EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

" B1" CATEGORY – MINOR MINERAL – CLUSTER – NON-FOREST LAND-GOVERNMENT LAND-EXISTING

THORAPALLI AGRAHARAM ROUGH STONE CLUSTER QUARRIES

At

Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu State

For Obtaining Environmental Clearance under EIA Notification – 2006 Schedule Sl. No. 1 (a) (i): Mining Project

IN CLUSTER OVER AN EXTENT OF 26.97.5 Ha

NAME OF PROPOSED PROJECT PROPONENTS APPLYING IN CLUSTER

Code	Proponent Name	S.F.Nos	Extent (Ha)
P1	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	679/2(Part - 3)	5.00.0
P2	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	679/2(Part – 4)	5.00.0
P3	M/s. Sri Navaladiyan Engineers	679/2(Part – 2)	5.00.0
P4	Thiru. P. Balasubramanian	679/2(Part - 5)	5.00.0

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Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10193/SEAC/ToR-1550/2023 Dated:27.09.2023-P1 Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10188/SEAC/1(a)ToR-1574/2023 Dated: 27.09.2023-P2 Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10190/SEAC/ToR-1558/2023 Dated:27.09.2023-P3 Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10192/SEAC/ToR-1563/2023 Dated:27.09.2023-P4



1. INTRODUCTION

Rough Stone is the major requirements for construction industry. This EIA report is prepared by considering Cumulative load of the proposed Thorapalli Agraharam Rough Stone Cluster Quarries for four proposed Quarries with total extent of Cluster of 26.97.5Ha at Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District and Tamil Nadu State, cluster area calculated as per MoEF & CC Notification S.O. 2269(E) Dated 1st July 2016.

The proponent has obtained necessary statutory clearances from the Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri District, Tamil Nadu (Statutory Clearance Documents are enclosed along with Mining plan as Annexure No III). The total Extent of the quarries within the radius of 500m from this proposal is >5Ha, hence the proposal falls under "B1" Category project as per the EIA notification, 2006 (As amended timely).

Proponent applied for Environmental Clearance to SEIAA, Tamil Nadu and obtained Terms of Reference for carrying out EIA and EMP studies for the Rough Stone Quarry.

CODE	Name of the proponent	S.F.Nos	Extent (Ha)	Terms of Reference (ToR)
P1	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	679/2(Part - 3)	5.00.0	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10193/SEAC/ToR-1550/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
P2	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	679/2(Part – 4)	5.00.0	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10188/SEAC/1(a)ToR- 1574/2023 Dated: 27.09.2023
P3	M/s. Sri Navaladiyan Engineers	679/2(Part - 2)	5.00.0	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10190/SEAC/ToR-1558/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
P4	Thiru. P. Balasubramanian	679/2(Part - 5)	5.00.0	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10192/SEAC/ToR-1563/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
	Total		20.00.0На	

Source: ToR Letters of the respective project proponents

To carry out the EIA studies and to prepare EIA and EMP studies the proposed quarries of Thorapalli Agraharam Rough Stone Cluster Quarries have engaged a consultant M/s. Geo Exploration and Mining Solutions, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu. The Baseline Monitoring study has been carried out during Post monsoon season (Oct 2023 – Dec 2023) considering the provisions of MoEF & CC Office Memorandum Dated: 29.08.2017 and MoEF & CC Notification S.O. 996 (E) Dated: 10.04.2015.

"Draft EIA report prepared on the basis of ToR Issued for carrying out public hearing for the grant of Environmental Clearance from SEIAA, Tamil Nadu"

1.1 DETAILS OF PROJECT PROPONENTS

PROPOSAL – P1		
Name of the Commons	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited, (SPR.Venkataachalam	
Name of the Company	Authorized Signatory)	
Address	Regd Office: 22/110, Greenways Road, Fairlands,	
Aduress	Salem – 636 016	
Mobile 9994443399		
Status Private Limited Company		
PROPOSAL – P2		

	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited, (SPR.Venkataachalam	
Name of the Company	Authorized Signatory)	
۸ مامانده م	Regd Office: 22/110, Greenways Road, Fairlands,	
Address	Salem – 636 016	
Mobile	9994443399	
Status	Private Limited Company	
	PROPOSAL – P3	
Name of the Company	M/s. Sri Navaladiyan Engineers (G. Sreenivasulu Authorized Signatory)	
Address	22/110, Greenways Road, Fairlands, Salem – 636 016	
Mobile	9597088699	
Status	Partnership firm	
	PROPOSAL – P4	
Name of the Company	Thiru. P. Balasubramanian	
	P. Balasubramanian, S/o. Palanivelu,	
Address	Plot No. 65, D.No. 120/3, 1st Main Road, New Fairlands,	
	Salem – 636016	
Mobile	9597088699	
Status	Individual	

The project proponent is an individual.

1.2 QUARRY DETAILS WITHIN 500 M RADIUS

	PROPOSED QUARRIES				
CODE	Name of the Proponent and Address	S.F. Nos, Village & Taluk	Extent in Ha	G.O. No & Date	Status
P-1	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited, Part-3	679/2 (Part-3) Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	5.00.0	Roc.404/2009/Mines dated: 25.01.2018	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10193/SEAC/To R-1550/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
P-2	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited, Part-4	679/2 (Part-4) Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	5.00.0	Roc.403/2009/Mines dated: 25.01.2018	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10188/SEAC/1(a) ToR-1574/2023 Dated: 27.09.2023
P-3	M/s. Sri Navaladiyan Engineers	679/2 (Part-2) Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	5.00.0	Roc.405/2009/Mines dated: 25.01.2018	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10190/SEAC/To R-1558/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
P-4	Thiru. P. Balasubramanian	679/2 (Part-5Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	5.00.0	Roc.407/2009/Mines dated: 25.01.2018	Lr No. SEIAA- TN/F.No.10192/SEAC/To R-1563/2023 Dated:27.09.2023
P-5	M/S.AVS Building Solutions India Private Limited	662(P) Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	2.20.0	Roc.217/2019/Mines dated: 13.06.2019	EC granted
		Total	22.20.0 Ha		
		EXISTING	-		
CODE	Name of the Proponent and Address	S.F. Nos, Village & Taluk	Extent in Ha	G.O. No & Date	Lease Period
E-1	M/S.AVS Building Solutions India Private Limited	663/1A (P), 663/1B1(P), 663/1B2(P), 663/1B3(P), 663/2 (P),679/1 Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	4.77.5	Roc.680/2016/Mines dated: 05.12.2019	EC Granted Lr. No.SEIAA- TN/F.No.6969/1(a)/EC.N o: 4071/2019 datcd: 06.11.2019
		Total	4.77.5 Ha		
	ABANDONED/EXPIRED QURRIES				
CODE	Name of the Proponent	S.F. Nos, Village & Taluk	Extent in		

	and Address		Ha	G.O. No & Date	Lease Period
A-1	Thiru.B. Karthikeyan	675/1,2 Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	3.53.5	Roc.382/2016/Mines dated: 22.09.2005	22.09.2005to 21.09.2010
A-2	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	676/2 Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Krishnagiri Taluk	0.81.5	Roc.623/2010/Mines-2 dated: 18.08.2011	19.09.2011 to 18.09.2016
A-3	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,	677 & 678 Thorapalli Agraharam Village, Hosur Taluk	2.53.0	Roc.624/2010/Mines-2 dated: 18.08.2011	19.09.2011 to 18.09.2016
		Total	6.88.0Ha		
	TOTAL CLUSTER EXTENT				

TABLE 1.3 SALIENT FEATURES OF THE PROPOSAL "P1"

SALIEI	NT FEATURES OF PROPOSAL "P1"	,	
Name of the Mine	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited, (SPR.Venkataachalam		
	Authorized Signatory)		
Land Type	It is a Govt land – non-Forest		
S.F. No.	679/2 (Part-3)		
Extent	5.00.0 Ha		
Depth of Mining	82m including		
	[58m AGL +	24m BGL]	
Geological Resources	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil	
	29,32,800m ³	49,916m ³	
Mineable Reserves	Rough Stone quarry 14,46,978m ³	Topsoil 43,017 m ³	
Proposed production for First Five years	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil	
	7,95,738 m ³	43,017m ³	
	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil	
Proposed production for remaining three years ten months and twenty-two days	6,51,240 m ³	-	
Peak Production for First Five years	1,68,288 m ³	22,500 m ³	
Peak Production for remaining three years ten months and twenty two days	1,67,280 m ³ -		
Revised Mining Plan Period	5 Years		
Lease Period	Eight years ten months and twenty-two days (Total lease period Ter		
Louserenou	Years but 1 year 1 month and 8 days already completed)		
Ultimate Pit Dimension	(L)562m x (W) 86m (D) 82m		
Toposheet No	57 -H/	14	
Water table depth	60m-65		
Water Requirements	2.0 KL		
Latitude	12°41'17.65114"N to 1	12°41'41.13513"N	
Longitude	77°54'17.66222"E to 7	'7°54'26.65791'' E	
Highest Elevation	The lease applied area is situated in hil is 1 in 2.5 towards Southern side and a		
	830m to 772m abo		
Machinery	Crawler mounted drill Machine	2 Nos	
	Hand Jack hammer	2 Nos	
	Compressor	1 No	
	Excavator with Bucket and Rock Breaker	2 No	
	Truck	4No	
	Water Sprinkling Tanker 1Nos		
Blasting	The blast design will be properly plan		

	ensuring appropriate stemming column with optimized explosive charge,
	so that ground vibratory effect, fly rocks etc., are properly regulated and
	controlled.
Manpower Deployment	36 Nos
Capital cost	Rs.3,48,60,000/-
Emp cost	Rs.6,84,000/-
Total Cost	Rs.3,55,44,000/-
CER Cost	Rs.5,00,000/-
Nearest Habitation	930m-NW
Nearest R.F	Sanamavu Ext II– 200 m– NE
Nearest Wildlife	Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary-16km-S
	Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary-40km-S

TABLE 1.4: BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLIED PROJECT "P2"

