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**MINUTES OF THE SEAC MEETING (March 2015)**

A meeting of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) was held from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015 in the office of the PCCF, Department of Environment & Forests, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar. The agenda of the meeting included :

- i) Tirap HEP (45 MW)
- ii) Revamping of Existing Doimukh POL Depot, submitted by Indian Oil Corporation Limited
- iii) Screening and scoping of the Municipal Solid Waste Plant at Basar, submitted by Department of Urban Development & Housing (DUDH), West Siang District
- iv) Screening and scoping of the project proposal of a Quarry for extraction of minor minerals (Sand & Shingle) at Alubari in Lohit River Bed

The following members were present in the meeting:

Dr. Trilochan Singh	- Chairman
Shri P.K. Sen, IFS (Rtd.)	- Member
Prof A.K. Das	- Member
Shri N. Tam, IFS	- Member Secretary

Dr A Arunachalam, Member, could not attend the meeting mainly because of his other urgent assignment.

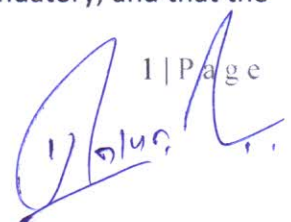
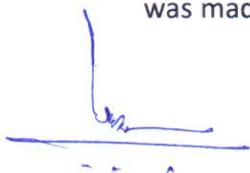
Dr. Trilochan Singh, Chairman welcomed the members and after the initial discussion started the proceedings.

**AGENDA NO. 1**

**Tirap HEP (45 MW)**

Mr Sourav Dasgupta, Manager, IEDCL, representing the IL&FS EDC, appeared before the Committee. He submitted a letter dated 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2015 to the Member Secretary, SEAC, requesting environment clearance for the aforesaid project. The letter is accompanied by a copy of their letter to the Chief Wildlife Warden, dt 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2015, requesting issuance of a certificate indicating that the Tirap HEP, Changlang District, outside any protected area. The letter was placed before the SEAC members.

The Committee in its meeting held on 18-20 Sept 2014 observed that the Project Proponent was made clear that a Certificate from the Chief Wildlife Warden is mandatory, and that the



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project will be considered only after receiving the requisite certificate. But the Project Proponent failed to submit the requisite certificate. The Committee further observed that the Project Proponent has written a letter to the Chief Wildlife Warden only on 25 Feb 2015.

Further, the reply to the observations made in the last meeting, vide letter no. SEAC-AP/2012/Tirap HEP/46-47, dated 10/10/2013, is also awaited from the Proponent (IL&FS Renewable Energy Ltd). The Committee further observed that the SEIAA has also forwarded a letter vide letter no. For(Env)-03(2013)—HEP(45MW)/245-247, dt. 18/12/2014, to the IL&FS Renewable Energy Ltd seeking reply to the observations made in the SEAC meeting held on 26-27 September 2013, which has not been received till date.

Under the circumstances, the Committee could not consider the matter of granting Environment Clearance. The Project Proponent is advised to submit the requisite certificate from the PCCF (Wildlife). They are to be informed that the project for Environmental Clearance will only be taken up after the receipt of the requisite certificate, and the reply in writing to the clarifications sought.

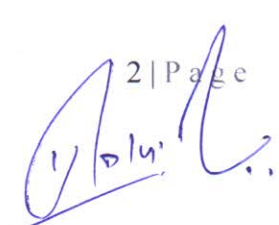
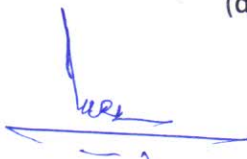
## AGENDA NO. 2

### Revamping of Existing Doimukh POL Depot, submitted by Indian Oil Corporation Limited.

The project submitted by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOC) to consider 'Revamping of Existing Doimukh POL Depot', was taken up for Environmental Clearance (EC). Mr L.N. Phukan, Dy General Manager (Operations), NEISO, Mr Nirmal Chandra Borah, Sr Manager (Operations), NEISO, and Mr Mudang Tacho, SDM, Doimukh Depot, all from Indian Oil Corporation Ltd were present to represent the case before the Committee. Mr Ajay Kumar Singh, Unit Head, PDIL, Mr B. Dev, Sr Consultant Expert, PDIL and Mrs Gyanlata Deshmukh, Scientist, PDIL all from the Projects and Development India Ltd (PDIL), who are the EIA Consultants of IOCL, were also present in the meeting to provide technical details of the project.

The Proponent assisted by their EIA Consultants gave a presentation on EIA/EMP report of the project on 'Revamping of Existing Doimukh POL Depot', and focused on the following points of the ToR before the Committee for Environmental Clearance (EC) consideration :

- (a) Project Proposal
- (b) Location Map
- (c) Need and Justifications of the Proposed Project of enhancement of storage capacity
- (d) Project at a Glance
- (c) Proposed facilities
- (d) Environmental Settings



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They further presented a detailed account on the compliance of the ToR, covering following points :

- I. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
  1. Study Area
  2. Base Line Study
  3. Impact Prediction
  
- II. Environmental Management Plan (EMP)
  1. Risk Assessment & Disaster Management Plan
  2. Green Belt Development Plan
  3. Muck Disposal Plan
  4. Sludge / Solid Waste / Liquid Effluent Disposal Management Plan
  5. Environmental Monitoring Plan
  6. Water, Air & Noise Management Plan
  7. Environment Monitoring Programme
  8. Summary of cost estimates for Environmental Management Plan

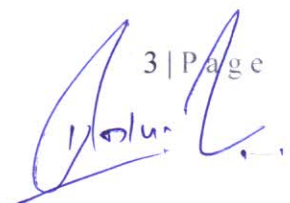
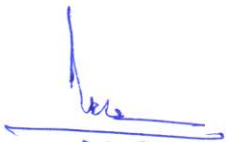
Discussion was held between the SEAC members and the Project Proponents along with the EIA Consultants during and after the presentation of EIA/EMP report. The Project Proponent clarified on the following issues raised by the SEAC members :

1. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for the Proposed Project:

The Project Proponent informed that IOCL has a Board Approved CSR Policy. As per Ministry's OM dated 27/2/2014, the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility) Rules 2014 shall be followed for implementation of CSR activities in POL Depot, Doimukh. IOCL shall carry out CSR activities as per the Corporation's Policy and Guidelines, a copy of which was submitted to the Committee.

2. Testing of air and water quality on regular basis at Doimukh Depot:

The activity for 'Revamp of Doimukh POL Depot' is limited to Receipt, Storage and Dispatch of Petroleum products only. It does not involve any production related activity, i.e. Industry. The material will be handled in closed circuit, as such possibility of their exposure to the environment leading to any threat to the environment is just negligible. The installation of hydrocarbon detectors will be established at all vulnerable places with the modern state of art and various leak detection system. No waste disposal has been envisaged at the installation site. However, for preparation of environmental statement for submission to the statutory bodies on six monthly basis, a third party accredited by State Pollution Control Board or Central Pollution Control Board or NABL shall be hired to monitor the air and water quality on regular basis, as per guidelines provided by APSPCB .



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