

मुरादाबाद विशेष आर्थिक क्षेत्र

(दिनांक 23.10.2026 को आयोजित अनुमोदन समिति की बैठक का कार्यवृत्त)

Minutes of Meeting of the Approval Committee of Moradabad SEZ held under the Chairmanship of Shri Gopal Meena, IAS, Development Commissioner (DC), Noida SEZ at 11.00 AM on 23.10.2026 through hybrid mode.

A. The following members of the Approval Committee were present through video conferencing/physically during the meeting:

1. Shri Paras Mani Tripathi, Jt. Development Commissioner, NSEZ (Nominee of Deptt. of Commerce in terms of letter dated 23/09/2008).
2. Shri Yogesh Kumar, Joint Commissioner (Industries), DIC, Moradabad.
3. Smt. Aashima Chawla, Dy. DGFT, CLA, New Delhi (Nominee of Zonal Jt. DGFT, Delhi)
4. Shri R. K. Vyas, Assistant Commissioner (Customs), ICD Moradabad.
5. Shri Manoj Kumar, Assistant Commissioner, CGST, Moradabad.
6. Shri Surendra Pal, ITO (HQ), O/o PCIT, Income Tax Department, Moradabad.
7. Representative of UPSIDA, Moradabad SEZ.

B. Besides, during the meeting Shri (i) Aashish Madanlal Rawlani, Dy. Development Commissioner, (ii) Rakesh, Specified Officer (Customs), Moradabad SEZ and (iii) Sushil Kumar, Asstt. Development Commissioner, Moradabad SEZ were also present to assist the Approval Committee. It was informed that the stipulated quorum for holding the meeting was available and meeting could proceed.

C. At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the participants. After a brief introduction, the agendas were taken up sequentially. After detailed deliberations amongst the members of the Approval Committee as well as interaction with the applicants/representatives of the units, the following decisions were unanimously taken:

D. New initiatives / reforms in view of good governance for Viksit Bharat 2047:-

- Approvals shall be issued during the meeting itself, immediately after the approval of the Approval Committee.
- Approvals at NSDL portal shall also be given on same day.
- Calendar for conducting the Approval Committee meeting has been issued.
- Queries should not be given in piece-meal.
- The scheduled date of **next meeting** of Approval Committee is **12.11.2026**.

- It is **mandatory** to apply on NSDL Portal for setting up a new unit.
- Only those proposals which are received **before five working days** of the next scheduled date of the Approval Committee shall be placed before the Approval Committee.
- Whatever documents/APRs>Returns are submitted online, or details filled in online form by the applicant or SCN/Notice/Communication by the DC office, will be considered evidence **as per IT Act, 2000**.

E. The following references were taken into the account by the Approval Committee while considering the proposals:-

- a. Rule 19 (4) & 19(5) of SEZ Rules, 2006 for lapsed LOA.

G. Status of agenda discussed & decisions of the Approval Committee:-

S. No.	Subject	No. of Proposals	LOA declared lapsed	LOA extended
1.	Review of already Lapsed LOA	1	1	0
	Total:	1	1	0

I. Item wise decisions on proposals included in agenda:

1. M/s AKG International - Review of already lapsed Letter of Approval (LOA)

It was informed to the Approval Committee that **M/s AKG International**, through its proprietor, **Shri Abhishek Gahlot**, was issued a Letter of Approval (LOA) dated 14.02.2022 for setting up a unit for manufacturing and export of handicraft items made of wood and MDF board, rattan, marble, glass, iron and steel, copper, brass, aluminium, wax candles, and home décor and home furnishing items at **Plot No. O-26, Pocket-B, Moradabad SEZ**.

2. **Shri Abhishek Gahlot**, proprietor of the firm vide email dated 23.10.2026 informed that **he is not well and unable to attend the meeting**.

3. The Committee was informed that the LOA issued to **M/s AKG International** was valid up to **13.02.2023**. However, the unit **neither commenced production within the stipulated period nor submitted any application for extension of the LOA**. Accordingly, the LOA stood lapsed w.e.f. 13.02.2023 in terms of **Rule 19(4) read with Rule 19(5) of**

the SEZ Rules, 2006.

4. The Committee was further informed that **UPSIDA cancelled the allotment of Plot No. O-26, Pocket-B, Moradabad SEZ, on 30.12.2025** due to non-payment of outstanding dues and non-compliance with the prescribed conditions, including failure to obtain building plan approval and commence production within the stipulated period.

5. As per the **physical verification report submitted by Customs Section, Moradabad SEZ**, vide letter dated **21.10.2026**, the plot measuring **315 sq. m. was found completely vacant, with no building, boundary wall, plant and machinery, equipment or utility installations**. Customs further confirmed that the unit had never commenced manufacturing operations and had **not availed any duty exemptions or benefits under the SEZ scheme**. The unit had also not executed the Bond-cum-Legal Undertaking (BLUT).

6. It was informed to the Committee that unit was informed by this office vide letter **dated 22.10.2026** about the scheduled meeting with request to submit their submission before the Committee. However, **unit vide email dated 23.10.2026 informed that UPSIDA has already cancelled the allotment of their plot. Due to ongoing business-related issues and financial difficulties, they were unable to submit the application for renewal of the Letter of Approval (LOA) within the stipulated time**. Unit further requested to consider their circumstances and took a sympathetic view of the matter.

7. The Approval Committee, after due deliberations, decided that the LOA N o . NSEZ/4-428/2003-MBD/064 dated 14.02.2022 issued to **M/s AKG International**, which was valid up to **13.02.2023**, shall be **treated as lapsed/expired w.e.f. 13.02.2023 under Rule 19(5) of the SEZ Rules, 2006**, considering that **no application for renewal of the LOA has been received even after more than three years of its expiry, the plot allotted to the unit has been cancelled by UPSIDA, the unit has not commenced production, and the Bond-cum-Legal Undertaking (BLUT) has also not been executed by the unit**.

The relevant provision of **Rule 19(5) of the SEZ Rules, 2006**, is reproduced below:

"If the Unit has not commenced production or service activity within the validity period or the extended validity period under sub-rule (4), the Letter of Approval shall be deemed to have lapsed with effect from the date on which its validity expired."

8. In order to uphold the principles of natural justice, the Committee further **authorized the Development Commissioner, NSEZ**, to take an appropriate decision in the matter, **in case the unit still wishes to represent its case**. The decision taken by the Development Commissioner shall be placed before the Approval Committee in its next meeting for ratification.

Meeting ended with a **vote of thanks to the Chair**.

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(Paras Mani Tripathi)
Jt. Development Commissioner

(Gopal Meena)
Zonal Development Commissioner

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“देश सेवार्थं कर संचय”

“शीलं परम भूषणम्”

“कोष मूलो दण्ड”

“लोकहितार्थं सत्यनिष्ठा”

“सत्यमेव जयते”