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Minutes of the 5th (fifth) meeting of the Approval Committee for the multi-product Dahej – Special Economic Zone held on 12-02-2009, at 1630 hours at Vadodara under the Chairmanship of Shri Ravi S Saxena, IAS, Development Commissioner, Dahej Special Economic Zone, in the conference room of OPAL, VCCI Complex, Makarpura, Vadodara.

Approval Committee constituted by the Central Government vide Notification No. 993 (E), dated 25-04-2008 issued from file No. 1/1/2006-EPZ consists of the following Chairperson and Members, namely:-

01.	Development Commissioner, Dahej Special Economic Zone.	Chairperson, Ex-officio
02.	Director or Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Department of Commerce	Member, Ex-officio
03.	Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, Rajkot.	Member, Ex-officio
04.	Commissioner of Central Excise, having territorial jurisdiction of the Special Economic Zone or his nominee not below the rank of Joint Commissioner.	Member, Ex-officio
05.	Commissioner of Income-Tax having territorial jurisdiction over the SEZ or his nominee not below the rank of Joint Commissioner.	Member, Ex-officio
06.	Director (Banking), Banking Division, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.	Member, Ex-officio
07.	District Collector of the Bharuch District or Additional District Collector or Deputy Collector as his nominee.	Member, Ex-officio
08.	General Manager, District Industries Centre, Bharuch.	Member, Ex-officio
09.	Representative of M/s. Dahej SEZ Ltd., (Developer).	Special Invitee

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The following were present:-

01.	Shri Ravi S. Saxena, Development Commissioner, Dahej Special Economic Zone.	Chairperson
02.	Shri B. K. Bansal, Commissioner of Central Excise & Customs, Vadodara-II.	Member.
03.	Smt . Arti Kanwar District collector, Bharuch	Member
04.	Shri S. N. Patil, Joint Development Commissioner, Dahej SEZ.	Nominee of Director, Department of Commerce.
05.	Shri A. V. Rajgor, Manager (RM), District Industries Centre, Bharuch.	Member
06.	Shri Jayesh Rao, Regional Manager, GIDC.	Representative of M/s. Dahej SEZ Ltd., (Developer).

Absent:-

01	Commissioner of Income-Tax, Baroda-III.
02	Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, Rajkot/Vadodara.
03.	Director (Banking), Banking Division, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.

Following cases were deliberated and taken-up for consideration:-

A) Fresh Cases:-

01) Torrent Energy Ltd., Ahmedabad:-

Shri Sudhir Shah, Executive Director of the applicant company appeared before the Approval Committee for a personal interview. The Chairman on going through the proposal had intimated that the applicant company is co-developer at Dahej and have the requisite approval for the same and further informed the Committee that the applicant company (co-developer of the SEZ) shall have to approach the Govt. (BOA) for getting necessary approval/clearance for their proposed Authorized Operations in the SEZ, this was second by other member of the Committee including the Commissioner of Central Excise. Thus, the Committee advised the applicant to make required application to the Board of Approval in the Ministry of Commerce & Industry.

02) James Robinson India Pvt. Ltd., Vapi-

Shri Sandip Zaveri, Director of the applicant company appeared before the Committee for personal interview, and explained about the proposed project in Dahej – SEZ. The proposal is to set up a new unit for manufacture and export of Fuel Dyes. Proposed investment for the project is to the tune of Rs. 275.00 lakhs, which shall be met internal accruals and suppliers' credits.

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They intend to procure capital goods worth Rs. 275.00 lakhs for the proposed project. FOB value of export is projected to be Rs. 184.36 crores for a period of 05 (five) years, with NFE of Rs. 31.50 crores. The Committee observed that there are no Domestic Tariff Area (DTA) sales from the proposed project. There are also no cases against them from the Central Excise & Income Tax side, as stated by the Directors. Thus, the proposal was approved by the Approval Committee subject to standard terms & conditions.


B - 01) Review of approval given by the Development Commissioner (DC), Dahej - SEZ to Meghmani Organics Ltd., Ahmedabad:-


The case was reviewed by the Committee, and the Chairman had proposed that the approval holder to given Show Cause Notice, with reference to contravention of Central Excise Act & Rules thereof in the fake invoices case, which was reported by the Commissioner of Central Excise, Vadodara-II. Thus, the Committee came to a conclusion that the DC, Dahej - SEZ shall issue SCN to the approval holder in this regard with a point for cancellation of LOA issued to them, and thereafter the case may be put-up before the Committee for a decision.

C) Other item (table agenda):-

The JDC, Dahej - SEZ had put-up the Central Excise case of tax evasion against M/s. ABG Shipyard Ltd., wherein the Commissioner of Central Excise, Vadodara-II had pointed out that the said case is still under investigation and adjudication is pending and thus advised to awaited proceedings in this regard.

In the meantime Committee decided to issue SCN to approval holder in this regard with a point for cancellation of LOA issued to them and thereafter the case may be put-up before the Committee for decision.


Chairman of Approval Committee,
& Development Commissioner,
Dahej Special Economic Zone.

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