GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE (IA DIVISION-INDUSTRY-2 SECTOR)

Dated: 21.02.2022

MINUTES OF THE 50th MEETING OF THE EXPERT APPRAISAL COMMITTEE

(INDUSTRY-2 SECTOR PROJECTS)
HELD ON 10th-11th February, 2022

Venue: Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003 through Video Conferencing (VC)

- (i) Opening Remarks by the Chairman: The Chairman made hearty welcome to the Committee members and appreciated the efforts of the Committee. After opening remarks, the Chairman opened the EAC meeting for further deliberations.
- **(ii) Confirmation of minutes:** The EAC, having taken note that final minutes were issued after incorporating comments received from the EAC members on the minutes of its 49th Meeting of the EAC (Industry-2) held during 27th-28th January, 2022 conducted through Video Conferencing (VC), confirmed the same.

After welcoming the Committee Members, discussion on each of the agenda items was taken up ad-seriatim.

Details of the proposals considered during the meeting **conducted through Video Conferencing (VC)**, deliberations made and the recommendations of the Committee are explained in the respective agenda items as under: -

10th February, 2022 (Thursday)

Agenda No. 50.1

Expansion of sugar unit from 4900 TCD to 7500 TCD, Cogeneration power plant from 30 MW to 45 MW & molasses based distillery unit from 45 KLPD to C molasses/B heavy/ cane juice based 360 KLPD distillery unit by M/s. Jai Hind Sugar Pvt. Ltd. at Achegaon, Tal- South Solapur, Dist -Solapur, Maharashtra.- Consideration of Environment Clearance.

[IA/MH/IND2/247490/2021, J-11011/94/2021-IA-II(I)]

Gasoline project, a will be the 3 rd
product pipeline line.
(2" size) is
proposed in
existing Pipe rack
which is part of
the Existing CRZ
approval.

During deliberations EAC sought the following information/commitments from PP:

- Detailed air emission due to amendment desired.
- Information on all effluent generated and their mitigation.
- Solid Waste generated and their disposal.
- Hazardous Waste and its disposal.

PP has submitted the desired information as sought above.

After details deliberations, EAC found the justifications satisfactory and **recommended** the amendments in EC, as proposed by the project proponent, with all other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

Agenda No. 50.10

Development drilling in Cauvery basin in 7 blocks (On-shore), Tamil Nadu by M/s. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited-Amendment in Environment Clearance

[IA/TN/IND2/253585/2022, J-11011/250/2011-IA II (I)]

The proposal is for extension of validity of Environmental Clearance granted by the Ministry vide letter No. J-11011/250/2011-IA-II(I) dated 30.01.2015 for the Project "Development Drilling of 30 Wells (on-shore) in Cauvery Basin in 7 Blocks (On-shore), Greater Narimanam ML Block, Adiyakkamangalam ML Block, Nannilam-I & Nannilam-II ML Block, Kali & Kali # 6 ML Block, Kuthanallur ML Block, Greater Kovilkalapal ML Block and Pundi ML Block, Tamil Nadu in favour of M/s Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGCL)".

The project proponent has requested for extension of validity of EC with details are as under:

S. No.	EC issued by MoEF&CC	Period of Extension	<u>-</u>
1.	F. No. J-	3 years	EC was granted for drilling of 30
	11011/		Development wells out of which 21
	250/2011- IA		wells are drilled. The remaining 09

II (I) dated 30.01.2015	wells could not be taken up as:
30.01.2015	 a. Production performance and reservoir behaviors of these fields were under observation and study as the pay-sands of these fields are discrete in nature and highly heterogeneous. b. These fields are currently identified for production enhancement contract to improve production. Development plan and drilling of new wells in these fields to be firmed after detailed study by PEC contractor.

As per extant rules, the maximum validity for proposed projects shall be 10 years. The Expert Appraisal Committee, after detailed deliberations **recommended** for extension of validity for 3 years in the EC vide letter No. J-11011/250/2011-IA-II(I) dated 30.01.2015 till 29th January, 2025, with all other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

11th February, 2022 (Friday)

Agenda No. 50.11

Proposed 250 KLPD Grain Based Ethanol Plant along with 7.0 MW Cogeneration Power Plant by M/s. Grainfuel Distilleries Private Limited located at Village Baroda, Tehsil Matar, District Kheda, Gujarat - Consideration of Environment Clearance.

[IA/GJ/IND2/254506/2022, IA-J-11011/39/2022-IA-II(I)]

The Project Proponent and the accredited Consultant M/s. J.M. EnviroNet Pvt. Ltd., made a detailed presentation on the salient features of the project and informed that:

The proposal is for environmental clearance to the project for Proposed 250 KLPD Grain Based Ethanol Plant along with 7.0 MW Cogeneration Power Plant by M/s. Grainfuel Distilleries Private Limited located at Village Baroda, Tehsil Matar, District Kheda, Gujarat.

As per the MoEF&CC Notification S.O. 2339(E), dated 16th June, 2021, a special provision in the EIA Notification, 2006-(Schedule 5 (ga), Category B2) is made, wherein for all applications made for Grain based distilleries with Zero Liquid Discharge producing ethanol; solely to be used for