

## F. No. 6-26/2022-WL Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Wildlife Division)

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### To All Members Standing Committee of NBWL

## Sub: Minutes of 67th Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life-reg.

#### Sir/Madam,

Kindly find enclosed copy of the Minutes of 67<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.

Yours faithfully,

**Encl: As above** 

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# MINUTES OF THE 67<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL BOARD FOR WILD LIFE HELD ON 25<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2022.

The 67<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life was held through Video Conference on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change. The list of participants is placed at **ANNEXURE-I**.

The Chairman welcomed the participants to the meeting and requested IGF(WL) to initiate discussions on the agenda items.

#### AGENDA ITEM No.1

## 67.1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 66<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021.

The Standing Committee was informed that the minutes of the 66<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021 were circulated to all the Members and no comments had been received on the minutes of the meeting.

**Decision Taken:** After discussion, the Standing Committee decided to confirm the minutes of its 66<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021.

## AGENDA ITEM No.2

#### (Action Taken Report)

**67.2.1** Proposal for rationalization of Karlapat Wildlife Sanctuary Boundary/Area of Kalahandi South Division, Odisha.

#### FP/OR/Others/5944/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal was first considered by the Standing Committee in the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2021. The area of Karlapat Wildlife Sanctuary, as notified in the year 1992, was 147.66 sq. km. After geo-referencing of cadastral maps of villages around the Sanctuary, the area comes to 184.63 sq. km. The proposal is for exclusion of an area of 4.32 sq. km. from the sanctuary. It is also proposed to include 13.688 sq. km. in the Sanctuary, the revised final area of sanctuary will be 193.998 sq. km which is 9.368 sq. km more than the notified area.

The Standing Committee in the  $65^{\text{th}}$  meeting decided that the proposal shall be examined by a site inspection committee which would submit its report by  $15^{\text{th}}$  October, 2021.

The Ministry vide letter no. 6-97/2021 WL dated 30.09.2021 constituted a committee comprising of Dr. R. Sukumar, Member, NBWL, representative from Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun and representative from Odisha Forest Department.

The report of the committee has been received on 06.12.2021. The committee has accepted the need for rationalization of the boundary of Karlapat Wildlife Sanctuary in view of the past discrepancies in notified area versus actual area, and the observations of the committee during the site visit. However, the committee has recommended the following course of action prior to rationalization:

- a. The current proposed rationalized boundary requires to be reworked and has to follow natural terrain features like other parts of the sanctuary boundaries. As the final notification has not been made and the ESZ has not been proposed or notified for the Sanctuary, it is recommended that a consolidated proposal including both the proposal for rationalization of the sanctuary boundary and its proposed ESZ be submitted together to SC-NBWL along with shape files of any anticipated developmental activities such as mining in the adjacent areas of the sanctuary to make an informed decision. In particular, the consolidated proposal has to be drafted in a manner to ensure that future mining development does not have impact on the Sanctuary.
- b. Any future permissions given for mining of the bauxite deposits outside the Sanctuary have to ensure that the mining operations do not impact the Sanctuary. In particular, all infrastructure such as constructions and roads for mining operations as well as evacuation of ore should not be permitted within and in close proximity to the ESZ of the Sanctuary.

Dr. Sukumar said that the boundaries of the sanctuary have not been properly demarcated and there is a need for rationalisation of the boundaries. He mentioned that the committee observed that there are bauxite deposits nearby and the proposed boundary is a straight line which gives the impression that the change in the boundary has been proposed in order to allow bauxite mining in the future. He said that the committee had suggested that the boundary of the sanctuary should follow natural features.

Dr. H. S. Singh expressed agreement with the report of the committee. He mentioned that the mining site should not extend into the denotified area.

Dr. Sukumar explained that the mining area is different from the area proposed for denotification.

Director General of Forests and Special Secretary enquired whether the bauxite mining area would come inside the sanctuary if the natural features are taken as boundary of the sanctuary.

Dr. Sukumar informed that the bauxite lease area would not fall within the sanctuary if natural features are followed. However, he said that there is a possibility that the proposal for ESZ might include bauxite lease area after alteration of the boundaries.

**Decision taken:** After discussion, the Standing Committee decided that the Director General of Forests and Special Secretary shall examine the proposal and the report of the committee in detail and action taken report shall be placed before the Standing Committee in the next meeting.

**67.2.2** Proposal for Integrated Urban Regeneration and water Transport System(IURWTS) in Cochin (6-127/2021 WL)

## FP/KL/Others/5034/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for establishment of Integrated Urban Regeneration and Water Transport System by Kochi Metro Rail Limited and involves 44.07 ha in default Eco-sensitive zone of Mangalavanam Sanctuary. The proposal was considered by SC-NBWL in its 66<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 31.12.2021. The Standing Committee in the 66<sup>th</sup>meeting decided to defer the proposal as officials of the State Government were not available to explain the project proposal.

The Chief Wild Life Warden informed that it is a State Government Project and the User Agency is Kochi Metro Rail Limited. He said that the proposed project is an urban integrated water transport system which involves cleaning of five canals with a total length of 34 km which are currently blocked and polluted since no water flows through them. He informed that the project area is away from the Mangalavanam Sanctuary which is a small sanctuary with an area of 2.74 ha. He mentioned that Mangalavanam Canal, which is 190 m long canal and passes through the sanctuary, will also be cleaned under the project in addition to the five canals which are part of the project.

Dr. H. S. Singh said that the mitigation measures proposed should address the impact of the project on the Sanctuary.

Director General of Forests and Special Secretary enquired whether any assessment had been done of the overall impact of the project on wildlife in the sanctuary. Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala informed that a lot of waste enters the canal passing through the Sanctuary during high tide and cleaning of the canals will improve water flow in the canals which would be beneficial for birds.

Member Secretary enquired if the sanctuary area extends into the canals where cleaning is proposed in the project. The Chief Wild Life Warden said that though the project involves only the cleaning of canals outside the sanctuary, the forest department has imposed the condition that the canal passing through the sanctuary should also be cleaned.

**Decision Taken:** After discussion, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The sub canal passing through Mangalavanam Bird Sanctuary will also be taken up for cleaning along with the Project.
- 2. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.

67.2.3 Granite Building Stone Quarry of M/s. Adani Vizhinjam Port Private Limited.

## FP/KL/MIN/4771/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal was considered in the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. The proposal is for a granite building stone quarry over an area of 1.927 ha which falls within default ESZ of PEppara and Neyyar Sanctuaries. The proposed quarry area is situated at an aerial distance of 5.12 Km from Peppara Wildlife sanctuary and 6.76 Kms from Neyyar Wildlife sanctuary.

The Standing Committee in the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting had decided that the Chief Wild Life Warden should suggest measures to be adopted to mitigate the impacts due to the project. The Committee, therefore, decided to defer the proposal till the details of mitigation measures are received from the State. The committee was informed that the Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala has submitted a report which provides details of the mitigation measures suggested while recommending the proposal.

Dr. Sukumar enquired about the plans for rehabilitation of monkeys after their capture as proposed in the mitigation plan. The Chief Wild Life Warden informed that the monkeys will be captured and released deep inside forests.

Dr. H. S. Singh mentioned that the mitigation measures should address the impact of the project on the sanctuary.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that Chief Wild Life Warden should propose specific mitigation measures aimed at addressing the impact of the project on the sanctuary. It was therefore decided to defer the project till the next meeting.

## AGENDA ITEM No. 3

## (Policy Matters, Court Orders)

## 67.3.1 Declaration of National Dolphin Day

Healthy aquatic ecosystems help in maintaining the overall health of the Planet. Dolphins act as ideal ecological indicators of healthy aquatic ecosystems and their conservation helps the people dependent on such ecosystems for their livelihood.

The Gangetic Dolphin was notified as National Aquatic Animal of India on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 in pursuance of the recommendations of the National Ganga River Basin Authority in its first meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 and approved by the National Board for Wild Life in its 5<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2010.

Wildlife Week is celebrated across India in the first week of October every year to create awareness among general public about conservation of wildlife and their habitat. It was proposed that 5<sup>th</sup> of October be declared as National Dolphin Day to promote awareness about dolphins and their conservation.

Dr. Sukumar agreed with the proposal for celebration of National Dolphin Day every year. Dr. H. S. Singh also supported the proposal.

**Decision Taken:** After discussion, the Standing Committee decided to recommend designation of 5<sup>th</sup> October every year as National Dolphin Day.

# 67.3.2 Assessment of the efficacy of the mitigation measures prescribed in select proposals

The mitigation measures prescribed while recommending project proposals are planned with an aim to compensate for the loss and changes in the habitat of wildlife. Evaluation of these mitigation measures is necessary in order to assess their effectiveness.

Dr. Sukumar noted that a committee has been set up under the Chairmanship of Director, Wildlife Institute of India to revise the Linear Infrastructure Guidelines. He suggested that the task of evaluation may be entrusted to institutes in different parts of the country who have knowledge of the local area.

Member Secretary mentioned that there should be quantification of various parameters like species diversity, number of animals, and habitat enrichment. He suggested that data should be collected in a prescribed template to assess the changes before and after the implementation of mitigation measures.

The Chairman desired to know the status of information received from the Principal Chief Conservators of Forests relating to the policy issue raised by Dr. H. S. Singh in the last meeting of the Standing Committee.

The Chairman was informed that 13 States and Union Territories had provided the information regarding management of land under transmission lines in protected areas and forest areas and that no information had been received from the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Uttarakhand, West Bengal and UTs of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Ladakh, Lakshadweep and Pondicherry.

The Chairman took a serious view of the non-submission of information by the States /UTs. He directed that the information be submitted by the States by 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022 and a meeting be held on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 at 8 a.m. with the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the States and Union Territories who fail to provide information by this date.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to defer the matter.

## 67.3.3 Deposition of amount realized for mitigation measures as per conditions imposed by Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life

The Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life while recommending proposals prescribes certain conditions. Among them is the imposition of cost for carrying out structural and non-structural measures to mitigate the impacts of infrastructure development projects on wildlife and their habitat. The cost so imposed is being deposited by user agencies as per the directions of State Governments in various accounts.

However, as per the Compensatory Afforestation Act, 2016, the cost of mitigation measures should be deposited in the State CAMPA account as corpus and only the income generated from the corpus should be utilised.

Dr. Sukumar said that the structural mitigation measures should be part of project and only the cost of non-structural mitigation measures should be collected from user agencies. He pointed out that the interest generated from the corpus would not be sufficient for undertaking effective mitigation measures.

Member Secretary suggested that the Chief Executive Officer, CAMPA may provide a note on the matter along with legal opinion.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that Chief Executive Office, CAMPA will be requested to provide a note on the matter. It was also decided that the Ministry will obtain legal opinion on the matter and amendment of the CAF Act, 2016 will be proposed if necessary. The Standing Committee therefore decided to defer the matter to the next meeting.

## AGENDA ITEM No. 4

#### (Amendment in the minutes of meeting of Standing Committee)

## 67.4.1 Amendment in the minutes of 59<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee held on 5.10.2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal for diversion of forest land for Development of 8 lanes (Greenfield Highway) from (Ch. 392.800 Km) Bhenda Hera village to (Ch. 452.425 Km) Moondiya village Section of NH-148 N (Total length 59.625 Km), under BHARATMALA PARIYOJANA Lot-4/Pkg-4 in the state of Rajasthan was recommended, subject to certain conditions, in the 59<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2020. One of the conditions is that 2% of the proportionate project cost of the area falling within the protected area and the ESZ should be deposited in Rajasthan Protected Area Conservation Society by the user agency for management and protection of wildlife in the state as corpus.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Rajasthan vide letter dated 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 has requested for modification of the condition and has pointed out that in similar cases, the condition of maintaining the fund as corpus has not been prescribed.

The Chief Wild Life Warden informed that as per the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the amount collected as cost of mitigation measures from the user agencies for the projects recommended by the Standing Committee is deposited in a Society, namely, Rajasthan Protected Areas Conservation Society which is headed by the Chief Secretary. He said that in similar cases, the amount deposited in the society, which was around Rs.120 crore, was utilised for voluntary relocation of villages. He informed that the amount is urgently required for voluntary relocation of village Mashalpuraand Damodarpura which will a have significant positive impact on the habitat of Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve. He therefore requested that the condition relating to deposition of the amount as a corpus be deleted.

The Member Secretary suggested the matter may be deferred since it is related to agenda item no. 67.3.3.

The Chairman observed that this is a policy issue and the matter needs to be decided with fairness and clarity. He said that the issue raised by the Chief Wild Life Warden, Rajasthan is important and should be resolved at the earliest.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that the matter may be deferred to the next meeting as it is related to the policy issue in Agenda item no. 67.3.3.

**67.4.2** Amendment in the minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 regarding de-notification of Karera Sanctuary, Madhya Pradesh.

