EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR PROPOSED ROUGH STONE AND GRAVEL QUARRY

CATEGORY - B1

(Public Hearing Upgraded after Terms of Reference (ToR) as per the provisions of EIA Notification 2006 & amendments thereof)

ToR Identification No. TO24B0108TN5227548N, dated 31.05.2024

PROPOSED QUARRY LEASE DETAILS					
SURVEY NOS	171/1A AND 171/1B				
VILLAGE	KARASANUR				
TALUK	VANUR				
DISTRICT	VILUPPURAM				
EXTENT	2.02.5 HA				
PROPOSED PRODUCTION	ROUGH STONE : 2,31,505 m ³				
QUANTITY FOR FIVE YEARS	GRAVEL : 33,696 m ³				
LAND	CONSENT PATTA LAND				

(Sector No. 1(a) Sector No.1 as per NABET)

Category of the Project: B1 Cluster Mining, Total Cluster Area – 9.02.0 Ha

Baseline Monitoring Period – March 2024 to May 2024

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy has obtained Precise Area Communication Letter from Assistant Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Viluppuram to quarry out 2,31,505 m³ of Rough Stone and 33,696 m³ gravel from an extent of 2.02.5 Ha located in S.F.No.171/1A and 171/1B in Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District, Tamil Nadu State.

As per EIA notification, 2006 and its subsequent amendments the proposed "Rough Stone and Gravel Quarry" of Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy mines cluster falls under Schedule 1(a) of EIA Notification and its subsequent amendments the project comes under Category B1. The ToR for preparation of EIA/EMP report of the project was approved vide ToR Identification No. TO24B0108TN5227548N, dated 31.05.2024. This report has been prepared in line with the approved TOR for production of maximum excavation of 2,31,505 m³ of Rough Stone and 33,696 m³ gravel gravel.

S.No.	Description	Status/Remarks		
1.	Sector	Non-coal mining		
2.	Category of the project	B1		
3.	Proposed mineral	Rough Stone & Gravel quarry		
4.	Type of Lease	New Project		
5.	Extent of the lease	2.02.5 Ha		
6.	Proposed depth of Mining	43m BGL		
7.	Method of mining	Opencast-Mechanized		
8.	Proposed lease period	5 Years		
9.	Proposed Environmental Clearance	5 Years		
10.	Proposed production quantity for five	Rough Stone: 2,31,505 m ³		
	years	Gravel: 33,696 m ³		

The Lessee. Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy is an individual with sound experience in the identification, quarrying and marketing of Rough Stone and Gravel. The proposed land is a Patta land.

1.2 LOCATION

This project site is located in Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District, Tamil Nadu State with Latitude 12°03'43.84"N to 12°03'48.73"N and Longitude: 79°40'10.09"E to 79°40'16.85"E. with Survey of India Topo Sheet No. 57 P/12. To conduct the study, the proposed mine lease area (core zone) and an impact zone of 10 km radius (called buffer zone) around the proposed mine site were considered. The EIA report is based on three months baseline data (i.e. March 2024 to May 2024)

1.3 GEOLOGY

The rock type noticed in the area for lease is Charnockite which contains mostly Quartz and Feldspar with some ferromagnesian minerals. The Charnockite is part of peninsular Gneisses, a high grade metamorphic rock. The strike of the Charnockite formation is N45°E – S45°W with dipping towards SE80°.

1.4 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This is a proposed Rough Stone and Gravel quarry by Opencast-Mechanized mining method with drilling and blasting. The quarrying is restricted up to a depth of 43m below ground level. The geological reserves is estimated to be 7,77,298 m³ of Rough Stone and 45,518 m³ Gravel. The mineable reserve calculated by deducting 7 m safety distance and bench loss. The mineable reserves is 2,31,505 m³ of Rough Stone and 33,696 m³ of Gravel which will be recovered at the rate of 100% recovery upto a depth of 43m Below ground level for the period of five years.

- It is proposed to quarry out rough stone and Gravel with 5m bench height, 5m width with 56° slope using conventional Open cast Semi-Mechanized method. The quarry operation involves shallow jack hammer drilling, slurry blasting, excavation, Loading and transportation of Rough Stone and Gravel.
- There is no overburden anticipated during entire rough stone and Gravel quarrying operation.

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S.No.	Type of Detail	Description
1	Sector	1(a) Non coal mining
2	Fresh/Existing project	New Project
3	Category	B1
4	Nature of mineral	Minor mineral
5	Production	5 years
6	Life	Rough Stone - 2,31,505 m ³
		Gravel - 33,696 m ³
7	Waste generation and	Nil
	management	IVII
8	Bench height and width	Proposed bench height & width is 5.0m respectively
		and number of proposed benches is 9 Nos (1+8).
9	Ultimate pit depth	43 m BGL
10	End use	The excavated Rough Stone and Gravel is used for
		construction industries for Government & Public
		sector projects besides catering domestic housing
		and infrastructure projects in and around the district.

1.5 **PROJECT REQUIREMENTS**

The requirements of the project is given below.

S.No.	Nature of requirement	Description
1	Water requirement	Total water requirement of 4.2 KLD which will be
		procured from the outside agencies. 0.8 KLD
		drinking water requirement, green belt
		development is 1.4 KLD and dust suppression is
		2.0 KLD.
2	Power requirement	No electricity is needed for mining operations, for
		office demands, it will be met from the state grid.
3	Manpower requirement	Permanent employees – 16, temporary
		employees - 10
4	Financial requirement	The total project cost as per PFR will be INR 286
		lakhs including Operational cost, Fixed Asset cost
		and EMP cost
5	Funds for Socio economic	INR 8 Lakhs is allocated. In addition, any
	development	demand raised by people during public hearing
		will also be met.

1.6 **DESCRIPTION OF LEASE AREA**

The features in the study area are given below.

