



Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Issued by the State Environment Impact Assessment
Authority(SEIAA), West Bengal)

To,

The Executive Chairman
M/S. GREAT EASTERN ENERGY CORPORATION LTD
M-10, ADDA Industrial Area, PO- Ramkrishna Mission, Asansol -713305

Subject: Grant of Environmental Clearance (EC) to the proposed Project Activity under the provision of EIA Notification 2006-regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in reference to your application for Environmental Clearance (EC) in respect of project submitted to the SEIAA vide proposal number SIA/WB/IND2/278404/2022 dated 16 Jun 2022. The particulars of the environmental clearance granted to the project are as below.

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| 1. EC Identification No. | EC23B002WB112414 |
| 2. File No. | EN/T-II-1/043/2022 |
| 3. Project Type | Expansion |
| 4. Category | B2 |
| 5. Project/Activity including Schedule No. | 1(b) Offshore and onshore oil and gas exploration, development & production |
| 6. Name of Project | Drilling of 20 Shale gas Exploratory Wells in Raniganj (South) CBM Block, West Bengal by Great Eastern Energy Corporation Limited |
| 7. Name of Company/Organization | M/S. GREAT EASTERN ENERGY CORPORATION LTD |
| 8. Location of Project | West Bengal |
| 9. TOR Date | N/A |

The project details along with terms and conditions are appended herewith from page no 2 onwards.

Date: 27/04/2023

(e-signed)
Kaliyamurthi Balamurugan
Member Secretary
SEIAA - (West Bengal)

Note: A valid environmental clearance shall be one that has EC identification number & E-Sign generated from PARIVESH. Please quote identification number in all future correspondence.

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Background of the project

The proponent made online application vide proposal no. SIA/WB/IND2/278404/2022 dated 16 Jun 2022 seeking Environment Clearance (EC) under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 for the proposed drilling of 20 Shale gas Exploratory Wells in Raniganj (South) CBM Block, West Bengal by M/s. Great Eastern Energy Corporation Ltd.

This is a proposal for exploration of shale gas in Raniganj (South) CBM Block by proposing to carryout exploratory drilling of 20 Shale Wells. Location details is given in annexure 1.

Salient features of the proposed project as per PARIVESH Portal are as follows –

Project	Drilling of 20 Shale Gas Exploratory Wells in Raniganj (South) CBM Block
Nature	Exploration of Shale Gas
Location	Raniganj (South) CBM Block
Time of completion	3 years from the date of EC receipt
Depth of wells	3000 meters
Land requirement	5 acres for each shale gas well
Drilling Mud	An environment-friendly water based mud (WBM) system will be used for drilling of the proposed wells.
Power Requirement	DG sets : 4 x 250 KVA and 2 x 125 KVA
Source of Water	The proposed project is to carry out exploratory work in shale beds present below Raniganj formation. Hence the process involves drilling to target Shale beds and take core samples which will further sent to laboratory for petrophysical, geo-chemical and geo-mechanical analysis.
Total Water Requirement	75 m ³ /day/well
Domestic	5 m ³ /day/well
Industrial	70 m ³ /day/well
Waste Water disposal	
Domestic	4 m ³ /day/well
Industrial	64 m ³ /day/well. The waste drilling fluid will be stored onsite impervious HDPE lined pit for solar evaporation and drying.
Manpower	Total 50 persons
Cost of the project (Rs.)	518 crores for 20 wells

State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), West Bengal examined the proposal and also perused recommendations of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC). After due consideration of the project proposal, and after considering the recommendations of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority accords Environmental Clearance to the project as per provisions of the EIA notification no. S.O. 1533 (E) dt. 14th September, 2006 of Ministry of Environment & Forests, GOI and the subsequent amendments, on the basis of above mentioned features along with other details submitted to SEIAA subject to strict compliance of the terms and conditions mentioned below.

