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Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Issued by the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority(SEIAA), TAMIL NADU)

To.

The Managing Director M/S. TAMIL NADU MINERALS LIMITED

M/s. Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited (Government of Tamil Nadu undertaking) 31 Kamarajar Salai, Chepauk, Chennai, Tamil Nadu - 600005 -600005

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 SEIAA vide proposal number SIA/TN/MIN/445737/2023 dated 02 Nov 2023. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

EC Identification No. 1.

2. File No.

3. **Project Type**

4. Category

5. Project/Activity including Schedule No.

6. Name of Project

7. Name of Company/Organization

8. **Location of Project**

9 **TOR Date** EC24B001TN158659

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New

1(a) Mining of minerals

Kodakkal SF No. 1193/1(Part 5 &16)

20.95.5 Ha

M/S. TAMIL NADU MINERALS LIMITED

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N/A

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

(e-signed) A R Rahul Nadh IAS Date: 05/10/2024 **Member Secretary** SEIAA - (TAMIL NAĎU)



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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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

Lr.No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.9648/1(a)/EC.No:6404/2024, dated:23.09.2024.

Sir/Madam

Sub: SEIAA, TN - Proposed Black Granite quarry lease area over an extent of 20.95.5 Ha (Government Poramboke land) at S.F.Nos. 1193/1 (Part 5 & 16) of Kodakkal Village, Sholinghur Taluk, Ranipet District, Tamil Nadu by M/s. Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited under project category – "B" and Schedule S.No. 1(a) 'Mining of Mineral Projects' of EIA Notification 2006, as amended – Issue of Environmental Clearance – Regarding.

- Ref: 1. ToR issued vide Lr.No.SEIAA-TN/F.No.9648/SEAC/ ToR-1344/2023 Dated: 16.02.2023.
 - 2. Public Hearing conducted on 18.07.2023.
 - 3. Online Proposal No SIA/TN/MIN/445737/2023, Dated: 13.10.2023.
 - 4. Application seeking Environmental Clearance dated:13.10.2023.
 - 5. Minutes of the 420th Meeting of SEAC held on 02.11.2023.
 - 6. Minutes of the 674th Meeting of SEIAA held on 20.11.2023.
 - 7. Minutes of the 756th Meeting of SEIAA held on 23.09.2024.

Details of Minor Mineral Activity: -

This has reference to your application 3rd & 4th cited, the proposal for obtaining Environmental Clearance for mining/quarrying of minor minerals based on the particulars furnished in your application.

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The details of the Proposal are as follows:

Sl.	Salient Features of the Proposal			
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1	Name of the Owner/Firm	:	M/s. Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited, No.31, Kamarajar Salai, TWAD House, Chepauk, Post Box No.2961, Chennai - 600 005.	
2	Type of quarrying	·	Black Granite	
3	S.F Nos. of the quarry site : 1193/1 (Part 5 & 16)		1193/1 (Part 5 & 16)	
4	Village in which situated	:	Kodakkal	
5	Taluk in which situated		Sholinghur	
6	District in which situated		Ranipet	
7	Extent of quarry (in ha.)		20.95.5 Ha	
8	Latitude & Longitude of all corners of the quarry site	:	13°04'37.36450"N to 13°04'55.00967"N 79°24'14.80812"E to 79°24'58.45205"E	
9	Topo Sheet No.		57-O/8	
10	Type of mining	- CA.	Opencast Semi-Mechanized Mining	
11	Period of Current Mine Plan 5 years		5 years	
12			1,10,265m3 of RoM which includes Granite recovery of 11,027m3 (@ 10%) & Granite Waste of 99,238m3 (@90%)	
13	Depth of Quarrying		40m from the top of the hill	
14	Depth of water table	: 15m-10m BGL		
15	Man Power requirement per day:	:	30 Nos.	
16	Water requirement: 1. Drinking water 2. Wire saw cutting	:	1.5 KLD 0.5 KLD 0.3 KLD	
	3. Dust suppression		0.3 KLD	

	4. Green belt		0.4 KLD
17	Power requirement	:	200 Liters of HSD / day
18	Precise area communication		Letter No.3040/MME.1/2022-1,
	approved by the Additional Chief		Dated:02.06.2022
	Secretary to Government,		
	Industries (MME.1) Department		
	Mining Plan approved by		Rc.No.5123/MM4/2022, dated: 25.08.2022
19	Commissioner, Department of	:	
	G&M	10	
20	Project Cost (excluding EMP cost)	:	Rs. 97,92,000/-
21	EMP cost (in Rs. Lakh).		Capital Cost – Rs. 65,47,850/-
			Recurring Cost – Rs. 26,17,105/-
22	CER cost (in Rs. Lakh).	i	Rs. 10,00,000/-

Validity;

This Environmental Clearance is accorded for the quantity of 1,10,265m3 of RoM which includes Granite recovery of 11,027m3 (@ 10%) & Granite Waste of 99,238m3 (@90%) up to the maximum depth of 40m from the top of the hill and the annual peak production should not exceed 2406m3 of Black Granitel.

The Environmental Clearance issued is valid as per the approved mine plan period and as per MoEF&CC's notification S.O.1533(E) dated.14.09.2006 and S.O. 1807(E) dated 12.04.2022.

AFFIDAVIT FURNHSED BY THE PROPONENT

I, Dr. E.Ganesan, represents M/s. Tamil Nadu Minerals Limited, as Deputy Manager (ML) and authorized signatory of the project solemnly declare and sincerely affirm that:.

We have applied for getting Environment Clearance to SEIAA, Tamil Nadu for in respect of Kodakkal Black Granite Quarry over an extent of 20.95.5Ha of Govt.poramboke land in SF Nos. 1193/1(Part.5 &16) of Kodakkal Village of Sholinghur Taluk, Ranipet District, Tamil Nadu.

I swear to state and confirm that within 10 Km area of the mine site. We have applied for environmental clearance none of the following is situated.

a. Protected areas notified under the Wildlife (Protection) Act,1972

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- b. Critically polluted areas as identified by CPCB constituted under Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
- c. Eco Sensitive areas as notified.

TAMIN will spend the amount of **Rs.10 Lakh** (Rupees Ten Lakh only) for improving infrastructure activities towards Corporate Environmental Responsibility (CER) as directed in 420th Minutes of the Meeting of SEAC held on 02.11.2023. The CER has been revised with break-up details as mentioned below.

Sl. No	Name of the beneficiary	Particulars	Amount
1.	Govt.	1. Science lab.	Rs. 4.0 Lakh
	School,	2. Smart class room with Granite tiles.	Rs. 2.5 Lakh
	Kodakkal	3.Toilet and Green belt	Rs. 1.5 Lakh
	Village	4. Environmental related books	Rs. 0.5 Lakh
	A	5. Cycle stand for Girls & Boys students	Rs. 1.0 Lakh
		6. Drinking water Purification & Filter machine.	Rs. 0.5 Lakh
		Total	Rs. 10.0 Lakh

- 2. There will not be any hindrance or disturbance to the people living on enroute/nearby my mine site while transporting the mined out material and due to mining / mining activities. No approved habitations as per Rules 36(1) of Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959 located within 500 meters radius from the periphery of my mine. We swear that afforestation will be carried out during the course of mining operation and maintained.
 - 3. The required insurance will be taken in the name of the labourers working in my mine site.
 - 4. We will not engage any child labour in my mine site.
- 5. All type of Safety / protective equipments will be provided to all the labourers working in my mine.
- 6. No approved permanent structures, temples etc are located within 500m radius from the periphery of my mine.
 - 7. The mining activity will be carried out only after obtaining environmental clearance.
- 8. TAMIN will spend towards EMP **Rs.65,47,850**/-Lakh which is allocated under capital cost and **Rs.26,17,105**/-Lakh is allocated under recurring cost.