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal for de-notification of Karera Wildlife Sanctuary, Madhya Pradesh was considered and recommended by the SC-NBWL in its 18<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2010 with the following conditions:

- i. Dihaliya lake and Government/Revenue land adjacent to the lake be declared as sanctuary.
- ii. A survey with the help of experts such as Bombay Natural History Society be carried out to ascertain present status & distribution of Status of Great Indian Bustards in the State of Madhya Pradesh, especially to determine if there are any bustards inhabiting in any areas outside Protected Areas of Madhya Pradesh and if so, these would be established as a Protected Area including expansion of existing Protected Areas or declaration of Conservation Reserves etc.
- iii. If the survey team finds that there are no bustards existing outside Protected Areas or none left in Madhya Pradesh, an area equal to the area to be denotified in Karera Wildlife Sanctuary will be added to the existing Protected Area network of the State.
- iv. De-notification will only be permitted if the equivalent area is added to Protected Area network of the State before the de-notification.
- v. The committee surveying the bustard population would also determine the reasons for decimation of bustards in Karera and fix responsibility.

The State Government of Madhya Pradesh vide letter No.01 dated 09.03.2022 has requested to delete condition Nos (i), (ii), (iii) & (v) and retain the condition No. iv in the recommendations dated 12.04.2010 since an area of 404.07528 sq. km has been notified as national park as part of Kuno National Park.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to defer the matter to the next meeting as the details were not available with the Chief Wild Life Warden during the meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM No. 5**

#### (Fresh Proposals Falling Inside / Outside the Protected Area)

**67.5.1** Proposal for use of 28.83 ha of forest land from Southern Elephant Reserve for Two Laning for Improvement /up-gradation of H-K Road from 0.00 Km to 10.611 Km by PWD Highways in Tirap District of Arunachal Pradesh.

## FP/AR/ROAD/33459/2018

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 28.83 ha. of forest land from Southern Elephant Reserve for two laning for improvement/Upgradation of 10.611 km in Deomali in Tirap District of Arunachal Pradesh by PWD highways.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden subject to implementation of mitigation passage plan enclosed along with the proposal. The State Board for Wild Life and the State Government have also recommended the proposal.

The area is not part of any Wildlife Sanctuary, National Park, Tiger Reserve or Tiger Corridor.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Arunachal Pradesh informed that the proposal is for widening of Hukanjuri-Khonsa section of NH 315A in Tirap district. He said that the total length of the road is 26.30 km out of which 10.611 km stretch falls in Deomali Division which is part of Southern Elephant Reserve. The area required for the project is 28.83 ha and it is at a distance of about 500 m from Dehing Patkai National Park in Assam. He mentioned that the road is important because it connects Khonsa, which is the district headquarters for Tirap, with Tinsukia in Assam. He said that the road is not in a good condition and its widening will help in overall development of the area.

Dr. Sukumar pointed out that the road from Assam into Arunachal Pradesh passes through a very good stretch of forest area. He said that Deomali Elephant Reserve in Arunachal Pradesh and Dehing Patkai Elephant Reserve in Assam form a very good elephant landscape and the road should not lead to fragmentation of the landscape. He suggested that the animal passage plan for the project should be examined on the ground.

Dr. H. S. Singh agreed with the suggestion of Dr. Sukumar.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that a Site Inspection Committee comprising of Dr.Sukumar and an officer from Integrated Regional Office of the Ministry at Guwahati shall examine mitigation measures submitted along with the proposal and submit a report for placing in the next meeting of the Standing Committee.

67.5.2 Proposal for use of 3.3985 ha of forest land from Dadra and Nagar Haveli Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 220 kV D/C Vapi-II-Sayali overhead transmission Line in the UT of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
FP/DN/TRANS/108286/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for laying 220 kV transmission line through Dadra and Nagar Haveli Sanctuary over an area of 3.3985 ha.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu informed that proposal is a part of larger proposal which connects North Lakimpur to Vapi which is an important industrial area for Gujarat. He said that the proposed transmission line will mitigate the power shortage in the highly industrialised Union Territory.

