August 2023

Executive Summary

Thiru.K.Jeeva Rough stone quarry- 4.50.0 Ha

For

PUBLIC HEARING

At S.F Nos : 209(Part) of Alur Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu

PROJECT PROPONENT

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EIA Notification 2006 Schedule 1(a) Category B1 (Cluster)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.Project Background:

The Proposed project total extent area is 4.50.00 Ha, It is a government Poramboke land in S.F.No.209 (Part) of Alur Village, Hosur Taluk, and Krishnagiri District. The category of project is B1, It is a Rough stone quarry in Alur village. The area is situated on hilly terrain area sloping towards western side covered with Rough Stone which does not sustain any type of vegetation.

The quarry operation is proposed to carry out with conventional open cast mechanized method using shot-hole drilling and smooth blasting. Rough stone is removed by using hydraulic excavators. proposed bench height is 7 m and bench width is 5 m. The thickness of topsoil in this area is 2.0 m.

The quarry operation is proposed up to depth of 43 m-topsoil 1.0 m + Rough stone 42 m (surface ground level above height is 10 m and surface ground level below depth is 33 m). The total Geological Resources is about 2133096 m³ of Rough stone and 50061 m³ of Top soil . The Mineable Reserves and proposed yearwise production is carried out 1589247 m³ of Rough stone and top soil of 45712 m³ to be mined for 5 years. The precise area letter and relevant mining laws in force. Mining Plan was approved by The Assistant Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri District vide letter Rc.No.216/2019/Mines dated 09.03.2021. Precise Area Communication letter was issued by the District Collectorate, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Letter No. Na.Ka. En.216/2019/Kanimam 13.06.2019

The project area does not fall in Hill Area Conservation Authority region. There is no interstate boundary, CRZ zone, Western Ghats, notified Bird sanctuaries, wild life sanctuaries as per Wild life protection Act 1972, within the radius of 15Km.

2. NATURE & SIZE OF THE PROJECT

The Existing Rough Stone Quarry over an extent of 4.50.00 Hectares land is located at Alur Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District.

Mineral intends to quarry	: Rough stone Quarry
District	: krishnagiri
Taluk	: Hosur
Village	: Alur
S. F. Nos.	:209 (Part)
Extent	: 4.50.00 Hectares

S. No	Particulars	Details					
1	Latitude	Latitude : $12^{\circ} 44' 05.64'' N$ to $12^{\circ} 44' 03.03'' N$					
2	Longitude	Longitude : 77° 55' 03.65" E to 77° 54' 51.35" E					
3	Site Elevation above MSL	847 m from MSL					
4	Topography	Hilly terrain topography					
5	Land use of the site	Government Poramboke					
6	Extent of lease area	4.50.00 Ha					
7	Nearest highway	NH-7, Bangalore to Krishnagiri , 3.2 km, SSE					
8	Nearest railway station	Hosur Railway Station – 6.15 km, SE					
9	Nearest airport	Kampegowda International Airport – 40 km, W					
		• Town - Hosur - 10 Km, W					
10	Nearest town / city	• City - Hosur - 10 Km, W					
		• District -Krishnagiri – 40Km, SSW					
11	Rivers / Canal	• Ponnaiyar River, 11.86 km, NE					
		Peddakullu lake-2.74 km, NW					
		✤ Muthali lake-3.14 km, NNW					
		 Thamayanapalli lake-3.26 km, SW 					
		 Thummanapalli lake-3.58 km,SSE 					
		 Bukkasagaram lake-3.70 km, ESE 					
		✤ Doripalli lake-5.26 km, SE					
10	Τ - 1 -	✤ Kamandoddi lake-5.56 km, SE					
12	Lake	Kamandoddi old lake-6.43 km,SE					
		✤ Konerapalli lake-8.41 km,SE					
		 Chappadi lake-9.40 km, SE 					
		✤ Achettapalli lake-11.24 km,SW					
		✤ Karapalli lake-7.67 km, SW					
		✤ Tippalam lake-5.64 km, SW					
		Kumudapalli lake-4.46 km, SW					

