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Sir,

Sub: Submission of Six Monthly Environmental Clearance Compliance & Environmental Monitoring Reports (Apr'2020 - Sep'2020) - Pudupalayam Limestone Mine I (37.0 ha) of Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited at Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District, Tamilnadu - Capacity of 0.9 million tons of Limestone per annum

Ref: Environmental Clearance granted by MoEF vide Letter No: J-11015/444/2006-IA II (M) dated 08.11.2007

We enclose herewith the Six Monthly Environmental Clearance Compliance & Environmental Monitoring Reports, as detailed below, for the Pudupalayam Limestone Mine I (37.0 ha) located at Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District, Tamilnadu for the period from Apr'2020 - Sep'2020.

- a. Environmental Clearance Compliance Report Annexure 1
- b. Environmental Monitoring Report comprising of
 - i. Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Consolidated Report Annexure 2
 - ii. Noise Level Monitoring Consolidated Report Annexure 3
 - iii. Ground Water Quality Monltoring Report- Annexure 4

Yours faithfully,

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Chettinad Cement Corporation Limited Pudupalayam Limestone Mine I

Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District, Tamilnadu

Environmental Clearance (EC) Compliance Report (April-20 to September-20)

(EC granted by MoEF vide Letter No: J-11015/444/2006-IA II (M) dated 08.11.2007 for a Mining Capacity of 0.9 million ton per annum & Mining Lease Area of 37.0 ha)

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

S.No	Specific Condition	Compliance Status				
1.	Top soil shall be stacked properly with proper slope with adequate safeguards and shall be back filled for reclamation and rehabilitation of mined out area.	earmarked site only with proper slope				
ii.	Over burden shall be stacked at earmarked dump site (s) only and shall not be kept active for long period. The maximum height of the dump shall not exceed 30 m, each stage shall preferably be of 10m and over all slope of the dump shall not exceed 28 degree. The mine pit area shall be reclaimed by back filling the OB in a phased manner. The OB dumps shall be scientifically vegetated with suitable native species to prevent erosion and surface run off. Monitoring and management of rehabilitated areas shall continue until the vegetation becomes self sustaining. Compliance status shall be submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forests on six monthly basis.	stacked in an earmarked location called dump site and the dumps are not kept active for a long time by using the same for formation of bunds along the boundary of ML area. The current height of the dump is 10 m and the slope of the dump is 26°. The maximum height of three terraces is not exceeding 30 m in total. The overall slope of the dump being maintained at 28°. The mined out pits reclaimed using the over burden after exhausting the mineral in the pit as per IBM approved Scheme of Mining. The reclaimed area being planted with native species.				

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		becomes self-sustaining.
		Planting native species on the dump is ensured to prevent erosion and surface run off.
		Compliance status report is being submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change once in every six months
iii.	Garland drains of appropriate size shall be constructed to arrest silt and sediment flows from soil, and mineral dumps. The water so collected shall be	Garland drain of 0.7m width, 0.8m depth had been constructed for top soil and overburden dumps and mine pit.
	utilized for watering the mine area, roads, green belt development etc. The drains shall be regularly de silted particularly after monsoon and maintained properly. Garland drain (size, gradient and length) shall be	Hardward Architectures
	constructed for both mine pit and for waste dump and sump capacity shall be designed keeping 50% safety margin over and above peak sudden rain fall (based on 50 years data)and maximum discharge in the area adjoining the mine site. Sump capacity shall also provide adequate retention period to allow proper settling of silt material. Sedimentation pits shall be constructed at the corners of the	As the rainwater is getting collected in the in the sump at the bottom most bench of the Mine Pit, there is no possibility of overflow from the Mine Pit and sufficient retention time is available for the settling of solid particles/silt materials. The garland drains are being desilted at regular intervals.
	garland drains and de silted at regular intervals.	
iv.	Drilling and blasting shall be by using dust extractors / wet drilling.	Non Conventional Method of Mining is adopted. Hence, there is no drilling & blasting.
V.	species around the ML area, roads, OB dump sites etc., in consultation with	carried out in consultation with the local DFO/Agriculture Department in the ML area are given below.
	the local DFO /Agriculture	ML area : 37.0 ha