SALIE	NT FEATURES OF PROPOSAL "P2"		
Name of the Mine	M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Pnvate Limited (SPR. Venkataachalam		
	Authorized Signatory)		
Land Type	It is a Govt land – non-Forest		
S.F. No.	679/2 (Part-4)		
Extent	5.00.0 1	Ha	
Proposed Depth of Mining	80m including 1m topsoil – (48m AGL + 32m BGL)	
Geological Resources	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil	
	26,60,569 m ³	41,514 m ³	
Mineable Reserves	Rough Stone quarry 23,86,840	Topsoil 39,175	
Proposed production for First Five years	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil	
	13,42,330 m ³	39,175 m ³	
Proposed production for remaining three years ten months and twenty-two days	10,44,510	-	
Peak Production for First Five years	2,79,552	26,737	
Peak Production for remaining three years ten months and twenty-two days	2,78,040	-	
Revised Mining Plan Period	5 Years		
Lease Period	Eight years ten months and twenty-two days (Total lease period Ten Years but 1 year 1 month and 8 days already completed)		
Ultimate Pit Dimension	(L)604m x (W) 87m (D) 80m (Agl 48m + Bgl 32m)		
Toposheet No	57 -H/	14	
Water table depth	60m-85	Śm	
Water Requirements	2.0 KL	D	
Latitude	12°41'20.36281"N to 1	2°41'40.73244"N	
Longitude	77°54'19.18550"E to 7	7°54'29.97742''E	
Highest Elevation	The lease applied area is situated in hilly terrain. The gradient of the area is 1 in 2.5 towards Southern side and altitude of the area varies between 830m to 778m above from MSL		
Machinery	Crawler mounted drill machine	2 Nos	
-	Hand Jack hammer	2 Nos	
	Compressor	1 No	
	Excavator with Bucket and Rock Breaker	2 No	
	Truck	4 Nos	
	Water Sprinkling Tanker 1 Nos		
Blasting	The blast design will be properly planned with ideal spacing and burden, ensuring appropriate stemming column with optimized explosive charge, so that ground vibratory effect, fly rocks etc., are properly regulated and		

	controlled.	
Manpower Deployment	36 Nos	
A. Capital cost	3,45,00,000/-	
B. Emp Cost	6,84,000/-	
Total Cost	Rs. 3,51,84,000/-	
CER Cost	Rs.5,00,000/-	
Nearest Habitation	940m-NW	
Nearest R.F	Sanamavu Ext II–160m– NE	
Nearest Wildlife	Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary-16km-S	
	Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary-40km-S	

TABLE 1.5: BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLIED PROJECT "P3"

SALIE	NT FEATURES OF PROPOSAL "P3"			
Name of the Mine	M/s. Sri Navaladiyan Engineers (G.Sreenivasulu Authorized Signatory)			
Land Type	It is a Govt land – non-Forest			
S.F. No.	679/2 (Part-2)			
Extent	5.00.0 Ha			
Proposed Depth of Mining	73m including			
	[47m AGL + 26m BGL]			
Geological Resources	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil		
	18,02,418m ³	49,848m³		
Mineable Reserves	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil		
	10,16,034 m ³	43,575 m ³		
Year wise development first five years	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil		
production	5,67,114m ³	43,575 m ³		
Year wise development Next Four years	3,07,11411	-5,575 III		
production (Eight years Ten Months and Twenty-two days)	4,48,920 m ³			
Peak Production first five years	1,21,104	31,675		
Peak Production (Eight years Ten Months and Twenty-two days)	1,13,760	-		
Revised Mining Plan Period /	5 Year	'S		
Lease Period	Eight years ten months and twenty two days (Total lease period Ten			
	Years but 1 year 1 month and 8 days already completed)			
Ultimate Pit Dimension	(L)249m x (W) 175m (D)73n	m (Agl $47m + Bgl 26m$)		
Toposheet No	57 -H/	14		
Water table depth	60m-85	5m		
Water Requirements	2.0 KL	D		
Latitude	12°41'16.56967"N to 1	2°41'25.20675''N		
Longitude	77°54'14.53917"E to 7	7°54'25.05381''E		
Highest Elevation	The lease applied area is situated in hill	ly terrain. The gradient of the area		
	is 1 in 3.6 towards Southern side and a	ltitude of the area varies between		
	822m to 774m above from MSL			
Machinery	Crawler mounted drill machine	1Nos		
	Hand Jack hammer	2Nos		
	Compressor	1 No		
	Excavator with Bucket and Rock	$2 \mathrm{N}_{\mathrm{c}}$		
	Breaker	2 No		
	Truck	4 No		
	Water Sprinkling Tanker 1 Nos			
Blasting	85mm diameter Slurry explosives are			
	and heaving effect for removal and winning of Rough stone.			
Manpower Deployment	33Nos			
A.Capital Cost	Rs.3,24,70,000/-			

B.EMP cost	Rs.6,84,000/-	
Total Cost	Rs.3,31,54,000/-	
CER Cost	Rs.5,00,000/-	
Nearest Habitation	1.2km-NW	
Nearest R.F	Sanamavu Ext II– 490m– NE	
Nearest Wildlife	Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary-15km-S	
	Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary-39km-S	

TABLE 1.6: BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLIED PROJECT "P4"

SALIE	NT FEATURES OF PROPOSAL "P4"					
Name of the Mine	Thiru. P. Balasubramanian					
	(Power of Attorney Thiru. SPR Venkataachalam)					
Land Type	It is a Govt land – non-Forest					
S.F. No.	679/2(Part-5)					
Extent	5.00.0 Ha					
Proposed Depth of Mining	64m including 1m topsoil – (46m AGL + 18m BGL)					
Geological Resources	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil				
	29,11,783m ³	47,466m ³				
Mineable Reserves	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil				
	13,02,980m ³	39,183m ³				
Year wise development first five years						
production	Rough Stone quarry	Topsoil				
1	7,46,132 m ³	39,183 m ³				
Year wise development Next Four years production	5,56,848m ³	-				
Peak Production first five years	1,56,972	19,934				
Peak Production (Eight years Ten	1,55,562					
Months and Twenty-three days)	1,55,562	-				
Revised Mining Plan Period	5 Year	S				
Lease Period	Eight years ten months and twenty-three days (Total lease period 10					
		nd 7 days already completed)				
Ultimate Pit Dimension	(L)633m x (W) 73m (D) 64m	(AGL 46m + BGL 18m)				
Toposheet No	57 -H/14					
Water table depth	60m-85m					
Water Requirements	2.0 KLD					
Latitude	12°41'19.57130"N to 12°41'40.73408"N					
Longitude	77°54'22.23061"E to 77°54'32.42688" E					
Highest Elevation	The lease applied area is situated in hill					
0	is 1 in 3.6 towards Southern side and a					
	832m to 784m abo	ve from MSL				
Machinery	Crawler mounted drill machine	2Nos				
	Hand Jack hammer	2Nos				
	Compressor	1 No				
	Excavator with Bucket and Rock Breaker	2 No				
	Truck	4 No				
	Water Sprinkling Tanker	1 Nos				
Blasting	85mm diameter Slurry explosives are p					
Diastilig						
Manpower Deployment	and heaving effect for removal and winning of Rough stone. 36Nos					
A.Capital Cost						
B.EMP cost	Rs.3,48,60,000					
Total Cost	Rs.6,84,000/-					
CER Cost	Rs.3,55,44,000/-					
Nearest Habitation	Rs.5,00,000/- 1.2km-NW					
mearest maintailon	1.2Km-N	N VV				

Nearest R.F	Sanamavu Ext II– 490m– NE
Nearest Wildlife	Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary-15km-S
	Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary-39km-S

1.3 STATUTORY DETAILS

SCREENING --P1

- Collector Proceeding order to restore the lease period for the non-operative period of 8 years 10 months and 22 Days vide letter no Roc. No. 403/2009/Mines -2 Dated 25.01.2018
- Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining vide Rc. No 403/2009/Mines Dated 06.04.2018
- Mining plan Revalidate approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 404/2009/Mines-1 Dated 02.05.2023.
- As per G.O. (D) No. 143 Ind (MMC1) Department Dated 28.07.2017 lease period lease period for ten years from (29.05.2008 to 28.05.2018).
- Based on the 500m Radius Cluster Letter obtained from the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Letter No 403/2009/Mines-2 Dated 29.05.2023 the proposal falls under Cluster Category "B1"
- Proponent applied for ToR for Environmental Clearance vides online Proposal No. SIA/TN/MIN/435561/2023, dated 04/07/2023.
- The proposal was placed in 407th SEAC meeting held on 07.09.2023 the committee recommended for issue of ToR.
- The proposal was considered in 658th SEIAA meeting held on 26.09.2023-27-09-2023 and issued ToR vide Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10193/SEAC/ToR- 1550/2023 Dated:27.09.2023.

SCREENING - P2

- Collector Proceeding order to restore the lease period for the non operative period of 8 years 10 months and 22 Days vide letter no Roc. No. 403/2009/Mines -2 Dated 25.01.2018
- Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 403/2009/Mines-1 Dated 06.04.2018
- Mining plan Revalidate approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 403/2009/Mines-1 Dated 02.05.2023.
- Revised Mining plan approved Plan by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 403/2009/Mines-2 Dated 24.05.2024.
- As per G.O. (D) No.233 Ind (MMC-1) Department Dated 28.12.2017 lease period for ten years from (29.05.2008 to 28.05.2018)
- Based on the 500m Radius Cluster Letter obtained from the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Letter No 403/2009/Mines-2 Dated 29.05.2023 the proposal falls under Cluster Category "B1"
- Proponent applied for ToR for Environmental Clearance vides online Proposal No. SIA/TN/MIN/435645/2023, Dated:05.07.2023.

- The proposal was placed in 395th SEAC meeting held on 27.07.2023 Proponent reply that 28.08.2023 and 407th SEAC meeting held on 07.09.2023 the committee recommended for issue of ToR.
- The proposal was considered in 658th and SEIAA meeting held on 26.09.2023-27.09.2023 and issued ToR vide Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10188/SEAC/1(a)ToR-1574/2023 Dated: 27.09.2023.