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We ensure to do all the Social and Environmental commitment as mentioned in the Mining Plan to the best of my knowledge.

DISCUSSION BY SEIAA AND THE REMARKS: -

The subject was placed in the 756th Authority meeting. Earlier, the subject was placed in the 674th authority meeting held on 20.11.2023. The authority noted that the subject was appraised in the 420th SEAC meeting held on 02.11.2023. SEAC has furnished its recommendations for granting Environmental Clearance subject to the conditions stated therein.

After detailed discussions and based on the details provided by the proponent and on review of the KML file uploaded in the Parivesh portal, the Authority has decided to sought the following additional details from the Project Proponent:

- 1) It is mentioned that the depth of Water table is at 10m-15m BGL and the depth of Quarrying is 40m. As mining at 40mtrs will intersect the water table at 10m - 15m BGL what will be the impact on the water table due to the said quarrying activity? what are the innovative, sustainable and precautionary principles additionally adopted to prevent disturbance to ground water table and to support effective ground water management.
- 2) The PP shall conduct Hydrogeological study by using Govt. authorized expert/reputed institution in the said quarry and furnish the report.
- 3) It is mentioned that the nearest habitations such as Pudukkudiyanur, Kodakkal, Nilotpalapuram, Padmapuram & Kondapalaiyam are located at a distance of 0.20Km, 0.53Km, 0.85Km, 1.28Km & 1.38Km respectively. What will be the impact on the nearest habitations due to the said quarrying activity?
- 4) It is mentioned that the Water Bodies such as Pond located near project site, Pond near Pudukkudiyanur, Perunganji Lake are located at a distance of 0.16Km, 0.46Km & 1.74Km respectively. What will be the impact on the nearest water bodies and also mention the impact on the Livelihood & Ground water due to the said quarrying activity?

Subsequently, the proponent vide letter dated.10.09.2024, submitted a reply to the queries raised in the 674th Authority meeting.

In view of the above, the proposal along with the reply furnished by the proponent is placed in this 756th Authority meeting.

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After detailed discussions, the Authority taking into account the reply furnished by the proponent, the recommendations of SEAC and also the safety aspects and to ensure sustainable, scientific and systematic mining, decided to grant Environmental Clearance for the quantity of 1,10,265m3 of RoM which includes Granite recovery of 11,027m3 (@ 10%) & Granite Waste of 99,238m3 (@90%) up to the maximum depth of 40m from the top of the hill and the annual peak production should not exceed 2406m3 of Black Granite. This is also subject to the conditions imposed by SEAC, normal conditions stipulated by MOEF&CC in addition to the following conditions and the conditions in Annexure 'A' of this minutes.

- Keeping in view of MoEF&CC's notification S.O.1533(E) dated.14.09.2006 and S.O. 1807(E) dated 12.04.2022, this Environmental Clearance is valid as per the approved mine plan period.
- 2. The EC granted is valid only for Black Granite @ 10% recovery.
- 3. The plantation of saplings shall be carried out in the earmarked greenbelt area as a part of the tree plantation campaign "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" and the details of the same shall be uploaded in the MeriLiFE Portal (https://merilife.nic.in).
- 4. The EC granted is subject to review by District Collector, Mines Dept. and TNPCB on completion of every 5 years and also during the mine plan period, till the project life so as to review the EC conditions and to ensure that they have all been adhered to and implemented.
- 5. The project proponent shall submit a Certified Compliance Report obtained from IRO of MoEF&CC to the monitoring, regulatory and other concerned authorities including SEIAA, while seeking a renewal of the mining plan to cover the project life.
- 6. There should be regular monitoring of air quality, water quality, ground water level and noise quality and reports regarding the same should be submitted to TNPCB, SEIAA & IRO of MoEF&CC once in every 6 months.
- The proponent shall strictly adhere to the mining plan and half yearly and annual returns shall be submitted to the Director of Geology and Mining Department with copy marked to TNPCB, SEIAA & IRO of MoEF&CC.
- 8. Biodiversity in and around the project area should be monitored frequently and detailed biodiversity report should be submitted every year to SEIAA & IRO of MoEF&CC.
- 9. The progressive and final mine closure plan including the green belt implementation and environmental norms should be strictly followed as per the EMP and as per the amount committed and approved in EC for EMP. Status of progressive mine closure and green

belt implementation should be included in the half yearly compliance report submitted to TNPCB, SEIAA & IRO of MoEF&CC.

- 10. As per the OM vide F. No. IA3-22/1/2022-IA-III [E- 172624] Dated: 14.06.2022, the Project Proponents are directed to submit the six-monthly compliance on the environmental conditions prescribed in the prior environmental clearance letter(s) through newly developed compliance module in the PARIVESH Portal from the respective login.
- 11. The amount allocated for EMP should be kept in a separate account and both the capital and recurring expenditures should be done year wise for the works identified, approved and as committed. The work & expenditure made under EMP should be elaborated in the bi-annual compliance report submitted and also should be brought to the notice of concerned authorities during inspections.
- 12. The project proponent shall store/dump the granite waste generated within the earmarked area of the project site and utilize the same for mine closure as per the approved mine closure plan.

Annexure 'A'

a) EC Compliance:

- 1. The Environmental Clearance is accorded based on the assurance from the project proponent that there will be full and effective implementation of all the undertakings given in the Application Form, Pre-feasibility Report, mitigation measures as assured in the Environmental Impact Assessment/ Environment Management Plan and the mining features including Progressive Mine Closure Plan as submitted with the application.
- 2. All the conditions as presented by the proponent in the PPT during SEAC appraisal should be addressed in Full.
- 3. The proponent shall submit Compliance Reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data. It shall be sent to the respective Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Govt. of India and also to the Office of State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA).

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b) Applicable Regulatory Frameworks:

5. The project proponent shall strictly adhere to the provisions of Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991, along with their amendments, Minor Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2010 framed under MMDR Act 1957, National Commission for protection of Child Right Rules, 2006, Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, Forest Conservation Act, 1980, Biodiversity Conservation Act, 2016, the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, Biological diversity Rules, 2004 & TN Forest Act, 1882 and Rules made there under and also any other orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India/Hon'ble High Court of Madras and any other Courts of Law relating to the subject matter

c) Safe mining Practices:

- 6. The AD/DD, Dept. of Geology & Mining shall ensure operation of the proposed quarry after the submission of slope stability study conducted through the reputed research & Academic Institutions such as NIRM, IITs, NITS Anna University, and any CSIR Laboratories etc and ensure strict compliance and implementation of bench wise recommendations/action plans as recommended in the scientific slope stability study.
- 7. A minimum buffer distance specified as per existing rules and statutory orders shall be maintained from the boundary of the quarry to the nearest dwelling unit or other structures, and from forest boundaries or any other ecologically sensitive and archeologically important areas or the specific distance specified by SEIAA in EC as per the recommendations of SEAC depending on specific local conditions.

d) Water Environment – Protection and mitigation measures:

8. The proponent shall ensure that the activity does not disturb the water bodies, neighboring open wells, bore wells and natural flow of surface and groundwater, nor cause any pollution, to water sources in the area nor effect the water quality and water quantity in the water sources.