	Description of the lease area						
S.No.	Areas Distance from project site						
1	Areas protected under international conventions, national or local legislation for their ecological, landscape, cultural or other related value						
2	Areas which are important or sensitive fo	ecological reasons					
		Water bodies Distan	ce Direction				
		Small Kulam 70 m	E				
		Tank 840m	N				
Α	Wetlands, water courses or other water	Vidur Canal 1.5 kn	n SW				
, ,	bodies,	Sangarabarn i river 4.71 k	m S				
		Suttukanni Vaykkal 5.5 kn	n SE				
		Vidur Dam 7.7 kn	n W				
В	Coastal zone, biospheres,	Nil within 10km radius					
		Nil within 10km Radius					
С	Mountains, forests	Oussudu Lake Birds Sanctuary – 12.4km (SE)					
3	Areas used by protected, important or sensitive species of flora or fauna for breeding, nesting, foraging, resting, overwintering, migration	Nil within 15km radius					
4	Inland, coastal, marine or underground waters	Nil within 15km radius					
5	State, National boundaries	Nil within 15km radius					
6	Routes or facilities used by the public for access to recreation or other tourist, pilgrim areas	Nil within 15km radius					
7	Defense installations	Nil within 15km radius					
8	Densely populated or built-up area	Eraiyur (1.7km - SW)					
9	Areas occupied by sensitive man-made land uses (hospitals, schools, places of worship, community facilities)	Eraiyur (1.7km - SW)					

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10	Areas containing important, high quality or scarce resources (ground water resources, surface resources, forestry, agriculture, fisheries, tourism, minerals)	Nil
11	Areas already subjected to pollution or environmental damage. (those where existing legal environmental standards are exceeded)	Nil
12	Areas susceptible to natural hazard which could cause the project to present environmental problems (earth quakes, subsidence, landslides, erosion, flooding or extreme or adverse climatic conditions) similar effects	No. The area is not prone to earthquakes, floods, etc.

The baseline data collection for meteorology, air, water, noise and soil environments have been carried out during March to May 2024.

Air, water, noise and soil samples are collected and analyzed through NABL accredited lab.

1.7 **AIR ENVIRONMENT**

The air monitoring have been carried out in 6 locations and the results are given below.

	11.2 Details Of Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Locations							
S. No.	Station Code	Locations	Distance & Direction	Coordinates				
1	AAQ 1	Project site	Core Zone	12°03'43.84"N 79°40'10.09"E				
2	AAQ 2	Eraiyur	1.5km, SW	12°03'29.19"N 79°39'21.37"E				
3	AAQ 3	Thollamur	1.6km, SE	12°02'55.19"N 79°40'38.04"E				
4	AAQ 4	Parangai	2.65 Km, W	12°03'29.88"N 79°41'39.58"E				
5	AAQ 5	Kunnam	3.0 Km, N	12°05'21.59"N 79°40'42.34"E				
6	AAQ6	Perumbakkam	2.3 Km, NW	12°04'46.09"N 79°39'23.82"E				

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Station ID	Min	Max	Avg.			
	Particulate matter	r PM _{10 - (} μg/m³)				
AAQ-1	60.9	74.8	67.85			
AAQ-2	46.3	56.4	51.35			
AAQ-3	50.8	62.7	56.75			
AAQ-4	56.7	59.1	57.9			
AAQ-5	47.3	58.7	53			
AAQ-6	46.9	55.1	51			
CI	PCB NAAQS 2009 for					
	Particulate matter					
AAQ-1	29.2	35.9	32.55			
AAQ-2	20.8	25.4	23.1			
AAQ-3	23.6	30.1	26.85			
AAQ-4	23.5	30.8	27.15			
AAQ-5	21.8	27.1	24.45			
AAQ-6	21.6	27.0	24.3			
CI	PCB NAAQS 2009 for					
	Sulphur Di-oxide a					
AAQ-1	7.1	8.5	7.8			
AAQ-2	5.5	7.8	6.65			
AAQ-3	6.2	7.7	6.95			
AAQ-4	7.5	9.4	8.45			
AAQ-5	8.1	10.5	9.3			
AAQ-6	7.9	10.4	9.15			
C	PCB NAAQS 2009 fo					
	Oxide of Nitrogen					
AAQ-1	11	15.6	26.6			
AAQ-2	9.6	11.9	21.5			
AAQ-3	9.2	11.2	20.4			
AAQ-4	8.8	11.7	20.5			
AAQ-5	10.6	13.5	24.1			
AAQ-6	8.4	11.3	19.7			
CPCB NAAQS 2009 for NO ₂ - 80 μg/m ³						

All the values of pollutant concentrations were found to be within the NAAQs Standards.

1.8 WATER ENVIRONMENT

F	Results of Ground Water sampling Analysis in 6 locations							(As :10500: 12)
	W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	Desir able	Permis sible
	AGREEAB	AGREEAB	AGREEAB	AGREEAB	Agreeabl	AGREEA	Agree	Agreea
Odour	LE	LE	LE	LE	е	BLE	able	ble
Turbidity	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	Agree able	Agreea ble
pH at 25 °C	6.79	6.70	6.99	7.22	7.09	6.87	6.5 - 8.5	No Relaxat ion
Electrical Conductivity	1650	1325	1789	696.9	1021	2503	1	5
Total Dissolved Solids	992	796	1075	420	615	1505	500	2000
Total hardness as CaCO3	455	519	479	166	404	493	1	15
Calcium as Ca	79.2	96.6	117	39.6	68.1	111	200	600
Magnesium as Mg	61.8	66.5	44.7	16.2	56.1	51.6	200	600
Calcium as CaCO3	198	242	293	99.0	170	278	75	200
Magnesium as CaCO3	257	277	186	67.3	234	215		
Total alkalinity as CaCO3	440	432	525	178	372	364		
Chloride as Cl-	243	210	312	144	169	600.175 59	250	1000
Free Residual chlorine as Cl-	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	BDL (D.L - 0.2)	30	100
Sulphates as SO42-	189	105	238	76.5	82.4	357	45	No Relaxat ion
Iron as Fe	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.11	200	400
Nitrate as NO3	2.31	2.14	3.35	1.46	2.11	4.57	1	No Relaxat ion
Fluoride as F	0.46	0.47	0.55	0.25	0.33	0.62	0.1	0.3
Manganese as Mn	BDL (D.L - 0.05)	BDL (D.L - 0.05)	BDL (D.L - 0.05)	BDL (D.L - 0.05)	BDL (D.L - 0.05)	BDL(D.L- 0.05)	Not Specif ied	Not Specifi ed