SCREENING -P3

- Collector Proceeding order to restore the lease period for the non operative period of Eight years Ten Months and Twenty-two days vide letter no Roc. No. 405/2009/Mines -2 Dated 25.01.2018
- Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 405/2009/Mines-1 Dated 06.04.2018
- Revised Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 405/2009/Mines-2 Dated 24.05.2024
- As per G.O. (D) No.232 Ind (MMC-1) Department Dated 28.12.2017 lease period for ten years from (29.05.2008 to 28.05.2018)
- Based on the 500m Radius Cluster Letter obtained from the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Letter No 405/2009/Mines-1 Dated 29.05.2023 the proposal falls under Cluster Category "B1"
- Proponent applied for ToR for Environmental Clearance vides online Proposal No. SIA/TN/MIN/435824/2023, Dated:06.07.2023.
- The proposal was placed in 395th SEAC meeting held on 27.07.2023 replied by the project proponent 407th SEAC meeting held on 07.09.2023 the committee recommended for issue of ToR.
- The proposal was considered in 658th SEIAA meeting held on 26.09.2023-27.09.2023 issued ToR Lr.No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10190/SEAC/ToR-1558/2023 Dated:27.09.2023

SCREENING – P4

- Collector Proceeding order to restore the lease period for the non operative period of 8 years 10 months and 22 Days vide letter no Roc. No. 407/2009/Mines -2 Dated 25.01.2018
- Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 407/2009/Mines-1 Dated 06.04.2018
- Revised Mining plan approved by the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Roc. No 407/2009/Mines-2 Dated 24.05.2024
- As per G.O. (D) No.234 Ind (MMC-1) Department Dated 28.12.2017 lease period for ten years from (30.05.2008 to 29.05.2018)
- Based on the 500m Radius Cluster Letter obtained from the Deputy Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Krishnagiri vide Letter No 407/2009/Mines-2 Dated 29.05.2023 the proposal falls under Cluster Category "B1"
- Proponent applied for ToR for Environmental Clearance vides online Proposal No. SIA/TN/MIN/435486/2023, Dated:03.07.2023
- The proposal was placed in 407th SEAC meeting held on 07.09.2023 the committee recommended for issue of ToR.

The proposal was considered in 658th SEIAA meeting held on 26.09.2023-27.09.2023 issued ToR Lr No. SEIAA-TN/F.No.10192/SEAC/ToR-1563/2023 Dated:27.09.2023

1.4 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project is site specific and there is no additional area required for this project. There is no effluent generation/discharge from this proposed quarry.

The quarrying operation is proposed to be carried out by Opencast Mechanized Mining Method by deploying Heavy Earth Moving Machineries without deep hole drilling and blasting by Jack Hammer Drilling & Slurry Explosive during blasting by forming 5.0 m bench height and 5.0 m bench width. Excavators are proposed for Loading and tippers for transportation of Rough Stone from pithead to the needy crushers. Rock Breakers are proposed to be deployed to avoid secondary blasting.

2.1 SITE CONNECTIVITY TO THE CLUSTER QUARRIES

Nearest Roadway	NH44- Salem – Krishhnagiri-Bangaluru – 700m-NE SH844-Krishnagiri – Rayakottai Road –4.0km-SW
Nearest Village	Islampuram- 1km-NW
Nearest Town	Hosur– 9.5km – NW
Nearest Railway	Kelamangalam Railway station – 9.0km-SW
Nearest Airport	Bangalore HAL Airport – 38km - NW

2.2 LAND USE PATTERN OF THE PROPOSED PROJECTS

LAND USE PATTERN OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT - P1

P1						
Description	Present area	Area required during the first	Area at the end of lease			
Description	(Ha)	five year (Ha)	period (Ha)			
Area Under Quarry	0.07.20	3.99.93	3.99.93			
Site Services	Nil	0.01.00	0.01.00			
Roads	0.01.00	0.02.00	0.02.00			
Green Belt	Nil	0.32.20	0.72.48			
Unutilized Area	4.91.80	0.64.87	0.24.59			
Grand Total	5.00.00	5.00.00	5.00.00			

LAND USE PATTERN OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT – P2

Р2						
Description	Present area (Ha)	Area required during the first five year (Ha)	Area at the end of lease period (Ha)			
Area Under Quarry	0.77.27	4.71.24	4.71.24			
Site Services	Nil	0.01.00	0.01.00			
Roads	0.01.00	0.02.00	0.02.00			
Green Belt	Nil	0.11.31	0.25.76			
Unutilized Area	4.21.73	0.14.45	Nil			
Grand Total	5.00.00	5.00.00	5.00.00			

Source: Approved Revised Mining Plan

LAND USE PATTERN OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT – P3

Р3						
Description	Present area (Ha)	Area required during the first five year (Ha)	Area at the end of lease period (Ha)			
Area Under Quarry	Nil	4.40.00	4.40.00			
Site Services	Nil	0.01.00	0.01.00			
Roads	Nil	0.02.00	0.02.00			

Green Belt	Nil	0.35.76	0.56.69
Unutilized Area	5.00.0	0.21.24	0.00.31
Grand Total	5.00.0	5.00.00	5.00.00

Source: Approved Revised Mining Plan

LAND USE PATTERN OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT - P4

P4						
Description	Present area (Ha)	Area required during the first five year (Ha)	Area at the end of lease period (Ha)			
Area Under Quarry	0.27.22	3.90.78	4.18.00			
Site Services	Nil	0.01.00	0.01.00			
Roads	0.01.00	0.02.00	0.02.00			
Green Belt	Nil	0.50.00	0.79.00			
Unutilized Area	4.71.78	0.28.00	Nil			
Grand Total	5.00.00	4.71.78	5.00.00			

Source: Approved Revised Mining Plan

2.3 OPERATIONAL DETAILS OF LEASE APPLIED AREA

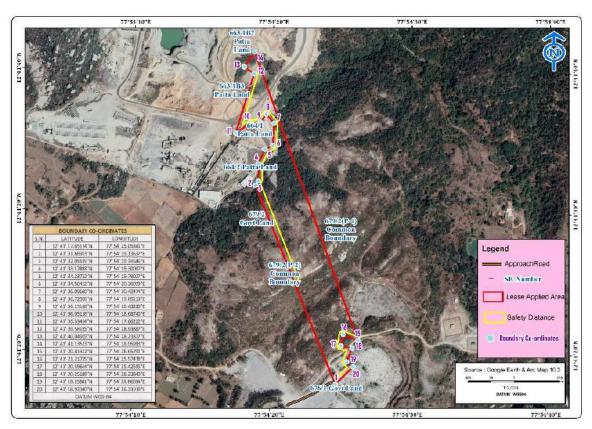
OPERATIONAL DETAILS OF LEASE APPLIED AREA "P1 – P4"

OPERATIONAL DETAILS FOR PROJECT – P1					
		DETAILS			
PARTICULARS	Rough Stone quarry (m ³) (5 Years Plan period)	Top Soil (m ³) (3 Years Plan period)			
Geological Resources	29,32,800m ³	49,916m ³			
Mineable Reserves	14,46,978m ³	43,017 m ³			
Production for five-year plan period	7,95,738 m ³	43,017m ³			
Production for Next remaining three years ten months and twenty-two days	6,51,240 m ³	-			
Revised Mining Plan Period / Lease Applied Period		nths and twenty-two days (Total lease period 1 month and 8 days already completed)			
Number of Working Days		300 Days			
Production per day	530	48			
No of Lorry loads (12m ³ per load)	44	4			
Total Depth of Mining	[58	including 1m topsoil 8m AGL + 24m BGL]			
OPER	ATIONAL DETAILS FOR				
	DETAILS				
PARTICULARS	Rough Stone quarry (m ³) (5 Year Plan period)	Top Soil (m ³) (3 Years Plan period)			
Geological Resources	26,60,569 m ³	41,514 m ³			
Mineable Reserves	23,86,840 m ³	39,175 m ³			
Proposed production for First Five years	13,42,330 m ³	39,175 m ³			
Production for Next remaining three years ten months and twenty-two days	10,44,510 m ³	-			
Revised Mining Plan Period / Lease Applied Period	5 Years, Eight years ten months and twenty-two days (Total lease period Ten Years but 1 year 1 month and 8 days already completed)				
Number of Working Days	300 Days				
Production per day	895 44				
No of Lorry loads (12m ³ per load)	75	4			

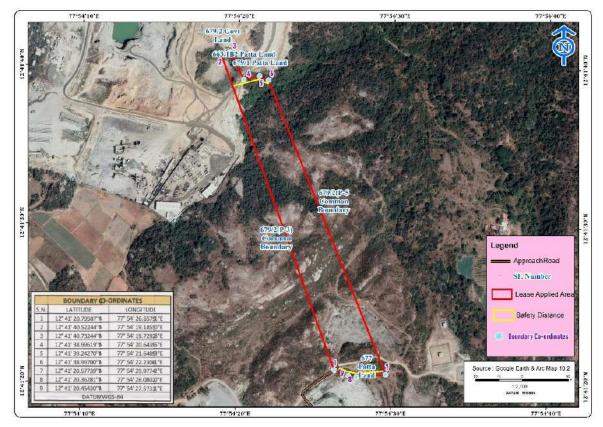
Total Depth of mining	80m including 1m	n topsoil – (48m AGL + 32m BGL)				
OPERATIONAL DETAILS FOR PROJECT – P3						
	DETAILS					
PARTICULARS	Rough Stone quarry (m ³) (5 Year Plan period)	Top Soil (m ³) (3Years Plan period)				
Geological Resources	18,02,418m ³	49,848m ³				
Mineable Reserves	10,16,034 m ³	43,575 m ³				
Proposed production for First Five years	5,67,114m ³	43,575 m ³				
Production for Next Next Four years production (Eight years Ten Months and Twenty-two days)	4,48,920 m ³	-				
Revised Mining Plan Period /	5 Years, Eight years ten mor	nths and twenty-two days (Total lease period				
Lease Applied Period	Ten Years but 1 year 1	1 month and 8 days already completed)				
Number of Working Days		300 Days				
Production per day	378	48				
No of Lorry loads (12m ³ per load)	32	4				
Total Depth of Mining	73m including 1m					
OPER	ATIONAL DETAILS FOR					
		DETAILS				
PARTICULARS	Rough Stone quarry (m ³) (5 Year Plan period)	Top Soil (m ³) (3 Years Plan period)				
Geological Resources	29,11,783m ³	47,466m ³				
Mineable Reserves	13,02,980m ³	39,183m ³				
Year wise development first five years production	7,46,132 m ³	39,183 m ³				
Year wise development remaining three years ten months and twenty-three days	5,56,848m ³	-				
Revised Mining Plan Period /	5 Years, Eight years ten mon	ths and twenty-three days (Total lease period				
Lease Applied Period	Ten Years but 1 year 1 month and 8 days already completed)					
Number of Working Days	300 Days					
Production per day	497	44				
No of Lorry loads (12m ³ per load)	41	4				
Total Depth of mining	64m including 1m topsoil – (46m AGL + 18m BGL)					

