



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGIONAL OFFICE SWAT
Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department
Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa



No. EPA/ROS/GEA/Batkhela Filling Station/Malakand/ 269-72

Date: 01/02/2024

To,

Mr. Asaf Iqbal,
Owner of M/S Batkhela Filling Station/ Petrol Pump,
Near Swat Motorway Interchange, Batkhela Road,
Tehsil Thana Baizai, District Malakand.
Contact # 0346-9304393/ 0333-5196020

**Subject: DECISION ON GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL (GEA)
REPORT OF BATKHELA ROAD, TEHSIL THANA BAIZAI, DISTRICT
MALAKAND.**

Kindly refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith Environmental Approval/ Decision Note on GEA Report of project titled "M/S Batkhela Filling Station/ Petrol Pump, Near Swat Motorway Interchange, Batkhela Road Tehsil Thana Baizai, District Malakand" for your information and further implementation.

Moreover, Schedule-X (Copy enclosed) must be submitted to this office within one 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 General Environmental Approval (GEA) Report, please.


Director (Malakand)

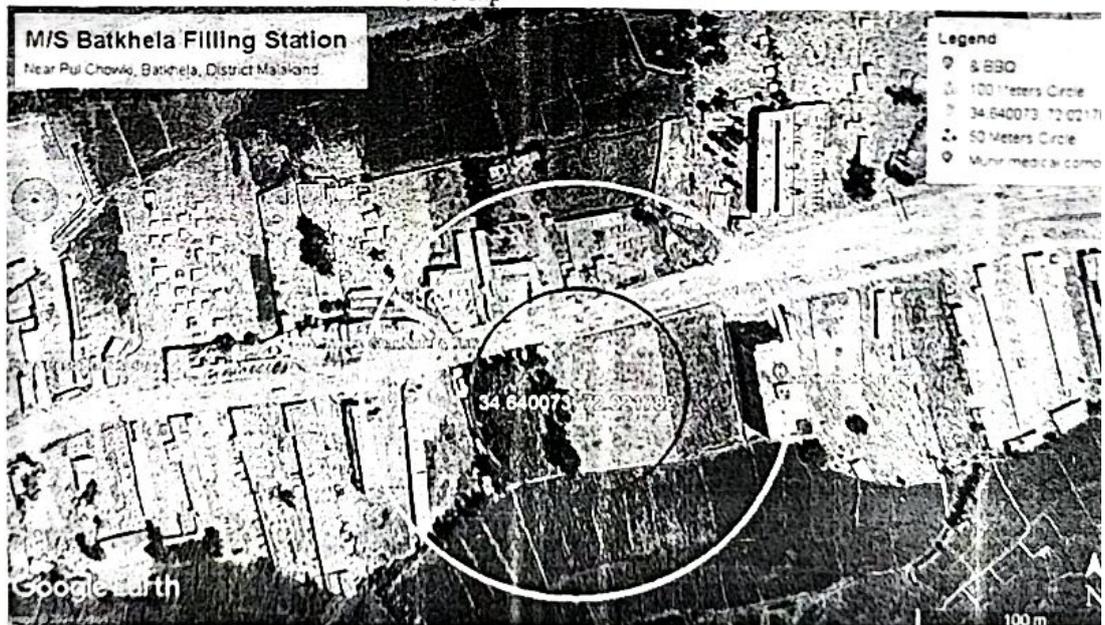
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1. Deputy Commissioner, District Malakand w/r to your office letter No.18098-18103/ALB, dated 11/12/2023.
2. P.A to Director General, EPA, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
3. Assistant Director, EPA- Peshawar Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for uploading on EPA official website.

SCHEDULE - IX

Decision on GEA

1. **Name, address of Proponent:** Mr. Asaf Iqbal,
Owner of M/S Batkhela Filling Station/ Petrol Pump
Near Swat Motorway Interchange, Batkhela Road. Tehs:
Thana Baizai, District Malakand.
Contact # 0346-9304393/ 0333-5196020
2. **Description of Project.** The project is about the establishment and operation of a Petrol pump/filling station, known as Batkhela Filling Station, a retail outlet of Pakistan State Oil (PSO) Company Limited, located Near Swat Motorway Interchange Batkhela Road, Tehsil Thana Baizai, District Malakand. This approval is granted based on the successful completion of the General Environmental Approval (GEA) process, ensuring strict adherence to all relevant environmental laws and regulations. The primary purpose of this facility is to provide gasoline and diesel fuels to both residential and commercial customers. It will feature four storage tanks (two each 50,000 liter for diesel and two each 25,000 for petrol), and fuel delivery will be facilitated through tankers, which will discharge the fuel into these underground tanks. The total project area is 38106 SFT, with an estimated project cost of Rs. 40.00 million. *Butt*
3. **Location of Project:** The Project is located Near Swat Motorway Interchange, Batkhela Road, Tehsil Thana Baizai, District Malakand.
GPS Coordinates and Google Earth Map:
1. (Center) : 34.640061° N, 72.022010° E
2. (Storage Tank) : 34.640125° N, 72.022133° E
GIS Map