All the values were found to be within permissible limits

1.9 NOISE ENVIRONMENT

Noise levels were measured in 6 locations and the results are given below.

	Table.11.4 Noise monitoring results							
S. No	Location Day equivalen		Night equivalent	Day equivalent limits by CPCB	Night equivalent limits by CPCB			
1	Project site	53	43.8					
2	Eraiyur	52.1	41.7					
3	Thollamur	50.1	41.7	75	70			
4	Parangai	51.3	42.3	/5	/0			
5	Kunnam	47.8	42.6					
6	Perumbakkam	49.4	42.8					

1.10 SOIL ENVIRONMENT

Soil samples are collected from 6 locations and the results are given below.

	Results of Soil Sample Analysis							
S. No	Parameter	Unit	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6
S. No	Parameter	Unit	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results	Results
1	pH at 25 °C	-	8.17	6.97	7.43	4.84	6.02	7.71
2	Electrical Conductivity	µmhos/ cm	207.8	391.7	287.9	190.2	86.35	227.4
3	Dry matter content	%	79.20	80.77	81.10	95.48	90.65	86.10
4	Water Content	%	20.80	19.23	18.90	4.52	9.35	13.90
5	Organic Matter	%	0.42	0.54	0.25	0.72	0.47	0.89
6	Soil texture	-	SILTY CLAY	SILTY CLAY	CLAY	SILTY CLAY	SILTY CLAY	SILTY CLAY
7	Grain Size Distribution i. Sand	%	2.70	2.86	5.10	4.26	5.74	4.67
8	ii. Silt	%	41.94	57.45	37.44	42.69	44.48	47.66
9	iii. Clay	%	55.37	39.69	57.46	53.05	49.78	47.66
10	Phosphorous as P	mg/kg	0.42	0.67	0.92	0.55	0.76	0.47
11	Sodium as Na	mg/kg	1015	825	793	604	1010	606
12	Potassium as K	mg/kg	515	339	384	234	649	234
13	Nitrogen and Nitregenous Compounds	mg/kg	192	270	284	397	166	344
14	Total Soluble Sulphate	%	BDL(D.L. 0.02)	BDL(D.L. 0.02)	BDL(D.L. 0.02)	BDL(D.L. 0.02)	BDL(D.L. 0.02)	BDL(D.L. 0.02)
15	Porosity	%	22.5	23.4	32.1	28.9	30.4	20.8
16	Water Holding Cabacity	Inches/ foot	3.2	3.6	3.8	3.4	3.7	3.2

1.11 BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT

FLORA

For measuring the extent of flora present in the study area, the area is divided in to 4 quadrants. The flora population in each quadrant is summed up for the total population in the study area. Field survey is done. Erukku, Aavarai and Nayuruvi are found in lease area. In the buffer zone, common trees like Neem, papaya, mango, teak, etc and shrubs like Avarai, Aloe vera, etc, climbers like Kovai,jasmine etc are found.

FAUNA

In the study area, commonly found animals like dogs, cats, bush rat, cows, birds like crow, Myna, Sparrow, etc were found.

1.12 LAND USE

The land use land cover data is found using the LANDSAT – 9 satellite imagery. The number of bands used are 11. The land use pattern is given below:

Table No. 11.6: Major Land Use Units of the Study Area in Percentage

	Total	318	100		318	100
5	Mines	11.94	3.75	Mines	11.94	3.75
		5.5	1.10	Open with scrub	2.55	0.80
4	Waste Land	3.5	1.10	Open without scrub	0.95	0.30
		51124	10.77	River/Stram	4.88	1.53
3	Water bodies	34.24	10.77	Reservoir/Lake /Pond	29.36	9.23
2	Agriculture	244.21	76.80	Crop/fallow land	244.21	76.80
	habitation	<u> </u>	7.50	Commercial/Industrial	1.09	0.34
1	Built-up or	24.11	7.58	Residential	23.02	7.24
No	Classification	(sq.km)	(%)	Classification	(sq.km)	(%)
S.	1st Level	Area in	Percentage	2nd Level	Area in	Percentage

1.13 SOCIO ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The socio-economic environment of the study area is studied by conducting primary sites through site visits and conducting sample surveys. The secondary data obtained from Census 2011 is also used.

The following data area collected from secondary data.

- Demographic pattern.
- Health pattern
- Occupational structure.
- Amenities available.

The expert visited 5 villages in the study area namely Eraiyur, Thollamur, Parangai, Kunnam and Perumbakkam villages. Discussions were held with the people from nearby locality to study the social and economic conditions prevailing in the area. The expert also visited nearby hospitals, primary health centres and Thollamur. The following observations were made.

The following observations were made.

Primary schools are available in many villages. For hospital facilities, people in the locality have to go to hospital in Thollamur which is about 820m (E) from the lease area. Major schools with higher secondary and senior secondary schools are located in Thollamur. The major Thollamur Union located in the area is Vilupuram. Facilities like petrol pump stations, ATM facility are available in Thollamur.

