

Chettinad Cement/Tamilnadu/Pudupalayam Mine I /EC Compliance/ Apr'2021 - Sep'2021/2021-22/326

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Sir,

Sub: Submission of Six Monthly Environmental Clearance Compliance & Environmental Monitoring Reports (Apr'2021 - Sep'2021) - 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'2021 - Sep'2021.

- 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 Monitoring Report- Annexure 4

Yours faithfully,

for Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited

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Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited Pudupalayam Limestone Mine I

Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur Taluk & District, Tamilnadu

Environmental Clearance (EC) Compliance Report (Apr-21 to Sep-21)

(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
i.	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.	The top soil is being stored at earmarked site only with proper slope (25°) and adequate safeguards like retention wall, trenches and gully plugs had been provided. The top soil is being used for greenbelt development.
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.	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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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 soi 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	The water collected in the sump at the bottom most bench of the Mine Pit is being utilized for domestic purpose dust suppression and green believelopment.				
	(size, gradient and length) shall be 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 garland drains and de silted at regular intervals.	As the rainwater is getting collected in the in the sump at the bottom most bench of the Mine Pit, there is not 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 a regular intervals.				
iv.	Drilling and blasting shall be by using dust extractors / wet drilling.	Non Conventional Method of Mining adopted. Hence, there is no drilling blasting.				
v.	Plantation shall be raised in an area of 7.95 ha including green belt of adequate width by planting the native 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 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	Recommended greenbelt area: 7.95 h Saplings planted so far : 20764 Extent of existing greenbelt area: 10.78 ha Area covered with greenbelt : Dumps, bunds along the ML boundary Tree Density : 2000 /ha Saplings Planted Following, pative, species, are selected				

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	of mined out area shall be submitted to ministry within six months.	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.
vi.	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.	
vii.	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 monsoon (April – May), monsoon (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.	Regular monitoring of ground water quality is being 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 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.	[1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [2] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1] [1

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		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.
х.	Ground water shall be periodically monitored for contamination due to mining activity.	Ground water quality in and around the mines is being monitored periodically by NABL accredited Agency.
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	villages had already been conducted and included in EIA Report The EIA Report had been submitted to the
	the ministry within six months.	involved. Dust control measures like water sprinkling and greenbelt along the boundary are being carried out. Hence, the possibility of any damage due to mining activity on agricultural lands & property in nearby village is not 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.	had already been conducted and included in EIA Report. The EIA Report had been submitted to MoEF, Bangalore. Chettinad Cement is

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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.	
xv.	Water to be supplied for drinking purpose shall be treated to prescribe standards. Monitoring of water quality for drinking shall be undertaken on daily basis and records maintained.	drinking purpose. The quality of water is being monitored on regular basis.
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	programme of the workers are being undertaken periodically to find out whether any abnormality due to exposure to dust is there. Corrective measures, if needed, will be taken. Awareness Programme on Occupational Health, Diseases and Safety measures are being conducted on regular basis. The types of training programme

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	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.	a. Induction Training b. Job specific Training covering health and safety aspects 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 is being ensured. The material is being covered with tarpaulin, before commencement of transportation. The vehicles are not overloaded.
xviii.	details of corpus fund, shall be submitted to the Ministry of	Final Mine Closure Plan along with details of Corpus Fund will be submitted to the MOEF, TN, 5 years in advance, prior to the final mine closure for approval.

Part B - General Conditions

S.No	General Condition	그 나는 이 경기들은 하나 이 아이는 이 이번 된 사람들이 되었다. 이 전에 가장 하는 이 사람들이 아니라 하는 것이 하는 것 같아. 그는 것이 없는 그 없는 것 같아 하는 것이 없다.				
i.	No change in mining technology and scope of working shall be made without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment & Forests.					
ii.	No change in calendar plan including excavation, quantum of mineral, Limestone ore and waste shall be made.	excavation, quantum of mineral,				

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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				
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 Control Board.	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.				
V.	Data on ambient air quality (RPM, SPM,SO2,Nox) should be regularly submitted to the ministry including Regional office at Bangalore and the State Pollution Control Board, Central Pollution Control Board once in six months.	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.		I given below.				

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	transfer points shall be provided and maintained.	and unloading the top soil b. Water Sprinkling while handling materials containing finer particles c. Covering of materials with tarpaulin before commencement of transport d. Speed Control e. Avoiding overloading f. Good maintenance of vehicles and mining machinery				

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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.	As the internally accrued fund 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 not envisaged. The date of commencing land development work had been informed to the Regional Office of MoEF & CC, Bangalore.
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
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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, Chennal will be extended by furnishing the requisite data / information / monitoring reports.

