proof of the applicant and confirmed that these three (named) persons are one and the same. The applicant has not provided any valid document to prove the requirement for removal of 10,000 m³ of earth and also any valid document to prove the removal of earth from Sy. No. 2444/3. The Committee also ascertained that even though the land is purambokke marked as Reserve Forest as per the basic tax register, the land is obtained as pattayam before independence.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 5000 m³ from Sy. No. 3362/2, only having an extent of area of 0.4735 hectare.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.25 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 68/2 A1A1A3 at Mananthavady Village, Mananthavady Taluk, Wayanad District, Kerala by Smt. Shafeena A.P. (File No. 283/SEIAA/KL/1360/2014)**

A representative of the applicant, with due authorization in writing from the applicant appeared before the Committee on behalf of the applicant to provide necessary clarifications. The Committee noted the following discrepancies in the application:

1. In the declaration by the applicant and in the saakshyapathram certified by Tahsildar, Mananthavady, Sy. No. 68/2A1B1, which is not part of the application, is also seen included.
2. As per the land tax receipt, the extent of area of Sy. No. 68/2 A1A1A3 is 0.0364 hectare whereas the applicant has sought removal for earth from 25 cents (0.1 hectare).
3. In the location sketch and in the affidavit submitted by proponent, two Sy. Nos. (Sy. No. 68/2A1B1 and 68/2 A1A1A3) are included wherein one Sy. No. is not part of the present proposal. But that Sy. No. is also included in the said sketch as the site for removal of earth. In the NOC from RDO, Mananthavady also removal of 1728 m³ of earth from two Sy. Nos. (wherein one Sy. No. is not part of the present application) is mentioned.

When sought clarifications on the above discrepancies, the authorized representative of applicant stated that omission of Sy. No. 68/2A1B1 in their application is a mistake from their part and that the removal of earth from two Sy. Nos. (Sy. No. 68/2A1B1 and 68/2 A1A1A3) are proposed (which is reported by Tahsildar also).

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance for removal of earth not exceeding 1000 m³ and under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to satisfactory receipt of request by Secretary SEAC from the applicant to include Sy. No. 68/2A1B1 as part of the present application.*

Item No. 28.26 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 77/87/3 at Pananchery Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. K.V.Varghese (File No. 284/SEIAA/KL/1361/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant was absent for the meeting. Hence the item is DEFERRED and the project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

Item No. 28.27 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 1173/1p at Thrissur Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Muhammadali (File No. 287/SEIAA/KL/1412/2014)**

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant was absent for the meeting. Hence the item is DEFERRED and the project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

Item No. 28.28 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 239/13pt at Kanayannur Village, Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala by Mr. John** (File No. 288/SEIAA/KL/1415/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The following discrepancies were noted in the application:

- Land tax receipt is not provided.
- In the copy of location sketch, the present location for removal of earth is not clearly marked and the quantity of earth proposed to be removed is not mentioned.
- As per the base tax register, the Sy. No. 239/13 is owned by the applicant and his wife Leelamma. Consent from Leelamma not provided.
- As stated by the applicant the removed earth shall be utilized for levelling of Kara bhoomi outside the project site, but no document to prove the utilization of removed earth for the said purpose is provided.

Considering the above, the item is DEFERRED assessing that EC can be recommended only for removing ordinary earth not exceeding 1600 m³ to be taken out of the premises. The applicant is also directed to provide the additional clarifications/documents for further consideration of the application:

1. Attested copy of land tax receipt.
2. Location sketch in original clearly demarcating the proposed location for removal of earth and the quantity of earth proposed to be removed.
3. Consent from Leelamma given to the applicant to remove earth from Sy. No. 239/13 owned by her.
4. Valid document to prove that the removed earth shall be utilized for levelling of Kara bhoomi outside the project site. Recipient assurance to be produced for it.
5. Site photographs.