1.14 HYDROGEOLOGY OF THE LEASE AREA

Since there is Sangarabarani river is located at a distance of 4.71 km in south direction of the proposed site, the hydrological and hydrogeological pattern of the study area is studied in detail using satellite imagery.

Sangarabarani river is located at a distance of 4.71 km in south direction. But there is no running water currently in the river. Only during monsoons, water gets stagnated at a few places.

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There are many tanks located in the study area, which are mostly dry throughout the year. These tanks get water only during monsoons. The factors may be monsoon failure, insufficient rainfall, poor rain water management and water consuming patterns.

1.15 **GROUND WATER STUDY**

For Ground water study, satellite imagery is used. Water levels from monitoring levels are collected through imaging. The pre-monsoon and post-monsoon data are collected and the results are analyzed.

During field visit, it is observed that water is available in wells only after monsoon. The yield is obtained at deep levels only.

As far as the mining lease area is considered, the area is rocky and no major seepage is envisaged. The production quantity is very less and the depth proposed is 37m BGL. Hence, there will not be any major impact due to mining on water levels or ground water levels in the area.

ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Environmental impacts on the following environments are identified.

- Land environment
- Water environment
- Vegetation
- Fauna
- Air environment
- Noise environment
- Socio-economic impacts

1.16 LAND ENVIRONMENT: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

The major impact due to this project on land environment is the change in land use. Since this quarry is a small one and the production is less, mining activity will be carried out upto 43 m BGL. Other than quarrying of minerals, no other change will

be done since there is no dumping. To prevent soil erosion during monsoon season, garland drain will be constructed with silt traps. At the mine closure stage $1.59.0\,\mathrm{Ha}$ of lease area will be left as rain water harvesting pond $0.40.5\,\mathrm{Ha}$ will be developed with green belt. For this, plants like Pungai, Vagai, Vembu, Manjal konrai, Naval, Puvarasu, etc are selected. A total of $1300\,\mathrm{trees}$ are planned to be planted. Spacing will be $3m \times 3m$.

1.17 WATER ENVIRONMENT: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

There is no water body present inside the lease area. The entire water requirement for the project is 4.2 KLD which will be sourced from outside agencies. Negligible sewage will be generated, for which a septic tank with soak pit will be set up.

During monsoon season, the excess rain water, if any, will be led through garland drain of 0.6m width and 0.3 m depth to the collection pond with silt traps.

Since the mining operation will be limited upto depth of 43 m (BGL), there will not be any seepage. However, the rain water percolation and collection of water from seepage shall be less than 300 lpm and it shall be pumped out periodically by a stand by diesel powered Centrifugal pump motivated with 7.5H.P.Motor. The quality of water is expected to be potable. Hence, water stored in the quarry pit will be pumped into the adjacent agricultural fields. Further the water can also be used for plantation purposes

The major water bodies found in the buffer zone are.

- Small Kulam 70m (E)
- Tank-840m (N)
- Vidur Canal-1.5km (SW)
- Sangarabarani river -4.71km (S)
- Suttukanni Vaykkal-5.5km (SE)
- Vidur Dam-7.7km (W)

Since these water bodies are located outside the lease area and there is no discharge of effluent or any untreated water from the mines will be made in to these water bodies, there is no major impact. For the canal, adequate safety distance is left. The proponent will restrict the mining operation only within the lease and no other work will be carried out outside the lease.

It is planned to carryout appropriate rainwater harvesting schemes and artificial recharge schemes in the area.

- ➤ Rain water falling in the quarry will be collected efficiently through garland drains.
- > Water thus collected will be passed through collection tank with silt traps. This water can be used by the proponent for water sprinkling and for green belt purposes.
- > Excess water after desiltation will be provided to downstream users, if any

1.18 BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Impacts

- Fauna is affected due to noise and vibration.
- Dust generation due to mining activities
- Change in land use of the lease area
- Accidental falling of animals

Mitigation measures

- Sirens will be blown before blasting in the mines. To reduce noise levels, plantation will be done. Blasting will be carried out only in the allotted time.
- To reduce dust generation, mist sprayers will be used. During transportation, the material will be covered with tarpaulin. Water sprinkling will be done to reduce generation of pollutants
- After the mine closure stage, the mine pit will be left as rain water collecting tank, which can attract bird population in the nearby areas.
- To prevent entry of animals, the mining area will be properly fenced.

1.19 AIR ENVIRONMENT: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

The major air pollutants due to mining operations are fugitive emissions like PM_{10} , $PM_{2.5}$. Other than these pollutants, gaseous emissions of sulfur dioxide (SO_2) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) due to excavation/loading equipment and vehicles plying on haul roads are the cause of air pollution in the project area.

The major impacts are Dust emission due to drilling, blasting and transportation. The major mitigation measures include Using Wet drilling methods, Allowing drilling only with PPE, Carrying out blasting only during specified times, Avoiding blasting during unfavorable weather conditions, Using explosives of good quality, Using mist sprayers Regular wetting of transport, Covering the materials carried in tippers with tarpaulin, Proper maintenance of vehicles used for transportation, Conducting regular emission tests for vehicles used for transport Development of greenbelt is proposed in the safety zone of 7.5m barriers in the lease area.

The anticipated data is calculated using AERMOD software and the projected values are found to be within limits.