Table 1: Brief Description of the Project

		✤ Bathlapalli lake-6.20 km, WSW
		 ♦ Alasanatham lake-8.48 km, W
		✤ Moranapalli lake-5.51 km, W
		Budde raya guntae pond-12.96 km, WSW
		 Chandramkudi Eri-1066 km, W
		Dam:
		 Kelavarapalli dam-5.70 km, NW
		River:
		Ponnaiyar river-1.80 km,W
13	Hills / valleys	Nil in 15 km radius
14	Archaeologically places	Nil in 15 km radius
15	National parks / Wildlife Sanctuaries	Nil in 15 km radius
	Reserved / Protected	 Perandapalli RF-1.09 km, SSW
16	Forests	✤ Sanamavu RF-4.08 km, S
17	Seismicity	Proposed Lease area comes under Seismic zone-II
18	Defense Installations	Nil

2.NEED FOR THE PROJECT

- Rough stone is quarried for producing crusher aggregates to the nearby building contractors, road contractors and nearby villagers.
- After the entire reserves mined out, the area will be used as water reservoir to have an artificial recharge to the nearby wells.
- The rough stone is hard and compact in nature. It can be crushed only in crushers for producing aggregates.
- ✤ As the mining continues, no reclamation or back filling is required.

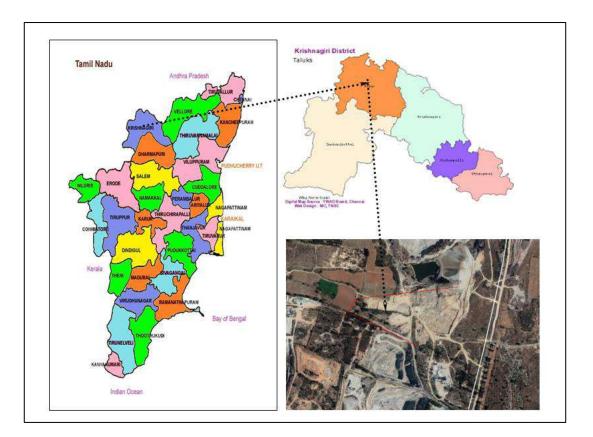


Figure 1: Location Map of the Project Site

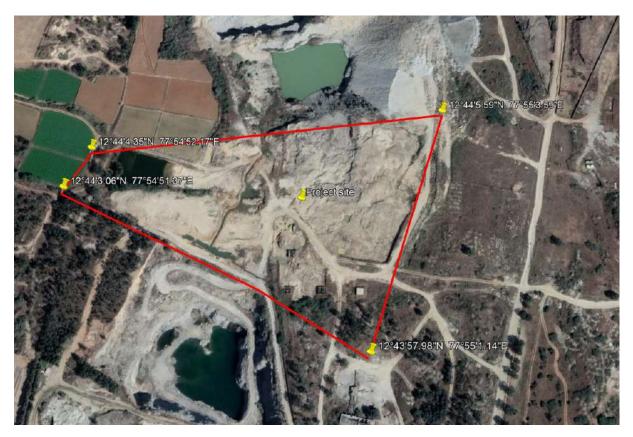


Figure 2: Google Image of the Project Site

4. CHARNOCKITE

Generally, the Charnockite is grey to greenish colored, coarse to medium grained, greasy nature with or without garnet. Because of the limited outcrops, the quarry sections are studied to infer the various interrelationships between the litho units. Charnockite is interbanded nature with crystalline carbonate rocks are observed in most of the quarry in Pandalgudi, Lakshmipuram, Gopalapuram, Sundakottai chinnakamanpatti, Weathering of the Charnockite on the surface gives a deceptive look of gneiss and in the quarry sections at depth the fresh charnockite is exposed, which are well exemplified in almost all the Charnockite quarry sections.

5. GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

			GEOI	LOGICA	L RESER	VES		
Section	Bench	Length in (m)	Width in (m)	Depth in (m)	Volume In M3	Geological Reserves in m3 @ 95%	Mine waste in m3 @ 5%	Top Soil in m3
	Ι	203	123	1				24969
	II	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
	III	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
XY-AB	IV	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
	V	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
	VI	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
	VII	203	123	7	174783	166044	8739	
		TOTAL			1048698	996264	52434	24969
	Ι	123	204	1				25092
	II	100	204	7	142800	135660	7140	
	III	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
XY-	IV	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
CD	V	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
	VI	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
	VII	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
	VIII	123	204	7	175644	166862	8782	
		TOTAL			1196664	1136832	59832	25092
	GR A	AND TO	TAL		2245362	2133096	112266	50061

Table 2. Geological resources

	MINEABLE RESERVES									
Section	Bench	Length in (m)	Width in (m)	Depth in (m)	Volume In M3	Geological Reserves in m3 @ 95%	Mine waste in m3 @ 5%	Top Soil in m3		
	Ι	196	119	1				23324		
	II	195	118	7	161070	153017	8053			
	III	190	113	7	150290	142776	7514			
XY-AB	IV	185	108	7	139860	132867	6993			
	V	180	103	7	129780	123291	6489			
	VI	175	98	7	120050	114048	6002			
	VII	170	93	7	110670	105137	5533			
		TOTAL			811720	771136	40584	23324		
	Ι	116	193	1				22388		
	II	92	192	7	123648	117466	6182			
	III	110	192	7	147840	140448	7392			
XY-	IV	105	187	7	137445	130573	6872			
CD	V	100	182	7	127400	121030	6370			
	VI	95	177	7	117705	111820	5885			
	VII	90	172	7	108360	102942	5418			
	VIII	85	166	7	98770	93832	4938			
		TOTAL			861168	818111	43057	22388		
	GRA	ND TO	TAL		1672888	1589247	83641	45712		

Table 3. Mineable Resources

	YEARWISE RESERVES								
Year	Section	Bench	Length in (m)	Width in (m)	Depth in (m)	Volume In M3	Rough stone Reserves in m3 @ 95%	Mine waste in m3 @ 5%	Top Soil in m3
I-		Ι	196	119	1				23324
Year	XY-AB	II	195	118	7	161070	153017	8053	
		III	190	113	7	150290	142776	7514	
		1	TOTAL			311360	295793	15567	23324
II-	3/37	Ι	116	193	1				22388
Year	XY- CD	II	92	192	7	123648	117466	6182	
	CD	III	110	192	7	147840	140448	7392	
		I	TOTAL	-	-	271488	257914	13574	22388
III- Year	XY-AB	III	185	108	7	139860	132867	6993	
		IV	180	103	7	129780	123291	6489	
			TOTAL		1	269640	256158	13482	
IV- Year	XY- CD	IV	105	187	7	137445	130573	6872	
		V	100	184	7	127400	121030	6370	
			TOTAL			264845	251603	13242	
V- Year	XY- CD	VI	95	177	7	117705	111820	5885	
		VII	90	172	7	108360	102942	5418	
		l	TOTAL	-	•	226065	214762	11303	
		GRA	ND TO	ΓAL		1343398	1276230	67168	45712

Table 4. Year wise Production Plan

6. MINING

Opencast mining

Opencast method of semi mechanized mining is adopted to extract Rough Stone. However, as far as the quarrying of Rough stone is concerned, observance of the provisions of Regulation106 (2) (b) as above is seldom [possible due to various inherent petro genetic factors coupled with mining difficulties. Hence it is proposed to obtain relaxation to the provisions of the above regulation from the Director of mines safety for which necessary provision is available with the regulation 106 (2) (b) of MMR-1961, under Mine Act-1952.