Item No. 28.29 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 352/4-6 at Palamel Village and Panchayath, Mavelikkara Taluk, Alappuzha District, Kerala by Smt. Shalini K.J.** (File No. 289/SEIAA/KL/1416/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the name of the applicant is Shalini K.J. and in the ID proof given in application, the name is seen as Shalini Madhukumar. The Committee clarified the same after verifying the original ID proof of the applicant (Voter's ID card of Shalini K.J.). It was also found that the purpose of utilization of removed earth as stated by the applicant in col. 13.3 of the application and in the report from Tahsildar, Mavelikkara, differs. To this end the applicant stated that the purpose of utilization of removed earth is for the purpose as stated by Tahsildar, Mavelikkara.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.30 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 1397/103 at Peechi Village, Puthur Panchayath, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Joy Chacko** (File No. 290/SEIAA/KL/1439/2014)

Further to the intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant was absent for the meeting. Hence the item is DEFERRED and the project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

Item No. 28.31 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 628/1 at Thrissur Village, Mukundapuram Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Secretary, Thalore Service Co-operative Bank Ltd. No. 435** (File No. 291/SEIAA/KL/1473/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that in the saakshyapathram from Addl. Tahsildar, Mukundapuram, the extent of area is given as 0.4249 hectare as against 0.1312 hectare in the application. It was also directed to provide valid document to prove the elected members of the co-operative bank (since the applicant has applied for EC by designation as Secretary of Thalore Service Co-operative Bank Ltd. No.435) and valid document to prove that the persons who have given the saakshyapathram certifying the purpose of utilization of removed earth is authorized to do so.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for issuance of Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of MoEF, for removing ordinary earth not exceeding 2600 m³ to be taken out of the premises.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to satisfactory submission of proof showing the existing elected members of the Co-operative Bank and the resolution authorizing the secretary to apply for EC to Secretary SEAC.*

Item No. 28.32 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 4/1 at Enathu Village, Adoor Taluk, Pathanamthitta District, Kerala by Mr. P.C. Sam** (File No. 292/SEIAA/KL/1480/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the removed earth shall be utilized for renovation of road from Moonammoodu to Maruthoorkulangara church in 35th division of Karunagappally Municipality, but no valid document to prove the same is provided.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 1000 m³ to be taken out of the premises.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA *subject to submission of valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth to Secretary SEAC.*

Item No. 28.33 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 355/5p at Panancherry Village and Panchayath, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Fr. Davis Thalokkaran (File No. 293/SEIAA/KL/1481/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The applicant has stated that the earth is removed for installation of petrol pump. In the declaration and in the affidavit the extent of area as stated by the applicant is 0.7920 hectares whereas 1 acre and 78 cents comes to a total of 0.7120 hectare. In the saakshyapathram from Tahsildar, Thrissur, the Sy. No. is given as 355/5 and not 355/5 p as in the application. Considering the same, the Committee decided to consider removal of 950 m³ of earth from 0.7120 hectare in Sy. No. 355/5 part only. 0.7120 hectare in Sy. No. 355/5 part only. Also it was found that the applicant has stated in col. 36 of application that Aadharam, Possession certificate, Village Mahassar, Report, PCB Certificate, Report by Ground water department, Panchayath & NH report, Addl. Tahsildar report, Mining & Geology report, BTR, BPL consent and sketch, plan, etc. are enclosed in the applicant, but the same are not provided. To this end he stated that he has submitted all those documents in Taluk Office, Thrissur.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests and with the following specific conditions:

1. Only the area required for the establishment of petrol pump be considered for earth removal.
2. The adjacent plots should not be affected and remedial measures has to be ensured for them at the own cost of proponent.
3. The quantity of earth removed should not exceed 950 m³.
4. Extent of area is 0.7120 hectare in Sy. No. 355/5 part only.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.34 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 70/2 at Vattamkulam Village and Panchayath, Ponnani Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. Alex Abraham (File No. 294/SEIAA/KL/1493/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removing ordinary earth not exceeding 5000 m³ to be taken out of the premises.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA

Item No. 28.35

Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Re. Sy. No. 662/5 at Vengara Village and Panchayath, Tirurangadi Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. C. Kesavan (File No. 301/SEIAA/KL/1502/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found the following discrepancies in the application:

1. Some columns in the application are left blank (esp. col. 19.4 regarding the quantity of earth proposed to be removed, col. 36 regarding enclosures in the application, etc.)
2. The Sy. No. of the project site in the forwarding letter from RDO, Tirur (Sy. No. 162/5) and in the application (Sy. No.662/5) differs.
3. In the land tax receipt and in the location sketch also, the Sy. No. marked is 162/5, and not 662/5 as stated in the application.
4. The applicant has stated in col. 17 of the application that there is a requirement for removing earth at a depth of 2.5 m from the ground level.
5. Address of witness is not provided in the application.
6. As per the land tax receipt, the Sy. No. mentioned in the proposal is owned by Abdul Jaleel and he has given consent. The consent provided is not satisfactory.
7. No valid document to prove the utilization of removed earth is provided.
8. In the forwarding letter from RDO, Tirur, the activity is mentioned as mining of clay whereas the applicant has stated in col. 2 of the application as removal of brick earth.