1.20 NOISE ENVIRONMENT: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Impacts

- Noise generation in mining is due to operation like drilling, blasting and transportation of minerals within and outside the lease area.
- As per DGMS (Directorate General of Mines Safety) and OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) limits, the acceptable noise level is 85 dB(A) for an exposure period of 8 hours.
- Exposure to loud noise can also cause high blood pressure, heart disease, sleep disturbances, and stress. Noise pollution also impacts the health and wellbeing of wildlife.
- Noise exceeding prescribed limits may cause impairment like abnormal loudness perception, tinnitus, which causes a persistent high-pitched ringing in the ears, paracusis or distorted hearing

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Mitigation measures

- ♣ As the distance between the source and receptor increases, the noise level also decreases. Hence, there will be a natural attenuation
- ♣ The proposed has planned to develop green belt in the periphery of the lease area, which diminishes sound volume by dampening them.
- ♣ All the equipment/machinery/trucks involved will be properly maintained to control noise generation
- ♣ Conducting regular health checkups for employees involved
- Providing earplugs to all employees

By adopting these measures, the noise levels will be maintained well within MoEF & CC limits since the baseline value is low.

1.21 VIBRATION: IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

Impacts

- ♣ Though vibration will be only felt by the people working inside the lease area, it is usually undesired.
- ♣ Vibration may also cause flyrocks
- ♣ It may frighten the birds and small insects in the lease area. However, it will be felt only for a short period

Mitigation measures

- ♣ Carrying out blasting on limited scale, only from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM
- ♣ Control of fly rock and vibration by maintaining peak particle velocity with in standard as prescribed by the DGMS and MOEF & CC.
- ♣ Shallow depths jackhammer drilling and blasting is proposed to be carried out with minimum use of explosive
- ♣ Supervising blasting by competent and statutory foreman/ mines manager

1.22 SOCIO ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Impact and Mitigation measures

No land is acquired from anyone. No rehabilitation is needed. Hence, there is no negative impact. The proponent has planned to spend INR 8,00,000 for CER activities. This amount will be subjected to change after public hearing.

1.23 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH

Impacts

Dust generation due to drilling and blasting, Noise generation due to drilling and blasting, unexpected accidents. Continuous exposure to dust causes Pneumonia, Tuberculosis, Rhematic arthritis and Segmental Vibration, Short term impact will be lack of sleep, high blood pressure and heart ailments. Long term exposure may lead to partial or permanent deafness, Risks include fly rocks, cracks or fissures due to improper mining methods

Mitigation measures

- Using dust suppression measures like water spraying on roads to reduce rise of air pollutants
- Providing green belt for air pollutant and noise attenuation
- Ensuring slope stability
- Employing only trained professionals for blasting
- Conducting Pre-Medical Examination for employees before inducting
- Conducting periodical Medical Examination once in 6 months.
- Making all first aid kits available in mines office
- Keeping fire extinguisher in place
- Educating the employees about how to handle unexpected happenings
- Posting information containing emergency contact numbers in mines office
- By adopting all these measures, the safety of the employees working in the quarry will be ensured.

1.24 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAMME

Monitoring is done to measure the efficiency of control measures implemented. Regular monitoring of various environmental parameters like air, water, noise and soil environments is needed to assess the status of environment during the project operation. A schedule is framed with timeline to monitor various parameters during the operation of the project. To evaluate the effectiveness of environmental management programme, regular monitoring of the important environmental parameters will be taken up. Air monitoring will be carried out once in 3 months, water sample will be collected once in a season, noise will be monitored once in 3 months, soil samples will be analyzed once per season. For EMP, a budget of INR 286.00 Lakhs is allocated.

1.25 PROJECT BENEFITS

Financial benefits

- This project will contribute financially through payment of taxes like royalty, GST, etc
- > The project will also contribute via CSR.
- The demands of people during public hearing will also be considered by the project proponent

Social benefits

- > This project provides employment to 26 people directly. Local people will be hired for unskilled labour.
- > Through CSR, nearby schools, hospitals will be benefitted.
- For CSR, INR 8,00,000 is allocated.
- Based on the demand of the people during public hearing, further funds will be allocated, if necessary.
- Various aspects of mining activities were considered and related impacts were evaluated. Considering all the possible ways to mitigate the environmental concerns Environmental Management Plan was prepared and 286.00 lakhs for the five years has been allocated as EMP cost. The EMP is dynamic, flexible and subjected to periodic review. For project where the major environmental impacts are associated, EMP will be under regular review. Thus, the proper steps will be taken to accomplish all the goals mentioned in the EMP and the project will bring the positive impact in the study area.

ந.க.எண். அ/புவி(ம)சுர/82/2024 நாள்: 13.03.2024. உதவி இயக்குநர் புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை அலுவலகம் இடி விழுப்புரம்.

குறிப்பானை

பொருள்:

கனிமங்களும் குவாரிகளும் - சிறுகனிமம் - சாதாரண் மல்லம் கற்கள் மற்றும் கிராவல் - விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம் -வானூர் வட்டம் - கரசானூர் கிராமம் - பட்டா புல எண்கள். 171/1A (1.21.5) மற்றும் 171/1B (0.81.0) ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பளவில் ஆகியவற்றில் 2.02.5 ஐந்தாண்டுகளுக்கு சாதாரண கற்கள் மற்றும் கிராவல் வெட்டியெடுக்க குவாரி குத்தகை அனுமதி கோரி த/பெ.குப்புசாமி திருமதி.к.ராஜாமணி, விண்ணப்பம் செய்தது - குவாரி குத்தகை உரிமம் வழங்க பரிந்துரை செய்து அறிக்கை வரப்பெற்றது -நிலப்பரப்பாக கருதி ஏற்பளிக்கப்பட்ட சுரங்க திட்டம் மற்றும் சுற்றுச்சூழல் தாக்க மதிப்பீட்டு ஆணைய இசைவிணை பெற்று சமர்பிக்கக் கோருதல் -தொடர்பாக.