- Water level in the nearest dug well in the downstream side of the quarry should be monitored regularly and included in the Compliance Report.
- 10. Quality of water discharged from the quarry should be monitored regularly as per the norms of State Pollution Control Board and included in the Compliance Report.
- 11. Rain Water Harvesting facility should be installed as per the prevailing provisions of TNMBR/TNCDBR, unless otherwise specified. Maximum possible solar energy generation and utilization shall be ensured as an essential part of the project.
- 12. Regular monitoring of flow rates and water quality upstream and downstream of the springs and perennial nallahs flowing in and around the mine lease area shall be carried out and reported in the compliance reports to SEIAA. At any stage, if it is observed that ground water table is getting depleted due to the mining activity; necessary corrective measures shall be carried out.
- 13. Garland drains and silt traps are to be provided in the slopes around the core area to channelize storm water. De-silting of Garland canal and silt traps have to be attended on a daily basis. A labour has to be specifically assigned for the purpose. The proponent shall ensure the quality of the discharging storm water as per the General Effluent Discharge Standards of CPCB.

e) Air Environment - Protection and mitigation measures:

- 14. The activity should not result in CO2 release and temperature rise and add to micro climate alternations.
- 15. The proponent shall ensure that Monitoring is carried out with reference to the quantum of particulate matter during excavation; blasting; material transport and also from cutting waste dumps and haul roads.

f) Soil Environment - Protection and mitigation measures:

- 16. The proponent shall ensure that the operations neither result in loss of soil biological properties and nutrients nor deplete the indigenous soil seed bank and disturb the mycorrizal fungi, soil organism, soil community and result in eutrophication of soil and water. Further, the
- i. activities should not disturb the soil properties and seed and plant growth. Soil amendments as required to be carried out, to improve soil health.
- 17. Bio remediation using microorganisms should be carried out to restore the soil environment to enable carbon sequestration.

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- 18. The proponent shall ensure that the mine restoration is done using mycorrhizal VAM, vermicomposting, Biofertilizers and the topsoil is protected and used in planting activities, site restoration and establishment of green belt in the area to ensure soil health and biodiversity conservation.
- 19. The top soil shall be temporarily stored at earmarked place (s) and used for land reclamation and plantation. The over burden (OB) generated during the mining operations shall be stacked at earmarked dump site(s) only. The OB dumps should be scientifically vegetated with suitable native species to prevent erosion and surface run off. At critical points, use of geotextile shall be undertaken for stabilization of the dump. Protective wall or gabions should be made around the dump to prevent erosion / flow of sediments during rains. The entire excavated area shall be backfilled.
- 20. Activities should not result in invasion of site by exotic and alien plant and animal species and disturb the native biodiversity and soil micro flora and fauna.

g) Noise Environment - Protection and mitigation measures:

21. The peak particle velocity at 500m distance or within the nearest habitation, whichever is closer shall be monitored periodically as per applicable DGMS guidelines. The activity of the

proponent should not effect the biological clock of the villages resulting in stress, sleeping disorders affecting health.

h) Biodiversity - Protection and mitigation measures:

- 22. The proponent should ensure that there is no disturbance to the agriculture plantations, social forestry plantations, waste lands, forests, sanctuary or national parks. There should be no impact on the land, water, soil and biological environment and other natural resources due to the mining activities.
- 23. No trees in the area should be removed and all the trees numbered and protected. In case trees fall within the proposed quarry site the trees may be transplanted in the Greenbelt zone. The proponent shall ensure that the activities in no way result in disturbance to forest and trees in vicinity. The proponent shall ensure that the activity does not disturb the movement of grazing animals and free ranging wildlife. The proponent shall ensure that the activity does not disturb the biodiversity, the flora & fauna in the ecosystem. The proponent shall ensure that the activities do not disturb the resident and migratory birds. The proponent shall ensure that the activities do not disturb the vegetation and wildlife in the adjoining reserve forests and areas around. Also, the activities should not

disturb the agro biodiversity, agro farms, green lands and grazing fields of all types. Actions to be taken to promote agroforestry, mixed plants to support biodiversity conservation in the mine restoration effort.

24. The proponent shall ensure that all mitigation measures listed in the EIA/EMP are taken to protect the biodiversity and natural resources in the area.

i) Climate Change:

- 25. There should be least disturbance to landscape resulting in land use change, contamination and alteration of soil profiles leading to Climate Change.
- 26. Operations should not result in GHG releases and extra power consumption leading to Climate Change.
- 27. Mining through operational efficiency, better electrification, energy use, solar usage, use of renewable energy should try to decarbonize the operations.
- 28. Mining should not result in water loss from evaporation, leaks and wastage and should support to improve the ground water.
- 29. Mining activity should be flood proof with designs and the drainage, pumping techniques shall ensure climate-proofing and socio-economic wellbeing in the area and vicinity.

j) Reserve Forests & Protected Areas:

- 30. The activities should provide nature based support and solutions for forest protection and wildlife conservation.
- 31. The project activities should neither result in forest fires, encroachments nor create forest fragmentation and disruption of forest corridors and alter the geodiversity and geological heritage of the area.
- 32. There should be no disturbance to the freshwater flow from the forest impacting the water table and wetlands.
- 33. The project proponent should support all activities of the forest department in creating awareness to local communities on forest conservation.
- 34. The activities should not result in temperature rise due to increased fossil fuels usage disrupting the behavior of wildlife and flora.
- 35. The activities should support and recognize the rights and roles of indigenous people and local communities and also support sustainable development.
- 36. The project activities should support the use of renewables for carbon capture and carbon storage in the project site and forest surrounds.

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37. The project activities should not result in changes in forest structure, habitats and genetic diversity within forests.

k) Green Belt Development:

38. The proponent shall ensure that in the green belt development more indigenous trees species

as suggested in Appendix of SEAC Minutes are planted and that the area is restored and rehabilitated with native trees.

I) Workers and their protection:

- 39. The project proponent is responsible for implementing all the provisions of labour laws applicable from time to time to quarrying /Mining operations. The workers on the site should be provided with on-site accommodation or facilities at a suitable boarding place, protective equipment such as ear muffs, helmet, etc.
- 40. The proponent has to provide insurance protection to the workers and the working hours and wages shall be implemented/enforced as per the Mines Act, 1952 in the case of existing mining or provide the affidavit in case of fresh lease before execution of mining lease.

m) Transportation:

41. 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.

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42. 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.

n) Storage of wastes

43. The project proponent shall store/dump the waste generated within the earmarked area of the project site for mine closure as per the approved mining plan.

o) CER/EMP:

- 44. The CER should be fully Implemented and fact reflected in the Half-yearly compliance report.
- 45. The EMP shall also be implemented in consultation with local self-government institutions & Govt. departments as indicated in SEAC meeting.

p) Directions for Reclamation of mine sites:

- 46. The mining closure plan should strictly adhere to appropriate soil rehabilitation measures to ensure ecological stability of the area. Reclamation/Restoration of the mine site should ensure that the Geotechnical, physical, chemical properties are sustainable that the soil structure composition is buildup, during the process of restoration. The proponent shall ensure that the mine closure plan is followed as per the mining plan and the mine restoration should be done with native species, and site restored to near original status. The proponent shall ensure that the area is ecologically restored to conserve the ecosystems and ensure flow of goods and services.
- 47. A crucial factor for success of reclamation site is to select sustainable species to enable develop a self-sustaining eco system. Species selected should easily establish, grow rapidly, and possess good crown and preferably be native species. Species to be planted in the boundary of project site should be un palatable for cattle's/ goats and should have proven capacity to add leaf-litter to soil and decompose. The species planted should be adaptable to the site conditions. Should be preferably pioneer species,

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deciduous in nature to allow maximum leaf-litter, have deep root system, fix atmospheric nitrogen and improve soil productivity. Species selected should have the ability to tolerate altered pit and toxicity of and site. They should be capable of meeting requirement of local people in regard to fuel fodder and should be able to attract bird, bees and butterflies. The species should be planted in mixed association.

