



**EPA NORTHERN DIRECTORATE, ABBOTTABAD,**  
Climate Change Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department  
Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa



No. EPA/ND/ATD/GEA/HPP/ 1407

Dated: 4/7/23

To

Manager,  
Environment Social Development & Gender Empowerment  
(MMHPPs), PEDO, Peshawar.  
House # 2, Railway Road, University Town Peshawar, Govt. of Khyber  
Pakhtunkhwa.

Subject: REQUEST FOR ISSUING CONSTRUCTION NOC FOR 975 KW MINI  
HYDROPOWER PROJECT AT VILLAGE MEER SHAI UPPER  
KOHISTAN.


I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith Environmental Approval/decision note on GEA Report of 975 KW Mini hydropower project at village Meer Shai, District Upper Kohistan for your information and further implementation.

Moreover, schedule X must be submitted to this Agency within a month on stamp paper as an undertaking for the compliance of term and condition as mentioned in the environmental approval as well as mitigation measure proposed in the GEA report. (Copy enclosed).

  
Assistant Director (North)

CC:

1. Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Peshawar.
2. Deputy Commissioner, District Upper Kohistan.

  
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**SCHEDULE-IX**

**Decision on GEA**

1. **Name, address of proponent:** Pakhtunkhwa Energy Development Organization, (PEDO), House # 2, Railway Road, University Town Peshawar, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
2. **Description of project:** The proposed project is going to establish at Village Meer Shai, District Upper Kohistan. The total Capacity of the project is 975 KW. The gross head is about 45.20 m. The existing water of river Kandian with design discharge 4.25 cusec will be used for power generation of 975 KW. The length of head race channel will be 465 meters. 1393 Nos of household will be beneficiary of this Project
3. **Location of the project:** The project is located in Village Meer Shai, District Upper Kohistan.
4. **Date of filling of GEA:** 30/03/2023  
EPA, Northern Directorate (Diary No. 1277)

975 KW MEER SHAI MICRO HYDRO POWER PROJECT DISTRICT KOHISTAN







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5. After careful review, the Environmental Protection Agency, Northern Directorate, Abbottabad, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has decided to accord approval of the General Environmental Approval report of **975 KW Micro Hydro Power Project at Village Meer Shai, District Upper Kohistan** of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in line with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in line with the guidelines issued by Pak. EPA and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assessment rules 2021 subject to the following terms & conditions:

- a) That the project falls in the schedule IV of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment rules 2021, which requires guidelines, however, the guideline (when framed) and any recommendation by Environmental Assessment Advisory committee made under section 23 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules 2021, shall be followed by the project management in letter & spirit
- b) The proponent shall adopt all precautionary and mitigation measures identified in GEA report as well as any unanticipated impacts during the construction and operation phase of project.
- c) The proponent shall not throw debris/excavated material into river, stream down slope.
- d) Employment shall be provided to the surrounding villages for unskilled jobs.
- e) A proper area shall be identified for disposal of debris and provide detail to this office before starting the physical activity/construction at the site.
- f) Health Safety equipments (Helmet, gloves, shoes, etc) shall be provided to the workers during construction.
- g) The existence use of water shall not be disturbed.
- h) Plantation shall be carried out as per plantation plan submitted to this Agency.
- i) Cultural norms/Parda of the area shall be maintained and worker must not be allowed for movement in near the houses/women working area.
- j) The aquatic biodiversity shall not be disturbed in the project area.
- k) The power generated will only be used for domestic purposes and not for commercial activities.
- l) Septic tanks and soakage pit shall be constructed for the sewage effluent/waste.

6. Environmental Management Plan shall be strictly followed
7. The proponent shall be liable for correctness and validity of the information supplied by the environmental consultant.
8. The proponent shall be liable for compliance of section 14, 15, 19 and 20 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rule, 2021, regarding approval, written confirmation of compliance, entry, inspection and monitoring.
9. This approval is accorded only for the "CONSTRUCTION PHASE" of project.



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10. The proponent will obtain approval for "OPERATION OF THE PROJECT" in accordance with the section 15 (1) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules 2021.
11. Any change in the approved project shall be communicated to EPA, Northern Directorate, Abbottabad, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and shall be commenced after obtaining the approval.
12. This approval shall be treated as null and void if all or any of the conditions mentioned above is/are not complied with.
13. 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.
14. There is no legal pending in the courts against the project.
15. In exercise of the power under Section 14 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014 and The Delegation of Powers Vide letter No. EPA/050/01/93/ Peshawar, dated the May 19, 2017, the undersigned is pleased to approve the GEA Report for 975 KW Micro Hydro Power Project at Village Meer Shai, District Upper Kohistan with the above mentioned terms and conditions.

Dated: Abbottabad 4/7/23

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CC:

1. Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Peshawar.
2. Deputy Commissioner, District Upper Kohistan.

*[Signature]*  
**DIRECTOR (NORTH)**  
**EPA NORTHERN DIRECTORATE**  
**ABBOTTABAD.**

3/7/2023