Source: Approved RevisedMining Plan

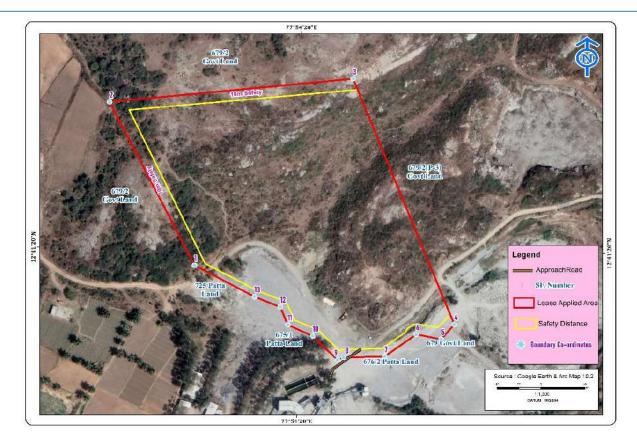
FIGURE – 1: SHOWING GOOGLE IMAGE ROUGH STONE QUARRY PROJECT AREAS - P1 to P4



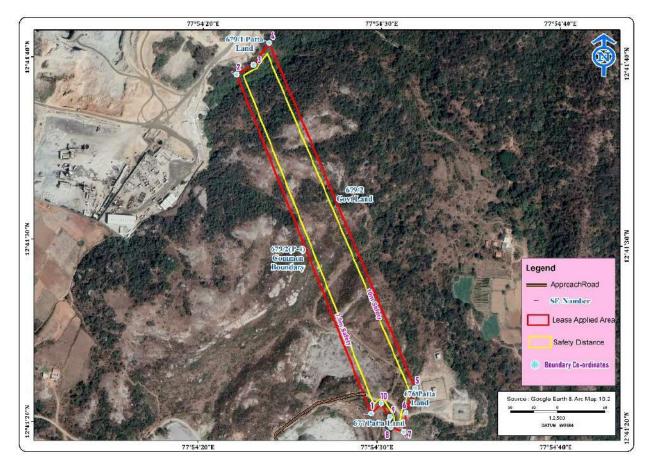
SATELLITE IMAGERY OF P1



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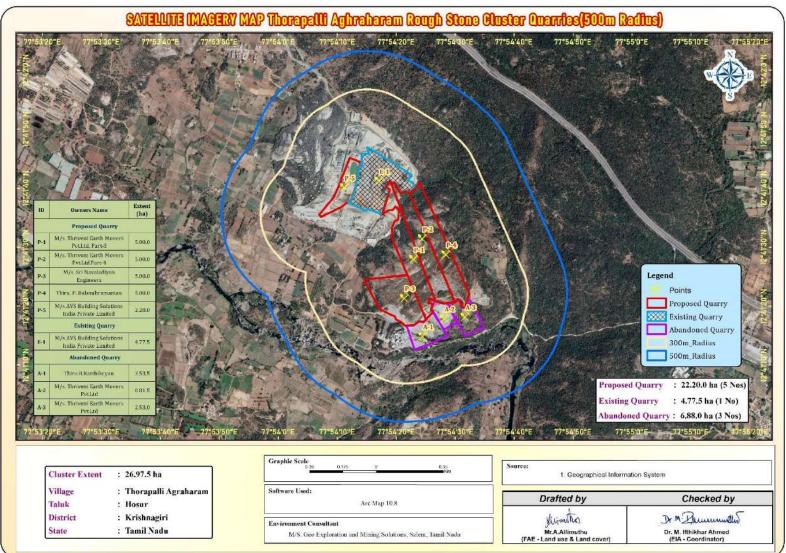


FIGURE - 2: GOOGLE IMAGE SHOWING CLUSTER (500 m QUARRIES)

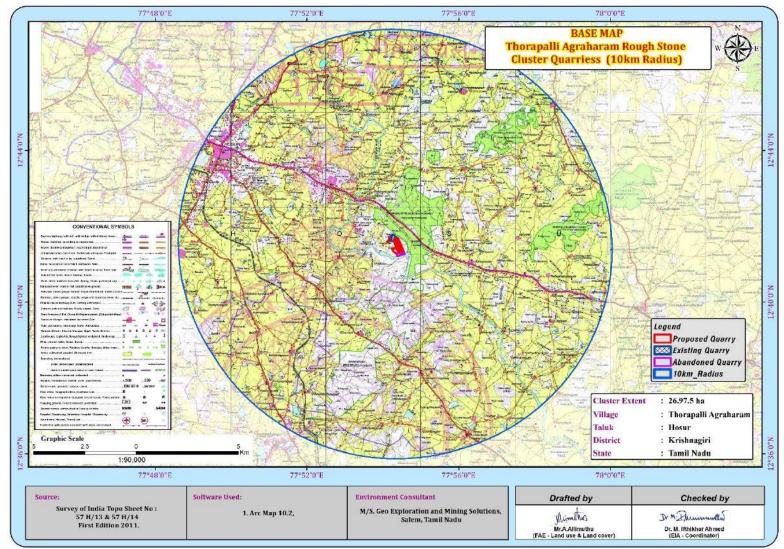
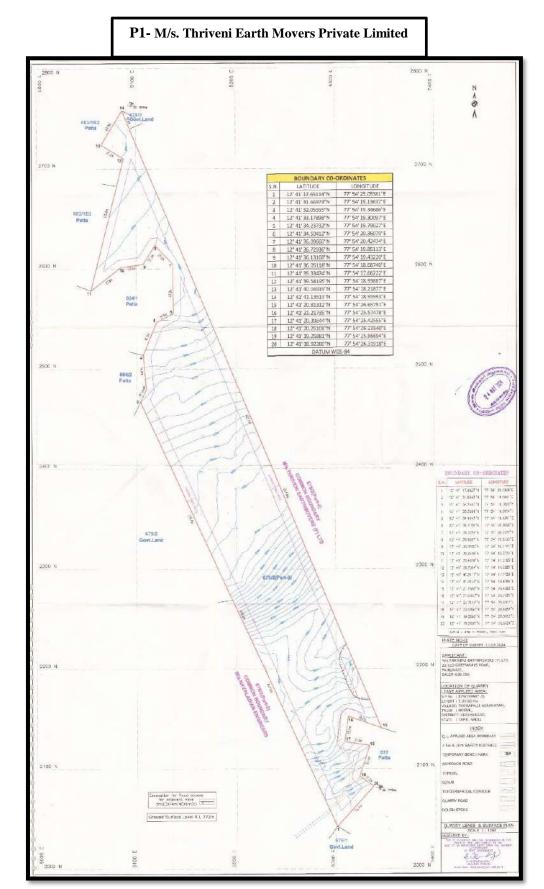
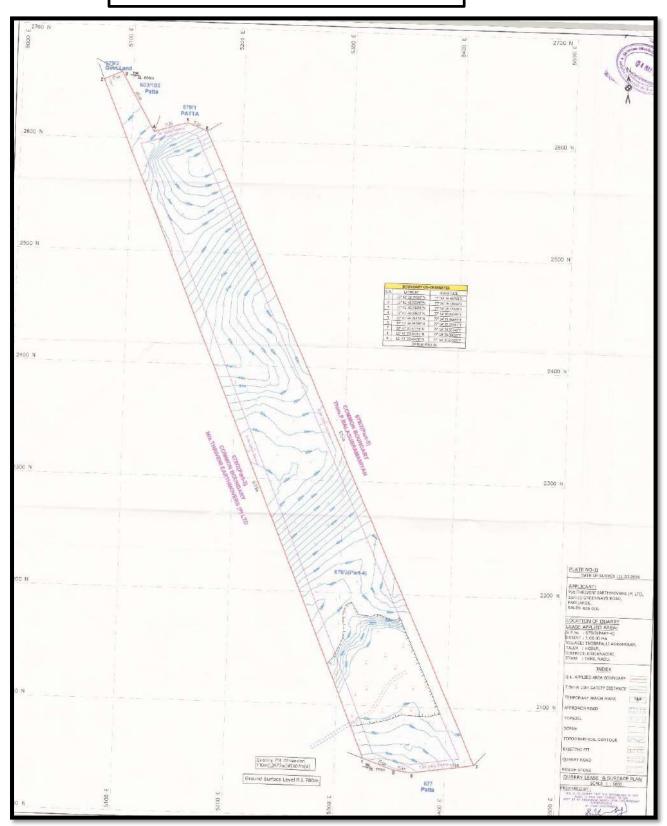


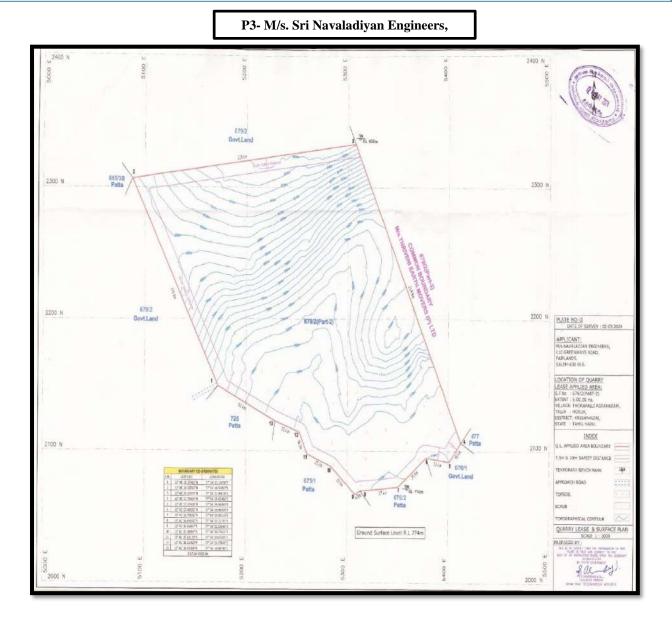
FIGURE - 3: TOPOSHEET SHOWING LOCATION OF THE PROJECT SITE AROUND 10 KM RADIUS







P2- M/s. Thriveni Earth Movers Private Limited,



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P4- Thiru. P. Balasubramanian

2.4 METHOD OF MINING

Opencast Mechanized Mining Method is being proposed by formation of 5.0-meter height bench with a bench width not less than the bench height. However, as far as the quarrying of Rough Stone is concerned, observance of the provisions of Regulation 106 (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.