Specific Condition	Compliance Status					
Department. The density of the trees shall be around 2500 plants per ha. Selection of plant species shall be as						
per CPCB guidelines. Herbs and shrubs shall also form a part of afforestation programme, besides trees plantation.	ha Area covered with greenbelt : Dumps, bunds along the ML boundary					
Green belt development and selection of plant species shall be as per CPCB						
afforestation Including rehabilitation of mined out area shall be submitted to ministry within six months.	Saplings Planted Following native species are selected for plantation.					
) 	a. Neem b. Pongan c. Vembu d. Pouvarasa					
	e. Illupai f. Teak g. Tamrind					
	Greenbelt Development Plan Greenbelt development is being carried out progressively. Herbs and shrubs will also be developed.					
The project authority shall implement suitable conservation measures to augment ground water resources in the area in consultation with the	divert and collect rainwater in the sump					
water Board.	The quantity of water collected at the lower benches inside the pit is being used for dust control in haul roads and					
	for Green belt development. Excess water is stored in the pit itself to augment ground water recharge.					
Regular monitoring of ground water level and quality shall be carried out by establishing a network of existing wells and constructing new piezometers during the mining operation. The monitoring shall be carried out four times in a year – pre	Regular monitoring of ground water quality is being be carried out by establishing a network of existing wells on a quarterly basis as stipulated and the data collected are being submitted to MoEF &CC, Central Ground water					
	Department. The density of the trees shall be around 2500 plants per ha. Selection of plant species shall be as per CPCB guidelines. Herbs and shrubs shall also form a part of afforestation programme besides trees plantation. Green belt development and selection of plant species shall be as per CPCB guidelines. Details of year wise afforestation Including rehabilitation of mined out area shall be submitted to ministry within six months. The project authority shall implement suitable conservation measures to augment ground water resources in the area in consultation with the Regional Director Central Ground water Board. Regular monitoring of ground water level and quality shall be carried out by establishing a network of existing wells and constructing new piezometers during the mining operation. The monitoring shall be					

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	(August), post-monsoon (November) and winter (January) and the data thus collected may be sent regularly to MOEF, Central Ground water Authority and Regional Director Central Ground water Board.						
viii.	Prior permission from the competent authority shall be obtained for drawl of ground water if any.	The mine requires around 38 m³ of water/day for domestic purpose, dust suppression and greenbelt development. Rainwater collected in the sump at the bottom most bench of the Mine Pit is being used and no ground water is drawn. In case, any need arises to use ground water, the required prior permission will be obtained from the Water Resources Department, Tamilnadu, the authority for granting permission to use ground water.					
ix.	Detailed hydro-geological study shall be carried out and submitted to the ministry within one year. The study shall include action plan to contain adverse effect, if any on ground water regime. This study shall be submitted to ministry with six months from the date of issue of this letter.	No intersection of ground water table is envisaged. So, there is no any impact on ground water due to mining operations. Hence, the requirement of carrying out detailed hydro-geological study is not envisaged.					
x.	Ground water shall be periodically monitored for contamination due to mining activity.	Ground water quality in and around the mines is being monitored periodically.					
xi.	Land use pattern of the nearby villages shall be studied and action plan for abatement and compensation for damage to agricultural land or common property land (if any) due to mining activity shall be submitted to the ministry within six months.	Study on land use pattern of nearby villages had already been conducted and included in EIA Report. The EIA Report had been submitted to the Regional Office of MoEF, Bangalore. As non-conventional method of mining is followed, no drilling and blasting are involved. Dust control measures like water sprinkling and greenbelt along the boundary are being carried out.					