பார்வை:

- திருமதி.к.ராஜாமணி, க/பெ.குப்புசாமி, 168, மேட்டு தெரு, கரசானூர் கிராமம், வானூர் வட்டம், விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம் என்பவரது விண்ணப்பம் நாள்.26.02.2024.
- வருவாய் கோட்டாட்சியர், விழுப்புரம் கடித எண். ந.க.அ4/470/2024, நாள்.13.03.2024.
- விழுப்புரம் மாவட்ட புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை உதவி இயக்குநர் அவர்களின் புலத்தணிக்கை அறிக்கை நாள்: 13.03.2024.

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விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம், வானூர் வட்டம், கரசானூர் கிராமத்தைச் சேர்ந்த திருமதி. к.ராஜாமணி, க/பெ.குப்புசாமி என்பவர் வானூர் வட்டம், கரசானூர் கிராமம் -பட்டா புல எண். 171/1A (1.21.5) மற்றும் 171/1B (0.81.0) ஆகியவற்றில் 2.02.5 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பளவில் ஐந்தாண்டுகளுக்கு சாதாரண கற்கள் மற்றும் கிராவல் குவாரி குத்தகை அனுமதி கோரி பார்வை 1-ல் காணும் விண்ணப்பம் சமர்ப்பித்துள்ளீர்.

மேற்படி விண்ணப்பம் தொடர்பாக, விழுப்புரம் வருவாய் கோட்டாட்சியர் மற்றும் விழுப்புரம் மாவட்ட புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை, உதவி இயக்குநர் ஆகியோரின் அறிக்கையில் விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம், வானூர் வட்டம், கரசானூர் கிராமம், பட்டா புல எண்கள். 171/1A (1.21.5) மற்றும் 171/1B (0.81.0) ஆகியவற்றில் 2.02.5 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பளவில் உள்ள பட்டா நிலத்தில் திருமதி. டி. ராஜாமணி, த/பெ. குப்புசாமி என்பவருக்கு ஐந்தாண்டுகளுக்கு சாதாரணக்கற்கள் மற்றும் கிராவல் குவாரி உரிமம் வழங்க

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வழங்கலாம் அனுமதி கீழ்கண்ட நிபந்தனைகளுக்குட்பட்டு செய்துள்ளனர்.

> விண்ணப்ப புலன்களின் அருகில் உள்ள பட்டா நிலங்களுக்கு புறம்போக்கு அரசு மற்றும் இடைவெளியும் பாதுகாப்பு விட்டு மீட்டர் இடைவெளியும் பாதுகாப்பு மீட்டர் நிலங்களுக்கு 10 குவாரிப்பணி மேற்கொள்ளப்பட வேண்டும்.

> குவாரிப்பணி மேற்கொள்ளும் போது அருகிலுள்ள அரசு புறம்போக்கு ii. இடையூறும் நிலங்களுக்கு எவ்வித பட்டா

குவாரிப்பணி செய்ய வேண்டும்.

குவாரி குத்தகை வழங்கும் முன்பு விண்ணப்பித்துள்ள இடத்தினை iii. DGPS சர்வே பணி மேற்கொண்டு அதன் அறிக்கையை சமர்பிக்க வேண்டும்.

விகி-41ன்படி 1959 விதிகள் சிறுகனிம சலுகை **கமி**ழ்நாடு iv. தகுதிவாய்ந்த நபரால் சுரங்க திட்டம் தயார் செய்து துணை இயக்குநர்

அவர்களின் ஒப்புதல் பெறவேண்டும்.

தமிழ்நாடு சிறுகனிம சலுகை விதிகள் 1959 விதி-42ன்படி மாநில சுற்றுச்சூழல் தாக்க மதிப்பீட்டு ஆணையத்திடமிருந்து சுற்றுச்சூழல் சான்று பெற்று சமர்பிக்கப்படவேண்டும்.

எனவே, விழுப்புரம் வருவாய் கோட்டாட்சியர் மற்றும் விழுப்புரம் மாவட்ட புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை, உதவி இயக்குநர் ஆகியோரின் பரிந்துரை அறிக்கையின் அடிப்படையில் விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம், வானூர் வட்டம், கரசானூர் பட்டா புல எண்கள். 171/1A (1.21.5) மற்றும் 171/1B (0.81.0) ஆகியவற்றில் 2.02.5 ஹெக்டேர் பரப்பளவில் 1959-ம் வருட தமிழ்நாடு சிறுகனிம விதிகள், விதி எண்.19-ன்படி மேற்கண்ட நிபந்தனைகளுக்குட்பட்டு 5 (ஐந்து) காலத்திற்கு திருமதி. к.ராஜாமணி, க/பெ.குப்புசாமி என்பவருக்கு சாதாரணக்கற்கள் மற்றும் கிராவல் குவாரி உரிமம் வழங்குவதற்குரிய தகுதியான நிலப்பரப்பாக கருதப்படுகிறது.

அதன் அடிப்படையில், தமிழ்நாடு சிறு கனிம சலுகை விதிகள் 1959 விதி தொடர்பாக சுரங்க மேற்கொள்வ<u>து</u> வரைவு குவாரிப்பணி எண்.41-ன்படி கீழ்கண்ட மூலமாக தகுதிவாய்ந்த (QP) நபர் திட்டத்தினை தினங்களுக்குள் உதவி நிபந்தனைகளுக்குட்பட்டு தயாரித்து அதனை 90 அவர்களின் பரிசீலனைக்கு சுரங்கத்துறை) (புவியியல் மற்றும் இயக்குநர் கேட்டுக்கொள்ளப்படுகிறது. மேலும் விண்ணப்பதாரரை சமர்ப்பிக்குமாறு வருடத்திய தொடர்ச்சியாக 1959ii சுரங்கத்திட்டத்தின் ஏற்பளிக்கப்பட்ட தமிழ்நாடு சிறுகனிம சலுகை விதிகள், விதி எண்.42-ன்படி சுற்றுச்சூழல் தாக்க மதிப்பீட்டு ஆணையத்தின் தடையின்மை சான்று பெற்று சமர்பிக்கும் பட்சத்தில் மட்டுமே குவாரி உரிமம் வழங்கப்படும் என இதன் மூலம் தெரிவிக்கப்படுகிறது.