Over and above all, as stated by the proponent, the purpose of removal of earth is for the construction of a pond by the Panchayath for public use. The Committee was of the opinion that if the purpose is for the construction of a Panchayath pond, as stated by the applicant, the Panchayath may apply and if it is for clay mining it need to be assessed accordingly. Also since the survey number in the application and supporting documents differ, the application is REJECTED/DELISTED.

Item No. 28.36

Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Sy. No. 227/17 at Vazhakkad Village, Kondotty Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. Ismail P. (File No. 302/SEIAA/KL/1503/2014)

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the land document is in the name of President, Vazhakkad Tile Workers Industrial Co-operative Society and hence decided to issue EC in the name of the President of the society only. It has also been observed that the entire activity of brick and tile manufacturing is done manually without machineries. The company run by the Co-operative Society is also supported by Khadi Board.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 800 m³.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.37 **Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Sy. No. 144/3pt at Edavanna Village and Panchayath, Eranad Taluk, Malappuram District, Kerala by Mr. V.T. Arif (File No. 303/SEIAA/KL/1541/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The applicant stated that the earth is removed since cultivation in the said land is not profitable because of clay content in the soil and that the removed earth shall be utilized for manufacturing of bricks and tiles and will be sold to Amarabalam Clay factory. The applicant has also provided copy of letter from M/s Amarabalam Clay Products regarding utilization of removed earth from Sy. No. 141/3 pt, but the Sy. No. of the present project site is 144/3 pt. To this end the applicant stated that the same is a typographical error. Also, Col.19.4 in the application regarding quantity of earth proposed to be removed is left blank. To this end the applicant clarified the quantity as 1600 m³.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of 1600 m³ of brick earth from an area of extent of 20 cents of land. Validity shall be for 6 months only. Afterwards the applicant has to apply for EC for clay mining.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.38 **Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. No. 879/38/65 at Alayamon Village, Ittiva Panchayath, Punalur Taluk, Kollam District, Kerala by Smt. Indirabaiamma (File No. 304/SEIAA/KL/1553/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the nature of land proposed for earth removal is not specified anywhere in the application or documents submitted along with it. Hence, after verifying the NOC issued by Additional Tahsildar for removal of earth, it was ascertained that the land proposed for removal of earth is purayidam.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.39 **Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in R. Sy. No. 16/34 at Vilvattom Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. C.J. Mathew (File No. 306/SEIAA/KL/1576/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the *Minutes of 28th Meeting of SEAC Kerala held on 25th & 26th April 2014*

applicant has left blank Col. 19.4 of the application regarding the quantity of earth proposed to be removed and has stated the extent of area for removal of earth as 0.4858 hectare. When sought clarification on this, the proponent stated the quantity proposed to be removed as 1600 m³ from 20 cents of land. So it is decided to recommend for EC for removal of only 1600 m³ of brick earth from an area of extent of 20 cents of land, which shall be valid for six months only. The proponent is also directed that they have to apply for EC for clay mining in usual form afterwards.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, for removal of 1600 m³ of brick earth from an area of extent of 20 cents of land. Validity shall be for 6 months only. Afterwards have to apply for EC for clay mining in usual form.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.40 **Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Sy. No. 511/3 at Madakkathara Village, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Joshy George (File No. 307/SEIAA/KL/1618/2014)**

Further to intimation from the SEIAA/SEAC Secretariat, the applicant attended the meeting to provide necessary clarifications before the Committee. The Committee found that the nature of land proposed for removal of earth is 'nilam' and that in the copy of NOC issued by District Collector, Thrissur, for removing brick earth certain conditions are stipulated for the same. It was also found that the proponent has sought Environmental Clearance for removal of 2200 m³ of brick earth from 0.2833 hectare of land. Considering the above aspects, the Committee decided to recommend for EC for removal of 1600 m³ of earth from 20 cents of land further stipulating the conditions issued by the District Collector vide letter no. B11-77280/2013 dt. 17.03.2014 addressed to the Geologist.

