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**Executive Summary  
of  
Draft Environmental Impact Assessment &  
Environmental Management Plan Report**

**(Submitted as per the provisions of  
EIA Notification 2006 & amendments thereof)**

**For  
“Ordinary Sand Quarry”  
(proposed production: 57,751 tons per annum for first two  
years & 10,000 tons per annum for next two years of plan  
period)**

**(Lease Area: 8-10 Acres)**

**STUDY PERIOD- OCTOBER 2020 TO December 2020  
(POST-MONSOON) at**

**Part of Sy No. 139 & 140 of Hebballi Village,  
Badami Taluk, Bagalkote District, Karnataka**

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Sri. Qanit Hussain Mulla has applied for TOR in order to prepare EIA report for grant of Environmental Clearance as per MoEF Notifications S.O. 1533(E) dated 14-09-2006 for extraction of Ordinary Sand having lease area of 8-10 Acres located in Survey no Sy. No. 139 & 140 of Hebbali Village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkote District, Karnataka State.

As the proposed project is coming under cluster situation and in the cluster as the total area extent is greater than 5 Ha as per the Hon'ble NGT order dated 13th September 2018 and 11th December 2018 it is considered as "B1" category. The application to grant prior Environmental Clearance for the proposed project was considered by the KSEAC in its 258th SEAC meeting dated 8th March 2020. SEAC, Karnataka decided to recommend for grant of Terms of Reference (TOR) for preparing EIA/EMP report and conducting public consultation vide its letter no. SEIAA 236 MIN 2020 dated 28/06/2021

### **Location of the Project**

The Sand Block with an extent of 8-10 Acres of quarrying lease area located in Survey No. 139 & 140 of Hebbali Village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkote District, Karnataka State.

**TABLE 1: SALIENT FEATURES OF THE PROJECT SITE**

Sr. No.	Particulars	Details		
1.	Latitude/Longitude	Corner Point No	Latitude	Longitude
		A	N 15° 49' 51.0"	E 75° 35' 50.9"
		B	N 15° 49' 49.2"	E 75° 35' 55.6"
		C	N 15° 49' 42.5"	E 75° 35' 57.3"
		D	N 15° 49' 43.1"	E 75° 35' 51.5"
2.	Site elevation above MSL	541.0m to 539.5m MSL		
3.	Land use at the proposed project site	<b>Type of land use</b>	<b>Existing / present (Ha)</b>	<b>End of lease (Ha)</b>
		Area to be Excavated	--	2.626
		Storage of Top soil/ Green Belt.	--	0.716
		Area Un-utilized	3.338	--
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3.338</b>	<b>3.338</b>
4.	Nearest roadway	NH 52 – 11.70 Kms (W) (Hubbli to Bijapur Road ) SH 133 – 1.10 Kms (N) (Govankoppa to Hebballi road)		
5.	Nearest Railway Station	Holealur Railway Station –5.30 Kms (E)		
6.	Nearest Railway line	Holealur - Jakanur broad-gauge section of South western railways		
7.	Nearest Air Port	Hubli Airport, Hubli -76.24 kms, towards SW		
8.	Nearest village/major town	Hebballi Village – 1.50 km (NE)		
		Badami – 12.70 Kms (NE)		
9.	Hills/valleys	No major hills and valleys within 10 km radius		
10.	Ecologically sensitive zone	None		
11.	Reserved/ Protected forests	Belavankoppa Reserved Forest – 2.55 kms(N)		
12.	Historical/tourist places	None within 5 km radius area		
13.	Nearest Industries	None		
14.	Nearest water bodies	Malaprabha River – 0.1 kms (N)		

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

### Method of Quarrying

An open cast method semi mechanized method will be adopted to operate the area. Since, the annual production is about 57,751 Tons per annum for first 2 years & 10,000 Tons per annum

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for next 2 years of plan period; the Open cast method semi mechanized method will be followed during the plan period.

### **Anticipated life of the quarry**

Life of the mine in this case is for 4 year or till the reserves get exhausted.

### **Conceptual Quarry Plan**

Based on reserves of Ordinary Sand as Production capacity of 57,751 Tons per annum for first 2 years & 10,000 Tons per annum for next 2 years of plan period, thus the anticipated life of the will be till the reserves get exhausted.

### **Waste Generation & Disposal**

There is no such reduction of waste / mineral reject processing possibilities are proposed during plan period. There is no proposal of dumping during the proposed ensuing quarrying period, & concurrent backfilling is proposed.