Dr. H. S. Singh suggested that land under transmission lines may be managed as grassland for providing fodder for sambhar and chital and a management plan may be prepared for the area.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The sanctuary may be expanded in size on eastern side by adding other forested landscape to the sanctuary. The administration should compensate for loss of land from the sanctuary by adding twice the area to this sanctuary or another sanctuary in Daman/Diu before work on this project is allowed to begin in the sanctuary.
- 2. A state of the art interpretation centre for the Sanctuary will be set up the DPR for which will be prepared by the CWLW and the Sanctuary management.
- 3. The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and any other conditions that may be applicable.
- 4. The Mitigation plan proposed by the User agency shall be implemented in toto.
- 5. The land below the transmission lines shall be managed as grassland for providing fodder for Sambhar and Chital. A management plan shall be prepared for the land below transmission lines.
- 6. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.3** Proposal for use of 0.14 ha of forest land from Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for New Agri Connection Bhaniya LS 19, Gujarat.

## FP/GJ/TRANS/38967/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.14 ha of forest land from Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for providing new agricultural electrical connection.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

Dr. H. S. Singh said that as the proposal is for providing electric connection and the area involved is small, it may be recommended.

Member Secretary informed that Chief Wild Life Warden has imposed a condition that if feasible, the electricity line may be laid underground and if not, overhead insulated cable may be laid.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. User agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9,17A,27,29,30,31 & 32 of wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 2. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 3. The user agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
- 4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 5. The user agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
- 7. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
- 8. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
- 10. The user agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 11. The User Agency shall lay the underground line if technically feasible. If not, User Agency shall lay over-head insulated 11 KV electric lines.
- 12. If overhead insulated transmission lines are laid, the land below the transmission line shall be managed as per the management plan prepared specifically for the area so that fodder for herbivores is made available.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.4** Proposal for use of 0.1288 ha of forest land from Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for New Ag Connection Bhaniya LS 32P1, Gujarat.

#### FP/GJ/TRANS/36259/2018

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.1288 ha of forest land from Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for providing new agricultural electrical connection.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

Dr. H. S. Singh said that as the proposal is for providing electric connection and the area involved is small, it may be recommended.

Member-Secretary informed that Chief Wild Life Warden has imposed a condition that if feasible, the electricity line may be laid underground and if not, overhead insulated cable may be laid.

**Decision taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. User agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9,17A,27,29,30,31 & 32 of wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 2. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 3. The user agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
- 4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 5. The user agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
- 7. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
- 8. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
- 10. The user agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 11. The User Agency shall lay the underground line if technically feasible. If not, User Agency shall lay over-head insulated 11 KV electric lines.
- 12. If overhead insulated transmission lines are laid, the land below the transmission line shall be managed as per the management plan prepared specifically for the area so that fodder for herbivores is made available.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.5** Proposal for use of 21.47 ha of forest and private land from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and its ESZ for construction of Chikan Dam-(WLS 21.15 + ESZ 0.32)

#### FP/HR/IRRIG/150870/2022

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 21.47 ha area from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and its ESZ for construction of earthen dam at Chikan.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the proposal has been submitted by Irrigation Department. After recommendations of the State Board for Wild Life, the area proposed for use has been reduced. Similarly, the number of trees required to be felled have also been reduced. The main purpose of the project is irrigation.

The project will also provide water to the wildlife in the sanctuary and improve underground water regime in the area.

**Decision taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency will submit the Conservation Plan as per MoEF& CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi letter F. No.1-20/2014 WL (Pt.) dated 28.10.2015 before starting the work and will implement the Conservation Plan in a phased manner. The cost of mitigative measures in the form of Conservation Plan will be at least 2% of the total project cost. The User Agency will deposit the entire Conservation Plan cost along with the Conservation Plan in the O/o Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula for approval.
- 2. The clearance of the forest related laws, rules and instructions will be obtained from the Conservator of Forests (Forests Conservation)/or concerned Territorial Wing of Forest Department.
- 3. The project proponent will seek necessary/mandatory permissions from the other concerned departments as applicable and will not violate the Hon'ble Court order, if any.
- 4. All activities inside Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary will be implemented in consultation with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula /DFO (T), Yamunanagar. Project Authority will not violate the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 5. Noise limit of all the construction equipment etc. will be fixed as guided by any expert deputed by the Forest/Wildlife Department.
- 6. The construction work within the sanctuary area will be limited only to the extent of right of way during day time only (i.e. after sunrise upto sunset).
- 7. The project authority will not fell/remove any trees, bushes and other vegetation in the sanctuary area without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 8. The project proponent will not park any machinery, vehicles etc. during night with in the sanctuary area.
- 9. Burning of any type of material will not be allowed within sanctuary area.
- 10. The project proponent will provide the details of name and address of labourers, engineers, officers and other person involved in construction of dam within sanctuary area to the Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 11. The project proponent will take all necessary steps to sensitize the labour and other persons towards protection of Wildlife.
- 12. The labourers and other persons engaged in project work will not violate the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The project authority will inform the Wildlife officials in case of any Wildlife crime reported in the area.