The top layer of Topsoil will be Excavate directly by Hydraulic Excavators and preserved all along the safety barrier to facilitate greenbelt development during Mine Closure Stage. The Rough Stone is a batholith formation and the splitting of rock mass of considerable volume from the parent rock mass will be carried out by deploying jackhammer drilling and Slurry Explosives will be used for blasting. Hydraulic Excavators attached with Rock Breakers unit will be deployed for breaking large boulders to required fragmented sizes to avoid secondary blasting and hydraulic excavators attached with bucket unit will be deployed for loading the Rough Stone into the tippers and then the stone is transported from pithead to the nearby crushers.

2.5 PROPOSED MACHINERY DEPLOYMENT TABLE 2.5.1 PROPOSED MACHINERY DEPLOYMENT P1 DRILLING MACHINE: P1

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S. No.	Туре	Nos	. Dia Hole m	m Size Capacity	
1	Crawler mounted drill Machine	2	114	3m to 9m	Diesel Drive
2	Hand Jack hammer	2	32	1.2m to 2.0m	Air Compression
3	Compressor	1	-	165HP/450 psi	Diesel Drive
EXCAV	ATION & LOADING EQUIPME	NT:			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
S. N	р. Туре		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power
1	Excavator with Bucket and F Breaker	Rock	2	20T Class	Diesel Drive
HAULA	GE WITHIN THE MINE & TRA	NSPOR	T EQUIPMEN	<u>Г:</u>	
S. No	р. Туре		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power
1	Truck		4	30 tonnes	Diesel Drive
2	Water Sprinkling Tanke	r	1	10,000 litres	Diesel Drive
TABLE	2.5.2 PROPOSED MACHINERY	DEPL	OYMENT P2		<u>.</u>
DRILLI	NG MACHINE:				
S. No.	Туре	Nos	. Dia Hole m	m Size Capacity	Motive power
1	Crawler mounted drill Machine	2	114	3m to 9m	Diesel Drive
2	Hand Jack hammer	2	32	1.2m to 2.0m	Air Compression
3	Compressor	1	-	165HP/450 psi	Diesel Drive
EXCAV	ATION & LOADING EQUIPME	NT:			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
S. N	D. Type		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power
1	Excavator with Bucket and R Breaker	Rock	2	20T Class	Diesel Drive
HAULA	GE WITHIN THE MINE & TRA	NSPOR	T EQUIPMEN	<u>Г:</u>	
S. No	D. Type		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power
1	Truck		4	30 tonnes	Diesel Drive

2	Water Sprinkling Tanker		1	10,000 litres	Diesel Drive		
TABLE	TABLE 2.5.3 PROPOSED MACHINERY DEPLOYMENT P3						
DRILLI	DRILLING MACHINE:						
S. No.	Туре	Nos.	Dia Hole m	n Size Capacity	Motive power		
1	Crawler mounted drill Machine	1	114	3m to 9m	Diesel Drive		
2	Hand Jack hammer	2	32	1.2m to 2.0m	Air Compression		
3	Compressor	1	-	165HP/450 psi	Diesel Drive		
EXCAV	ATION & LOADING EQUIPMEN	<u>[:</u>					
S. No	71		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power		
1	Excavator with Bucket and Roc Breaker	k	2	20T Class	Diesel Drive		
HAULA	GE WITHIN THE MINE & TRANS	SPOR	FEQUIPMEN	<u>Г:</u>			
S. No	о. Туре		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power		
1	Truck		4	30 tonnes	Diesel Drive		
2	Water Sprinkling Tanker		1	10,000 litres	Diesel Drive		
TABLE	2.5.4 PROPOSED MACHINERY D	EPLO	YMENT P4				
DRILLI	NG MACHINE:						
S. No.	Туре	Nos.	Dia Hole mn	1 2	Motive power		
1	Crawler mounted drill Machine	2	114	3m to 9m	Diesel Drive		
2	Hand Jack hammer	2	32	1.2m to 2.0m	Air Compression		
3	Compressor	1	-	165HP/450 psi	Diesel Drive		
EXCAV	ATION & LOADING EQUIPMEN	<u>[:</u>					
S. No	о. Туре		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power		
1	Excavator with Bucket and Roc Breaker	k	2	20T Class	Diesel Drive		
HAULA	GE WITHIN THE MINE & TRANS	SPOR	FEQUIPMEN	<u>Г:</u>			
S. No	D. Type		Nos.	Capacity	Motive Power		
1	Truck		4	30 tonnes	Diesel Drive		
2	Water Sprinkling Tanker		1	10,000 litres	Diesel Drive		
Source: Approved Povised Mining Plan of the respective projects							

2.6 CONCEPTUAL MINING PLAN/ FINAL MINE CLOSURE PLAN

The ultimate pit size is designed based on certain practical parameters such as economical depth of mining, safety zones, permissible area, etc.,

2.7 ULTIMATE PIT DIMENSIONS P1 TO P4

		P1			
Pit	Length (Max) (m)	Width (Max) (m)	Depth (Max) (m)		
Ι	562	86	82m (AGL 58m + BGL 24m)		
Р2					
Pit	Length (Max) (m)	Width (Max) (m)	Depth (Max) (m)		
Ι	604	87	80m (Agl 48m + Bgl 32m)		
		P3			
Pit	Length (Max) (m)	Width (Max) (m)	Depth (Max) (m)		
Ι	249	175	73m (Agl 47m + Bgl 26m)		
		P4			
Pit	Length (Max) (m)	Width (Max) (m)	Depth (Max) (m)		
Ι	633	73	64m (AGL 46m + BGL 18m)		

3.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

The baseline status of the project environment is described section wise for better understanding of the broad-spectrum conditions. The baseline environment quality represents the background environmental scenario of various environmental components such as Land, Water, Air, Noise, Biological and Socio-economic status of the study area. Field monitoring studies to evaluate the base line status of the project site were carried out covering Oct 2023-Dec 2023 as per CPCB & MoEF & CC guidelines.

Attribute	Parameters	Frequency of Monitoring	No. of Locations	Protocol
Land-use Land cover	Land-use Pattern within 10 km radius of the study area	Data from census handbook 2011 and from the satellite imagery	Study Area	Satellite Imagery Primary Survey
*Soil	Physio-Chemical Characteristics	Once during the study period	6 (2 core & 4 buffer zone)	IS 2720 Agriculture Handbook - Indian Council of Agriculture Research, New Delhi
*Water Quality	Physical, Chemical and Bacteriological Parameters	Once during the study period	6 (2 surface water & 4 ground water)	IS 10500& CPCB Standards
Meteorology	Wind Speed Wind Direction Temperature Cloud cover Dry bulb temperature Rainfall	1 Hourly Continuous Mechanical/Automatic Weather Station	1	Site specific primary data& Secondary Data from IMD Station
*Ambient Air Quality	PM ₁₀ PM _{2.5} SO ₂ NO _X Fugitive Dust	24 hourly twice a week (October – December 2023)	7 (2 core & 5 buffer)	IS 5182 Part 1-23 National Ambient Air Quality Standards, CPCB
*Noise Levels	Ambient Noise	Hourly observation for 24 Hours per location	7 (2core & 5 buffer zone)	IS 9989 As per CPCB Guidelines
Ecology	Existing Flora and Fauna	Through field visit during the study period	Study Area	Primary Survey by Quadrate & Transect Study Secondary Data – Forest Working Plan
Socio Economic Aspects	Socio–Economic Characteristics, Population Statistics and Existing Infrastructure in the study area	Site Visit & Census Handbook, 2011	Study Area	Primary Survey, census handbook & need based assessments.

3.1 ENVIRONMENT MONITORING ATTRIBUTES

3.2 LAND ENVIRONMENT

To study the land use pattern of the core as well as a buffer zone, land use/land cover details have been identified/ maps have been prepared in accordance with the Standard ToR point. A visual interpretation technique has been adopted for land use supervised classification based on training site by Level III classification with 1:50,000 scale for the preparation of land use mapping. Land use

pattern of the area was studied through LISSIII, Bhuvan, NRSC. The 10 km radius map of study area was taken for analysis of *Land use/Landcover*.

S.No	CLASSIFICATION	AREA_HA	AREA_%					
	BUILTUP							
1	RURAL	349.80	1.03					
2	URBAN	1466.71	4.31					
3	MINING	672.22	1.97					
	AGRICU	LTURAL LAND						
4	CROP LAND	20499.21	60.20					
5	PLANTATION	2282.37	6.70					
6	FALLOW LAND	3129.16	9.19					
	F	FOREST						
7	FOREST	1809.16	5.31					
	BARREN	/WASTE LANDS						
8	SCRUB LAND	2872.78	8.44					
	WETLANDS/ WATER BODIES							
9	WATER BODIES/LAKE	971.36	2.85					
	TOTAL	34052.76	100.00					

TABLE 3.2.1: LAND USE / LAND COVER TABLE 10 KM RADIUS

From the above table, pie diagram and land use map it is inferred that the majority of the land in the study area is Agriculture land (includes crop and fallow land) 69.39% followed by Forest land 5.31%, Scrub land 8.44%, Built up area 5.34%, Mining land 1.97% and Water bodies 2.85%

The total mining area within the study area is 672.22 ha i.e., 1.97%. The cluster area of 26.97.5 ha contributes about 0.04% of the total mining area within the study area. This small percentage of Mining Activities shall not have any significant impact on the environment.