4. **Date of filing of GEA** 02/01/2024 (Ref: EPA Diary No.4478)
5. After careful review, the Environmental Protection Agency, Regional Office, Swat Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, has decided to grant construction phase

Environmental Approval for the General Environmental Approval (GEA) Report of the project titled "M/S Batkhela Filling Station/ Petrol Pump, Near Swat Motorway Interchange, Batkhela Road, Tehsil Thana Baizai, District Malakand ". This decision is in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014, and the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Assessment Rules, 2021 (KPEA Rules, 2021). The approval is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a) The proponent shall adopt all precautionary and mitigation measures identified in the GEA Report and commitments made in subsequent correspondence as well as any unanticipated impacts during any construction and operation phase of the project.
- b) All effluents, emissions, and noise, if any, must remain within the permissible limits defined by the National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS).
- c) The proponent shall always strictly adhere to building by-laws and site plan during implementation of this project so that the risk or danger in case of any calamity can be avoided or minimized.
- d) The proponent shall ensure strict compliance with the provisions of Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) Regulations and NFPA requirements in construction, installation, operation and maintenance of the project.
- e) The safety and emergency measures shall be carried out in the premises of filling station like provision of Personal Protective Equipment to all workers during the working hours, installation of fire extinguisher & firefighting system etc.
- f) The Entry into and exit route from the station shall be metallic and must not hamper the traffic movement in front of the station.
- g) Facilities like prayer area and washrooms shall be provided with proper septic tanks and shall be cleaned regularly. *Attal*
- h) The service station requires separate environmental approval from this Agency and is not allowed within the premises of the Filling Station under this approval.
- i) Ornamental plants shall be kept within the premises of the Filling Station and shall be taken care of the same. *Attal*
- j) Solid waste from the project must be collected on a daily basis and properly disposed of at the TMA designated dumping site.
- k) No nuisance by way of noise, dust, odor, soil and ground water contamination shall be caused to the public and surrounding environment during operation of the activity.
- l) All electric motors/devices such as pumps, compressor and generators shall be housed in soundproof enclosures to keep the noise level within the permissible limit of the National Environmental Quality Standard. Efforts may be made to switch to environmental friendly and renewable energy such as solar energy etc.
- m) Storage tanks and dispensing system shall be adequately designed, maintained and monitored for prevention of any fuel spillages and toxic emissions.
- n) Safe treatment and disposal of sludge removed from storage tanks, storm water and wash water during cleaning shall be carried out and lubricating oils, greases and cleaning solvents etc. shall be intercepted before the effluents are permitted to flow into the public storm water system.
- o) The proponent shall make efforts for water saving, minimizing water consumption and shall practice rain water harvesting and recycle/re-use water to maximum possible extent for secondary purposes like toilet flushes, irrigation of gardens, washing etc.
- p) The proponent shall provide non-technical jobs to the local community of the project.

- q) A copy of this approval and GEA report shall be provided to the contractor/ operator at petrol pump site for information & implementation and a biannual (six months) performance/ compliance report shall be submitted to this Agency.
6. The proponent shall be liable for correctness and validity of the information provided to the EPA in the GEA report and presentation.
 7. EPA will regularly visit the project site. The proponent must facilitate monitoring and comply with additional EPA conditions if required.
 8. The proponent shall be liable for the compliance of Rules 14(2), 15, 18, 19, and 20 of the KPEA Rules, 2021, regarding approval, confirmation of compliance, validity, entry, inspections, and monitoring.
 9. The proponent must inform the EPA office in writing about the construction/ installation start date and project operation for monitoring purposes.
 10. This approval is accorded only for the installation/construction phase of the project. The proponent will also obtain approval/ confirmation of Compliance for the operation phase in accordance with Rule 15 of the KPEA Rules, 2021.
 11. Any alteration/ expansion of the approved project shall be communicated to EPA and shall be commenced after obtaining the approval; likewise, no other activities like CNG, LNG etc. should be undertaken other than what is stipulated in the GEA Report.
 12. This approval shall be treated as null and void under rule-21 of the Rules ibid if all or any of the conditions mentioned above is/are not complied with.
 13. This approval shall 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 shall be no pending legal cases against the project.
 15. In exercise of the powers conferred upon the undersigned under Section 13 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Environmental Protection Act, 2014, the undersigned is pleased to have approved the GEA Report for the construction phase of the project with the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

Dated:

01/02/2024

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Director (Malakand)
EPA, Regional office Swat
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

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