Process Description

- > The reserves and resource are arrived based upon the Geological investigation
- > Removal of Rough Stone by Excavators by Drilling and Blasting.
- Shallow Drilling With Jackhammer 25.5mm Dia.
- Minimum Blasting With Class 3 Explosives.

7. Water Requirement

This Rough stone quarry project does not require huge water and electricity for the project.

Purpose	Quantity	Sources
Drinking Water	0.5 KLD	Packaged Drinking water vendors available in Attur Village which is about 1.3 km from N side of the area.
Green belt	0.5 KLD	From Hired Water Tanker.
Dust suppression	0.5 KLD	From Hired Water Tanker.
Total	1.5 KLD	

Table 5. Water Ba	lance
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8. Manpower

The nearby villagers will be getting employment benefits in the proposed working quarry. **Table 6. Man Power**

1.	Skilled	Operator	2 No.
		Mechanic	1 No.
		Blaster/Mat	1 No.
2.	Semi – skilled	Driver	2 Nos
3.	Unskilled	Musdoor / Labours	5 Nos
		Cleaners	3Nos

		Office Boy	1No
4.	Management & Supervisory s	3No.	
	Total		18Nos

9. Solid Waste Management

Table 7 Solid Waste Management

S. No	Туре	Quantity	Disposal Method
1	Organic	7.2 kg/day	Municipal bin including food waste
2	Inorganic	10.8 kg/day	TNPCB authorized recyclers

As per CPCB guidelines: MSW per capita/day =0.45 kg/day

Table 8. 500m Radius Cluster Mine

1) Existing other quarries:

S.	Name of the Owner	Village &	S.F.Nos.	Extent in	Lease Period
No.	Traine of the Owner	Taluk	5.1.105.	Hect.	Lease I errou
1	Tvl.Chennai Mines, 29 Ramesh Nagar, Thiruneermalai Road, West Tambaram, Chennai-600045	Alur Hosur Taluk	212/1	2.02.5	29.12.2018 to 28.12.2023
2	Tmt.B.G.Manjula, W/o. Late Baskar, No.77 E Indira Nagar, Bagalur Road, Hosur 635109	Alur Hosur Taluk	208/1	3.03.5	19.06.2019 to 18.06.2024

2) Details of abandoned /Old Quarries

S.	Nome of the Owner	Name of the OwnerVillage &S.F.Nos.	Extent	Lease	
No.	Name of the Owner	Taluk	5.F .1NOS.	in Hect.	Period
	Tvl.Chennai Mines, 29		209(Part)	3.46.5	20.3.2015
	Ramesh Nagar,				to
1	Thiruneermalai Road,	Alur			19.3.2020
	West Tambaram,				
	Chennai 600045				
	R.Prasannakumar, S/o.	Alur	209/(part)	4.21.5	19.11.2010
	Thiru Ramiyan, 122				to
2	Thinnur Village,				18.11.2015
	Perandapalli Post, Hosur				
	taluk.				
	Thiru M.Durai,				23.11.2009
	S/o.Mallagounder,				to
3	13/12B Santhi Nagar,	Alur	207/1B	0.81.0	23.11.2014
	Opp Ragavendra Teater,				
	Hosur				

3) Details of Present Proposed quarries

S. No.	Name of the Owner	Village & Taluk	S.F.Nos.	Extent in Hect.	Lease Period
1	Thiru.K.Jeeva	Alur village, Hosur taluk	209(Part)	4.50.0	Instant Proposal

10. Land Requirement

The total extent area of the project is 4.50.00 Ha, government Poramboke Land in Village of Alur, Hosur Taluk, and Krishnagiri District.

Table 9 Land Use Breakup

SL. NO.	LAND USE	PRESENT AREA (HECT)	AREA IN USE DURING THE QUARRYING PERIOD (HECT)	
1.	Area under Quarrying	Nil	3.87.0	

2.	Infrastructure	Nil	0.01.0
3.	Roads	0.01.0	0.02.0
4.	Green Belt	Nil	0.60.0
5.	Unutilized	4.49.0	Nil
	Total	4.50.0Ha	4.50.0Ha

11. Human Settlement

There are no habitations within 300m radius. There are villages located in this area within 15 km radius of the quarry.

SL. NO	DIRECTION	VILLAGE	POPULATION	DISTANCE
1	North	Attur	150	1.3
2	East	Bukkasagaram	700	2.0
3	South	Sundatti	450	1.2
4	West	Dasapalle	300	1.0

Table 10 Habitation

12. Power Requirement

The Electricity for Mines office and Lights only at nights (working is restricted on day time only between 9 Am to 5 Pm). Diesel (HSD) will be used for quarrying machineries around **1028611 litres of HSD** will be used for the entire project life. Diesel will be brought from nearby diesel pumps. No power is required for the project. Lightings on the Night time the power will be taken from nearby electric poles after obtaining permission from concerned authorities.

13. Scope of the Baseline Study

This chapter contains information on existing environmental scenario on the following parameters.

- 1. Micro-Meteorology
- 2. Water Environment
- 3. Air Environment
- 4. Noise Environment

- 5. Soil / Land Environment
- 6. Biological Environment
- 7. Socio-economic Environment

13.1 Micro – Meteorology

Meteorology plays a vital role in affecting the dispersion of pollutants, once discharged into the atmosphere. Since meteorological factors show wide fluctuations with time, meaningful interpretation can be drawn only from long-term reliable data.

- i) Average Minimum Temperature : 18° C
- ii) Average Maximum Temperature. : 38°Celsius
- iii) Average Annual Rainfall of the area: 800 mm-900 mm

13.2 Air Environment

Ambient air monitoring was carried out on monthly basis in the surrounding areas of the Mine Lease area to assess the ambient air quality at the source. To know the ambient air quality at a larger distance i.e. in the study area of 5 km. radius, air quality survey has been conducted at 5 locations. Major air pollutants like Particulate Matter (PM10), Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂), and Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂) were monitored and the results are summarized below.

The baseline levels of PM_{10} (35- 67 µg/m³), $PM_{2.5}$ (12- 34 µg/m³), SO_2 (5-22 µg/m³), $NO_2(10-43 µg/m^3)$, all the parameters are well within the standards prescribed by National Ambient Air Quality during the study period from March to May 2023.

13.3 Noise Environment

The maximum Day noise and Night noise were found to be 65 dB(A) and 55dB(A) respectively in Government higher secondary school, Bukkasagaram. The minimum Day Noise and Night noise were 45 dB(A) and 35 dB(A) respectively which was observed in Anganwadi centre and Project site. The observed values are all well within the Standards prescribed by CPCB.

13.4 Water Environment

- The average pH ranges from 7.34 to 8.1.
- TDS value varied from 505 mg/l to 1015 mg/l
- Hardness varied from 252 to 717 mg/1
- Chloride varied from 71.3 to 223 mg/l

13.5 Land Environment

The analysis results shows that the majority of soil in the project and surrounding area is slightly alkaline in nature and pH value ranges from 6.21 to 9.26 with organic matter 0.12 to 0.83 %. The concentration of Nitrogen, Phosphorus & Potassium has been found to be in good amount in the soil samples.

13.6 Biological Environment

The proposed Mining lease area is mostly dry barren ground with small shrubs and bushes. No specific endangered flora & fauna exist within the mining lease area.

14. Rehabilitation/ Resettlement

The overall land of the mine is a Government Poramboke land. There is no hutment in the lease area. No human being will be displaced from the project area so no person will be affected contrary local people will get job opportunities and better facilities. There is no rehabilitation & resettlement of people is required.

15. Greenbelt Development

1. The development of greenbelt in the peripheral buffer zone of the mine area.

2. Green belt has been recommended as one of the major component of Environmental Management Plan, which will improve ecology, environment and quality of the surrounding area.