I. Statutory compliance:

- i. The project proponent shall obtain forest clearance under the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1986, in case of the diversion of forest land for non-forest purpose involved in the project.
- ii. The project proponent shall obtain clearance from the National Board for Wildlife, if applicable.
- iii. The project proponent shall prepare a Site-Specific Conservation Plan & Wildlife Management Plan and approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden. The recommendations of the approved Site-Specific Conservation Plan / Wildlife Management Plan shall be implemented in consultation with

the State Forest Department. The implementation report shall be furnished along with the six-monthly compliance report. (in case of the presence of schedule-I species in the study area)

- iv. The project proponent shall obtain Consent to Establish / Operate under the provisions of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 from the concerned State pollution Control Board / Committee.
- v. Necessary authorization required under the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Trans-Boundary Movement) Rules, 2016, Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 shall be obtained and the provisions contained in the Rules shall be strictly adhered to.
- vi. The project proponent shall obtain and adhere to statutory clearance under the Coastal Regulation Zone Notification, 2011, as applicable.

II. Air quality monitoring and preservation

- i. The National Ambient Air Quality Emission Standards issued by the Ministry vide G.S.R.No.826(E) dated 16th November, 2009 shall be complied with.
- ii. To control source and the fugitive emissions, suitable pollution control devices shall be installed to meet the prescribed norms and / or the NAAQS. Sulphur content should not exceed 0.5% in the coal for use in coal fired boilers to control particulate emissions within permissible limits (as applicable). The gaseous emissions shall be dispersed through stack of adequate height as per CPCB / SPCB guidelines.
- iii. The locations of ambient air quality monitoring stations shall be decided in consultation with the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) and it shall be ensured that at least one stations each is installed in the upwind and downwind direction as well as where maximum ground level concentrations are anticipated.
- iv. Ambient air quality shall be monitored at the nearest human settlements as per the National Ambient Air Quality Emission Standards issued by the Ministry vide G.S.R.No.826(E) dated 16th November, 2009 for PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, SO₂, NO_x, CO, CH₄, HC, Non-methane HC etc.
- v. During exploration, production, storage and handling, the fugitive emission of methane, if any, shall be monitored using Infra-red camera / appropriate technology.
- vi. The project proponent also to ensure trapping / storing of the CO₂ generated, if any, during the process and handling.
- vii. Approach road shall be made pucca to minimize generation of suspended dust.

III. Water quality monitoring and preservation

- i. As proposed by the project proponent, Zero Liquid Discharge shall be ensured and no waste / treated water shall be discharged to any surface water body, sea and / or on land. Domestic sewage shall be disposed off through septic tank / soak pit.
- ii. The effluent discharge shall conform to the standards prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, or as specified by the State Pollution Control Board while granting Consent under the Air / Water Act, whichever is more stringent.
- iii. Total fresh water requirement shall not exceed the proposed quantity or as specified by the Committee. Prior permission shall be obtained from the concerned regulatory authority / CGWA in this regard.
- iv. The company shall construct the garland drain all around the drilling site to prevent runoff of any oil containing waste into the nearby water bodies. Separate drainage system shall be created for oil contaminated and non-oil contaminated. Effluent shall be properly treated and treated wastewater shall conform to CPCB standards.
- v. Drill cuttings separated from drilling fluid shall be adequately washed and disposed in HOPE lined pit. Waste mud shall be tested for hazardous contaminants and disposed according to HWMH Rules, 2016. No effluent / drilling mud / drill cutting shall be discharged / disposed off

into nearby surface water bodies. The company shall comply with the guidelines for disposal of solid waste, drill cutting and drilling fluids for onshore drilling operation notified vide GSR.546(E) dated 30th August, 2005.

IV. Noise monitoring and prevention

- i. The company shall make all arrangements for control of noise from the drilling activity. Acoustic enclosure shall be provided for the DG sets along with the adequate stack height as per CPCB guidelines.
- ii. The overall noise levels in and around the plant area shall be kept well within the standards by providing noise control measures including acoustic hoods, silencers, enclosures etc. on all sources of noise generation.
- iii. The ambient noise levels shall conform to the standards prescribed under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 Rules, 1989 viz. 75 dBA (day time) and 70 dBA (night time).