- 48. Top soil with a mix of beneficial microbes (Bacteria/Fungi) to be used for reclamation of mine spoils. AM Fungi (Arbuscular mycorrhizal fungi), plant growth promoting Rhizo Bacteriaand nitrogen fixing bacteria to be utilized. Soil and moisture conservation and water harvesting structures to be used where ever possible for early amelioration and restoration of site. Top soil is most important for successful rehabilitation of mined sites. Topsoil contains majority of seeds and plant propagation, soil microorganism, Organic matter and plant nutrients. Wherever possible the topsoil should be immediately used in the area of the for land form reconstruction, to pre mining conditions.
- 49. Over burdens may be analyzed and tested for soil characteristics and used in the site for revegetation. Wherever possible seeds, rhizome, bulbs, etc., of pioneering spices should be collected, preserved and used in restoring the site. Native grasses seeds may be used ascolonizers and soil binders, to prevent erosion and allow diverse self-sustaining plant.
- 50. Reclamation involves planned topographical reconstruction of site. Care to be taken to minimize erosion and runoff. Topsoil should have necessary physical, chemicals, ecological, properties and therefore should be stored with precautions and utilized for reclamation process. Stocked topsoil should be stabilized using grasses to protect from wind. Seeds of various indigenous and local species may be broad casted after topsoil and treated overburden are spread. Alkaline soils, acidic soils, Saline soils should be suitably treated/amended using green manure, mulches, farmyard manure to increase organic carbon. The efforts should be taken to landscape and use the land post mining. The EMP and mine closure plan should provide adequate budget for re-establishing the site to pre-mining conditions. Effective steps should be taken for utilization of over burden. Mine waste to be used for backfilling, reclamation, restoration, and rehabilitation of the terrain without affecting the drainage and water regimes. The rate of rehabilitation should be similar to rate of mining. Efforts should to taken to aesthetically improve the mine site. Action taken for restoration of the site should be specifically mentioned in the EC compliances.

CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY SEAC:

- The prior Environmental Clearance granted for this mining project shall be valid for the
 project life including production value as laid down in the mining plan approved and renewed
 by competent authority, from time to time, subject to a maximum of thirty years, whichever
 is earlier, vide MoEF&CC Notification S.O. 1807(E) dated 12.04.2022.
- 2. The PP shall not dump any waste from the mining operation outside the Mine Lease Area.
- 3. The PP shall ensure the safety provisions as stipulated in the DGMS Circular No:02, dated. 29.11.2019 while using the Diamond Wire Saw machines in the proposed quarry operation.
- 4. To ensure the conditions of occupational safety, health & welfare status of persons working in the mine, the PP shall annually conduct occupational health survey to determine prevalence of Noise Induced Hearing Loss (NIHL) due to the operation of Diamond Wire Saw cutting & other HEMMs deployed in the mine and to prepare a plan for hearing conservation programme by involving anyone of the reputed institutes Regional Occupational Health Centre (Southern) of ICMR-National Institute of Occupational Health, Bengaluru, National Institute of Miners' Health, Nagpur and Anna University, Chennai.
- 5. The PP shall properly provide all the required welfare amenities near quarry such as Drinking water, Rest Shelter, Canteen, Toilets, etc for the persons to be employed in the proposed quarry before the execution of lease, in accordance with the provisions of the Mines Rules, 1955.
- 6. For the safety of the persons employed in the quarry, the PP shall carry out the scientific studies to assess the slope stability of the working benches and existing quarry wall during the 4th year or when the depth exceeds 30m whichever is earlier, by involving any one of the reputed Research and Academic Institutions CSIR-Central Institute of Mining & Fuel Research / Dhanbad, NIRM/Bangalore, Division of Geotechnical Engineering-IIT-Madras, NIT-Dept of Mining Engg, Surathkal, and Anna University Chennai-CEG Campus. A copy of such scientific study report shall be submitted to the SEIAA, MoEF, TNPCB, AD/Mines-DGM and DMS, Chennai as a part of Environmental Compliance without any deviation.
- 7. As accepted by the Project Proponent the CER cost of Rs. 10 lakhs and the amount shall be spent for the activities as committed towards the Government High School, Kodakkal Village, Sholinghur Taluk, Ranipet District, before obtaining CTO from TNPCB.
- 8. The proponent shall mandatorily appoint the statutory competent persons and commence the quarry operations within the purview of Mines Act 1952.

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- 9. The proponent shall erect fencing all around the boundary of the proposed area with gates for entry/exit before the commencement of the operation and shall furnish the photographs/map showing the same before obtaining the CTO from TNPCB.
- 10. Perennial maintenance of haulage road/village / Panchayat Road shall be done by the project proponent as required in connection with the concerned Govt. Authority.
- 11. 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. No change in basic mining proposal shall 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 of Short-Term Permit (STP), Query license or any other name.
- 12. Perennial sprinkling arrangement shall be in place on the haulage road for fugitive dust suppression. Fugitive emission measurements should be carried out during the mining operation at regular intervals.
- 13. The Proponent shall ensure that the noise level is monitored during mining operation at the project site for all the machineries deployed and adequate noise level reduction measures undertaken accordingly.
- 14. Proper barriers to reduce noise level and dust pollution should be established by providing greenbelt along the boundary of the quarrying site and suitable working methodology to be adopted by considering the wind direction.
- 15. The purpose of green belt around the project is to capture the fugitive emissions, carbon sequestration and to attenuate the noise generated, in addition to improving the aesthetics.
- 16. Taller/one year old saplings raised in appropriate size of bags (preferably eco-friendly bags) should be planted in proper spacing as per the advice of local forest authorities/botanist/horticulturist with regard to site specific choices. The proponent shall earmark the greenbelt area with GPS coordinates all along the boundary of the project site with at least 3 meters wide and in between blocks in an organized manner.
- 17. Noise and Vibration Related: (i) Appropriate measures should be taken for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. Workers engaged in operations of HEMM, etc. should be provided with ear plugs/muffs, (iii) Noise levels should be monitored regularly (on weekly basis) near the major sources of noise generation within the core zone.

- 18. The operation of the quarry should not affect the agricultural activities & water bodies near the project site and a 50 m safety distance from water body should be maintained without carrying any activity. The proponent shall take appropriate measures for "Silt Management" and prepare a SOP for periodical de-siltation indicating the possible silt content and size in case of any agricultural land exists around the quarry.
- 19. The proponent shall provide sedimentation tank / settling tank with adequate capacity for runoff management.
- 20. The proponent shall ensure that the transportation of the quarried granite stones shall not cause any hindrance to the Village people/Existing Village Road and shall take adequate safety precautionary measures while the vehicles are passing through the schools / hospital. The Project Proponent shall ensure that the road may not be damaged due to transportation of the quarried granite stones; and transport of granite stones will be as per IRC Guidelines with respect to complying with traffic congestion and density.
- 21. To ensure safety measures along the boundary of the quarry site, security guards are to be posted during the entire period of the mining operation.
- 22. The Project Proponent shall comply with the provisions of the Mines Rules 1955 for ensuring safety, health and welfare of the people working in the mines and the surrounding habitants.
- 23. The project proponent shall ensure that the provisions of the MMDR Act, 1957, the MCDR 2017 and Tamilnadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules 1959 are compiled by carrying out the quarrying operations in a skillful, scientific and systematic manner keeping in view proper safety of the labour, structure and the public and public works located in that vicinity of the quarrying area and in a manner to preserve the environment and ecology of the area.
- 24. The quarrying activity shall be stopped if the entire quantity indicated in the Mining plan is quarried even before the expiry of the quarry lease period and the same shall be informed to the District AD/DD (Geology and Mining) District Environmental Engineer (TNPCB) by the proponent without fail.
- 25. The Project Proponent shall abide by the annual production scheduled specified in the approved mining plan and if any deviation is observed, it will render the Project Proponent liable for legal action in accordance with Environment and Mining Laws.
- 26. Prior clearance from Forestry & Wild Life including clearance from committee of the National Board for Wildlife as applicable shall be obtained before starting the quarrying