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		Hence, the possibility of any damage due to mining activity on agricultura lands & property in nearby village is no envisaged.					
xii.	Socio economic profile of population in the nearby villages shall be studied and action plan for their rehabilitation including formation of self help groups who can facilitate promotion of economic opportunity for local people shall be submitted for record.	Detailed Socioeconomic profile study had already been conducted and included in EIA Report. The EIA Report had been submitted to MoEF, Bangalore. Chettinad Cement is carrying out various social welfare activities for the benefit of the local population near the mines.					
xiii.	Maintenance of village roads through which transportation of ores are undertaken shall be carried out by the company regularly at its own expenses.	Maintenance of village roads through which transportation of Limestone takes place, is undertaken by the company regularly.					
xiv.	Any existing water bodies or those created during the course of mining may be utilized to develop pisci-culture by organizing fisherman cooperative society with the land losers, if any or villagers from nearest village as members. The poorer section of the society shall be specially inducted as members of such a society to be developed. Initial financial assistance for creation of the society shall be provided and sustainable programme shall be developed so that the members themselves can run the affairs of the society in due course. The project proponent shall also arrange marketing tie up so that society gets fair price of their product and the profits are equitably shared by the members of the society as regular source of income.	conversion take place at the conceptual stage. As stipulated, these water bodies utilized to develop pisciculture.					
XV.	Water to be supplied for drinking purpose shall be treated to prescribe standards. Monitoring of water quality for drinking shall be undertaken on	Potable water is being supplied for drinking purpose. The quality of water is being monitored on regular basis.					

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	daily basis and records maintained.						
xvi.	Occupational health surveillance program of the workers shall undertake periodically to observe any contractions due to exposure to dust and corrective measures, if needed. Occupational health and safety measures for the workers including identification of work related hazards, training on malaria eradication, HIV, and health effects on exposure to mineral dust etc. shall be carried out. The company shall engage a full time qualified doctor who is trained in occupational health surveillance. Periodic monitoring of exposure to mineral dust on the workers shall be conducted and records maintained including health records of the workers.	c. Refresher Training Occupational Health Surveillance by a qualified doctor, trained in occupational health is being carried out and Surveillance Health records of the workers are being maintained.					
xvii.	Vehicular emissions shall be kept under control and regularly monitored. Measures shall be taken for maintenance of vehicles used in mining operations and in transportation of mineral. The vehicles shall be covered with a tarpaulin and shall not be overloaded.	The vehicles entering the Mine are checked at the entry point for Pollution Under Control Certificate. Regular maintenance of vehicles used in mining operations and in transportation of mineral are being ensured. The material is being covered with tarpaulin, before commencement of transportation. The vehicles are not overloaded.					
viii.	A Final mine closure plan, along with details of corpus fund, shall be submitted to the Ministry of Environment &Forests 5 years in advance of final mine closure for approval.	details of Corpus Fund will be submitted to the MOEF, TN, 5 years in advance, prior to the final mine closure					

Part B - General Conditions

S.No	General Condition	Compliance Status						
i.	No change in mining technology and scope of working shall be made without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment & Forests.	scope of working will be made without						
ii.	No change in calendar plan including excavation, quantum of mineral, Limestone ore and waste shall be made.	September 2000 Committee C						
iii.	Conservation measures for protection of flora and fauna in the core & buffer zone shall be drawn up in consultation with local forest and wildlife department.	The core zone is a dry, barren land with scanty bushes. Mining Operation is being carried out taking all precautions and complying with the conditions stipulated by MoEF & CC, CPCB, TNPCB and IBM.						
		As non-conventional method of mining is adopted, no drilling and blasting are involved. The water sprinkling on the mine area, roads and the dumps is being carried out to suppress the dust. The greenbelt developed act as a noise as well as dust barrier.						
		The control measures adopted to ensure that there is no significant impact on the flora and fauna in the study area.						
iv.	Four ambient air quality monitoring stations shall be established in the core zone as well as in the buffer zone for RPM,SPM,SO2,NOx monitoring. Location of the stations should be decided based on meteorically data, topographical features and environmentally and ecologically sensitive targets and frequency of monitoring should be undertaken in consultation with State Pollution	Four Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Stations has been established in the core zone as well as in the buffer zone for monitoring PM _{2.5} & PM ₁₀ and NOx and SO ₂ in the ambient air in consultation with Tamilnadu Pollution Control Board. Monthly Monitoring being conducted regularly and reports were submitted.						

