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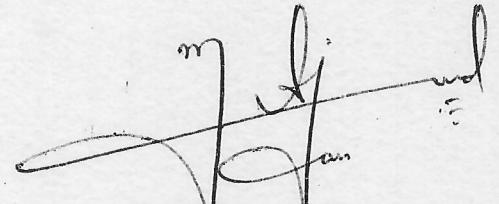
Mr. Abdul Salam,
Proponent/Owner/CEO of M/S Palai Service Area Filling Station,
located at Plot # RD-64, Swat Expressway (North Bound),
District Malakand.

Subject:

DECISION ON GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (GEA)
REPORT FOR "M/S PALAI SERVICE AREA FILLING STATION,
LOCATED AT PLOT # RD-64, SWAT EXPRESSWAY (NORTH
BOUND), DISTRICT MALAKAND".

Reference to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith Environmental Approval/Decision note on "General Environmental Assessment (GEA). Report of "**M/S PALAI SERVICE AREA FILLING STATION, LOCATED AT PLOT # RD-64, SWAT EXPRESSWAY (NORTH BOUND), DISTRICT MALAKAND**", 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 measures proposed in the GEA report, please.


ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Copy for information to:

- i. The Additional Deputy Commissioner (G), District Malakand w.r.t letter No. 16814-22/ALB dated 08/12/2025.
- ii. The Assistant Director-IT, Environmental Protection Agency, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- iii. PA to Director General, Environmental Protection Agency, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

SCHEDE-IX
Decision on GEA

1. Name & address of proponent:

Mr. Abdul Salam,
Proponent/Owner/CEO of M/S Palai Service
Area Filling Station, located at Plot # RD-64,
Swat Expressway (North Bound), District
Malakand.

2. Description of project:

The project for which the General Environmental Assessment (GEA) conducted is "M/S Palai Service Area Filling Station, located at Plot # RD-64, Swat Expressway (North Bound), District Malakand". The project will involve the establishment of a petrol pump filling station equipped with underground fuel storage and dispensing facilities. The total fuel storage capacity of the facility will be 140,000 liters which will be accommodated in five (05) underground storage tanks (04 underground tanks with a combined capacity of 90,000 liters will be designed for the storage of petrol i.e., 25,000, 25,000, 25,000 & 15,000 liters respectively while a single underground storage tank with a capacity of 50,000 liters will be used for diesel oil respectively). A total area of about 21,980 SFT has been allocated for the proposed project with an estimated cost of 20-30 million PKR.

3. Location of project:

The project is located at Plot # RD-64, Swat Expressway (North Bound), District Malakand.

4. GPS Coordinates/GIS Map:

X	Y	Source
34.524173	72.051828	GEA Report

5. Date of Filing of GEA:

23/12/2025 (Ref: EPA Diary No. 38)
EPA Head Office, Peshawar.

6. After careful review, the Environmental Protection Agency, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has decided to accord approval of the "GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (GEA) REPORT FOR M/S PALAI SERVICE AREA FILLING STATION, LOCATED AT PLOT # RD-64, SWAT EXPRESSWAY (NORTH BOUND), DISTRICT MALAKAND", on the above-mentioned GPS Coordinates under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014 and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021 subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a)** This approval is accorded under Section-13 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014.
- b)** This approval is accorded in light of the decision taken in the 2nd Environmental Protection Council (EPC) meeting held dated 11/09/2024 and Administrative Department Notification No. SO(Env)/CCFEWD/4-2/2023/EPC/V-III dated 22/01/2025.
- c)** 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. The

