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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA



No. EPA/EIA/ OGDCL/Nashpa-XI/Kohat/24/ 259-59

Date: 30 / 05 /2024

To

Mr. Babar Iftikhar,
Manager in charge (HSEQ),
The Oil and Gas Development Company Limited,
OGDCL House, Jinnah Avenue,
Islamabad, Pakistan.
Phone No. (+)92-51-920023623

Subject: **DECISION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESMENT
REPORT FOR DRILLING ACTIVITIES AT BARAGZAI X-I WELL IN
NASHPA E.L, DISTRICT KOHAT.**

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith the Environmental Approval/Decision Note on EIA Report of the subject project for your information and further implementation.

Moreover, **Schedule-X** (Sample copy enclosed) must be submitted to this Agency within a month on Stamp Paper as an undertaking for the compliance of terms and conditions as mentioned in the Environmental Approval as well as mitigation measures proposed in the EIA Report.

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Director General

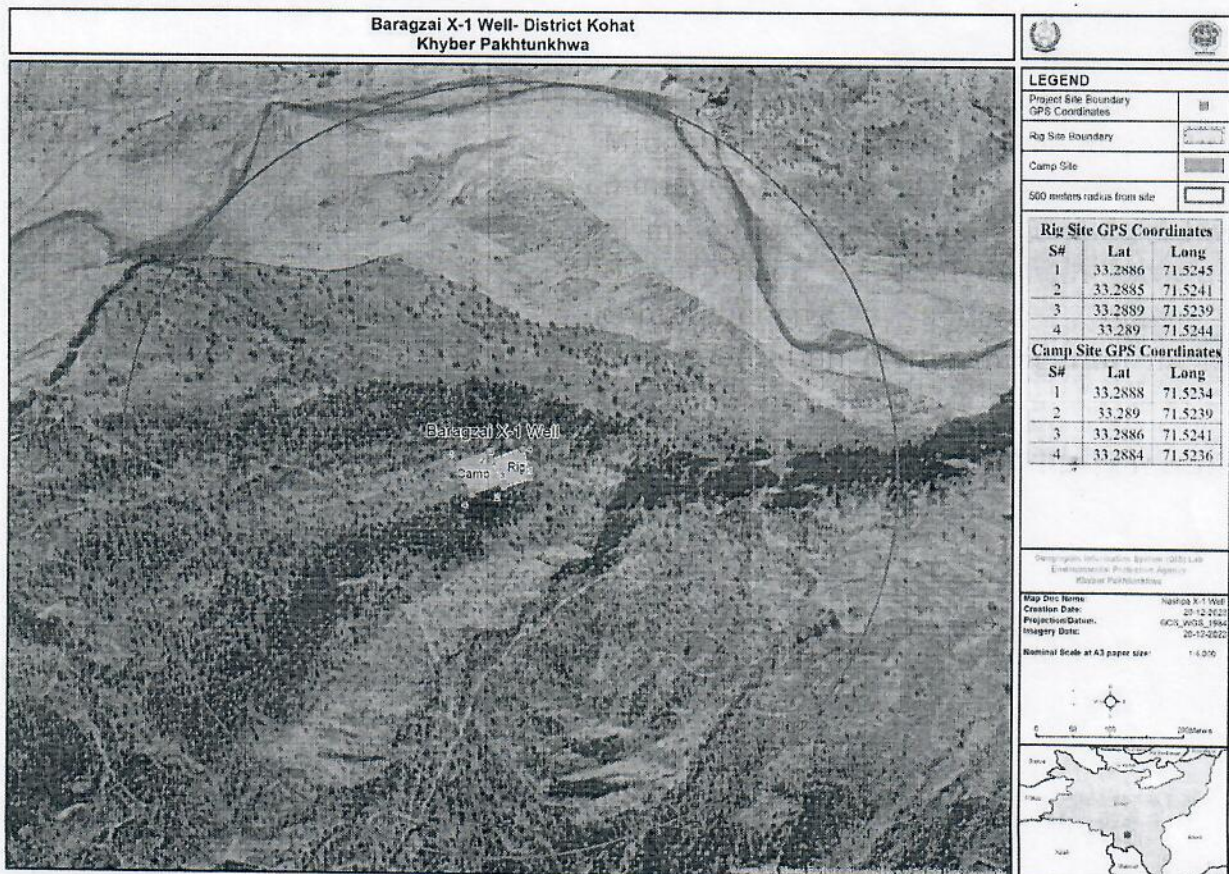
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- PA to Director General, EPA, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- ✓ AD-IT, EPA, Head Quarter, Peshawar.