3. Local trees like Neem, Vilvam, Panai, etc will be planted along the lease boundary and avenues as well as over Non-active dumps at a rate of 650 trees per annum with interval 5m.

4. The rate of survival expected to be 80% in this area

Name of species proposed	Survival	No of species
Neem, Vilvam, Vaagai, Eachai, Naval, Mantharai, Magizha	L	
Maram, Vila Maram, Poo Marudhu, Panai, Marudha maram,	80%	2250
Thandri, Sengondrai, Poovarasu, Thethankottai Maram,		2250
Pungam		
Total	2250	

Table.11. Plantation/ Afforestation Program

16. Anticipated Environmental Impacts

16.1 Air Environment and Mitigation Measures

1. Water sprinkling will be done on the roads & unpaved roads.

2. Proper mitigation measures like water sprinkling will be adopted to control dust emissions.

3. Plantation will be carried out on approach roads, solid waste site & nearby mine premises.

4. To control the emissions regular preventive maintenance of equipments will be carried out.

16.2 Noise Environment and Mitigation Measures

1. Periodical monitoring of ambient noise will be done as per CPCB guidelines.

2. No other equipment except the transportation vehicles and excavator for loading will be allowed.

3. Noise generated by these equipments shall be intermittent and does not cause much adverse impact

17. Responsibilities for Environmental Management Cell (EMC)

The responsibilities of the EMC include the following:

- I. Environmental Monitoring of the surrounding area
- II. Developing the green belt/Plantation
- III. Ensuring minimal use of water

IV. Proper implementation of pollution control measures

18. Environmental Monitoring Program

A monitoring schedule with respect to Ambient Air Quality, Water & Wastewater Quality, Noise Quality as per Tamil Nadu State Pollution Control Board (TNPCB), shall be maintained.

19. Project Cost

The total project cost is **Rs 5,16,80,000/-** for deployment of machinery and creation of infrastructural facilities like approach road, mine office / Workers Shed, First Aid Room etc., including electrifications and water supply.

S. No.	Description	Cost (Rs.)			
1	Fixed cost	Rs.4,86,80,000/-			
2	Operational cost	Rs.30,00,000/-			
	Total	Rs.5,16,80,000/-			

Table 12Project Cost details

Table 13 EMP

S.No.	Categories	Capital cost	Recurring cost
1	Air Environment	215000	232500
2	Noise Environment	50000	1168640
3	Water Environment	45000	5000
4	Waste Management	6000	7000
5	Implementation of EC, Mining plan & DGMS Condition	816000	373000
6	Green belt development	585000	67500
		1717000	1853640
	Total	Rs.35,70,640	

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
3570640	1946322	2043638	2145820	2253111
Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
3224267	2484055	2608258	2738671	2875604

EMP cost for 10 years (Year 1 to Year 10) =Rs.25890385=Rs.289 lakhs

20. Corporate Environmental Responsibility

The Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) fund will be provided to the below activity.

		CER
S.No.	CER Activity	value
		(Rs)
1.	Panchayat Union Middle School, Alur village, Hosur taluk,	5,00,000
	Krishnagiri District	
	Provision of	
	Roof sheet for student dining	
	Wooden round table for students	
	 Wooden benches for primary students 	
	Ceiling fan	
	Incinerator	
	 Office table 	
	 Smart board with projector 	
	> Basic amenities such as safe drinking water, Hygienic	
	Toilets facilities, furniture.	
Total		5,00,000

Table 14 CER Cost

21. Benefits of the Project

• There is positive impact on socio-economics of people living in the villages. Mining operations in the subject area has positive impact by providing direct and indirect jobs opportunities

- The project is environmentally compatible, financially viable and would be in the interest of construction industry thereby indirectly benefiting the masses.
- Quarrying in this area is not going to have any negative impact on the social or cultural life of the villagers in the near vicinity.