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- operation, if the project site attracts the NBWL clearance, as per the existing law from time to time.
- 27. All the conditions imposed by the Assistant/Deputy Director, Geology & Mining, concerned District in the mining plan approval letter and the Precise area communication letter issued by concerned District Collector should be strictly followed.
- 28. That the grant of this E.C. is issued from the environmental angle only, and does not absolve the project proponent from the other statutory obligations prescribed under any other law or any other instrument in force. The sole and complete responsibility, to comply with the conditions laid down in all other laws for the time-being in force, rests with the project proponent.
- 29. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc.
- 30. As per the MoEF& CC Office Memorandum F.No. 22-65/2017-IA.III dated: 30.09.2020 and 20.10.2020 the proponent shall adhere EMP furnished.
- 31. If the R.F is located very close to the proposed quarry site, the PP shall develop Green Belt (Thick Tree plantation in two to three rows) along the boundary of the mine lease area before obtaining the CTO from the TNPCB.
- 32. The proponent shall construct and maintain proper fencing all around the boundary of the proposed working quarry adjacent to the direction of the location of the Reserved Forest before the commencement of the operation and shall furnish the photographs showing the same before obtaining the CTO from TNPCB.
- 33. The PP shall take steps so that the overburden, waste rock, rejects and fines generated during the mining operations shall be stored in separate dumps positioned in opposite direction to the location of the reserved forest.
- 34. The PP shall ensure that such waste/reject dumps shall be properly secured to prevent escape of material there from in harmful quantities which may cause degradation of environment and to prevent causation of floods.
- 35. The PP shall select the site for dumps on impervious ground to ensure minimum leaching effects due to precipitations.
- 36. The PP shall take necessary steps that wherever possible, the waste rock, overburden etc. shall be back-filled into the mine excavations with a view to restoring the land to its original use as far as possible.

- 37. Wherever back-filling of waste rock in the area excavated during mining operations is not feasible, the PP shall take adequate steps in discussion with the concerned DFO to suitably terrace the waste dumps ensuring the stability through vegetation to consolidate the green belt development in the areas adjacent to the reserved forest location.
- 38. The PP shall carry out the scientific investigations in order to keep the ground and noise vibrations caused by blasting operations and movement of HEMM such as Excavators, Trucks within safe limit.
- 39. The PP shall not perform secondary breakage involving the drilling & blasting in the quarrying operations and it can be replaced with non-conventional methods such as noise-controlled rock breakers, usage of non-explosive expansive materials/chemicals, Hydraulic Splitting based on the suitable scientific studies carried out by any reputed scientific and academic institutions.
- 40. The PP shall take adequate steps to control the air pollution due to fines, dust, smoke or gaseous emissions during the quarrying operations within 'Permissible Limits' specified under the environmental laws.
- 41. The Quarrying and Mining activities shall be restricted in the Eco-sensitive Zone of 60 m from the boundary of the Reserved area and hence the PP shall not even indulge in constructing the haul roads in these areas.
- 42. No development on existing steep hill slopes or slopes with a high degree of erosion shall be permitted. Hence, the PP shall not carry out the quarrying on steep hill slopes with a gradient of 20° or more or areas with a high degree of erosion on forestland.
- 43. The PP shall give an affidavit at the time of lease execution that there will be no felling of trees (or) any encroachment will not be made on these Reserved Forest lands and also within the Eco- sensitive Zone of 60 m without the prior permission of the State Government in case of reserve forest land as per the procedures laid down by the State Government.
- 44. The PP shall not use plastic carry bags within the quarry area.
- 45. The PP shall ensure that all the haul roads within the quarry lease shall be provided with adequate number of road side drains and these drains shall be kept free form blockage for runoff disposals. This run off from the road side drainage shall relate to the natural drainage system in the area.
- 46. The PP shall adhere to the provisions of the MoEF had issued Notification No. S.O. 1545 dated 25th June 2009 regulating certain activities in the eco-sensitive zone to conserve and protect the reserved forest area from ecological and environmental point of view.

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SPE	SPECIAL MITIGATION MEASURES FOR THE QUARRIES LOCATED IN CLOSE			
PRO	PROXIMITY TO THE WINDMILLS			
Sl.	Existing (or) Virgin Quarry			
No	Wind Mills located at a distance of	Wind Mills located beyond 300 m		
	150 m to 300 m	Up to 500 m		
1.	Appointment of I/II Class Mines Manager Certificate of Competency under MMR 1961.	Appointment of I/II Class Mines Manager Certificate of Competency under MMR 1961.		
2.	Special precautions are to be taken during blasting within danger zone such as posting guards, etc.	Blast design parameters should be mentioned in mining plan/scheme. and may be reviewed by a competent mining engineer.		
3.	Blast design parameters should be mentioned in mining plan/scheme.	MCPD and total charge should be fixed such that it should nott exceed 1.3 kg and 26.50 kg respectively.		
4.	The recommendations of scientific organisation need to be incorporated in the mining plan/scheme before its approval.	Fresh scientific study may be conducted if mine management wants to increase the MCPD and total explosive charge above the quantity of 1.30 kg and 26.50 kg respectively. Continuous monitoring using seismograph should also be done in such cases by the mine management.		
5.	Engagement of blasting in-charge having Diploma/Degree in mining engineering for day-to-day blasting.			
6.	Training of the blasting crew on controlled blasting practices before engaged in operation.			
7.	Submission of monthly report on blast design pattern and detailed explosive consumption as well as volume of rock excavation to a statutory body viz. DGMS, DMG, PESO or SPCB.	Submission of monthly report on blast design pattern and detailed explosive consumption as well as volume of rock excavation to a statutory body viz. DGMS, DMG, SPCB. Report of recorded ground vibration need to be added in monthly report.		

8.	Report of recorded ground vibration	Report of recorded ground vibration need to be
	need to be added in monthly report	added in monthly report which shall be sent to
	which shall be sent to all the statutory	all the statutory body viz. DGMS, DMG, SPCB.
	body viz. DGMS, DMG, SPCB.	
9.	Small diameter emulsion cartridge of	Small diameter emulsion cartridge of 25 mm
	25 mm diameter (125 gm weight per	diameter (125 gm weight per cartridge) shall be
	cartridge) shall be used. However,	used. However, ANFO explosives may also be
	ANFO explosives may also be used as	used as main explosive charge.
	main explosive charge.	
10.	Electronic (or) Non-electric	Non-electric detonators (Nonel) shall be used in
	detonators (Nonel) shall be used in all	all the blasts for in-hole explosive initiation and
	the blasts for in-hole explosive	surface hole-to-hole firing.
	initiation and surface hole-to-hole	
	firing.	
11.	Max. number of holes in a round: 30.	Max. number of holes in a round: 40 to 60.