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	Control Board.					
V.	Data on ambient air quality (RPM, SPM,SO2,Nox) should be regularly submitted to the ministry including Reginal office at Bangalore and the State Pollution Control Board/Central Pollution Control Board once in six months.	Data on Ambient Air Quality (PM _{2.5} & PM ₁₀ , NOx & SO ₂) is being regularly submitted to the Regional Office of the MoEF & CC, Chennai, TNPCB and CPCB once in six months.				
vi.	Fugitive dust emissions from all the sources shall be controlled regularly. Water spraying arrangements on haul roads, loading and unloading and at transfer points shall be provided and maintained.	out to control fugitive emission as given below. a. Water Sprinkling before loading				
vII.	Measures shall be taken for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. Workers engaged in operations of HEMM etc shall be provided with ear plugs/muffs.	conveyor has been installed. Measures like silencers, greenbelt along the boundary of ML Area, etc., have been provided and the good maintenance of the Mining Machinery & vehicles is being ensured for controlling noise level below 85 dBA. Ear plugs/Muffs are being provided to the operators of HEMM.				
viii.	Industrial waste water (Workshop and waste water) should be properly collected, treated so as to confirm to the standards prescribed under GSR 422(E)dated 19 th May ,1993 and 31 st December ,1993 or as amended from	the Mine Lease Area. Mining operations do not generate any waste water. Hence, the requirement of providing oil and grease trap is not envisaged.				

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	time to time. Oil and grease trap shall be installed before discharge of workshop effluents.						
ix.	Personnel working in dusty areas shall wear protective respiratory devices and they also be provided with adequate training and information on safety and health aspects.	adequate training, information on safety and health aspects and the employees are provided with required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). A separate Environmental Cell is available to take care of EHS function and the Head of the Cell is directly reporting to the Head of the Organization for complying with environmental regulations and implementing pollution control measures. As the internally accrued funds has been invested, the requirement of informing the date of financial closures and final approval of the project to the Regional Office of MoEFCC, Chennai is					
Χ.	A separate Environment Management cell with suitable qualified personnel shall be set-up under the control of senior executive, who will directly report to the Head of organization.						
xi.	The Project Authorities shall inform to the Regional office located at bangalore regarding date of financial closures and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and date of start of land development work.						
xii.	The funds earmarked for environmental protection measures shall be kept in separate account and should not be diverted for other purpose. Year wise expenditure shall be reported to the ministry and its regional office located at bangalore.	The funds earmarked for environmental protection measures kept in separate account and are not diverted for any other purpose. Year wise expenditure reported to the ministry and its regional office located at Chennai. The expenditure incurred towards environmental protection measures for the period from Apr 2020 to Sep 2020 was Rs 0.5 lakhs.					
xiii.	The project authorities shall inform to the Regional office located at Bangalore regarding date of financial	been invested, the requirement of					

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	closures and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land developmental work.	Regional Office of MoEF & CC, Chennai					
xiv.	The Regional office of this ministry located at bangalore shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities shall extend full cooperation to the officer(s) of the Regional office by furnishing the requisite data/information/monitoring reports.	Regional Office of MoEF & CC, Chennai will be extended by furnishing the requisite data / information /					
xv.	A copy of the clearance letter will be marked to concerned Panchayat / local NGO ,If any, from whom suggestion/ representation has been received while processing the proposal.	letter sent to concerned Pudupalayam Panchayat on 25.11.2007					
xvi.	State pollution control board should display a copy of clearance letter at the regional office, District industry centre and collector's office/Tehsildar's office						
xvii.	The project authorities shall advertise at least in two local newspaper widely circulated, one of which shall he in the vernacular language of the locality concerned with in 7 days of the issue of the clearance letter informing that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and a copy of clearance letter is available with State Pollution Control Board and also at the website of the Ministry of Environment &Forests at http://envfor.nic.in and a copy of the	widely circulated in the region, one in Fnglish and the other in Tamil published Informing the public that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and copies of clearance letter are available with the TNPCB and also can be seen at website of the MOEF at http://envfor.nic.in . The copies of advertisement submitted to Regional Office of MoEF, Bangalore					

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	same should be forwarded to Regional Office of this Ministry located at Bangalore	*

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Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited -Pudupalayam Limestone Mine

Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur District, Tamilnadu State

Ambiant Air Quality Monitoring- Consolidated Report (Apr'2020 - Sep'2020)