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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.	A copy of the Environmental Clearance 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 be 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 same should be forwarded to Regional Office of this Ministry located at Bangalore	widely circulated in the region, one in English 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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Chettinad Cement Corporation Private Limited -Pudupalayam Limestone Mine

Pudupalayam Village, Ariyalur District, Tamilnadu State

Ambiant Air Quality Monitoring- Consolidated Report (April'2021 - September'2021)

S.No	Location	PM ₁₀ (μg/m ³)			PM _{2.5} (μg/m ³)			SO ₂ (µg/m ³)			NOx (µg/m³)		
		Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	Avg
1	Pudupalayam Mines Office	54-5	47-9	50.6	18.7	18.5	18.6	10.2	9.6	9.9	14.7	10.9	13.2
2	Mines Haul Road	58.3	45.1	52.3	20.3	16.1	17.5	11.5	6.7	8.9	15.2	9.9	13.1
3	Reddipalayam Village	58.4	51.3	54-3	21.2	18.1	20.1	10.6	7.1	9.1	13.4	11.1	12.5
4	Pudupalayam Village	61.8	49-4	55-9	22.8	18.7	20.4	10.2	7.9	8.9	16.0	10.4	13.3
5	Velliprianglyam Village	47.4	47.4	47.4	19.7	19.7	19.7	9.0	9.0	9.0	11.8	11.8	11.8
6	Nayakkarpalaiyam Village	56.9	56.9	56.9	24.0	24.0	24.0	7.1	7.1	7.1	9.9	9.9	9.9
7	Hasthinapuram Village	50.0	50.0	50.0	23.6	23.6	23.6	10.0	10.0	10.0	13.2	13.2	13.2
	Norm		100 µg/r	n ³		60 µg/n	n ³		80 µg/r	m³		80 µg/ı	m ³

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	Chettinad C	ement Corpo	ration Priva	te Limited -F	Pudupalayam	Limestone	Mine	
	ı	Pudupalayam	Village , Ar	iyalur Distric	t, Tamilnadu	State		
	Noise Leve	Monitoring-	Consolidate	ed Report (A	pril'2021 to S	eptember'2	021)	
S.No	Location	UoM	Day			Night		
			L _{min}	L _{max}	L _{eq}	L _{min}	L _{max}	Leq
			Within	the Premises	i .	410		
1	Office Mines	dB(A)	58.7	63.5	60.1	53-3	57.6	55-4
2	Loading Area	dB(A)	58.0	64.9	61.8	55.2	58.0	57-3
	Limit (L _{eq})	dB(A)		85			85	
S.No	Location	UoM -	Day			Night		
			L _{min}	L _{max}	L _{eq}	L _{min}	L _{max}	L _{eq}
			Outside	the Premise	s	200		70
1	Reddipalayam Village	dB(A)	49.7	53.2	51.5	38.3	41.4	40.4
2	Nerinjikorai Village	dB(A)	49.5	51.7	50.6	38.7	41.1	40.1
Limit (L _{eq})		dB(A)	55			45		

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				imited - Pudupalayan yalur District,Tamilna		
	Ground '			port (April'2021 - Sep		
5.No	A DAMEST CONTRACTOR	UoM	GW1 GW2		SW ₃	
2.140			Jul-21	Aug-21	Aug-21	Limit
1	pH		9.46	7.51	7.53	5.5 - 9.0
2	Temperature	Deg C	30.5	30.9	31.4	40
3	Particle size for TSS	141	100%	100%	100%	Shall pass 850 micro
4	TSS	mg/l	BDL(DL:1.0)	BDL(DL:1.0)	BDL(DL:1.0)	100
5	TDS	mg/l	2280	393	380	2100
6	Chloride as Cl	mg/l	956	108	103	1000
7	Sulphide as S	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	2
8	Sulphate as SO ₄	mg/l	71	40	42	1000
9	Fluride as F	mg/l	0.18	0.11	0.13	2
10	Sodium	mg/l	568	88.2	61	-
11	Copper	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	3
12	Zinc as Zn	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	1
13	Phenolic compounds as C ₆ H ₅ OH	mg/l	BDL(DL:0.001)	BDL(DL:0.001)	BDL(DL:0.001)	1
14	Oil & Grease	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	10
15	Boron as B	mg/l	0.215	0.374	0.228	2
16	BOD 3 days 27°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(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	0.2
20	Cadmium as Cd	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	2
21	Total Chrominum as Cr	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	2
22	Hexavalant Chrominum	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	0.1
23	Lead as Pb	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	0.1
24	Selenium as se	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	BLQ(LOQ:0.002)	0.05
25	Mercury as Hg	mg/l	BLQ(LOQ:0.0005)	BLQ(LOQ:0.0005)	BLQ(LOQ:0.0005)	0.01
26	Pesticides	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	
27	Free Ammonia as NH ₃	mg/l	BDL(DL:o.5)	BDL(DL:o.5)	BDL(DL:o.5)	5
28	Dissolved Phosphate as	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	5
29	Total Kieldahl Nitrogen as N	mg/l	BLQ	BLQ	BLQ	100
	Cyanide as CN	mg/l	BDL(DL:0.01)	BDL(DL:0.01)	BDL(DL:0.01)	0.0
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