- proponent shall have to obtain the necessary NOCs/Approvals/Clearances required from other departments under the prevailing laws/rules of the provincial government before commencement of the project activities.
- d) The proponent shall adopt all precautionary and mitigation measures identified in GEA Report as well as any un-anticipated impacts arising during the construction & operation phase of the project to minimize any negative impacts on the soil, ground water, air and water bodies (if any).
 - e) The Proponent shall ensure the compliance of the National Environmental Quality Standard (NEQS) for ambient Air, Noise, Water and Gaseous emission during the construction & operation phase of the Project.
 - f) All the construction and installation in the project area must be carried out according to approved Site Plan (as well as criteria of relevant authorities).
 - g) The proponent shall submit an approved/finalized layout map of the project to this Agency before operations of the project.
 - h) The safety and emergency measures shall be carried out in the premises of the project area including preparation & execution of Emergency Response Plan (ERP) & emergency exits, fire extinguisher / Advance Fire Extinguishing System shall be installed in the unit.
 - i) The proponent shall hire well trained staff / technical staff for the purpose of filling & operational activities of the unit.
 - j) The proponent shall make arrangement/install noise barriers in the power house to minimize noise pollution.
 - k) Regular inspections of storage tanks, leakage detectors filling points including nozzles, dispensers and firefighting equipment installed in the unit shall be carried out & record be maintained.
 - l) The proponent shall make sufficient arrangements for the security & safety of the unit (if required).
 - m) The proponent shall construct washrooms/toilets, tuck shop, prayer room/masjid etc. for the visitors as well as workers.
 - n) Solid waste shall be disposed of at designated sites with the prior permission of concerned authorities (i.e. TMA etc.).
 - o) Vehicle carrying the desired fuel shall be properly labeled with the message indicating existence of fuel. The vehicles shall be parked in designated parking area inside the unit.
 - p) Grasses & vegetation around the storage tanks is potential source of ignition when dried. Therefore, it shall be cleared and the area shall be concreted/cemented or tiled and the storage shall be properly enclosed / covered.
 - q) The proponent shall construct Septic tanks for the treatment of sanitary wastewater & no wastewater without treatment shall be released to the environment.
 - r) Personal protective equipment shall be provided to all workers to ensure health and safety along with first aid box for emergency medical coverage.
 - s) Plantation of 100 No. of fast growing, climate friendly, native trees (including fruit plants) having a height of 05-10 feet shall be carried out in consultation with EPA and their sustainability shall be ensured.
 - t) In case generator is required to be installed, it shall comply with the NEQS limits of emissions and noise pollution. Special mitigation measures to be adopted for vibration and noise control by fully covering the generator in a room with rubber pad installed. Moreover, this Agency is of the suggestion to install Solar Power system as an alternate source of energy.
 - u) The proponent shall be liable to address concerns/complaints highlighted by the local community/neighborhood.

- v) Non-technical jobs shall be provided to the local community.
 - w) The proponent shall be liable to adopt all the applicable conditions mentioned in the GEA Guidelines for CNG, LPG, LNG & Petrol Pumps 2025, in true letter and spirit.
 - x) This Agency reserves the right to monitor and suggest any additional mitigation measures at any stage of the project to avoid/minimize Environmental Pollution. The proponent shall be liable to implement the additional measures for the protection of Environment as and when suggested by EPA.
 - y) Furthermore, this Agency will regularly inspect the unit to check the compliance of condition(s) and if found in violation, action shall be initiated as per the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014.
7. The proponent shall be liable for correctness and validity of the information provided in the environmental report.
8. The proponent shall be liable for compliance of Rules 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 & 24 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules-2021, regarding approval, confirmation of compliance, entry, inspections and monitoring.
9. The proponent shall comply with the Rule-14 (2) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules-2021 and shall submit undertaking on stamp paper for the compliance of conditions mentioned in Environmental Approval.
10. This approval is accorded only for the installation/construction phase of the project for two (02) years. The proponent shall obtain approval for extension in construction phase or operation of the project in accordance with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021.
11. This approval shall be considered as withdraws, if all or any of the above conditions are violated by the proponent personally and vicariously.
12. This Agency shall not be responsible for any issue related to the project land.
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 GEA Report for "M/S Palai Service Area Filling Station, Located at Plot # Rd-64, Swat Expressway (North Bound), District Malakand" for the Construction Phase of the project with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

Dated: Peshawar 06/01/2026

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**DIRECTOR GENERAL
EPA, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA**