

MINUTES OF 15TH MEETING OF EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE, UNION TERRITORY, CHANDIGARH HELD ON 19.02.2013 at 11:00 A.M. IN THE LIBRARY ROOM AT 2ND FLOOR OF PARYAVARAN BHAWAN, SECTOR 19-B, CHANDIGARH UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SH. KHAZAN SINGH, (RETD. IFS) CHAIRMAN, EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE , UT, CHANDIGARH

A meeting of Expert Appraisal Committee, Union Territory, Chandigarh was held on 19.02.2013 at 11:00 A.M. in the Library Room at 2nd Floor of Paryavaran Bhawan, Sector 19-B, Chandigarh under the chairmanship of Sh. Khazan Singh (Retd. IFS), to discuss the cases received for the grant of environmental clearance.

Following members were present in the meeting:-

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| 1. | Prof. M.S.Johal,
Department Zoology,
Panjab University, Chandigarh. | Member |
| 2. | Dr. V.K. Rattan
Department of Chemical Engineering
Panjab University, Chandigarh | Member |
| 3. | Dr. Rajnish Wattas
Retd. Principal,
Chandigarh College of Architecture,
Chandigarh | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Shakti Arora
Panjab Engineering College,
Chandigarh | Member |
| 5. | Sh. Vivek Pandey,
Scientist 'B'.
Chandigarh Pollution Control Committee,
Chandigarh. | Member |
| 6. | Sh.P.J.S. Dadhwal,
Additional Director,
Environment Department
U.T., Chandigarh. | Secretary |

The cases of following project proponents were discussed in the meeting:-

1. Multi level parking scheme opposite Gurdev Studio located at Sector-17, Chandigarh proposed by Municipal Corporation.
2. Housing scheme residential project located at Sector 52 Chandigarh, proposed by Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

1. **Multi level parking scheme opposite Gurdev Studio located at Sector-17, Chandigarh proposed by Municipal Corporation.**

At the outset, the Secretary apprised the members about the request of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh for the grant of Environment Clearance to the above said project. The committee has gone through the Form I/1-A along with its enclosure and reply to the observations made by the Environment Department

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vide its letter dated 04.12.2012 when the committee was dissolved. Before seeking presentation from the proponent, the members of the SEAC has discussed the Form I/1-A alongwith the reply submitted by the project proponent vide its letter dated 25.01.2013 in response to the observations made vide letter dated 04.12.2012 of Environment Department, UT, Chandigarh.

The following officials from the Chandigarh Municipal Corporation were present to make presentation before the committee:-

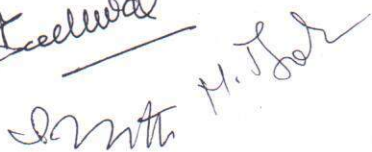
1. Sh. Mukesh Anand, Superintending Engineer(B&R);
2. Sh. Inderjit Gulati, Executive Engineer (B&R)
3. Sh. S.P. Singh, Executive Engineer (B&R)

Sh. Mukesh Anand, S.E. has made presentation on behalf of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh for the project. After detail deliberations, the SEAC decided to ask for following information from the project proponent i.e. Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh

1. Detailed plan of ventilation and exhaust may be provided.
2. Since the duration of the project completion is 2 years. The project proponent has informed that alternate/substitute parking space has been proposed to be provided for parking of vehicles. Detailed plan of alternate/substitute parking alongwith places earmarked for parking during construction may be intimated.
3. The correction at Sr. No. 21 of Form I at Page No. 3 where the clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been shown "Obtained" and enclosed as Annexure VI. However, this Annexure-VI is the permission of felling of trees. The same may be explained and corrected.
4. The information supplied at Sr. No. 2.4 of Form I at Page Nos. 13 and 14 is different from the information supplied at Sr. 1.7 of Form IA at Page No. 8 in regard to the Municipal waste. The information may be clarified about the method of disposal of Municipal waste during construction and operation phase.
5. At Sr. No. 5.1 of Form IA at Page No. 13 wherein it is mentioned that the ambient air quality at and around the site is monitored however no report of ambient Air quality and noise level has been submitted with the application form. The same may be submitted.
6. At Sr.No. 3.2 of Form IA at Page No. 12 wherein it is intimated that 133 Nos. of trees are to be axed and NOC has been obtained from competent authority. NOC enclosed as Annexure - VI. Whereas, as per the annexure VI, the Conservator of Forests, UT, Chandigarh has given permission to fell 157 nos. of trees. The exact information may be supplied in regard to the following:-













- a. Total Number of trees standing at site;
 - b. Total number of trees to be felled down;
 - c. Total number of trees to be transplanted alongwith the place earmarked for transplantation;
 - d. Compensatory plantation in lieu of trees to be felled down, intimating the place where this compensatory plantation is to be done;
 - e. Detailed plan of plantation/landscaping at zero level i.e. ground level.
7. The Authorization certificate from the competent authority of the Project proponent whereby the concerned officer has been authorized for submitting/presenting the case before the committee for the grant of environment clearance.

The Chairman requested the Officials of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh to submit the information within one or two days. However, officials of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh agreed to submit the information by 28th February 2013. It is unanimously resolved and recommended that the above information may be asked from the proponent. The case of proponent would be reviewed after having response from the proponent

II. Housing scheme residential project located at Sector 52 Chandigarh, proposed by Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh.

The Secretary apprised the Chairman as well as members about the request submitted by above said project proponent. At the first instance, when the proponent has applied for Environment Clearance in the prescribed form but it was unsigned and page numbering in all the duplicate sets were different which was acknowledged to the proponent. Some preliminary documents were also found absent in the application form which was asked to furnish vide EAC letter dated 04.07.2012 after having the approval of the then Chairman. The project proponent has not responded to the information asked vide letter dated 04.07.2012 then the department has returned all the 9 sets of applications forms vide letter dated 13.08.2012 with the request to furnish the information as asked vide letter dated 04.07.2012. The project proponent vide its letter dated 21.11.2012 has submitted reply in response to letter dated 04.07.2012 which was again found incomplete and the proponent was again been requested to furnish the preliminary documents required to appraise the project in the committee vide department letter dated 11.12.2012.

The committee unanimously resolved that since the preliminary document are found missing in the application form and it seems that the project proponent is no more interested to submit information as asked by Environment

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Department vide letter dated 04.07.2012 and 11.12.2012. The project proponent may again be asked to submit reply to the observation made by the Environment Department vide letter dated 11.12.2012 within 15 days failing which it shall be presumed that the proponent is no more interested in seeking Environment Clearance for their project and the case will be delisted.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair.


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Member


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Member


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