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To.

Member Secretary Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board, Jaipur (Raj.)

> Sub: Environmental Clearance for Municipal Solid Waste processing and disposal project promoted by Allied Ganganagar Eco Greens Pvt. Ltd., Total Area-20000 sq.mtr; Total capacity 100 MT per day, Estimated project cost 15.97 Crore, At Khasra no. 58 (Murrabba no. 41-44) Village Netewala, Tehsil and District Ganganagar, Rajasthan.

Sir,

The project consists of a proposal to setup Municipal Solid Waste processing and disposal facility at Khasra no. 58 (Murrabba no.41-44), Village Netewala, Tehsil and District Ganganagar, Rajasthan. The project is covered under category 7 (i) of the EIA Notification. The project was considered by the SEAC in its 158th meeting held on 09.05.2017, 163rd meeting held on 6.07.2017 and 166th meeting held on 29-30.08.2017. The SEAC pursuant to decision taken in its aforesaid meetings resolved to issued ToR to the PP with Public Hearing vide letter dated 29.06.2017. After issue of the ToR by the SEAC public hearing was arranged at Atal Seva Kendra, Gram Panchayat Netewala, Tehsil & District Ganganagar on 16.10.2017 at 11.00 AM.

The MS, RSPCB vide letter dated 15.11.2017 has forwarded minutes of public hearing along with CD of videography of the proceedings and photographs. The list of names of the persons who attended Public hearing is enclosed with the proceedings, however, their comments are not available on the record. The proceedings of the public hearing show that the villagers who are likely to be affected by the project refused to participate in the public hearing and protested that the proposed project should not come up at the site as it would adversely affect the environment of the area. The proceedings of the public hearing also annexed objections of various stakeholders stating that the project would cause public nuisance in the area, result in spread of various diseases and pollute the entire environment.

The Commissioner Ganganagar, Municipal Corporation vide letter dated 06.09.2019 has requested for holding fresh public hearing in the matter as the public hearing conducted on 16.10.2017 could not be completed due to heavy opposition by local people for the project.

The SEAC in its 4.22th meeting held on 19.09.2019 considered the project in the light of minutes of public hearing forwarded by MS, RSPCB. The SEAC is of the view that the purpose of public consultation as envisaged under the EIA Notification is to ascertain the concerns of the local people who may be affected due to the project or activity or the persons who have plausible stake in the environmental impacts of the project or activity. The SEAC noted that the public hearing could not be conducted in a peaceful and systematic manner as contemplated under the EIA Notification. The proceedings of the public hearing do not incorporate the concerns of local affected people and/or the persons to have plausible stake in the project.

The SEAC considering the much higher need of having comments, views, responses and concerns of the affected persons and persons having stake in such type of projects as stipulated under the EIA Notification, resolved that SEIAA to ask the RSPCB to again hold public hearing in a meaningful manner. The SEIAA has also accepted the recommendation of SEAC in its 4.25th meeting held on dated 1.10.2019. You are, therefore, requested to held public hearing again in this matter and appraise this authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. D. N. Pandey) Member Secretary SEIAA Rajasthan

Copy to following for information and necessary action:

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- 2. Dr. Anil Kumar Goel IFS (Retd.), Forest Colony, Sector 4, Jawahar Nagar, Jaipur.
- 3. Sh Rajeev Pareek, Member Secretary, SEAC Rajasthan.

4. M/s Allied Ganganagar Eco Greens Pvt. Ltd. Authorized Signatory Ankit Lather (Managing Executive) at 241, DLF Tower, Shivaji Marg, New Delhi.

5. Sh. Jagbeer Singh Manral, ACP, Department of Environment, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur with the direction to upload the copy of this letter on the website.

Member Secretary, SEIAA, Rajasthan