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F. No. J-11011/266/2017-IA II(I)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Impact Assessment Division

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Dated: 07th December, 2021

To,
M/s. HPCL-MITTAL ENERGY LIMITED (HMEL),
District Bathinda, Punjab

Sub: Guru Gobind Singh Polymer Addition Project, District Bathinda, Punjab by M/s. HPCL-MITTAL ENERGY LIMITED (HMEL) - Amendment in Environmental Clearance regarding.

Sir,

This refers to your online proposal No. IA/PB/IND2/221937/2021 dated 01st September, 2021 for amendment in the environmental clearance to the above mentioned project.

2. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has considered the above proposal for amendment in the environmental clearance granted by the Ministry vide letter F. No. J-11011/266/2017-IA II(I) dated: 12th December, 2017 for the project Guru Gobind Singh Polymer Addition located at Village Phullokhari, Taluka Talwandi Saboo, District Bathinda, Punjab (India) in favour of M/s. Guru Gobind Singh Refinery.

3. The project proponent has requested for amendment in the EC with the details are as under.

S. No.	Para of EC issued by MoEF&CC	Details as per the EC	To be revised/read as	Justification/reason
1	Condition no. (xv) of page	The green belt of at least 10 m	The green belt shall be developed in 477	Currently the refinery has developed a green belt in an area of 315

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	no. 4.	width shall be developed in more than 33% of the total project area, mainly along the plant periphery, in downwind direction, and along road sides etc. As many as 25000 trees to be planted per year during first five years. Selection of plant species shall be as per the CPCB guidelines in consultation with the State Forest Department.	acres, out of which 315 acres green belt shall be developed on the land adjacent and inside the refinery. The remaining green belt of about 163 acres shall be developed on land identified through District Forest Department in Bathinda, Punjab. Selection of plant species shall be as per the CPCB guidelines in consultation with the State Forest Department.	acres. During inception stage of project it was envisaged that refinery will be able to buy land adjacent to the refinery. The land adjacent to the refinery is highly fertile & farmers are no longer interested in selling their land to refinery.
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4. During the deliberations EAC observed that P.P. submitted MOU with DFO for plantation of trees in the area, which is equivalent 33.3 per cent of the statutory requirement of the Green Belt. P.P. will ensure to plant type of trees, number of trees and the location of trees on the advice and approval of DFO. This will ensure the overall green belt statutory requirement of 33 per cent by the project proposal proponent.

5. The proposal was appraised by the Expert Appraisal Committee (Industry-2) in the Ministry in its meeting held on 28-30th September, 2021. The EAC, after detailed deliberations, recommended the amendment in EC as proposed by the project proponent. Based on recommendations of the EAC, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change hereby accords approval to the proposed amendments in the environmental clearance dated 12th December, 2017 as stated in para 3 above, for the project **Guru Gobind Singh Polymer Addition Project, District Bathinda, Punjab by M/s. HPCL-MITTAL ENERGY LIMITED (HMEL).**

6. All other terms and conditions stipulated in the environmental clearance dated 12th December, 2017 shall remain unchanged.

7. This issues with approval of the competent authority.

07.12.2021

(Ashok Kr. Pateshwary)
Director

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1. The Secretary, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh
2. The Regional Officer, Ministry of Env., Forest and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Bays No.24-25, Sector 31-A, Dakshin Marg, Chandigarh - 160030
3. The Member Secretary, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Delhi - 32
4. The Member Secretary, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Vatavaran Bhawan, Nabha Road, Patiala, 147001 (Punjab)
5. Monitoring Cell, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi
6. District Collector, Bathinda, Punjab
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