

SCHEDULE-VI

Decision on EIA

1. **Name, address of proponent:** Brig. Haroon Abbas Khan (Retd),
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2. **Description of project:** M/S Askari Cement Limited intends to install a new cement plant (production line-III) near Nizampur District Nowshera. Production capacity of the plant is 7700 TPD and the plant is located within the premises of the existing unit of ACL. The reserves are good enough to serve 7700TPD plants over about 70 years for limestone and 54 years for clay. Coal will be used as main fuel during the operation. Electricity power will be made available from PESCO 132kv transmission line crosses the intended raw material deposit area and is not far from the proposed site.

3. **Location of project:** The project is located at District Nowshera.

4. **Date of filing of EIA:** 16-04-2018 (Ref: EPA/Diary No. 16)

5. After a careful review, the Environmental Protection Agency, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has decided to accord conditional approval of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report of "M/S Askari Cement Limited, installation of 7700 TPD (Production Line-III), District Nowshera Khyber Pakhtunkhwa," in line with the guidelines issued by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014 and IEE/EIA Regulations, 2000 subject to the following terms & conditions:-
 - a) The proponent shall adopt all precautionary and mitigation measures identified in EIA Report as well as any unanticipated impacts during the construction and operation phase of project.

- b) All emissions shall be kept within the permissible limits of National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS).
- c) The proponent shall install air pollution control system (Bag House Filter) to bring its emission in compliance with National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS).
- d) Maintenance of the Bag House Filter shall be carried out regularly and submit monthly compliance report to this Agency.
- e) The proponent shall submit ground water hydrology report of the area bi-annually to this Agency.
- f) Solid waste shall be properly dumped in designated area within the premises of the Cement Plant.
- g) Health and Safety Equipments (HSEs) shall be provided to the staff and detail of the same shall be provided to EPA.
- h) Signboard regarding health and safety shall be installed at the unit.
- i) A Health, Safety & Environment (HSE) unit shall be established in the factory. An Environmental Science graduate shall be employed to look after the environmental issues.
- j) A nursery shall be developed and annually block plantation of at least 5000 (survived) shall be planted particularly along the boundary wall.
- k) Annual plantation plan outside the factory shall be submitted before operation in consultation with the immediate surroundings/community.
- l) Waste water (if any) shall be treated and the effluent shall be discharged after compliance with NEQS in a covered pipeline.
- m) The existing road shall not be disturbed by mining activities, in case of any damage, the management of Askari Cement Company shall be responsible for its rehabilitation and maintenance.
- n) A committee of the local living in the immediate vicinity of the Cement plant shall be constituted to address the social and environmental related to the cement factory. A copy of the same should be provided to EPA.
- o) Employment shall be provided to the local people of the nearest Union Councils in technical/non technical jobs. Detail of the same shall be provided to EPA.
- p) Scholarships shall be allocated annually for the local students on merit/deserving basis as per Askari Cement Company Limited's policy and procedure.

- q) Internships/apprenticeships program shall be encouraged for technical graduates belong to surrounding villages.
- r) Social welfare program shall be carried out for the local people and shall be communicated to EPA. Proper budget shall be allocated for community uplift programs for immediate surroundings under the company CSR activities.
- s) The proponent shall install two separate complaint boxes (for social and environmental complaints) on main gate of the factory.
- t) All social work detail (ongoing/proposed and completed) shall be displayed at the main gate of the cement factory.
6. The proponent shall be liable for correctness and validity of the information supplied by the Environmental Consultant.
7. The proponent shall be liable for compliance of Regulations 11,13,14,17 and 18 of IEE/EIA Regulations, 2000, regarding approval, confirmation of compliance, entry, inspections and monitoring.
8. This approval is accorded only for the installation/ construction phase of the project. The proponent will obtain approval for operation of the project in accordance with the Regulation 13 (2) (b) and 18 of the IEE/EIA Regulations, 2000.
9. Any change in the approved project shall be communicated to EPA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and shall be commenced after obtaining the approval.
10. This approval shall be treated as null and void if all or any of the conditions mentioned above is/are not complied with.
11. This approval does not absolve the proponent of the duty to obtain any other approval or clearance that may be required under any law in force.
12. There shall be no legal case pending in the courts against the project.
13. In exercise of the power under Section-13 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014, the undersigned is pleased to approve the EIA Report for construction phase of the said project with above mentioned terms and conditions.

Dated: Peshawar 19/12/2018

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