Shahid 29/05/2024
Monitoring Inspector-I
(EIA-Cell)

SCHEDULE-VII
Decision on EIA

1. **Name and address of Proponent:** Oil & Gas Development Company Limited,
OGDCL House, Jinnah Avenue,
Islamabad, Pakistan.
Phone No. (+)92-51-92002-3638
2. **Description of Project:** The project comprises drilling of proposed Baragzai X-1 well located in Nashpa E.L in UC sodal, Tehsil and District Kohat of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP). Being an extremely dry plateau, and hilly zone all the study area falls under the category of "Barani" (rain fed) Lands. This type of shrubby scanty vegetation spreads in all of the District Kohat, areas at the western bank of the river Indus. A comprehensive assessment of project activities was carried out for drilling activities at Nashpa X-1 which included identification of all major and minor impacts from the proposed drilling activities. Mitigation measures were suggested to manage the impacts that arise. The efficacy of mitigation measures is further enhanced by provision of EMP which provides a comprehensive action plan for implementation of the mitigation measures and monitoring plan.
3. **Location of project and** Baragzai X-1 is located in Village Baraghzai, Nashpa E.L in Tehsil and District Kohat.
4. **GPS Coordinates/GIS map:**



5. **Date of filing of EIA.**

18/10/2023 Ref. (EPA Diary No. 158)

6. After careful review of the EIA and all the comments thereon, the Environmental Protection Agency, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has decided to accord approval of the Environmental Impact Assessment for **"DRILLING ACTIVITIES AT BARAGZAI X-1 WELL IN NASHPA E.L., DISTRICT KOHAT, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA"** under Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014 and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021, subject to the following terms & conditions: -

- a) The proponent shall adopt all precautionary and mitigation measures recommended in the EIA Report as well as replies of the proponent submitted to this Agency and any un-anticipated impacts arising during the construction and operation phase of the project.
- b) The proponent shall conduct hydrological study and submit the report to this Agency before applying for operational phase approval.
- c) Project site area shall be restored in the original form after the completion of project activities.
- d) Proper mitigation measures shall be adopted for oil/chemical spill etc.
- e) Proper precautionary measures shall be adopted for flammable waste.
- f) The water based mud (WBM) and oil based mud (OBM) shall be properly disposed after due treatment as per good environmental practices in the Bioremediation site.
- g) The submitted plantation plan shall be revised by increasing the number of plants and be submitted to this Agency before starting physical activities. Moreover, the plantation events/activities shall be organized in presence of this Agency staff. Moreover, seasonal plantation campaign shall be launched in the area with intimation / invitation to EPA KP.
- h) Health safety equipment must be provided to the staff like rubber shoes, gloves, overall and ear plugs. Health & Safety sign boards/posters shall be installed in various places within the project area. Moreover, Fire extinguishers, first aid box etc. shall be installed inside the premises of the project area at strategic locations in case of any emergency.
- i) As committed, OGDCL shall provide potable water to the locals on daily basis under the supervision of the responsible committee headed by Assistant Commissioner Lachi.
- j) A Grievance Redress Committee shall be notified prior to start of project activities comprising representatives from the locals. The Committee will look after all the issues pertaining to the project activities specifically environment & social issues.
- k) Fresh Analyses of Air and ground water of the project area shall be performed and be submitted to this Agency.
- l) All vehicles, generators and other equipment shall be properly tuned and maintained in good working condition in order to minimize emission of pollutants.
- m) Dust pollution resulting from mobilization due to project activities shall be mitigated accordingly. Water sprinkling shall be carried out where required to reduce the public nuisance caused by the dust emissions.
- n) Municipal solid waste and effluents generated at the site, workers camp etc., shall be properly disposed of in compliance of NEQS. Moreover, no effluents or emissions shall be released in violation of NEQS.

- o) The proponent shall carry out the social activities under CSR as per agreement already made with local community or other similar activities for the best interest of the locals and social acceptability.
- p) The proponent shall be bound to adopt any additional mitigation measures suggested by EPA from time to time during construction & operation of the project activities. Moreover, the proponent shall also be bound to make changes in the design and capacity of the proposed project as per recommendations of EPA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa if the desired compliance is not achieved.
7. The proponent shall be liable for correctness and validity of the information provided by the environmental consultant.
8. The proponent shall be liable for compliance of Rule 14, 15, 18, 19, & 20 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021, regarding approval, confirmation of compliance, entry, inspections and monitoring.
9. This approval is accorded only for the construction phase of **"DRILLING ACTIVITIES AT BARAGZAI X-1 WELL IN NASHPA E.L., DISTRICT KOHAT, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA"**, separate Approval shall be obtained for operational phase of the project as per provisions of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021.
10. Any change in the approved project shall be communicated to EPA Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and shall be commenced after obtaining the approval.
11. This approval shall be treated as null and void if any or all of the conditions mentioned above is/are not complied with.
12. 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 before starting the project.
13. There shall be no legal case pending in the courts against the project.
14. 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 **"DRILLING ACTIVITIES AT BARAGZAI X-1 WELL IN NASHPA E.L., DISTRICT KOHAT, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA"** with the above mentioned terms and conditions.

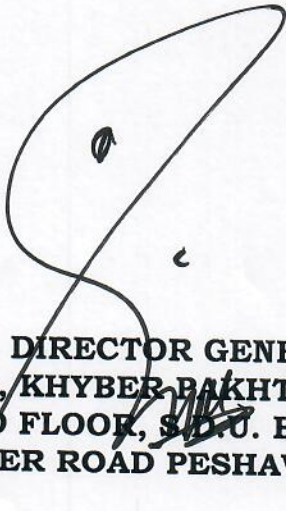
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