CNo	Location	PM ₁₀ (µg/m ³)		PM _{2.5} (μg/m ³)		SO ₂ (µg/m ³)			NOx (µg/m³)				
S.No		Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg
1	Pudupalayam Mines Near Mines Office Pudupalayam	60.3	56.2	58.3	24.9	22.4	23.7	7.3	6.9	7.1	19.0	17.7	18.3
2	Near Security Office Pudupalayam	71.5	67.0	69.2	28.7	24.9	26.8	8.4	7.8	8.1	23.2	21.8	22.5
3	Reddipalayam Village	49.0	45.6	47-3	18.7	17.5	18.1	5-7	5.3	5.5	16.1	14.9	15.5
4	Pudupalayam Village	45-9	43.4	44.6	18.7	17.5	18.1	5.8	5.3	5.6	15.0	13.7	14.3
5	Velliprianglyam Village	41.2	41.2	41.2	15.0	15.0	15.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	14.3	14.3	14.3
6	Nayakkarpalaiyam Village	38.4	38.4	38.4	12.5	12.5	12.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	14.1	14.1	14.1
7	Hasthinapuram Village	42.9	42.9	42.9	16.2	16.2	16.2	5.7	5.7	5-7	15.9	15.9	15.9
8	Nerinjikorai Village	40.6	40.6	40.6	13.7	13.7	13.7	6.0	6.0	6.0	12.8	12.8	12.8
	Norm		100 µg/г	m ³		6ο μg/n	n ³		80 µg/ı	m³		80 µg/ı	m³

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	Chettinad C	ement Corpo	ration Priva	te Limited -F	Pudupalayam	Limestone	Mine	
		Pudupalayam	Village , Ar	iyalur Distric	t, Tamilnadu	State		
	Noise L	evel Monitori	ng- Consoli	dated Repor	t (Apr'2020 l	o Sep'2020)	
S.No	Location	UoM -	Day			Night		
			L _{min}	L _{max}	Leq	L _{min}	L _{max}	Leq
			Within	the Premises	5			
1	Office Mines	dB(A)	64.4	70.8	67.6	51.7	68.8	60.2
2	Loading Area	dB(A)	53.8	62.0	57-9	43.1	59.8	51.5
	Limit (L _{eq})	dB(A)		85	*		85	
S.No	Location	UoM -	Day			Night		
			L _{min}	L _{max}	L _{eq}	L _{min}	L _{max}	Leq
			Outside	the Premise	s			
1	Reddipalayam Village	dB(A)	45.6	51.0	48.3	37.1	41.9	39-5
2	Nerinjikorai Village	dB(A)	43.8	50.8	47.3	35.8	39-7	37.8
	Limit (L _{eq})		55			45		

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				District, Tamiln		
	Ground Water	Quality M		ort (Apr'2020 -		
S.No	Parameter	UoM -	GW 1	GW 2 Aug-20 7.8	SW 3 Aug-20 8.01	Limit 5.5 - 9.0
	20		Aug-20			
1	pH	Pog C	7.7 28		28	40
3	Particle size for TSS	Deg C	100%	100%	100%	Shall pass 850 micror IS Sieve
4	TSS	mg/l	1	1	6	100
5	TDS	mg/l	792	450	482	2100
6	Chloride as Cl	mg/l	90	68	50	1000
7	Sulphide as S	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	2
8	Sulphate as SO4	mg/l	55	52	68	1000
9	Fluride as F	mg/l	0.1	0.1	0.1	2
10	Sodium	mg/l	60	48	42	1
11	Copper	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	3
12	Zinc as Zn	mg/l	BDL	BDL	BDL	1
13	Phenolic compounds as C ₆ H ₅ OH	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	1
14	Oil & Grease	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	10
15	Boron as B	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	2
16	BOD 3 days 27 ^O C	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	30
17	COD	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	250
18	Total Residual Chlorine	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	1
19	Arsenic as As	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.2
20	Cadmium as Cd	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	2
21	Total Chrominum as Cr	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	2
22	Hexavalant Chrominum	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.1
23	Lead as Pb	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.1
24	Selenium as se	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLG	0.05
25	Mercury as Hg	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.01
26	Pesticides	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	
27	Free Ammonia as NH ₃	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	5
28	Dissolved Phosphate as P	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	5
29	Total Kieldahl Nitrogen as N	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	100
30	Cyanide as CN	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.2
31	Nickel as Ni	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	3
	: Pudupalayam Village	-			20	70
	: Naickar Palayam Village	30	BLQ: Below Qualification Limit.			

BDL : Below Detectable Level

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