V. Energy Conservation measures

- i. The energy sources for lighting purposes shall preferably be LED based.

VI. Waste management

- i. Oil spillage prevention and mitigation scheme shall be prepared. In case of oil spillage / contamination, action plan shall be prepared to clean the site by adopting proven technology. The recyclable waste (oily sludge) and spent oil shall be disposed of to the authorized recyclers.
- ii. Oil content in the drill cuttings shall be monitored by some Authorized agency and report shall be sent to the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority.

VII. Safety, Public hearing and Human health issues

- i. Emergency preparedness plan based on the Hazard identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) and Disaster Management Plan shall be implemented.
- ii. Blow Out Preventer system shall be installed to prevent well blowouts during drilling operations. BOP measures during drilling shall focus on maintaining well bore hydrostatic pressure by proper pre-well planning and drilling fluid logging etc.
- iii. Company shall prepare operating manual in respect of all activities, which would cover all safety & environment related issues and measures to be taken for protection. One set of environmental manual shall be made available at the drilling site / project site. Awareness shall be created at each level of the management. All the schedules and results of environmental monitoring shall be available at the project site office. Remote monitoring of site should be done.
- iv. On completion of drilling, the company has to plug the drilled wells safely and obtain certificate from environment safety angle from the concerned authority.
- v. The company shall take measures after completion of drilling process by well plugging and secured enclosures, decommissioning of rig upon abandonment of the well and drilling site shall be restored the area in original condition. In the event that no economic quantity of hydrocarbon is found a full abandonment plan shall be implemented for the drilling site in accordance with the applicable Indian Petroleum Regulations.
- vi. The Company shall take necessary measures to prevent fire hazards, containing oil spill and soil remediation as needed. Possibility of using ground flare shall be explored. At the place of ground flaring, the overhead flaring stack with knockout drums shall be installed to minimize gaseous emissions during operation.
- vii. Training shall be imparted to all employees on safety and health aspects of chemicals handling. Pre-employment and routine periodical medical examinations for all employees shall be undertaken on regular basis. Training to all employees on handling of chemicals shall be imparted.
- viii. The company shall develop a contingency plan for H₂S release including all necessary aspects from evacuation to resumption of normal operations. The workers shall be provided with personal

H₂S detectors in locations of high risk of exposure along with self containing breathing apparatus.

- ix. Provision shall be made for the housing of construction labour within the site with all necessary infrastructure and facilities such as fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water, medical health care, creche etc. The housing may be in the form of temporary structures to be removed after the completion of the project.
- x. Occupational health surveillance of the workers shall be done on a regular basis and records maintained as per the Factories Act.
- xi. The Company shall carry out long term subsidence study by collecting base line data before initiating drilling operation till the project lasts. The data so collected shall be submitted six monthly to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change / State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board.

VIII. Environment Management Plan (EMP)

- i. The project proponent should submit the proposed EMP on a six monthly basis. The Office Memorandum issued by the MoEF & CC vide F. No. 22-65/2017-IA.III dated 30.09.2020 should be strictly followed.
- ii. The project proponent shall install display board for display of all the environmental parameters including sensor-based air, water and noise quality monitoring stations within their premises.
- iii. Need based activities for local people is part of the EMP. Details of such activities submitted by the project proponent is given in annexure-2.
- iv. The company shall have a well laid down environmental policy duly approve by the Board of Directors. The environmental policy should prescribe for standard operating procedures to have proper checks and balances and to bring into focus any infringements / deviation / violation of the environmental / forest / wildlife norms / conditions. The company shall have defined system of reporting infringements / deviation / violation of the environmental / forest / wildlife norms / conditions and / or shareholders / stake holders. The copy of the board resolution in this regard shall be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change / State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board as a part of six-monthly report.
- v. A separate Environmental Cell equipped with full-fledged laboratory facilities shall be set up to carry out the Environmental Management and Monitoring functions, with qualified personnel shall be set up under the control of Senior Executive, who will directly to the head of the organization.
- vi. Action plan for implementing EMP and environmental conditions along with responsibility matrix of the company shall be prepared and shall be duly approved by competent authority. The year wise funds earmarked for environmental protection measures shall be kept in separate account and not to be diverted for any other purpose. Year wise progress of implementation of action plan shall be reported to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change / State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board along with the Six Monthly Compliance Report.
- vii. Self environmental audit shall be conducted annually. Every three years third party environmental audit shall be carried out.