### **Water Requirement & Source**

Total water requirement for the project will be 6.44 KLD, Requirement is met by procurement of water from the bore well nearby Tankers.

### **Manpower Requirement**

The said quarry provides direct employment to 12 people and generate indirect employment for 24 more people. Most of the directly employed manpower falls under skilled category Preference will be given to the local people as per their eligibility.

### **Site Infrastructure**

The Quarry will have its own office premises, canteen, first-aid center etc. Quarry office is well connected with wireless and telephone, internet & e-mail facilities for communication. The Quarry is provided with a workshop to undertake repairs and regular maintenance of quarrying machinery deployed.

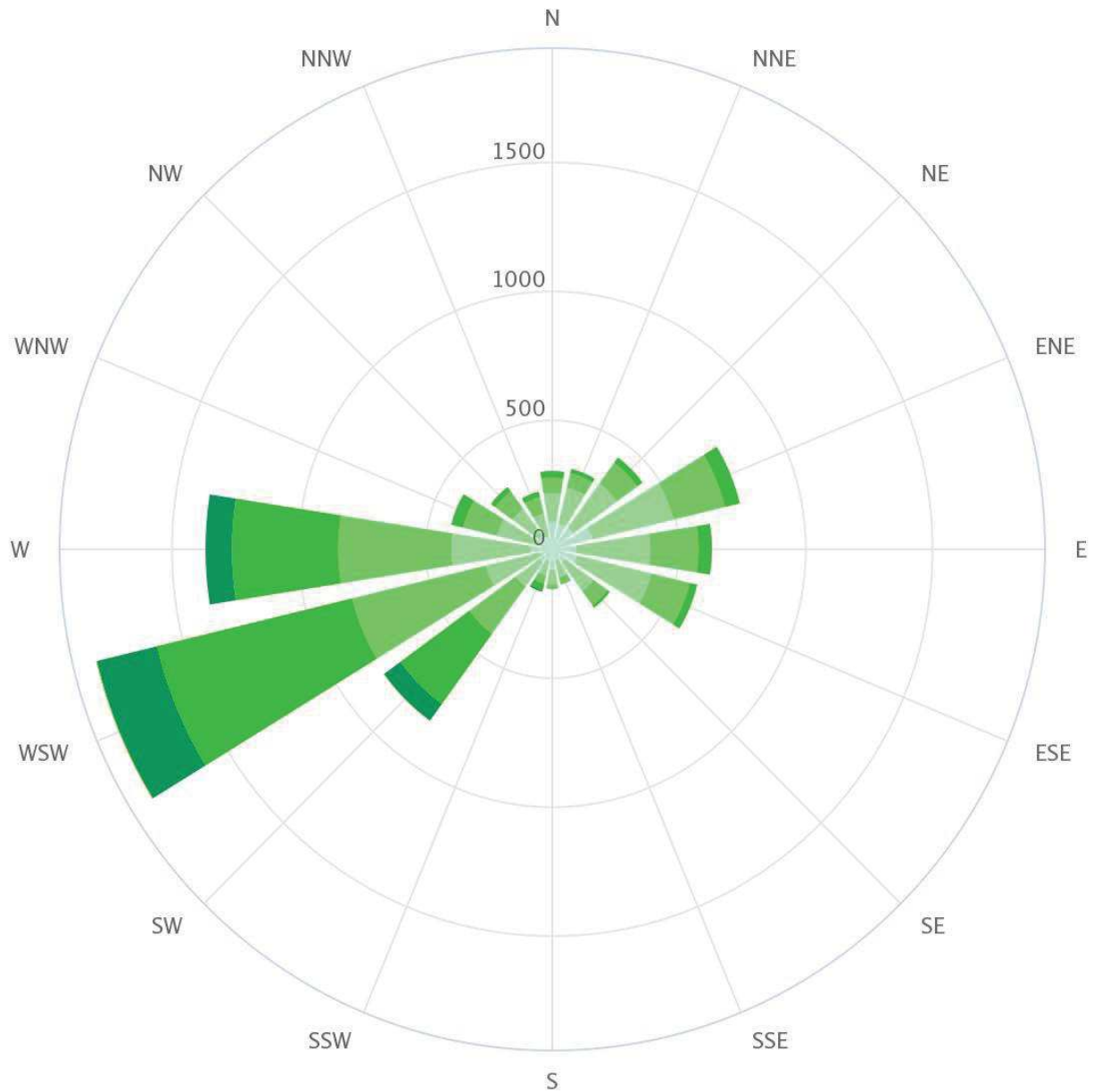
## **EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL SCENARIO**