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i. விண்ணப்ப புலன்களின் அருகில் உள்ள பட்டா நிலங்களுக்கு 7.5 மீட்டர் பாதுகாப்பு இடைவெளியும் மற்றும் அரசு ஹம்போக்கு மட்டிரம் குவாரிப்பணி மேற்கொள்ளப்பட வேண்டும்.

. குவாரிப்பணி மேற்கொள்ளும் போது அருகிலுள்ள அரசு புறம்போக்கு மற்றும் பட்டா நிலங்களுக்கு எவ்வித இடையூறும் இல்லாமல் குவாரிப்பணி செய்ய வேண்டும்.

iii. குவாரி குத்தகை வழங்கும் முன்பு விண்ணப்பித்துள்ள இடத்தினை DGPS சர்வே பணி மேற்கொண்டு அதன் அறிக்கையை சமர்பிக்க

> உதவி இயக்குநா, 2002 புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை, விழுப்புரம்.

பெறுநர்

திருமதி.k.ராஜாமணி, க/பெ.குப்புசாமி, 168, மேட்டு தெரு, கரசானூர் கிராமம், வானூர் வட்டம், விழுப்புரம் மாவட்டம்.

நகல்:-

- 1. மாநில சுற்றுச்சூழல் தாக்க மதிப்பீட்டு ஆணையம், சென்னை.
- 2. ஆணையர், புவியியல் மற்றும் சுரங்கத்துறை, கிண்டி, சென்னை.

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From Tmt. S.Safiya, M.Sc., Assistant Director, Geology and Mining, Viluppuram. To Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District.

Rc.No.A/G&M/82/2024 Dated 15.03.2024

Sub: Mines & Minerals – Minor Mineral – Rough stone and Gravel - Viluppuram District – Vanur Taluk – Karasanur Village - over an extent of 2.02.5 hectares of patta lands – S.F.Nos. 171/1A (1.21.5) and 171/1B (0.81.0) – Quarry lease application preferred by Tmt.K.Rajamani, Karasanur Village – Precise area communicated - Submission of mining plan for approval – Approved – Regarding.

Ref: 1. Quarry lease application dated 26.02.2024 preferred by Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District.

2. Assistant Director, Geology and Mining, Viluppuram Letter Rc.No.A/G&M/82/2024

Dated 13.03.2024.

3. Mining Plan submitted by Tmt.K.Rajamani, Karasanur Village Dated 15.03.2024.

4. G.O.Ms.No.79, Industries (MMC-1) Department dated 06.04.2015.

5. G.O.(Ms).No.169, Ind. (MMC.1) Dept. dated 04.08.2020.

In response to the precise area communicated vide the reference 2nd cited, the applicant viz., Tmt.K.Rajamani, Karasanur Village vide reference 3rd cited has submitted three copies of mining plan for the area applied seeking grant of quarry lease for Rough stone and Gravel over an extent of 2.02.5 hectares of patta lands in S.F.Nos. 171/1A (1.21.5) and 171/1B (0.81.0) of Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Villupuram District with a request to approve the same.

- 2. The mining plan so submitted has been verified in detail.
- 3. As per the guidelines / instructions issued by the Commissioner of Geology and Mining, Chennai vide letter Rc.No.3868/LC/2012, dated 19.11.2012, the mining plan is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:



- (i) The mining plan is approved without prejudice to any other Law applicable to the quarry lease from time to time whether such laws are made by the Central Government, State Government or any other authority.
- (ii) This approval of the mining plan does not in any way imply the approval of the Government in terms or any provisions of the Mines and (Development and Regulation) Amended Act, 2015, or other laws connected including Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Forest Conservation Rules, 1981, Environment Protection Act, 1980, Explosives Act, 1884 (Central Act IV of 1884) and the Rules made there under and the Tamil Nadu Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1959.
- (iii) The mining plan is approved without prejudice to any other order or direction from any court of competent jurisdiction.
- (iv) As per the Assistant Director, Geology and Mining, Viluppuram letter Rc.No.A/G&M/82/2024 Dated 13.03.2024, the following conditions have been incorporated in the Mining Plan.
 - a. A safety distance of 7.5 meter and 10 meter should be provided to the adjacent patta lands and Government lands.
- (v) Quarrying shall be strictly done as per the approved Mining Plan.

Encl: Two copies of Approved Mining Plan.

Assistant Director,
Dept. of Geology and Mining,
Viluppuram.

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The Commissioner of Geology and Mining, Chennai-32.

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From Tmt. S.Safiya, M.Sc., Assistant Director, Geology and Mining, Viluppuram.

To Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District.

Rc.No.A/G&M/82/2024 Dated 15.03.2024

Sub: Mines & Minerals – Minor Mineral – Rough stone and Gravel - Viluppuram District – Vanur Taluk – Karasanur Village - over an extent of 2.02.5 hectares of patta lands – S.F.Nos. 171/1A (1.21.5) and 171/1B (0.81.0) – Quarry lease application preferred by Tmt.K.Rajamani, Karasanur Village – Precise area communicated – Details of quarries situated within 500 meter radial distance – furnished - reg.

Ref: 1. Assistant Director, Geology and Mining, Viluppuram Letter Rc.No.A/G&M/82/2024 Dated 13.03.2024.

2. Representation from Tmt.K.Rajamani, Karasanur Village Dated 15.03.2024.

With reference to your letter in the reference 2nd cited, the details of existing, proposed and abandoned quarries located within 500 mts. radial distance from the periphery of the proposed Rough stone and Gravel quarry over an extent of 2.02.5 hectares of patta lands in S.F.Nos. 171/1A (1.21.5) and 171/1B (0.81.0) of Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Villupuram District are as follows.

