

## HARYANA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

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To

- 1. Additional Chief Secretary, Environment, Forest & Wildlife Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Mining & Geology Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
- 3. Chairman, SEIAA, Haryana, Panchkula.
- 4. Director General of Police, Police Department, Haryana, Panchkula
- 5. Commissioner of Police, Gurugram
- 6. Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram
- 7. Regional Officer, Gurugram North, HSPCB

Sub: Proceedings of meeting held on 10.04.2023 at 01:00 PM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana.

Kindly refer to subject noted above.

In this connection, I have been directed to enclose herewith the copy of Proceedings of meeting held on 10.04.2023 at 01:00 PM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana for your information and further necessary action please.

DA/As above

Sr. Env. Engineer (HQ)
For Chairman

Endst. No. Dated:12/05/2023

A copy of above is forwarded to PS to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Haryana for information, please.

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Reason: Approved

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The list of participants is enclosed as **Annexure**.

- 2. Right at the outset, ACS, Environment briefed about the agenda issues of the meeting. It was informed that the NGT constituted a Joint Committee and accordingly, the Committee submitted its factual report regarding illegal mining. The NGT subsequently asked for ATR on the issue and being not satisfied with ATR, it observed that the CS, Haryana should personally look into the matter and take remedial measures.
- 3. Thereafter, SEE, HSPCB informed that NGT has directed for providing of necessary infrastructure in terms of manpower, equipment and taking prompt remedial measures to plug the failures, including restoration measures such as afforestation, soil and water conservation. It also directed that a senior level nodal officer/ agency be assigned for the purpose. Continuous surveillance and monitoring be ensured in the light of failures mentioned above. The Chief Secretary and DGP were asked to hold a joint meeting of the District Magistrate and SSP of the area to prepare necessary road map which may include checking of vehicles carrying illegally mined material and forests produce, drone mapping, setting up of CCTV cameras at appropriate vulnerable locations, requiring vehicles carrying such material to have GPS, permitting only vehicles having valid mining licenses to transport mined material, providing machinery for seizing the violating vehicles and taking action against their drivers and owners and deployment of additional police force or other staff as per requirement. An action taken report is to be filed before the Tribunal.
- 4. ADGP, Haryana informed that they shall deploy Mining Guard, Chowki Guard/ Gram Prahri for surveillance and monitoring regarding illegal mining and prevention thereof. Further, DC Gurugram informed that sign boards have been placed at different locations and fencing has been done to prevent illegal mining.
- 5. CS asked the Director Mines & Geology to make a provision for CCTV cameras and drone imaging; and allocate funds for the same. Simultaneously, the DC may explore availability of funds from DMF. There should be mechanism in place, along with manpower, to monitor the footage of CCTV cameras to make it meaningful. DC Gurugram informed that they have operators in District centre, so this issue will be adequately addressed.
- 6. The Commissioner Police, Gurugram apprised that they have lodged 2 FIRs in this matter and also seized one vehicle involved in illegal mining from this area and such actions shall continue, if violations are observed. As required by NGT, the CS desired that the District Mining Officer be nominated as the nodal officer for all activities relating to illegal mining in this case.
- 7. Finally, it was decided that a complete action taken report along future plan for environmental restoration of the area, as directed by NGT, be submitted by the Mining Officer in association with district level officers within 10 days so that it could be got signed by CS for submission before the NGT well in advance before NDOH, i.e., 08.05.2023.

The meeting ended with thanks to all participants.

## **Annexure**

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Sr. No.	Name and Designation
1.	Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
2.	Sh. Vineet Garg, IAS, ACS, Environment Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
3.	Sh. Sameer Pal Srow, Chairman, SEIAA, Haryana, Panchkula
4.	Smt. Mamta Singh, IPS, ADGP, Law and Order, Haryana Police, Panchkula
5.	Sh. Jagdish Chander, PCCF & HOFF, Forest Department, Haryana, Panchkula
6.	Sh. Vivek Saxena, IFS, ADCCF, Forest Department, Haryana, Panchkula
7.	Sh. Mukul Kumar, Director, Mining Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
8.	Dr. Madhvi Gupta, Mining Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh
9.	Sh. AK Bhardwaj, DA/ CS Office
10.	Sh. JP Singh, SEE, HSPCB, Panchkula
11.	Sh. Ashwani, AEE, HSPCB, Panchkula