

**MINUTES (Confirmed) OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE STATE LEVEL ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY (SEIAA) KERALA HELD ON 28.06.2012 AT THE DIRECTORATE OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

The following persons were present:

1. Dr. A.E. Muthunayagam - Chairman, SEIAA  
Former Secretary to Government of India
2. Dr. K.P. Joy - Member, SEIAA  
Former Director, School of Environmental Studies of M.G. University and Kannur University
3. Shri. James Varghese IAS - Member Secretary, SEIAA  
Principal Secretary to Government Environment Dept. & LSG Department Govt. of Kerala
4. Sri. P. Sreekantan Nair - Secretary, SEAC (special invitee)  
Director, Department of Environment & Climate Change, Govt. of Kerala

The meeting was chaired by Dr. A.E. Muthunayagam. He welcomed all the members. The Authority discussed the agenda items one by one and took the following decisions:

**Item No. KLA/05.01 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) Kerala, held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2012 at Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Thiruvananthapuram**

Minutes was confirmed with modifications in item nos. KLA/04.01 and KLA/04.03. The word 'revised' under item KLA/04.01 was deleted i.e, 'Confirmed the revised minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 23.04.2012 and the minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 08.05.2012' shall be modified as 'Confirmed the minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 23.04.2012 and the minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 08.05.2012'. The last sentence of item no. KLA/04.03, 'The Authority also decided to address the State Government for legal action against violations' shall be modified as 'The Authority also decided to address the State Government for legal action against violations with appropriate penalties'.

**Item No. KLA/05.02 Action taken report on the decisions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> SEIAA meeting**

The item was noted. Authority was also informed that actions on item nos. KLA/03.05 and KLA/03.06 are in progress.

**Item No. KLA/05.03**

**Application for environmental clearance for the proposed construction of a Hospital Complex Project, at Puthiyangadi Village, Edakkad Desam, Kozhikode Corporation, Kozhikode Taluk & District, Kerala, in Sy. Nos. 54/3A, 54/3B1, 54/1, 53/1, 54/12, 54/3C1 B2, 54/2, 58/2B, 54/3C1 A & 54/3B2 by M/s Perfect Health Care Services (File No: 9/SEIAA/KL/394/2012)**

After detailed discussions the proposal is approved for issuance of environmental clearance, stipulating the specific condition that the project proponent shall submit detailed procedure adopted to prevent saline intrusion from Connolly canal and get it approved by SEAC before starting the construction works.

**Item No. KLA/05.04**

**Application for environmental clearance for the proposed construction of Hotel project at Poonithura Village, Kanayannur Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala in Sy. Nos. 447/2, 446, 525/1, 525/1, 2., 444, 445, 446, 438/2, 3.437 by M/s Jomer Properties & Investments (Pvt.) Ltd. (File No: 4/SEIAA/KL/375/2012)**

The proposal was discussed in detail. The Authority noted that the building permit for construction was issued before EIA Notification 2006. Since the proponent has not applied for EC immediately after EIA notification, violation proceedings shall be recommended. The proposal is approved for issuance of environmental clearance stipulating the following specific conditions:

- (i) The proponent should not make any deviation from the original approved plan of town and country planning department.
- (ii) The height of the building should not exceed than that specified by the Southern Naval Command.

**Item No. KLA/05.05**

**Application for obtaining environmental clearance for the proposed construction of Prestige Forum Mall at Maradu Municipality, Maradu Village, Kanayanoor Taluk, Ernakulam District, Kerala State, in Sy. Nos. 138/1,2,3,4,5,6,9,11,12,13,14,15,16, 139/1,3,4., 140/2,3,4,5, 141/11,13,14, 145/4,6,7,8, 176/21, 179/1,10,11,25,26 by M/s Thomsun Realtors(P) Ltd. (File No: 13/SEIAA/KL/491/2012)**

It was noted that the item was discussed in 4<sup>th</sup> SEIAA meeting as item no. KLA/04.06 and decided to assess the present status of the proposal with MoEF. The Authority further noted that the MoEF has forwarded the proposal to SEIAA Kerala for consideration and necessary action. SEIAA noted that EC by SEIAA does not imply clearance from KCZMA.

The item has been examined in detail and was approved for issuance of environmental clearance based on the recommendations of SEAC, stipulating that clearance from KCZMA must be obtained, if applicable, before starting construction.

**Item No. KLA/05.06**      **WP(C) 10656/2012 of Honourable High Court of Kerala filed by Sri. Jyothish Kumar - Order of the Hon. High Court to SEIAA to file a report regarding the averments made in the writ petition (File No. DoECC/E3/2026/2012)**

The Authority noted that the report of the subcommittee of SEAC constituted to assess the ground realities has not yet received.

**Item No. KLA/05.07:**      **Application No. 26 of 2012 filed before the National Green Tribunal, New Delhi by the Goa Foundation and ANR, vs Union of India and others (File No. DoECC/E4/2411/2012)**

The Authority noted the details of the petition as well as the action being contemplated.

**Item No. KLA/05.08:**      **Letter from Principal Secretary to Government, Environment Department, calling for proposals covering various issues pertaining to control of pollution arising out of high rise buildings (File No. DoECC/E3/2284/2012)**

Since the matter is being placed before SEAC for expert opinion, it was decided that the item shall be discussed by Authority after receiving suggestions from SEAC.

**Item No. KLA/05.09:**      **Other items**

Recognizing the importance of energy generation from non-conventional resources, the Authority decided to include under the General Conditions “The project may incorporate devices for solar energy generation and utilization wherever possible”.

It was decided to inform proponents that the effective date of receipt of application shall be the final date of receipt of all information/documents submitted against clarifications sought and if all the clarifications are not cleared within 60 days of the receipt of that communication, the application shall be deemed withdrawn and will be delisted and the applicant has to submit a fresh application for the proposal, if necessary.

The Authority reviewed the organizational set up for its activities in DoECC. Presently one Technical Officer and one clerk are working exclusively for the Authority. It is observed that assistance is obtained from some sections of DoECC in the total process. Considering the workload of existing staff working for Authority and pace of progress,

Authority decided to establish an exclusive team for its activity within DoECC and also not to have dependency on single individuals. Consequently one more Technical Officer and one more clerk shall be engaged to look after the work of Authority.

Authority also decided to have a Letter Head and requested Director, DoECC to get it arranged.

The Authority also reviewed the status of proposals for EC and noted that among the 26 proposals, one is withdrawn, ten are awaiting inputs from project proponents, nine are already cleared by SEIAA and others are under various stages of processing.