IX. Miscellaneous

- i. The environmental clearance accorded shall be valid for a period of 10 years for the proposed project.
- ii. The project proponent shall make public the environmental clearance granted for their project along with the environmental conditions and safeguards at their cost by prominently advertising it at least in two local newspapers of the District or State, of which one shall be in the vernacular language within seven days and in addition this shall also be displayed in the project proponent's website permanently.

Proposed conditions for Environmental Clearance for the proposed drilling of 20 Shale gas Exploratory Wells in Raniganj (South) CBM Block, West Bengal by M/s. Great Eastern Energy Corporation Ltd.

- iii. The copies of the environmental clearance shall be submitted by the project proponents to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same for 30 days from the date of receipt.
- iv. The project proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated environment clearance conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and update the same on half-yearly basis.
- v. The project proponent shall submit six-monthly reports on the status of the compliance of the stipulated environmental conditions on the website of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change / State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board.
- vi. The project proponent shall submit the environmental statement for each financial year in Form-V to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently and put on the website of the company.
- vii. The project proponent shall inform the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority/ State Pollution Control Board, the date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities, commencing the land development work and start of production operation by the project.
- viii. Restoration of the project site shall be carried out satisfactorily and report shall be sent to the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority.
- ix. The project authorities must strictly adhere to the stipulations made by the State Pollution Control Board and the State Government.
- x. The project proponent shall abide by all the commitments and recommendations made in the EIA / EMP report, commitment made during Public Hearing and also that during their presentation to the State Expert Appraisal Committee.
- xi. No further expansion or modifications in the plant shall be carried out without prior approval of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority.
- xii. Concealing factual data or submission of false / fabricated data may result in revocation of this environmental clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- xiii. The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority may revoke or suspend the clearance, if implementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory.
- xiv. The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority reserves the right to stipulate additional conditions if found necessary. The Company in a time bound manner shall implement these conditions.
- xv. The State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities should extend full cooperation to the officer(s) of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority / State Pollution Control Board by furnishing the requisite data / information / monitoring reports.
- xvi. The above conditions shall be enforced, inter-alia under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 along with their amendments and Rules and any other orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India / High Courts and any other Court of Law relating to the subject matter.
- xvii. Any appeal against this EC shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

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xviii. The contact details of the proponent and the name of the consultant are given below –

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Fax No.	03412258811
Name of the Environmental Consultant	M/s. Kadam Environmental Consultants.



Annexure-1

Well location details

Sl No.	Proposed Well No.	Latitude	Longitude
1.	SH-CH-1	23° 39' 6.37" N	86° 54' 50.28" E
2.	SH-CH-2	23° 39' 33.51" N	86° 59' 11.00" E
3.	SH-CH-3	23° 34' 32.50" N	87° 2' 29.44" E
4.	SH-CH-4	23° 34' 24.48" N	86° 57' 53.28" E
5.	SH-CH-5	23° 37' 43.98" N	86° 47' 57.61" E
6.	SH-CH-6	23° 39' 5.72" N	86° 57' 26.73" E
7.	SH-CH-7	23° 38' 1.70" N	86° 58' 39.24" E
8.	SH-CH-8	23° 38' 26.29" N	87° 0' 44.54" E
9.	SH-CH-9	23° 38' 6.70" N	86° 56' 11.43" E
10.	SH-CH-10	23° 38' 17.89" N	86° 49' 45.03" E
11.	SH-CH-11	23° 36' 44.52" N	86° 50' 38.72" E
12.	SH-CH-12	23° 35' 26.15" N	86° 53' 4.04" E
13.	SH-CH-13	23° 37' 5.41" N	86° 54' 4.65" E
14.	SH-CH-14	23° 35' 52.06" N	86° 55' 18.03" E
15.	SH-CH-15	23° 37' 0.16" N	86° 57' 4.92" E
16.	SH-CH-16	23° 35' 46.30" N	87° 1' 42.33" E
17.	SH-CH-17	23° 36' 56.67" N	86° 59' 51.21" E
18.	SH-CH-18	23° 35' 7.77" N	86° 59' 52.13" E
19.	SH-CH-19	23° 33' 57.79" N	87° 1' 1.84" E
20.	SH-CH-20	23° 35' 50.81" N	86° 57' 47.04" E