3.3 SOIL ENVIRONMENT

The samples were analysed as per the standard methods prescribed in "Soil Chemical Analysis (M.L. Jackson, 1967) & Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India". The important properties analysed for soil are bulk density, porosity, infiltration rate, pH and Organic matter, kjeldahi Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Potassium

The physical properties of the soil samples were examined for texture, bulk density, porosity and water holding capacity. The soil texture found in the study area is Clay to Sandy Loam Soil and Bulk Density of Soils in the study area varied between 1.03-1.17 g/cm3. The Water Holding Capacity (42.3-47.9%) and Porosity of the soil samples is found to be medium i.e., ranging from 45.9-47.8%.

Chemical Characteristics –

- The nature of soil is slightly alkaline to strongly alkaline with pH range 8.06 to 8.98
- The available Nitrogen content range between 395.5 mg/kg to 505.2 mg/kg
- The available Phosphorus content range between 2.10 mg/kg to 6.23 mg/kg
- The available Potassium range between 20 mg/kg to 51.5 mg/kg

Whereas, the micronutrient as zinc (Zn), iron (Fe) and copper (Cu) were found in the range of 3.1 to 5.56 mg/kg; 1.10 to 7.16mg/kg.

3.4 WATER ENVIRONMENT

The study area is studded with few tanks that serve as the source of drinking water and also their surplus feeds adjoining tanks. The rainfall over the area is moderate, the rainwater storage in open wells and trenches are in practice over the area and the stored water acts as source of freshwater for couple of months after rainy season.

Surface Water

Ph: The pH of surface 7.31-7.43 while turbidity found within the standards. Total Dissolved Solids 421-517mg/l and Chloride 70.0-110mg/l. Nitrates 7.5-10.5 mg/l, while sulphates 35.5-51.1mg/l.

Ground Water

The pH of the water samples collected ranged from 7.06 to 7.91and within the acceptable limit of 6.5 to 8.5. pH, Sulphates and Chlorides of water samples from all the sources are within the limits as per the Standard. on Turbidity, the water samples meet the requirement. Total Dissolved Solids were found in the range of 357-603mg/l in all samples. The Total hardness varied between 184.46 - 236.92 mg/l for all samples.

On Microbiological parameters, the water samples from all the locations meet the requirement. The parameters thus analysed were compared with IS 10500:2012 and are well within the prescribed limits.

3.5 AIR ENVIRONMENT

The baseline studies on air environment include identification of specific air pollution parameters and their existing levels in ambient air. The ambient air quality with respect to the study zone of 10 km radius around the proposed quarry forms the baseline information.

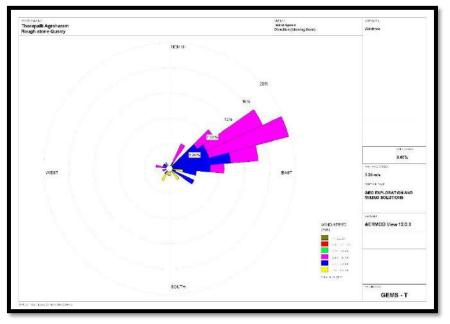


FIGURE – 5: WIND ROSE DIAGRAM

3.6 SUMMARY OF AMBIENT AIR QUALITY

As per monitoring data, PM10 ranges from $40.1\mu g/m^3$ to $48.6 \mu g/m^3$, PM2.5 data ranges from $17.5\mu g/m^3$ to $24.3 \mu g/m^3$, SO2 ranges from $4.3\mu g/m^3$ to $9.9\mu g/m^3$ and NO2 data ranges from $18.2 \mu g/m^3$ to $27.6\mu g/m^3$. The concentration levels of the above criteria pollutants were observed to be well within the limits of NAAQS prescribed by CPCB.

3.7 NOISE ENVIRONMENT

Ambient noise levels were measured at 7 (Seven) locations around the project area considering cluster quarries. Noise levels recorded in core zone during day time were from 38.9-44 dB (A) Leq and during night time were from 34-35 (A) Leq. Noise levels recorded in buffer zone during day time were from 36 - 39.8 dB (A) Leq and during night time were from 34.3 - 36.5 dB (A) Leq.

Thus, the noise level for Industrial and Residential area meets the requirements of CPCB.

3.8 ECOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT

The study involved in the collection of primary data by conducting a survey in the field, examination of floral and faunal records in previously published reports and records. Analysis of the information is the view of the possible alteration in the environment of the project site. For the survey of fauna, both direct and indirect observation methods were used.

There is no schedule I species of animals observed within study area as per Wildlife Protection Act 1972 as well as no species is in vulnerable, endangered or threatened category as per IUCN. There is no endangered red list species found in the study area. Hence this small operation over short period of time will not have any significant impact on the surrounding flora and fauna.

3.9 SOCIO ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

It includes demographic structure of the area, provision of basic amenities viz., housing, education, health and medical services, occupation, water supply, sanitation, communication, transportation, prevailing diseases pattern as well as feature like temples, historical monuments etc., at the baseline level. This will help in visualizing and predicting the possible impact depending upon the nature and magnitude of the project.

The socio-economic study of surveyed villages gives a clear picture of its population, average household size, literacy rate and sex ratio etc. It is also found that a part of population is suffering from lack of permanent job to run their day-to-day life. Their expectation is to earn some income for their sustainability on a long-term basis.

The proposed project will aim to provide preferential 68 persons to the local people there by improving the indirect employment opportunity for 100 persons and in turn the social standards will improve.

4. ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

In order to maintain the environmental commensuration with the mining operation, it is essential to undertake studies on the existing environmental scenario and assess the impact on different environmental components. This would help in formulating suitable management plans sustainable resource extraction.

4.1 LAND ENVIRONMENT:

ANTICIPATED IMPACT

- Permanent or temporary change on land use and land cover.
- Change in Topography: Topography of the ML area will change at the end of the life of the mine.
- Movement of heavy vehicles sometimes cause problems to agricultural land, human habitations due to dust, noise and it also causes traffic hazards.
- Due to degradation of land by pitting the aesthetic environment of the core zone may be affected.
- Earthworks during the rainy season increase the potential for soil erosion and sediment laden water entering the water ways.
- If no due care is taken wash off from the exposed working area may choke the water course & can also causes the siltation of water course.

MITIGATION MEASURES

• The mining activity will be gradual confined in blocks and excavation will be undertaken progressively along with other mitigative measures like phase wise development of greenbelt etc.,

- Construction of garland drains all around the quarry pits and construction of check dam at strategic location in lower elevations to prevent erosion due to surface runoff during rainfall and also to collect the storm water for various uses within the proposed area
- Green belt development along the boundary within safety zone. The small quantity of water stored in the mined-out pit will be used for greenbelt.
- Thick plantation will be carried out on unutilized area, top benches of mined out pits, on safety barrier, etc.,
- At conceptual stage, the land use pattern of the quarry will be changed into Greenbelt area and temporary reservoir.
- In terms of aesthetics, natural vegetation surrounding the quarry will be retained (such as in a buffer area i.e., 7.5 m safety barrier and other safety provided) so as to help minimise dust emissions.
- Proper fencing will be carried out at the conceptual stage, Security will be posted round the clock, to prevent inherent entry of the public and cattle.

4.2 SOIL ENVIRONMENT

IMPACT ON SOIL ENVIRONMENT

Erosion and Sedimentation (Removal of protective vegetation cover; Exposure of underlying soil horizons that may be less pervious, or more erodible than the surface layers; Reduced capacity of soils to absorb rainfall; Increased energy in storm-water runoff due to concentration and velocity; and Exposure of subsurface materials which are unsuitable for vegetation establishment).

MITIGATION MEASURES FOR SOIL CONSERVATION

- Run-off diversion Garland drains will be constructed all around the project boundary to
 prevent surface flows from entering the quarry works areas. And will be discharged into
 vegetated natural drainage lines, or as distributed flow across an area stabilised against
 erosion.
- Sedimentation ponds Run-off from working areas will be routed towards sedimentation ponds. These trap sediment and reduce suspended sediment loads before runoff is discharged from the quarry site. Sedimentation ponds should be designed based on runoff, retention times, and soil characteristics. There may be a need to provide a series of sedimentation ponds to achieve the desired outcome.
- Retain vegetation Retain existing or re-plant the vegetation at the site wherever possible.
- Monitoring and maintenance Weekly monitoring and daily maintenance of erosion control systems so that they perform as specified specially during rainy season

4.3 WATER ENVIRONMENT

ANTICIPATED IMPACT

- The major sources of water pollution normally associated due to mining and allied operations are:
 - Generation of waste water from vehicle washing.
 - Washouts from surface exposure or working areas
 - Domestic sewage
 - Disturbance to drainage course in the project area
 - Mine Pit water discharge
- Increase in sediment load during monsoon in downstream of lease area
- This being a mining project, there will be no process effluent. Waste from washing of machinery may result in discharge of Oil & grease, suspended solids.
- The sewage from soak pit may percolate to the ground water table and contaminate it.
- Surface drainage may be affected due to Mining
- Abstraction of water may lead to depletion of water table

MITIGATION MEASURES

- Garland drain, settling tank will be constructed along the proposed mining lease area. The Garland drain will be connected to settling tank and sediments will be trapped in the settling traps and only clear water will be discharged out to the natural drainage
- Rainwater will be collected in sump in the mining pits and will be allowed to store and pumped out to surface setting tank of 15 m x 10m x 3m to remove suspended solids if any. This collected water will be judiciously used for dust suppression and such sites where dust likely to be generated and for developing green belt. The proponent will collect and judicially utilize the rainwater as part of rainwater harvesting system.
- Providing benches with inner slopes and through a system of drains and channels, allowing rain water to descent into surrounding drains, so as to minimize the effects of erosion & water logging arising out of uncontrolled descent of water.
- Reuse the water collected during storm for dust suppression and greenbelt development within the mines
- Installing interceptor traps/oil separators to remove oils and greases. Water from the tipper wash-down facility and machinery maintenance yard will pass through interceptor traps/oil separators prior to its reuse;
- Using flocculating or coagulating agents to assist in the settling of suspended solids during monsoon seasons;
- Periodic (every 6 month once) analysis of quarry pit water and ground water quality in nearby villages

- Domestic sewage from site office & urinals/latrines provided in ML is discharged in septic tank followed by soak pits
- Waste water discharge from mine will be treated in settling tanks before using for dust suppression and tree plantation purposes
- De-silting will be carried out before and immediately after the monsoon season
- Regular monitoring (every 6 month once) and analysing the quality of water in open well, bore wells and surface water

4.4 AIR ENVIRONMENT

ANTICIPATED IMPACT

- During mining, at various stages activities such as excavation, drilling, blasting, and transportation of materials, particular matter (PM), gases such as Sulphur dioxide, oxides of Nitrogen from vehicular exhaust are the main air pollutants.
- Emissions of noxious gases due to incomplete detonation of explosive may sometimes pollute the air.
- The fugitive dust released from the mining operations may cause effect on the mine workers who are directly exposed to the fugitive dust.
- Simultaneously, the air-borne dust may travel to longer distances and settle in the villages located near the mine lease area.

