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1. Additional Chief Secretary, Mines & Geology Department, Govt. of Haryana, Chandigarh.
2. Director General of Police, Govt. of Haryana, Panchkula.
3. Deputy Commissioner, Nuh
4. Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram.
5. Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad.
6. Commissioner of Police, Gurugram.
7. Commissioner of Police, Faridabad.
8. Superintendent of Police, Nuh.
9. Regional officers, HSPCB, Gurugram North, Gurugram South, Nuh, Faridabad and Ballabgarh.

Sub: Minutes of meeting held under Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana at 4:30 PM on 17 November, 2023 regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana.

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

In this connection, I have been directed to enclose herewith the copy of minutes of the meeting held under Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, IAS, Chief Secretary Haryana at 4:30 PM on 17 November, 2023 regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana for your kind information and further necessary action please.

DA/As above


Sr. Env. Engineer (HQ)
For Chairman

Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, Chief Secretary, Haryana at 04:30 PM on 17 November 2023 regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana.

List of officers who attended meeting is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.

Member Secretary, HSPCB welcomed all participants and briefly outlined the directions of NGT conveyed vide order dated 22 August 2023 and informed that Aravalli Rejuvenation Board (ARB) was constituted at District level to take up the matter regarding illegal mining activities in Aravalli.

Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram submitted that ARB was constituted on 13 June 2023 and first meeting of ARB was held in Gurugram on 26 June 2023. Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram added that there are only 02 entry points in Aravalli area in Gurugram and vehicular movement has been restricted from these entry points and extensive checking of vehicles is being done. In last 04 months, 26 vehicles have been seized in Raisina, Bhondsi and Sohna area and a penalty of Rs. 45,00,875/- has been imposed and 20 FIRs have been lodged. Plantation activity is being done in illegally mined areas. CCTV cameras and drones will be installed within 01 month.

Additional Chief Secretary Environment pointed out that in action taken report, the plantation done in illegally mined area as well as other Aravalli area should be mentioned separately.

Deputy Commissioner, Nuh submitted that meetings of ARB have been held on 22 September 2023, 27 October 2023 and 16 November 2023 and ATR has been sent in this matter. He further added that in last 04 month, 36 vehicles have been seized and 09 FIRs have been lodged. Since January 2023, 127 vehicles have been seized. GMDA has been requested to place the order for CCTV cameras and 02 drones. All crushers have been visited. 13 Nakkas have been established and regular monitoring of vehicles is going on. About 01 lakh plants have been planted.

Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad submitted that meetings of ARB are being conducted every month. 90 vehicles have been seized and 11 FIRs have been lodged.

There is one crusher-zone, i.e., Palli- Mohatabad crusher zone. E-Rawanas and vehicles transporting mining material is being monitored regularly by a team of officials/officers of various departments. Request has been sent challans to FMDA for purchase and installation of CCTV and drones. 150000 plants in Aravalli area and 01 lakh plants in other parts of the District have been planted.

Director General, Mining Department mentioned that they are checking the weigh-bridges and E-Rawanas for stone crushers. The directions have been issued to Mining Officers concerned to check all weigh-bridges by 20 November 2023. He added that a control room in Faridabad has been set up to receive complaints regarding illegal mining.

Sh. Rahul Khurana, Advocate submitted the following points should be taken care while preparing Action Taken Reports:-

- To mention details of Funds and timelines for procurement and installation of CCTVs and drones.
- Minutes of meeting of ARBs held.
- Amount of penalty recovered from violators.
- Steps taken to curb illegal mining.
- Seized vehicles were engaged in illegal mining in Haryana or in illegal transportation of material only.

After detailed discussion following decisions were taken:-

1. Plantation done in illegally mined sites and other Aravalli areas should be quantified separately.
2. Deputy Commissioners to hire drones, till these are procured and installed.
3. Details of Vehicles challaned and seized for sand mining and stone mining should be maintained separately.
4. Deputy Commissioners to address all complaints received in control room regarding illegal mining.

5. CCTV cameras and drones should be utilized fully to check the illegal mining.
6. Details of the Protected Forest declared in Gurugram and Nuh shall be procured from DFO concerned and include the same in ATR.
7. Plantation specific area should also be obtained from DFOs and be mentioned in report.
8. Funds and timelines should be figured in ATR.
9. Penalty imposed and recovered be mentioned in the ATR.
10. Deputy Commissioners to prepare action taken report in quantified terms.
11. Mining Officer of concerned district will be the Nodal Officer in this matter and will consolidate the complete report with consultation of all members of ARB. Further, Mining Officer will carry out the process of assessment of environmental damages already occurred in Aravalli districts and the process of rejuvenation/restoration in consultation with all members of ARB.
12. Mining Department will prepare the final action taken report after receiving the ATRs from DCs and get the same approved from the Chief Secretary, Haryana for filing the same before Hon'ble NGT.

The meeting ended with thanks to all the participants.

Annexure-A

List of participants meeting held under the Chairmanship of Sh. Sanjeev Kaushal, Chief Secretary, Haryana at 04:30 PM on 17 November 2023 regarding action taken report to be filed in the matter of OA No. 295/2021 titled as H.S. Khatana Vs State of Haryana.

Sr. No.	Name and Designation
1	Sh. Vineet Garg, ACS, Environment Department
2	Sh. Mandip Singh Brar, DG, Mines & Geology Department
3	Ms. Mamta Singh, ADGP,L & O
4	Sh. Pardeep Kumar, Member Secretary, HSPCB
5	Deputy Commissioner, Nuh (Through VC)
6	Deputy Commissioner, Gurugram (Through VC)
7	Deputy Commissioner, Faridabad (Through VC)
8	Dr. Babu Ram, Technical Expert, HSPCB
9	Sh. J.P. Singh, SEE, HSPCB
10	Dr. Madhvi Gupta, SME, Mining Department
11	Sh. Anil Kumar Bhardwaj
12	Sh. Rahul Khurana, Advocate (Through VC)
13	Sh. Kuldeep Singh, Regional Officer, Gurugram North (Through VC)
14	Sh. Vijay Choudhary, Regional Officer, Gurugram South (Through VC)
15	Sh. Sandeep Singh, Regional Officer, Gurugram South (Through VC)
16	Sh. Ashwani, EE, HSPCB
17	Sh. Vipin Kumar, Regional Officer, Nuh (Through VC)