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Appendix -I List of Native Trees Suggested for Planting

No	Scientific Name	Tamil Name	Tamil Name
1	Aegle marmelos	Vilvam	வில்வம்
2	Adenaanthera pavonina	Manjadi	மஞ்சாடி, ஆனைக்குன்றிமணி
3	Albizia lebbeck	Vaagai	வாகை
4	Albizia amara	Usil	உசில்
5	Bauhinia purpurea	Mantharai	மந்தாரை
6	Bauhinia racemosa	Aathi	ஆத்தி
7	Bauhinia tomentos	Iruvathi	இருவாத்தி
8	Buchanania axillaris	Kattuma	காட்டுமா
9	Borassus flabellifer	Panai	பணை
10	Butea monosperma	Murukkamaram	முருக்கமரம்
11	Bobax ceiba	Ilavu, Sevvilavu	இலவு
12	Calophyllum inophyllum	Punnai	புன்னை
13	Cassia fistula	Sarakondrai	சரக்கொன்றை
14	Cassia roxburghii	Sengondrai	செங்கொன்றை
15	Chloroxylon sweitenia	Purasamaram	புரசு மரம்
16	Cochlospermum religiosum	Kongu, ManjalIlavu	கோங்கு, மஞ்சள் இலவு
17	Cordia dichotoma	Naruvuli	நருவுளி.
18	Creteva adansoni	Mavalingum	மாவிலங் கம்
19	Dillenia indica	Uva, Uzha	2_ #T
20	Dillenia pentagyna	SiruUva, Sitruzha	சிறு உசா
21	Diospyro sebenum	Karungali	கருங்காலி
22	Diospyro schloroxylon	Vaganai	வாகணை
23	Ficus amplissima	Kalltchi	கல் இச்சி
24	Hibiscus tiliaceou	Aatrupoovarasu	ஆற்றுப்புவரக
25	Hardwickia binata	Aacha	ஆச்சா
26	Holoptelia integrifolia	Aayili	ஆயா மரம், ஆயிலி
27	Lannea coromandelica	Odhiam	ஓதியம்
28	Lagerstroemia speciosa	Poo Marudhu	ர் ஈடு இ
29	Lepisanthus tetraphylla	Neikottaimaram	நெய் கொட்டடை மரம்
30	Limonia acidissima	Vila maram	விலா மரம்
31	Litsea glutinos	Pisinpattai	அரம்பா. பிசின்பட்டை
32	Madhuca longifolia	Illuppai	இலுப்பை
33	Manilkara hexandra	UlakkaiPaalai	உலக்கை பாலை
34	Mimusops elengi	Magizhamaram	மகிழமரம்
35	Mitragyna parvifolia	Kadambu	கடம்பூ
36	Morinda pubescens	Nuna	நுளா
37	Morinda citrifolia	Vellai Nuna	வெள்ளை நுணா
38	Phoenix sylvestre	Eachai	ஈச்சமரம்
39	Pongamia pinnat	Pungam	புங்கம்

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40	Premna mollissima	Munnai	முன்னை
41	Premna serratifolia	Narumunnai	தறு முன்னை
42	Premna tomentosa	Malaipoovarasu	மலை பூவரசு
43	Prosopis cinerea	Vanni maram	வன்னி மரம்
44	Pterocarpus marsupium	Vengai	வேங்கை
45	Pterospermum canescens	Vennangu, Tada	வெண்ணாங்கு
46	Pterospermum xylocarpum	Polavu	புலவு
47	Puthranjiva roxburghi	Karipala	கறிபாலா
48	Salvadora persica	Ugaa Maram	ஊகா மரம்
49	Sapindus emarginatus	Manipungan, Soapukai	மணிப்புங்கன் சோப்புக்காய்
50	Saraca asoca	Asoca	அ8சாகா
51	Streblus asper	Piray maram	பிராய் மரம்
52	Strychnos nuxvomic	Yetti	எட்டி
53	Strychnos potatorum	Therthang Kottai	8தத்தான் கொட்டை
54	Syzygium cumini	Naval	நாவல்
55	Terminalia belleric	Thandri	தான்றி
56	Terminalia arjuna	Ven marudhu	வெண் மருது
57	Toona ciliate	Sandhana vembu	சந்தன வேம்பு
58	Thespesia populnea	Puvarasu	பூவரசு
59	Walsuratrifoliata	valsura	வால்கரா
60	Wrightia tinctoria	Veppalai	வெப்பாலை
61	Pithecellobium dulce	Kodukkapuli	கொடுக்காப்புளி

Appendix -II

Display Board

(Size 6' x5' with Blue Background and White Letters)

பசுமை பகுதி வளர்ச்சி	குவாரியின் எல்லையைச் சுற்றி வேலி அமைக்க வேண்டும்		
மேம்பாட்டுக்கான சுரங்கத் திட்டம்	சுரங்கப்பாதையின் ஆழம் தரைமட்டத்திலிருந்துமீட்டர்க்கு மிகாமல் இருக்க வேண்டும்.		
	காற்றில் மாக ஏற்படாதவாறு கரங்க பணிகளை மேற்கொள்ள வேண்டும்.		
நடப்பட்டு	வாகனங்கள் செல்லும் பாதையில் மாசு ஏற்படாத அளவிற்கு தண்ணீரை முறையாக தண்ணிர் லாரிகளின் மூலமாக அவ்வப்போது தெளிக்க வேண்டும்.		
பராமரிக்கப்படவேண்டிய மரங்கள் என்.எனிக்கை:	இரைச்சல் அளவையும் தூசி மாகபாட்டையும் குறைப்பதற்காக குவாரியின் எல்லையை சுற்றி அடர்த்தியாள பசுமை பகுதியை ஏற்படுத்த வேண்டும்.		
நடவடிக்கைகளை உன்னிப்பாக செய			
மேற் கொள்ள வேண்டும்.	ச்சல் அளவு 85 டெசிபல்ஸ் (dBA) அளவிற்கு மேல் ஏற்படாதவாறு தகுந்த கட்டுப்பாடுகளை		
கரங்க சட்ட விதிகள் 1955ண் கீழ் ககாதாரமுள்ள கழிப்பறை வசதிகள	கரங்கத்தில் உள்ள பணியார்களுக்கு தகுந்த பாதுகாப்பு கருவிகள் வழங்கவதோடு என செய்து தர வேண்டும்.		
	s வாகளங்கள் செல்லும் சாலையை தொடர்ந்து நன்கு பராமரிக்க வேண்டும்.		
கருங்கப்பணிகளால் அருகில் உள்ள	விவசாயப் பணிகள் மற்றும் நீர்நிலைகள் பாதிக்கப்படக் கூடாது.		
நீர்நிலைகள் பாதிக்கப்படாமல் இருப்ப	தை உறுதி செய்யும் வகையில் நிலத்தடி தீரின் தரத்தினை தொடர்ந்து கண்காணிக்க வேண்டும்.		
கரங்கத்திலிருந்து கனிம் போருட்க பாதுகாப்போடும் மற்றும் கற்றுதழு	ளை எடுத்துச் செல்வது கிராம மக்களுக்கு எந்தத் சிரமத்தினையும் ஏற்படுத்தாதவாறு ல் பாதிக்கவாத வண்ணம் வாகளங்களை இயக்க வேண்டும்.		
கரங்கப்பணிகள் முடிக்கப்பட்டவுடன்	ர சுரங்க முடல் திட்டத்தில் உள்ளவாறு சுரங்கத்தினை முட வேண்டும்.		
சுரங்க நடவடிக்கைகளை முடித்தபின்னர் சுரங்கப் பகுதி மற்றும் சுரங்க நடவடிக்கைகளால் இடையூறு ஏற்படக்கூடிய			
வேறு எந்தப் பகுதியையும் மறுகட்டுமானம் செய்து தாவரங்கள் விலங்குகள் ஆகியவற்றின் வளர்ச்சிக்கு ஏற்ற வகையில்			
பகமைப்பகுதியை உருவாக்க வேன	எ டும்.		
சுற்றுகூடில் சார்ந்த புகார்களுக்கு செ	j unf)வேஷ் (http://pariveth.nic.in) என்கிற இணையதளத்தைப் பார்வையிடவும். மேலும் எந்தவித ரன்னையில் உள்ள சுற்றுச்சூழல் மற்றும் வன அமைச்சகத்தின் ஒருங்கிணைந்த வட்டார தமிழ்நாடு மாக கட்டுப்பாடு வாரியத்தின் மாவட்ட சுற்றுச்சூழல் பொறியாளரை அணுகவும்.		