MITIGATION MEASURES

Drilling – To control dust at source, wet drilling will be practiced. Where there is a scarcity of water, suitably designed dust extractor will be provided for dry drilling along with dust hood at the mouth of the drill-hole collar.

Advantages of Wet Drilling: -

- In this system dust gets suppressed close to its formation. Dust suppression become very effective and the work environment will be improved from the point of occupational comfort and health.
- Due to dust free atmosphere, the life of engine, compressor etc., will be increased.
- The life of drill bit will be increased.
- The rate of penetration of drill will be increased.
- Due to the dust free atmosphere visibility will be improved resulting in safer working conditions.

Blasting

- Establish time of blasting to suit the local conditions and water sprinkling on blasting face
- Avoid blasting i.e., when temperature inversion is likely to occur and strong wind blows towards residential areas

- Controlled blasting includes Adoption of suitable explosive charge and short delay detonators, adequate stemming of holes at collar zone and restricting blasting to a particular time of the day i.e., at the time lunch hours, controlled charge per hole as well as charge per round of hole
- Before loading of material water will be sprayed on blasted material
- Dust mask will be provided to the workers and their use will be strictly monitored

Haul Road & Transportation

- Water will be sprinkled on haul roads twice a day to avoid dust generation during transportation.
- Transportation of material will be carried out during day time and material will be covered with taurpaulin.
- The speed of tippers plying on the haul road will be limited below 20 km/hr to avoid generation of dust.
- Water sprinkling on haul roads & loading points will be carried out twice a day.
- Main source of gaseous pollution will be from vehicle used for transportation of mineral; therefore, weekly maintenance of machines improves combustion process & makes reduction in the pollution.
- The un-metalled haul roads will be compacted weekly before being put into use.
- Over loading of tippers will be avoided to prevent spillage.
- It will be ensured that all transportation vehicles carry a valid PUC certificate.
- Grading of haul roads and service roads to clear accumulation of loose materials.

Green Belt

- Planting of trees all along main mine haul roads and regular grading of haul roads will be practiced to prevent the generation of dust due to movement of dumpers/trucks.
- Green belt of adequate width will be developed around the project areas.

Occupational Health

- Dust mask will be provided to the workers and their use will be strictly monitored
- Annual medical check-ups, trainings and campaigns will be arranged to ensure awareness about importance of wearing dust masks among all mine workers & tipper drivers
- Ambient Air Quality Monitoring will be conducted six months once to assess effectiveness of mitigation measures proposed.

4.5 NOISE ENVIRONMENT

ANTICIPATED IMPACT

Noise pollution poses a major health risk to the mine workers. Following are the sources of noise in the existing open cast mine project are being observed such as Drilling, & Blasting, Loading and during movement of vehicles.

MITIGATION MEASURES

The following noise mitigation measures are proposed for control of Noise

- Usage of sharp drill bits while drilling which will help in reducing noise;
- Secondary blasting will be totally avoided and hydraulic rock breaker will be used for breaking boulders;
- Controlled blasting with proper spacing, burden, stemming and optimum charge/delay will be maintained;
- The blasting will be carried out during favourable atmospheric condition and less human activity timings by using nonelectrical initiation system;
- Proper maintenance, oiling and greasing of machines will be done every week to reduce generation of noise;
- Provision of sound insulated chambers for the workers working on machines (HEMM) producing higher levels of noise;
- Silencers / mufflers will be installed in all machineries;
- Green Belt/Plantation will be developed around the project area and along the haul roads. The plantation minimizes propagation of noise;
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) like ear muffs/ear plugs will be provided to the operators of HEMM and persons working near HEMM and their use will be ensured though training and awareness.
- Regular medical check-up and proper training to personnel to create awareness about adverse noise level effects.

4.6 BIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENT ANTICIPATED IMPACT

The developmental programs, policies, and projects operated or managed by government or private bodies can cause potentially significant changes in the physical, biological, and socioeconomic environment. In some cases, the changes may be beneficial while in others it may be detrimental to the environment. Accordingly, environmental impact studies are required for systematic identification, qualification, and interpretation of the anticipated changes. The main environmental problems associated with mining activities are deforestation, land degradation (change in topography, soil erosion), visual intrusion, disturbance to the hydrological system, and water, air, and noise pollution which ultimately impact upon the floral and faunal status of the project area.

MITIGATION MEASURES

Greenbelt means the planting of special types of plants suitable to that particular agroclimatic zone and soil characteristics in a place that will make the area cooler, reduce air pollution, prevent soil erosion, and further improve the soil fertility status. A green belt around the periphery of the boundary and roadside will be created to avoid erosion of soil, prevention of landslides, and minimize air pollution and noise pollution in the project area. Green plants are capable of absorbing air pollutants and forming

sinks for pollutants. Leaves with their vast area in a tree crown, absorb pollutants on their surface,

effectively reducing their concentration and noise level in the ambient.

The objectives of the green belt cover will cover the following:

- Noise abatement
- Ecological restoration
- Aesthetic, biological and visual improvement of area due to improved vegetative and plantations cover.

GREENBELT DEVELOPMENT PLAN

TABLE 10.7 GREENBELT DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS FROM 4MINES

		PROPOS	AL FOR P1			
Year	No. of trees proposed to be planted	Survial %	Area to be planted	Name of the species		
Ι	It is proposed to plant 2500Nos of trees in the 1 st year	80%	Safety barrier, Un utilized areas and nearby village roads	Neem, Pongamia pinnata, Casuarina, etc		
	· ·	PROPOS	AL FOR P2			
Ι	It is proposed to plant 2500Nos of trees in the 1 st year	80%	Safety barrier, Un utilized area's and nearby village roads	Neem, Pongamia pinnata, Casuarina, etc.,		
		PROPOS	AL FOR P3			
Ι	It is proposed to plant 2500Nos of trees in the 1 st year	80%	Safety barrier, Un utilized area's and nearby village roads	Neem, Pongamia pinnata, Casuarina, etc.,		
	PROPOSAL FOR P4					
Ι	It is proposed to plant 2500Nos of trees in the 1 st year	80%	Safety barrier, Un utilized area's and nearby village roads	Neem, Pongamia pinnata, Casuarina, etc.,		

4.7 SOCIO ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Anticipated Impacts:

• No. of people will get employment during the construction stage resulting in the ancillary development and growth. Nearby Local people will be given preference for employment on the basis of their skill and experience.

♣ Further due to proposed project, influx of working community will also generate an indirect employment through development of nearby market/ shops, trade centers, activities, transportation etc.

• Population influx during the construction phase can introduce various water and vector borne diseases which can lead to various unhygienic health problems in the area by disturbing the existing sanitation infrastructure.

A Rapid diverse population influx at the project site can create unusual behavioural activity such as worker-community conflicts, increase violence such as theft/stabbing, and increased consumption of drugs/alcohol within the area. • Impacts on the health of nearby villagers can be envisaged due to the transportation activities leading to short term exposure of fugitive dust, resulting in various acute diseases such as increased eye irritation, nausea, headache etc.

Mitigation measures:

• Deploying of mobile toilets or the construction of temporary toilets will be done near to the construction site with the adequate water supply.

Awareness programme will be conducted before the monsoon season regarding the spread of water borne/ vector diseases.

• Mosquito repellents will be provided in the nearby villages and at construction site to avoid the spread of diseases.

• To overcome behavioural impact, proper site in charge with timely supervision will be done. In advance, facilities with equipped medical and safety services will be provided to take a control over the incident/violence if any caused.

• To overcome behavioural impact, supervision will be done by site in charge. In advance, emergency cell will be formed with fully equipped communication system, medical and safety services to take control over the incident/violence caused.

Operation Phase:

Anticipated Impacts:

♣ Long term exposure to the pollutants such as PM, SO2 and NO2 Cement dust have a potential to create health impacts such as risk of cardiovascular and respiratory disease, eye irritation, bronchitis, lung damage, increased heart ailments, etc.

♣ Other impacts, associated with the applied for Rough Stone quarry cluster Project will create a positive impact as it will result in the overall development of the area in respect to the infrastructure development, educational growth, health facilities etc., as a part of the CSR activity.

Mitigation Measures:

♣ In order to mitigate the long-term health impacts, efficient Air Pollution Control Equipment (APCE) like Bag House / Bag Filter / ESP will be installed at all major stacks to keep the emissions within the permissible limits. To reduce the gaseous emission, Pyro-process itself acts as a long SO2 scrubber and De - NOx system will be installed for fuel burning along with calciner for low NOx formation. To reduce fugitive emission from vehicles and machineries will be regularly monitored and maintained.

• For emergency, proposed to develop an occupational health centre for its employees and nearby villagers.