Annexure-2

NEED BASED ACTIVITIES FOR LOCAL PEOPLE

Budget for CER Activities for 5 years

Sl. No.	Activities	Budget Amount (INR in Lacs)
1	Education	51.8
1.1	Coaching poor students, providing books and stationery and providing nutritive mid-day meal	
2	Environment sustainability program	37.85
2.1	Awareness programme in schools and amongst general public at large	
2.2	Social forestry, Eco-park and Tree plantation	
3	Village Infrastructure	37.38
3.1	Road/ culvert construction, Safe drinking water for community	
4	Health & Hygiene	129.5
4.1	Free Medical camp and Eye camp in entire block area	
4.2	Girls School Toilet renovation/construction and incinerator for used sanitary napkin	
4.3	Girl's health and hygiene awareness road show	
	Total Amount	259.0

BJP cries murder, announces strike at Moyna in East Midnapore
Banner call after leader's death

ANSHUMAN PHADIKAR

Tamluk: The BJP has called a 12-hour strike in East Midnapore's Moyna on Wednesday after a party leader was found dead on Monday night.

Leader of the Opposition Suwendu Adhikari and his party have blamed the Trinamul Congress and local police officers for the alleged murder.

Bijoykrishna Bhuiana, chief of a BJP booth committee in Moyna constituency, was allegedly kidnapped by Trinamul-backed goons on Monday evening.

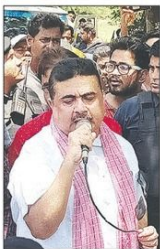
This murder was planned by superintendent of police Anamrath K, and other police officers, along with local Trinamul leaders like Saumen

Mahapatra, and Sahajan Ali. Bijoykrishna was murdered and then the body tactfully handed over to the police," said Adhikari, who participated in a protest demonstration organised by the BJP workers of Moyna.

The BJP has also decided to set up blockades at 100 points in East Midnapore district between 10am and 11am on Wednesday.

BJP workers will bring out a rally in protest against Bhuiana's alleged murder.

Adhikari has demanded a CBI probe into the matter and has moved court urging an order to instruct the police to hand over the body of the deceased to the family.



Suwendu Adhikari addresses BJP workers during a road blockade at Moyna on Tuesday.

Dinda won this seat in 2021, defeating Trinamul's Sarogram Kumar Doli by a margin of 1,260 votes.

The saffron camp has made repeated claims that the Trinamul leadership is upset with the people of Moyna for electing its candidate to represent them.

Dinda led a protest in front of Moyna police station on Monday evening. On Tuesday morning he, along with his followers, blocked the state highway connecting Tamluk to Moyna.

Mahapatra, who is the chief of Trinamul's Tamluk organisational district and the MLA from Tamluk, rubbished Adhikari's allegations against him.

"I've never indulged in this kind of politics and have always asked my people to re-

member that the common people do not support violence in politics," he said.

Trinamul's state secretary Kunal Ghosh said the death of Bhuiana could be the fallout of an ongoing tussle between BJP's oldtimers and newcomers.

"This might as well be the result of personal enmity. But the BJP is trying to blame Trinamul and divert attention from the truth," Ghosh added.

BJP's state and national leadership organised a protest meeting at Esplanade in Calcutta on Tuesday to commiserate those who were allegedly murdered by Trinamul "goons".