### **Baseline Environmental Studies**

### **Meteorology & Ambient Air Quality**

**Summary of Meteorological data generated at site (January 2020 to December 2020)**

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Wind Direction	Frequency %
First Predominant Wind Direction	WSW
Second Predominant Wind Direction	W
Calm conditions (%)	26.67

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### **Ambient Air Quality Status**

From the results, it is observed that the ambient air quality with respect to PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, and NO<sub>x</sub> at all the monitoring locations is within the permissible limits specified by CPCB.

### **Ambient Noise Levels**

Ambient noise level monitoring was carried out at the 9 monitoring locations; those were selected for ambient air quality monitoring. The monitoring results are within limits.

### **Biological Environment**

There is no National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary and Biosphere Reserve within 10 km radius.

### **Proposed Biological Environment Conservation Measures**

- Thick Green belt will be developed around Quarry lease area and along transport road.
- Periodic maintenance of mineral transport road
- Regular sprinkling of water through mobile tanker on mineral transport road
- Mineral carrying trucks are loaded with only the stipulated quantity to avoid overloading and covered with tarpaulin to avoid spillage.

### **Socio-economic Environment**

- There is no habitation or private land in the Ordinary Sand. There is no rehabilitation and resettlement involved in the project.
- The said Quarry provides direct employment to 12 people and generates indirect employment for 24 more people. Most of the directly employed manpower falls under skilled category and the respective distribution / numbers is follows. Preference will be given to the local people as per their eligibility.
- The existing infrastructure facilities are sufficient to cater the needs of the Sand Block. However, the Quarry management will take efforts as a part of CER for improvement in civic amenities like sanitation, drinking water facilities, transport road, etc in the nearby villages.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM**

An Environmental Management Cell (EMC) will be established in the Quarry under the control of Quarry Manager. The EMC will be headed by an Environmental Officer having adequate qualification and experience in the field of environmental management regular and periodic. Environmental monitoring of Ambient Air Quality, Water table depth, Water quality, Ambient Noise Levels, Soil Quality, CSR activities etc will be carried out through MOEF accredited agencies and reports will be submitted to KSPCB/ Regional office of MoEF&CC.

### **RISK ASSESSMENT & DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The assessment of risk in the Sand Blocking project has been estimated for Slope failure, Movement of HEMM, Inundation due to surface water, Dust hazards, Hazards associated with use of Diesel Generator Sets and flooding of lower benches and corresponding mitigation measures are suggested in the EIA/EMP report.

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### **PROJECT BENEFITS**

The Sand Blocking project would generate additional employment opportunities which would finally result in improvement in the quality of life of people of the nearby villages. In line with this CER policy, Sri. Qanit Hussain Mulla will carry out community welfare activities in the following areas:

- Community development
- Education
- Health care
- Drainage and sanitation
- Roads

A budget of Rs. 13.26 Lakh per annum as recurring expenses has been proposed for implementation of Socio-economic welfare activities in the nearby villages.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Judicious use of the environmental management plan addresses the components of environment, which are likely to be affected by the different operations in the project. The capital cost of the project is approx. Rs 127 Lakhs. It is proposed to provide an amount of Rs. 13.26 Lakhs per annum as recurring expenses towards implementation of the environmental action plan.

### **CONCLUSION**

The Sand Block project of Sri. Qanit Hussain Mulla will be beneficial for the development of the nearby villages. Some environmental aspects like dust emission, noise, siltation due to surface run-off, etc. will have to be controlled within the permissible limit to avoid impacts on the surrounding environment. Necessary pollution control equipment like water sprinkling, plantation, personal protective equipment's etc., will form regular practice in the project. Additional pollution control measures and environmental conservation measures will be adopted to control/minimize impacts on the environment and socio-economic environment of the area. Measures like development of thick green belt and plantation within quarry lease area and along transport road, adoption of rainwater harvesting in the quarry etc. will be implemented. The CSR measures proposed to be adopted by the quarry management will improve the social, economic status of the nearby villages.

The overall impacts of the Sand Block will be positive and will result in overall socio-economic growth of nearby villages.