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OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TO PERSON NAME

STANDARD CONDITIONS

Part-A: Conditions to be Complied before commencing mining operations:-

- The project proponent shall advertise in at least two local newspapers widely circulated in the region, one of which shall be in the vernacular language informing the public that
 - I. The project has been accorded Environmental Clearance.
 - II. Copies of clearance letters are available with the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.
 - III. Environmental Clearance may also be seen on the website of the SEIAA.
 - IV. The advertisement should be made within 7 days from the date of receipt of the clearance letter and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the SEIAA.
- 2. NOC from the Standing committee of the NBWL shall be obtained, if applicable.
- 3. A copy of the Environment Clearance letter shall be sent by the proponent to the concerned Panchayat, Town Panchayat / Panchayat union/ Municipal Corporation, Urban Local Body and the Local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions/ representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on the website of the proponent and also kept at the site, for the general public to see.
- 4. Quarry lease area should be demarcated on the ground with wire fencing to show the boundary of the lease area on all sides with red flags on every pillar shall be erected before commencement of quarrying.
- 5. The proponent shall ensure that First Aid Box is available at site.
- 6. The excavation activity shall not alter the natural drainage pattern of the area.
- 7. The excavated pit shall be restored by the project proponent for useful purposes.
- 8. The proponent shall quarry and remove only in the permitted areas as per the approved Mining Plan details.
- 9. The quarrying operation shall be restricted between 7AM and 5 PM.
- 10. The proponent shall take necessary measures to ensure that there shall not be any adverse impacts due to quarrying operation on the nearby human habitations, by way of pollution to the environment.
- 11. A minimum distance of 50mts. from any civil structure shall be kept from the periphery of any excavation area.

- 12. The mined out pits should be backfilled where warranted and area should be suitably landscaped to prevent environmental degradation. The mine closure plan as furnished in the proposal shall be strictly followed with back filling and tree plantation.
- 13. If drilling and blasting are involved, it shall be done only either by licensed explosive agent or by the proponent after obtaining required approvals from Competent Authorities. Wet drilling method is to be adopted to control dust emissions. Delay detonators and shock tube initiation system for blasting shall be used so as to reduce vibration and dust.
- 14. Blasting, if involved, shall be carried out after announcing to the public adequate through public address system to avoid any accident.
- 15. If blasting is involved, a study has to be conducted to assess the optimum blast parameters and blast design to keep the vibration limits less than prescribed levels and only such design and parameters should be implemented while blasting is done. Periodical monitoring of the vibration at specified location to be conducted and records kept for inspection.
- 16. The Proponent shall take appropriate measures to ensure that the GLC shall comply with the revised NAAQ norms notified by MoEF&CC, GoI on 16.11.2009.
- 17. The following measures are to be implemented to reduce Air Pollution during transportation of mineral
 - i. Roads shall be graded to mitigate the dust emission.
 - ii. Water shall be sprinkled at regular interval on the main road and other service roads to suppress dust
- 18. The following measures are to be implemented to reduce Noise Pollution
 - i. Proper and regular maintenance of vehicles and other equipment
 - ii. Limiting time exposure of workers to excessive noise.
 - iii. The workers employed shall be provided with protection equipment and earmuffs etc.
 - iv. Speed of trucks entering or leaving the mine is to be limited to moderate speed of25 kmph to prevent undue noise from empty trucks.
 - All noise generating machinery the compressor, generator to be enclosed in acoustic enclosure so as to reduce noise in working area.
- 19. Measures should be taken to comply with the provisions laid under Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) (Amendment) Rules, 2010, dt: 11.01.2010 issued by the MoEF&CC, GoI to control noise to the prescribed levels.

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- 20. Suitable conservation measures to augment groundwater resources in the area shall be planned and implemented in consultation with Regional Director, CGWB. Suitable measures should be taken for rainwater harvesting.
- 21. Permission from the competent authority should be obtained for drawl of ground water, if any, required for this project.
- 22. Topsoil, if any, shall be stacked properly with proper slope with adequate measures and should be used for plantation purpose.
- 23. The following measures are to be adopted to control erosion of dumps:
 - i. Retention/ toe walls shall be provided at the foot of the dumps.
 - ii. Worked out slopes are to be stabilized by planting appropriate shrub / grass species on the slopes.
- 24. Waste oils, used oils generated from the EM machines, mining operations, if any, shall be disposed as per the Hazardous & other wastes (Management, and Trans Boundary Movement) Rules, 2016 and its amendments thereof to the recyclers authorized by TNPCB.
- 25. Concealing the factual data or failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 26. Rain water harvesting to collect and utilize the entire water falling in land area should be provided.
- 27. Rain water getting accumulated in the quarry floor shall not be discharged directly to the nearby stream or water body. If it is to be let into the nearby water body, it has to be discharged into a silt trap on the surface within the lease area and only the overflow after allowing settling of soil be let into the nearby waterways. The silt trap should be of sufficient dimensions to catch all the silt water being pumped out during one season. The silt trap should be cleaned of all the deposited silt at the end of the season and kept ready for taking care of the silt in the next season.
- 28. The lease holder shall undertake adequate safeguard measures during extraction of material and ensure that due to this activity, the hydro-geological regime of the surrounding area shall not be affected. Regular monitoring of ground water level and quality shall be carried out around the mine lease area during the mining operation. If at any stage, if it is observed that the groundwater table is getting depleted due to the mining

- activity; necessary corrective measures shall be carried out. District Collector/mining officer shall ensure this.
- 29. No tree-felling shall be done in the leased area, except only with the permission from competent Authority.
- 30. To take up environmental monitoring of the proposed quarry site before, during and after the mining activities including vibration study data, water, air & flora/fauna environment, slurry water generated/disposed and method of disposal, involving a reputed academic Institution.
- 31. It shall be ensured that no hindrance will be caused to the people of the habitation located near the quarry site.
- 32. Free Silica test should be conducted and reported to TNPCB, Department of Geology and Mining and Regional Director, MoEF&CC, GOI.
- 33. Air sampling at intersection point should be conducted and reported to TNPCB, Department of Geology and Mining and Regional Director, MoEF&CC, GOI.
- 34. Bunds to be provided at the boundary of the project site.
- 35. The project proponent shall undertake plantation/afforestation work by planting the native species on all side of the lease area at the rate of 500/Ha. Suitable tall tree saplings should be planted on the bunds and other suitable areas in and around the work place.
- 36. The Project Proponent shall ensure a minimum of 2.5% of the annual turnover will be utilized for the CSR Activity
- 37. The Project Proponent shall provide solar lighting system to the nearby villages.
- 38. Earthen bunds and barbed wire fencing around the pits with green belt all along the boundary shall be developed and maintained.
- 39. Safety equipments to be provided to all the employees.
- 40. Safety distance of 50m has to be provided in case of railway, reservoir, canal/odai.
- 41. The proponent shall erect the pillars in accordance with the Rules for depicting GPS details in the earmarked boundary of the quarry site to monitor electronically before execution of mining.
- 42. The proponent has to provide insurance protection to the workers in the case of existing mining or provide the affidavit in case of fresh lease before execution of mining lease.

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- 43. The proponent has to display the name board at the quarry site showing the details of proponent, lease period, extent, etc., with respect to the existing activity before execution of mining.
- 44. Heavy earth machinery equipments should be utilized only after getting approval from the competent authority.
- 45. The Proponent shall ensure that the project activity including blasting, mining transportation etc., should in no way have adverse impact to the other forests, such as reserve forests and social forests, tree plantation and bio diversity, surrounding water bodies etc.
- 46. The proponent shall provide Green Belt development at the rate of not less than 500 trees/Hectare. The tree saplings shall be not less than 3m height.
- 47. The fugitive emissions should be monitored during the mining activity and should be reported to TNPCB once in a month and the operation of the quarry should no way impact the agriculture activity & water bodies near the project site.
- 48. All the commitment made by the project proponent in the proposal shall be strictly followed.
- 49. The mining lease holders shall, after ceasing mining operations, undertake re-grassing the mining area and any other area which may have been disturbed due to their mining activities and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc.
- 50. All required sanitary and hygienic measures should be in place before starting construction activities and they have to be maintained throughout the construction phase.
- 51. The company shall stress upon the preventive aspects of occupational health.
- 52. A separate environment and safety management cell with qualified staff shall be set up before commissioning of construction activities and shall be retained throughout the lifetime of the industry, for implementation of the stipulated environmental safeguards.
- 53. A scientific site/ ecological rehabilitation and restoration plan on long term basis should be drawn to carryout restoration with native species and Bio diversity.
- 54. The existing water bodies should not be disturbed to ensure sustainable environment for aquatic life forms.
- 55. The proponent should completely implement all environmental pollution control measures as detailed in the EIA report and in the additional report.