In another tweet, he alleged that Trinamul's atrocities had killed 11 BJP workers — including Bhuiana — since November last year.

Abhishek targets Sukanta on latter's turf

KOUSIK SEN

Raiganj: Trinamul national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee on Tuesday trained goons at state BJP president Sukanta Majumdar in South Dinajpur, the latter's home district, on the eighth day of the Trinamul leader's Sanjog Yatra that began from Cooch Behar.

Abhishek's statewide outpouring, Trinamul-ey Nobojwar, has two parts — rallies on foot in Sanjog Yatra, and taking people's recommendations for candidates for panchayat polls in Gram-banglar Motamat.

"I would like to challenge Sukanta Majumdar, who is the local (Balurghat) MP, to come up with 10 examples of recommendations he made to the Centre to expedite development in Balurghat and the district... he has never sent a single letter to the central government referring to developmental schemes and projects that can be taken up in this district," Abhishek said at a public meeting in Harinapuram in South Dinajpur.

At the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, Majumdar defeated Trinamul's Arpita Ghosh by around 33,000 votes.

In the 2021 Assembly polls, Trinamul and the BJP went three-ways.

On Majumdar's home turf, women who were forced to perform the "dandi" ritual of atonement on April 7, reported by Pradipta Chakraborty, who was then district chief of Trinamul women's wing, for deserting Trinamul and joining the BJP. After the ritual, they were re-inducted into Trinamul. He spoke to them at Chaksatihari in Tapan block, accompanied by party leaders Bijoy Mitra, Arinal Sarkar, Snehalata Hembram and Santosh Hansda.

Abhishek added: "He should first spend six nights in all six Assembly seats of this district and listen to people. So far, the BJP leaders have only asked the Centre to withhold funds for social welfare schemes..."

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Trinamul supporters welcome party leader Abhishek Banerjee at Harinapuram in South Dinajpur, on Tuesday.

Eastern Railway: Abridged Tender Notice No. EL-WH-CON-GEN-119-2023. Dated: 28.04.2023.

Ghani Khan Choudhury Institute of Engineering and Technology. Recruitment of Teaching and Non-Teaching Positions. Advertisement No. 01/2023, Dated: 01.05.2023.

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Personal touch in Siliguri mayor's new outreach. OUR CORRESPONDENT. Siliguri: Mayor Gautam Deb on Monday launched 'Manshur Kachhe Cholo (Go to people)', a drive to visit each of the 47 wards of Siliguri Municipal Corporation to meet people and hear out their complaints and suggestions.

JOBS GET HEAD HUNTED. REQUIRED FOR HYDROPONIC UNIT NEAR KOLKATA. FARM MANAGER. EXPERIENCE 10-15 YRS. PLANT PATHOLOGIST. EXPERIENCE 10-15 YRS. CHEMIST. EXPERIENCE 5-10 YRS.

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR DRILLING OF EXPLORATORY SHALE GAS WELLS IN RANIGANG (SOUTH) CBM BLOCK. Notice is hereby given to all concerned & public at large, that the drilling of 20 exploratory shale gas wells in Ranigang (South) CBM Block of Great Eastern Energy Corporation Limited has been accorded Environmental Clearance by State level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), West Bengal vide EC Identification No. EC2283002WB12412 dated 27th April 2023.

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Bangur fire: residents' letter to minister

SNEHAL SENGUPTA

Bangur: Residents of the building in Bangur that caught fire on Sunday drafted a letter to be sent to fire minister Sujit Bose and South Dum Dum Municipality...

"Do something regarding the stacking of flammable goods and other articles in the common areas of the building that had blocked the main entrance and exit of the building during the fire," says the letter...

On Sunday evening, a fire broke out in a six-storey building at the intersection of Jessore Road and Bangur Avenue. The building has a shop on the ground floor...

The shop, which sold dry fruits, ghee and other items, was gutted.