1. Existing quarries:

Sl. No.	Name of the Quarry Owner	Name of the Mineral	Taluk & Village	S.F. Nos.	Extent (in hect.)	Lease period	Remarks
1.	I.Justin Prabu, S/o.V.Iyyadurai, 1/56,D9, Church Street, Christopher Nagar, Peruvilai, Kanniyakumari District.	Rough stone & Gravel	Vanur & Karasanur	43/4A 43/4B 43/4C 43/5 43/6 44/6	0.35.5 0.35.5 0.35.0 0.71.0 1.27.0 0.63.0 3.67.0	03.06.2022 to 02.06.2032	Operation
2.	M/s. Kattima, 18, Sulaiman jakkariya avenue casa major road, Egmore, Chennai-8.	Black Granite	Vanur & Karasanur	169/7A 169/8 170/1	0.54.0 0.25.0 0.97.5 1.76.5	11.08.2008 to 10.08.2028	Non operation from 2017

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3.	Tmt. Shanthakumari W/o.(Late) S. Selvaraj, No.139, Gopalapuram, Marakanam Road, Tindivanam	Black Granite	Vanur & Karasanur	49/6 49/7 50/1 50/2 169/3	0.08.0 0.06.0 0.24.0 0.27.0 0.35.0 1.00.0	04.06.2010 to 03.06.2030	Non. operation from 2017
4.	M/s. Aswani Enterprises, No.49A, Jayapuram Colony, Tindivanam, Viluppuram District.	Black Granite	Vanur & Karasanur	169/9 169/10 169/12 172/1 (P)	0.25.0 0.25.0 0.28.5 0.60.0 1.38.5	08.02.2010 to 07.02.2030	Non operation from 2017

II. Proposed Area:

Name of the lessee / permit holder	Name of the Mineral	Taluk & Village	S.F. Nos.	Extent (in hects)	Remarks
Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District.	Rough stone & Gravel	Vanur & Karasanur	171/1A 171/1B	1.21.5 0.81.0 2.02.5	-
G.Arjunan, S/o.Govindasamy, No.63, Throwpathi Amman Kovl Street, Thiruvakkarai Village, Vanur Taluk.	Rough Stone	Vanur, Thollamur	11/5A 11/6 11/7 16/2 16/3 16/4 16/5 16/6 16/7 16/8B 16/9	0.14.0 0.17.0 0.19.0 0.11.0 0.15.0 0.12.0 0.16.0 0.24.0 0.23.0 0.08.5	
	permit holder Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District. G.Arjunan, S/o.Govindasamy, No.63, Throwpathi Amman Kovl Street, Thiruvakkarai Village,	Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District. G.Arjunan, S/o.Govindasamy, No.63, Throwpathi Amman Kovl Street, Thiruvakkarai Village,	Taluk & Village Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District. G.Arjunan, S/o.Govindasamy, No.63, Throwpathi Amman Kovl Street, Thiruvakkarai Village,	Taluk & Village Tmt.K.Rajamani, W/o. Kuppusamy, No.168, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Viluppuram District. G.Arjunan, S/o.Govindasamy, No.63, Throwpathi Amman Kovl Street, Thiruvakkarai Village, Vanur Taluk. Taluk & Village Vanur & 171/1A Karasanur 171/1B Narasanur Village, Vanur, Thollamur 11/5A Thollamur 11/6 11/7 16/2 16/3 16/4 16/5 16/6 16/7 16/8B	Taluk & Village

III. Abandoned quarries:

SI. No.	Name of the lessee / permit holder	Name of the Mineral	Taluk & Village	S.F. Nos.	Extent (in hects)	Lease period	Remarks
1.	V.Sadaiyappan, No.18, Amal Nagar, West Tambaram, Chennai-600 045.	Rough stone	Vanur, Thollamur	1/3A 12/3 12/5B1	0.58.0 0.60.5 2.38.5 3.57.0	16.08.2018 to 15.08.2023	

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2.	K. Gnanasekaran S/o.Kannadi Gounder, Mettu Street, Karasanur Village, Vanur Taluk, Villupuram District.	Rough stone	Vanur, Thollamur	12/4 12/5A	0.59.5 0.65.0 1.24.5	24.09.2017 to 23.09.2022	
3.	K.Balamurugan, S/o.Kuppusamy, Karasanur & Post, Vanur Taluk.	Rough stone	Vanur, Thollamur	11/4A2 15/2 15/3A 15/3B 15/4	0.16.0 0.44.0 0.50.0 0.56.0 0.46.0 2.12.0	27.08.2018 to 26.08.2023	
4.	Tmt.S.Nanthini, W/o.Sankar, No.14, 3rd Street, Jayapuram, Tindivanam Taluk.	Rough Stone	Vanur, Thollamur	11/5A 11/6 11/7 16/2 16/3 16/4 16/5 16/6 16/7 16/8B 16/9 16/10	0.14.0 0.17.0 0.19.0 0.11.0 0.11.0 0.15.0 0.12.0 0.16.0 0.24.0 0.23.0 0.08.5 1.62.0 3.32.5	31.12.2015 to 30.12.2020	
5.	V.Sankar, S/o Vivekanandan, 14, Jayapuram Colony, Tindivanam Town & Taluk, Viluppuram District	Rough Stone	Vanur, Thollamur	2/1 2/2 2/3 2/4 2/5 3/1 3/2 3/3 3/4 3/5 3/6 3/7	0.45.5 0.22.0 0.22.0 0.23.5 0.25.0 0.32.5 0.33.5 0.81.0 0.20.0 0.22.5 0.21.0 0.18.0 3.66.5	20.09.2016 to 19.09.2021	

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