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- 56. Avenue plantation wherever needed has to be carried out along the route for dust suppression.
- 57. The green belt developed for the prevention of dust pollution should not form a part of the larger green belt development envisaged in the EIA report.
- 58. Regular monitoring and check up for pulmonary and carcinogenic diseases to be carried out regularly, not only for the workers involved in the mines but also to the people in the villages adjoining the mines. Interaction with the Primary Health Centre & district medical officer should be on regular basis to monitor the incidence of the diseases if any and to provide suitable medical facility for the patients.
- 59. Monitoring of well water levels and water quality of the wells in the locations furnished in the EIA report shall be done during pre-monsoon and post monsoon period and results submitted to the Regional Office of MoEF, Chennai and SEIAA.
- 60. Monitoring of water quality and air quality in and around the project site in the selected monitoring points as mentioned in the EIA report shall be continued regularly involving Academic Institutions.
- 61. Hydrogeological study including infiltration test shall be conducted by any reputed agency to estimate leachate quantity.
- 62. Regular medical check-up for mine workers and nearby residents around the project site involving community medical centre/NIMH shall be conducted.
- 63. As per norms, the health study should be conducted through competent/approved health organization and report submitted for one year.
- 64. The effective safe guard measures shall be provided to control particulate dust level in critical areas, transfer points and haul road within the mine area.
- 65. NOC from the State GWA for drawing ground water shall be obtained, if ground water table is to be intersected.
- 66. Green belt shall be provided as per norms of MoEF&CC, GOI, in consultation with local DFO.
- 67. All the recommendations made in the EIA report of the project shall be effectively implemented.
- 68. A booklet containing the Dos and Don'ts shall be prepared in vernacular languages for the use of the mine engineers/ managers and the workers to ensure that all necessary environmental, safety and health measures are undertaken.

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- 69. All the environmental protection measures and safeguards as recommended in the EIA report shall be complied with.
- 70. Hydro geological study of the area shall be reviewed annually and report submitted to the Authority. No water bodies including natural drainage system in the area shall be disturbed due to activities associated with the operation of the Mining activity.
- 71. A separate Environmental Management Cell equipped with full fledged laboratory facilities to carry out the various Environmental Management and Monitoring functions shall be set up under the control of a Senior Executive.
- 72. The project proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated environmental clearance conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and shall update the same periodically. It shall simultaneously be sent to the Regional Office of the MoEF at Chennai, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB, the SPCB & SEIAA-TN. The criteria pollutant levels namely; RSPM, SO2, NOx or critical sector parameters, indicated for the projects shall be monitored and displayed at a convenient location near the main gate of the company in the public domain.

Part B: General Conditions:

- 1. EC is given only on the factual records, documents and the commitment furnished in non judicial stamp paper by the proponent.
- 2. The Proponent shall obtain the Consent from the TNPC Board before commencing the activity.
- 3. No change in mining technology and scope of working should be made without prior approval of the SEIAA, Tamil Nadu.
- 4. No change in the calendar plan including excavation, quantum of mineral (minor mineral) should be made.
- 5. Effective safeguard measures, such as regular water sprinkling shall be carried out in critical areas prone to air pollution and having high levels of particulate matter such as loading and unloading point and all transfer points. Extensive water sprinkling shall be carried out on haul roads. It should be ensured that the Ambient Air Quality parameters conform to the norms prescribed by the Central Pollution Control Board in this regard.
- 6. Effective safeguards shall be adopted against health risks on account of breeding of vectors in the water bodies created due to excavation of earth.

- 7. A berm shall be left from the boundary of adjoining field having a width equal to at least half the depth of proposed excavation.
- 8. Loading and unloading areas including all the transfer points should also have efficient dust control arrangements. These should be properly maintained and operated.
- Vehicular emissions shall be kept under control and be regularly monitored. The mineral transportation shall be carried out through the covered trucks only and the vehicles carrying the mineral shall not be overloaded.
- 10. Access and haul roads to the quarrying area should be restored in a mutually agreeable manner where these are considered unnecessary after extraction has been completed.
- 11. All Personnel shall be provided with protective respiratory devices including safety shoes, masks, gloves etc. Supervisory people should be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspects. Occupational health surveillance program of the workers should be undertaken periodically to observe any contractions due to exposure to dust and take corrective measures, if needed.
- 12. Periodical medical examination of the workers engaged in the project shall be carried out and records maintained. For the purpose, schedule of health examination of the workers should be drawn and followed accordingly. The workers shall be provided with personnel protective measures such as masks, gloves, boots etc.
- 13. Workers/labourers shall be provided with facilities for drinking water and sanitation facility for Female and Male separately.
- 14. The project proponent shall ensure that child labour is not employed in the project as per the sworn affidavit furnished.
- 15. The funds earmarked for environmental protection measures should be kept in separate account and should not be diverted for other purpose. Year wise expenditure should be reported to the Ministry of Environment and Forests and its Regional Office located at Chennai.
- 16. The Environmental Clearance does not absolve the applicant/proponent of his obligation/requirement to obtain other statutory and administrative clearances from other statutory and administrative authorities.
- 17. This Environmental Clearance does not imply that the other statutory / administrative clearances shall be granted to the project by the concerned authorities. Such authorities would be considering the project on merits and be taking decisions independently of the Environmental Clearance

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- 18. The SEIAA, Tamil Nadu may alter/modify the above conditions or stipulate any further conditions in the interest of environment protection.
- 19. The SEIAA, Tamil Nadu may cancel the Environmental Clearance granted to this project under the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006, at any stage of the validity of this Environmental Clearance, if it is found or if it comes to the knowledge of this SEIAA, TN that the project proponent has deliberately concealed and/or submitted false or misleading information or inadequate data for obtaining the Environmental Clearance.
- 20. Failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 21. 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, the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991, along with their amendments, Minor Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 2010 framed under MMDR Act 1957, National Commission for protection of Child Right Rules, 2006, Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, Forest Conservation Act, 1980, Biodiversity Conservation Act, 2016, the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Biological diversity Rules, 2004 and Rules made there under and also any other orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India/Hon'ble High Court of Madras and any other Courts of Law relating to the subject matter.
- 22. Any other conditions stipulated by other Statutory/Government authorities shall be complied.
- 23. Any appeal against this Environmental Clearance shall lie with the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.
- 24. The Environmental Clearance is issued based on the documents furnished by the project proponent. In case any documents found to be incorrect/not in order at a later date the Environmental Clearance issued to the project will be deemed to be revoked/ cancelled.

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Copy to:

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department, Tamil Nadu.
- The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Natural Resources Department, Tamil Nadu.
- The Chairperson, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, CBD-Cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi-110 032.
- 5. The Chairman, TNPC Board, 76, Mount Salai, Guindy, Chennai-32
- 6. The District Collector Ranipet District.
- 7. The Commissioner of Geology and Mines, Guindy, Chennai-32
- 8. Assistant Director, Department of Geology & Mining, Ranipet District.
- 9. EI Division, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 10. Integrated Regional office of MoEF&CC, Sasthri Bhawan, Nungambakkam, Chennai.
- 11. File Copy.