A senior fire official said the warehouse, too, was badly damaged. Flammable materials, including cardboard boxes and tins filled with ghee and butter, and plastic containers fanned the flames...

Residents had to escape through the building's main entrance by scaling the boundary wall with a ladder, the official said. The front of the building was in flames...

Twelve fire tenders and over 100 firemen took around two hours to control the blaze. The residents held a meeting on Monday, and by Tuesday, they drafted the letter to be sent to minister Bose.

"We have drafted the letter and will send it on Wednesday. We want to ensure that such an incident does not recur. In our letter, we have asked the authorities to ensure that something is done to prevent the blocking of common areas by commercial establishments...

Our teams are probing the incident. We want to find out why the firefighting systems did not work. We are checking whether the shop and the warehouse had fire licences," said minister Bose.

A senior official with Dum Dum Municipality said they would look into the matter once they receive the letter from the residents.

Civic body faces garbage segregation challenge

Biodegradable waste lands in plastic bags

SUBHAJOY ROY

Calcutta: Many people are storing their biodegradable waste in plastic bags and throwing the bags into bins meant only for biodegradable waste, creating hurdles in the Calcutta Municipal Corporation's fledgling effort to segregate waste.

A plastic bag or any other form of plastic should be thrown into bins meant for non-biodegradable products. "Plastic bags are supposed to be thrown into bins meant for non-biodegradable waste but that is not being followed in many places. People are throwing the plastic bags into bins for biodegradable waste," said

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a senior CMC official. This has thrown up a new challenge for the civic body, he said.

The CMC has started the collection of segregated waste from households across all wards of Calcutta.

Two bins — one blue and one green — have been given to households. The green bins are meant for biodegradable waste, which includes waste from cooked food, vegetables and fruit peels. The blue bins are meant for non-biodegradable waste, like plastic, metal and glass.

Morning waste collectors of the CMC, too, have green and blue bins of larger sizes in their carts. Residents are supposed to throw the waste into the green bins in their homes into the green bins in the carts and blue bin waste in the blue ones.



Plastic bags of garbage thrown into CMC's green bin, meant for biodegradable waste, at a collection centre on the Rashbehari connector last week. Residents are to empty out the contents of plastic bags containing biodegradable waste, like kitchen waste, into the green bins and then throw the plastic bags into blue bins, meant for non-biodegradable waste, said a CMC official. Picture by Gautam Bose

"We send kitchen waste, which includes waste from cooked food and leftovers of fruits and vegetables, to a compost plant in Dhapa. But if the waste contains plastic, we will not be able to send it to the plant," said a CMC official. "The plastic will damage the equipment in the compost plant."

The compost plant in Dhapa now uses 500 tonnes of biodegradable waste. Using this as raw material, the plant produces bio-CNG. The CMC has plans to expand the capacity of the plant but to be able to do that the supply of raw

3-wheeler vinyl must in driving schools

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The schools will issue a certificate at the end of the course. "The transport department has a training manual specific to three-wheeler drivers. If the schools want, they can get the manual for free," the official said.

Candidates who enrol for training courses in the schools are taught, apart from the basics of driving, about road signage, signals, speed restrictions and penalties for violating traffic rules, officials said.

"Some of the basics like the significance of the amber light, when you need to use the indicator and how to drive through a no-honking zone in residential areas, along with driving. Knowledge of such rules will help reduce the number of accidents," a senior official in the transport department said.

The need to train three-wheeler drivers was felt around the time when the state government decided to issue around 3,000 more automatic driving licences in the areas under the Calcutta, Howrah, Bidhannagar and Barrackpore police commissionerates.

"Most of the cases of rash and negligent driving by three-wheeler drivers are reported from Park Circus, Ultaganga, Tollygunge and Behala. We have been slapping cases on errant drivers. Most of them have picked up driving skills without knowing the driving rules," said a senior officer at Lalbagh.

Godown fire

Tangra: A plastic materials godown on PC Dey Road in Tangra caught fire on Tuesday afternoon. Five fire tenders doused it. No one was injured, police said.