4.7.1 Impact Evaluation:

Impact Evaluation Element	Impact on so	ocio economio	es due to the app	blied for Thorapalli		
	Agraharam F	Rough Stone	Cluster Quarries	over an extent of		
	26.97.5 Ha	of Governm	ent land of The	orapalli Agraharam		
			nnagiri District, Ta			
Potential Effect/ Concern	Proposed pro	ject will pro	ovide direct & in	direct employment		
	opportunities to the local residents, which will help to increase					
	their earning	and better li	ving standard as	well as further up-		
	liftment of so	cio-economic	status of the area.			
Characteristics of Impacts						
Nature	Posi	tive	Nagative	Neutral		
Nature	v	(
Туре	Direct Indirect		Cumulative			
Type			✓			
	Project	Local	Zonal	Regional		
Extent	area					
		✓				
Duration	Short time		Long term			
Duration				\checkmark		
Intensity	Lo	W	Medium	High		
intensity			✓			
Frequency	Remote (R)	Occasional	Periodic (P)	Continuous (C)		
requency		(0)				
			\checkmark			
Significance of Impact	•			•		
Significance	Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major		
Significance			✓			

5. ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES (TECHNOLOGY AND SITE)

No alternatives are suggested as all the mine sites are mineral specific.

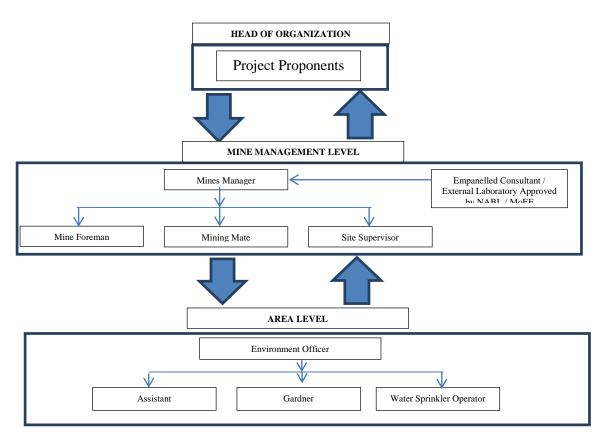
6. ENVIRONMENT MONITORING PROGRAM

An Environment monitoring cell (EMC) will be constituted to monitor the implementation of EMP and other environmental protection measures in all the proposed quarries. The responsibilities of this cell will be:

- Implementation of pollution control measures
- Monitoring programme implementation
- Post-plantation care

- To check the efficiency of pollution control measures taken
- Any other activity as may be related to environment
- Seeking expert's advice when needed.

6.1 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING CELL



6.2 POST ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE MONITORING SCHEDULE

S.	Environment	Location	Mor	nitoring	Parameters	
No.	Attributes	Location	Duration Frequency		1 drameters	
1	Air Quality	2 Locations (1 Core & 1 Buffer)	24 hours	Once in 6 months	Fugitive Dust, PM _{2.5} , PM ₁₀ , SO ₂ and NO _x .	
2	Meteorology	At mine site before start of Air Quality Monitoring & IMD Secondary Data	Hourly / Daily	Continuous online monitoring	Wind speed, Wind direction, Temperature, Relative humidity and Rainfall	
3	Water Quality Monitoring	2 Locations (1SW & 1 GW)	-	Once in 6 months	Parameters specified under IS:10500, 1993 & CPCB Norms	
4	Hydrology	Water level in open wells in buffer zone around 1 km at specific wells	-	Once in 6 months	Depth in bgl	

5	Noise	2 Locations (1 Core & 1 Buffer)	Hourly – 1 Day	Once in 6 months	Leq, Lmax, Lmin, Leq Day & Leq Night
6	Vibration	At the nearest habitation (in case of reporting)	_	During blasting Operation	Peak Particle Velocity
7	Soil	2 Locations (1 Core & 1 Buffer)	_	Once in six months	Physical and Chemical Characteristics
8	Greenbelt	Within the Project Area	Daily	Monthly	Maintenance

7. ADDITIONAL STUDIES

7.1 RISK ASSESSMENT

The methodology for the risk assessment has been based on the specific risk assessment guidance issued by the Directorate General of Mine Safety (DGMS), Dhanbad, vide Circular No.13 of 2002, dated 31st December, 2002. The DGMS risk assessment process is intended to identify existing and probable hazards in the work environment and all operations and assess the risk levels of those hazards in order to prioritize those that need immediate attention. Further, mechanisms responsible for these hazards are identified and their control measures, set to timetable are recorded along with pinpointed responsibilities.

The whole quarry operation will be carried out under the direction of a Qualified Competent Mine Manager holding certificate of competency to manage a metalliferous mine granted by the DGMS, Dhanbad for proposed project. Risk Assessment is all about prevention of accidents and to take necessary steps to prevent it from happening.

7.2 DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Natural disasters like Earthquake, Landslides have not been recorded in the past history as the terrain is categorized under seismic zone II. The area is far away from the sea hence the disaster due to heavy floods and tsunamis are not anticipated.

The Disaster Management Plan is aimed to ensure safety of life, protection of environment, protection of installation, restoration of production and salvage operations in this same order of priorities.

The objective of the Disaster Management Plan is to make use of the combined resources of the mine and the outside services to achieve the following:

- Rescue and medical treatment of casualties;
- Safeguard other people;
- Minimize damage to property and the environment;
- Initially contain and ultimately bring the incident under control;
- Secure the safe rehabilitation of affected area; and
- Preserve relevant records and equipment for the subsequent inquiry into the cause and circumstances of the emergency.

7.3 CUMULATIVE IMPACT STUDY

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION LOAD OF ROUGH STONE IN CLUSTER

Quarry	Production for Five- year plan period m ³	Per Year Production in m ³	Per Day Production in m ³	Number of Lorry Load Per Day @ 12m ³ per load
P1	7,95,738	159148	530	44Trips /Day
P2	13,42,330	268466	895	75Trips /Day
P3	5,67,114	113423	378	32Trips /Day
P4	7,46,132	149226	497	41Trips /Day
P5	3,04,455	60891	203	17Trips /Day
Total	37,55,769	7,51,154	2503	209 Trips /Day
0	Production for five-	Per Year	Per Day	Number of Lorry Load
Quarry	year plan period m ³	Production in m ³	Production in m ³	Per Day @ 12m ³ per load
E 1	8,82,511m ³	1,76,502	588	49 Trips /Day
Total	8,82,511m ³	1,76,502	588	49 Trips /Day
G.Total	4,638,280	927,656	3,091	258 Trips /Day

CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION LOAD OF TOPSOIL IN CLUSTER

Quarry	Production for Two- Three-year plan period m ³	Per Year Production in m ³	Per Day Production in m ³	Number of Lorry Load @ 12m ³ per load
P1	43,017	14,339	48	4 Trips /Day
P2	39,175	13,058	44	4 Trips /Day
P3	43,575	14,525	48	4 Trips /Day
P4	39,183	13,061	44	4 Trips /Day
P5	7,344	3,672	12	1 Trips /Day
Total	1,72,294	58,655	196	17 Trips/ Day
E1	24,472	12,236	41	3Trips /Day
Toal	24,472	12,236	41	3Trips /Day
G. Total	1,96,766	70,891	237	20 Trips/ Day

PREDICTED NOISE INCREMENTAL VALUES FROM CLUSTER

Location ID	N1	N2	N3	N4	N5	N6	N7
Maximum Monitored Value (Day) dB(A)	47.8	46.2	41.3	45.3	45.9	39.10	40.30
Incremental Value dB(A)	66.1	56.6	34.1	27.0	23.2	26.1	29.2
Total Predicted Noise level dB(A)	66.2	57.0	42.1	45.4	45.9	39.3	40.6
NAAQ Standards	Industria Resident		•	75 dB (A) - 55 dB (A)		Time- 70 Time- 45	

SOCIO ECONOMIC BENEFITS

Location Code	Employment	Project Cost	CER Cost
P1	36	Rs.3,55,44,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
P2	36	Rs. 3,51,84,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
P3	33	Rs.3,31,54,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
P4	36	Rs.3,55,44,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
P5	32	Rs.1,65,23,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
Total	173	Rs.15,59,49,000/-	Rs.25,00,000/-
E1	18	Rs. 74,60,000/-	Rs.5,00,000/-
Grand Total	191	Rs. 16,34,09,000/-	Rs.30,00,000/-

A total of 173 people will get employment due to 5 mines in cluster. Allocation for Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) shall be made as per Government of India, MoEF & CC Office Memorandum F.No.22-65/2017-IA.III, Dated: 01.05.2018 by all the mines.

8. PROJECT BENEFITS

The four Proposed Projects for Quarrying Rough Stone quarry at Thorapalli Agraharam Village Cluster Quarries Village aims to produce cumulatively 34,51,314 m³ Rough Stone quarry over period of five Years and 1,64,950m³ of Topsoil over a period of 3 Years. This will enhance the socio-economic activities in the adjoining areas and will result in the following benefits.

- Increase in Employment Potential
- Improvement in Socio-Economic Welfare
- Improvement in Physical Infrastructure
- Improvement in Social infrastructure

9. ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Environment Monitoring cell discussed formed by the mine management will ensure effective implementation of environment management plan and to ensure compliance of environmental statutory guidelines through Mine Management Level.

The said team will be responsible for:

- Honitoring of the water/ waste water quality, air quality and solid waste generated.
- 4 Analysis of the water and air samples collected through external laboratory.
- Implementation and monitoring of the pollution control and protective measures/ devices which shall include financial estimation, ordering, installation of air pollution control equipment, waste water treatment plant, etc.
- Co-ordination of the environment related activities within the project as well as with outside agencies.
- 4 Collection of health statistics of the workers and population of the surrounding villages.
- **Green belt development.**
- **4** Monitoring the progress of implementation of the environmental monitoring programme.
- Compliance to statutory provisions, norms of State Pollution Control Board, Ministry of Environment and Forests and the conditions of the environmental clearance as well as the consents to establish and consents to operate.

10. CONCLUSION

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 fund has been allocated for the same. 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. Senior Management responsible for the project will conduct a review of EMP and its implementation to ensure that the EMP remains effective and appropriate. 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.