Considering the documents submitted along with the application, information provided therein and the additional clarifications provided by the proponent, the proposal is RECOMMENDED for Environmental Clearance under the usual conditions for mining of brick earth/ordinary earth stipulated in O.M. dt. 24.06.2013 of Ministry of Environment and Forests, further stipulating the conditions issued by the District Collector vide letter no. B11-77280/2013 dt. 17.03.2014 addressed to the Geologist. Quantity to be removed should not exceed 1600 m³ from 20 cents of land.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.41 **Environmental clearance for removal of brick earth in Sy. Nos. 752/p, 753/p, 755/p, 750/p, 751/p and 749/p at Ayyathole Village, Thrissur Panchayath, Thrissur Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Domi K.A. (File No. 309/SEIAA/KL/1659/2014)**

DEFERRED the item as the applicant failed to produce the original ID proof, provided along with the application, for verification. The project proponent is directed to attend the next SEAC meeting, failing which the application shall be delisted.

Item No. 28.42 Any other item approved by Chair

Item No. 28.42.01 Environmental clearance for removal of ordinary earth in Sy. Nos. 1177 and 242/7 at Kottappuram Village, Erumappetty Panchayath, Thalappilly Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala by Mr. Subash K. S. (File No. 248/SEIAA/KL/1040/2014)

The Committee, in its 26th meeting, found that the extent of area and the quantity of earth proposed to be removed from the site is not clear in the application submitted by the proponent. Hence the item was deferred for site visit and the proponent was directed to address the certain discrepancies noted in the application, following which the proponent has submitted the clarifications sought by SEAC with a request to consider his application at the earliest. The Committee verified the additional documents/clarifications provided by the proponent which was found to be satisfactory and was of the opinion that the site inspection is further not required presently considering the additional clarifications provided by the proponent. Hence it is decided to cancel the site inspection and to RECOMMEND for issuance of Environmental Clearance on usual conditions for removal of ordinary earth not exceeding 300 m³ from an area of 0.5018 hectare.

The appraisal report is approved by SEAC for forwarding to SEIAA.

Item No. 28.42.02 Environmental clearance for the proposed Erikkulam Chinaclay Mining and Beneficiation project in Sy. Nos. 676/A & 681/1A at Madikkai Village and Panchayath, Hosdurg Taluk, Kasaragod District, Kerala by M/s Kerala Clays & Ceramic Products Ltd. (File No. 114/SEIAA/KL/1980/2013)

The Committee decided to proceed as per SEIAA decision vide item no. KLA/29.04 of 29th SEIAA meeting held on 9th April 2014 which reads as follows:

“The proponent should submit an affidavit to the effect that the actual beneficiation is not done as part of the present project and that mining will not be undertaken until EC is sought for beneficiation project. The proposal is referred to SEAC for considering as B2 project on the above lines and to forward Appraisal Report accordingly”.

Item No. 28.42.03 Environmental clearance for the proposed quarry project in Sy. Nos. 515/3, 517/1, 532/2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 19, 20, 22 and 30 at Vellarada Village and Panchayath, Neyyattinkara Taluk, Thiruvananthapuram District, Kerala by M/s Blue Mount Sands & Aggregates Pvt. Ltd. (File No. 156/SEIAA/KL/3247/2013)

The Committee decided to proceed as per SEIAA decision vide item no. KLA/29.06 of 29th SEIAA meeting held on 9th April 2014 which reads as follows:

“SEIAA stressed that SEAC should assess the environmental impacts of the project as to whether quarrying is permissible in the said area, being in the catchment area of Chittar Reservoir and also if the environment will be damaged in case of permitting quarrying activity in the area and if so, the extent of damage. Apprehensions of people/complaints should also be addressed as far as justifiable from the environmental angle. Hence, SEIAA decided to inform the proponent to address the apprehensions of public, redraft EMP and submit accordingly for reconsideration of SEAC as a B2 project in view of the MoEF O.M. dt. 24.12.2013 classifying mining areas less than 25 hectares as B2”.

The meeting concluded at 5.30 pm with a vote of thanks by the Chair. The members unanimously responded with thanks to the Chair.

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