IIST alumni's funds plea to Delhi

SUBHANKAR CHOWDHURY

Howrah: A former IIST student now based in California in the US, who started an online signature campaign highlighting the persistent slide of the institute, wrote to the Union education minister on Tuesday saying "the institute is suffering because of the lack of funding approved by the parliament."

The campaign, signed by over 2,000 former students of the Shibpur institute, has sought to know from Dharmaendra Pradhan whether his office would be "kind enough

to approve the release of part of the fund approved by the parliament for upgradation of the academic and infrastructural facilities?"

"We are sure that the MED (Ministry of Education) under your leadership will not allow this heritage institution to perish for lack of government support and pass into oblivion," says the signed appeal.

A group of IIST alumni met the chairperson of the institute's board of governors to highlight that the institute had not received the funds that Parliament had approved for the upgrade and expansion of its infrastructure.

neering and is now based in California, started the campaign last month, days after IIST teachers launched a "Save IIST" campaign to protest the alleged absence of infrastructure, erratic recruitment process and absence of appropriate classrooms and laboratories at the IIST.

Metro reported on November 13 last year that a group of former students of IIST alumni met the chairperson of the institute's board of governors to highlight that the institute had not received the funds that Parliament had approved for the upgrade and expansion of its infrastructure.

A fund of Rs 592 crore had been approved at the time the Bengal Engineering and Science University (BESU) became IIST in 2014. BESU was a state-aided university, while IIST is run by the Centre.

The fund was supposed to be meant for the construction of academic complexes and hostels and repair of existing hostels.

Calls and text messages to the IIST director, Parthasarathi Chakrabarti, went unanswered. Minister of state Sarkar in a text message said: "We will go through the email on Wednesday."

Mother held for murder bid

OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Haridwar: A woman was arrested on the charge of attempting to murder her teenage daughter at her Haridwar home on Monday by trying to set her room ablaze.

However, during the investigation, the police apparently was misleading them and trying to frame her mother. The girl, a minor, has been detained, officers said.

On the basis of the complaint of the minor, officers of Haridwar police station arrested her mother on the charge of trying to set the daughter's room on fire with the intention to kill her.

The daughter submitted purported evidence showing her mother's phone chat with her friend apparently conspiring to kill her (the daughter)," said an officer.

The girl's mother was arrested on Monday. Based on her statements, a man was arrested in Chandernagore.

However, during further investigation on Tuesday, the police said they had a suspicion that the girl could be misleading them.

"Investigation has so far indicated the complicity of the complainant as well..." said deputy commissioner (south-west) Saumya Roy. The girl will be placed before the Juvenile Justice Board on Wednesday.

Police sources said prima facie evidence had been found that the girl had misled the police with purportedly fake evidence and lodged a false complaint.

An officer said they would examine all the persons related to the case.

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Fraud in name of tech major

OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Calcutta: Ten persons were arrested during a raid on a call centre in Rajarhat on Monday for allegedly cheating people abroad out of their money by posing as officials of the tech major Microsoft.

An officer of the Bidhannagar police said these men were working in an office named Innovious Web Solutions Private Limited, situated on the third floor of a building in Rajarhat. They would allegedly call people in European countries posing as officials of Microsoft and dupe them.

"We raided the office following a tip-off. The accused persons were making calls mainly to people in Switzerland, Norway, Ireland and Germany, pretending to be officials of Microsoft," said an investigator.

He said as part of their modus operandi, the fraudsters would scare a person about purported "errors, warning signals and Internet speed problems" on his or her device and then convince him or her to install some software. "In this way, the fraudsters would get remote access to the laptop or phone of a person and make fraudulent transactions from his or her bank account," he said.

Of the 10 persons arrested, four were kingpins of the racket, the police said. Officers said the four are Soumyajit Boral from Howrah, Aditya Sharma from Narayanpur, Arpit Roy from Manikata, and Nikhil Chouhan from New Town.

Nineteen laptops, three hard drives, 10 phones and one register were seized from the office. The accused were produced in a court in Bidhannagar on Tuesday.

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