- 13. The transportation of dug out material like soil and boulders from the sanctuary area will not be allowed without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 14. No garbage dumps will be allowed inside the sanctuary area.
- 15. The project proponent will not establish labour camps within a distance of 1 km from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 16. The project proponent will not establish mix plant within a distance of 5 Kms from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 17. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.6** Proposal for use of 23.03 ha of forest land from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and 0.45 ha from its ESZ for construction of earthen dam at Kansli, Haryana.

## FP/HR/IRRIG/148792/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 23.48 ha area from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and its ESZ for construction of earthen dam at Kansli.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the proposal has been submitted by Irrigation Department. After recommendations of the State Board for Wild Life, the area proposed for use has been reduced. Similarly, the number of trees required to be felled have also been reduced. The main purpose of the project is irrigation. The project will also provide water to the wildlife in the sanctuary and improve underground water regime in the area.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency will submit the Conservation Plan as per MoEF& CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi letter F.No.1-20/2014 WL (Pt.) dated 28.10.2015 before starting the work and will implement the Conservation Plan in a phased manner. The cost of mitigative measures in the form of Conservation Plan will be at least 2% of the total project cost. The User Agency will deposit the entire Conservation Plan cost along-with the Conservation Plan in the O/o Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula for approval.
- 2. The clearance of the forest related laws, rules and instructions will be obtained from the Conservator of Forests (Forests Conservation)/or concerned Territorial Wing of Forest Department.
- 3. The project proponent will seek necessary/mandatory permissions from the other concerned departments as applicable and will not violate the Hon'ble Court order, if any.
- 4. All activities inside Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary will be implemented in consultation with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula /DFO (T),

Yamunanagar. Project Authority will not violate the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

- 5. Noise limit of all the construction equipments etc. will be fixed as guided by any expert deputed by the Forest/Wildlife Department.
- 6. The construction work within the sanctuary area will be limited only to the extent of right of way during day time only (i.e. after sunrise upto sunset).
- 7. The project authority will not fell/remove any trees, bushes and other vegetation in the sanctuary area without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 8. The project proponent will not park any machinery, vehicles etc. during night with in the sanctuary area.
- 9. Burning of any type of material will not be allowed within sanctuary area.
- 10. The project proponent will provide the details of name and address of labourers, engineers, officers and other person involved in construction of dam within sanctuary area to the Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 11. The project proponent will take all necessary steps to sensitize the labour and other persons towards protection of Wildlife.
- 12. The labourers and other persons engaged in project work will not violate the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The project authority will inform the Wildlife officials in case of any Wildlife crime reported in the area.
- 13. The transportation of dug out material like soil and boulders from the sanctuary area will not be allowed without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 14. No garbage dumps will be allowed inside the sanctuary area.
- 15. The project proponent will not establish labour camps within a distance of 1 km from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 16. The project proponent will not establish mix plant within a distance of 5 Kms from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 17. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.7** Proposal for use of 20.37 ha of forest land from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and 20.3 ha (20.19 ha forest and 0.42 ha private land) from ESZ of the sanctuary for construction earthen dam at Khillanwala, Haryana.

### FP/HR/IRRIG/149579/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 40.67 ha area from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and its ESZ for construction of earthen dam at Khillanwala.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the proposal has been submitted by Irrigation Department. After recommendations of the State Board for Wild Life, the area proposed for use has been reduced. Similarly, the number of trees required to be felled have also been reduced. The main purpose of the project is irrigation. The project will also provide water to the wildlife in the sanctuary and improve underground water regime in the area.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the three proposals subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency will submit the Conservation Plan as per MoEF& CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi letter F. No.1-20/2014 WL (Pt.) dated 28.10.2015 before starting the work and will implement the Conservation Plan in a phased manner. The cost of mitigation measures in the form of Conservation Plan will be at least 2% of the total project cost. The User Agency will deposit the entire Conservation Plan cost alongwith the Conservation Plan in the O/o Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula for approval.
- 2. The clearance of the forest related laws, rules and instructions will be obtained from the Conservator of Forests (Forests Conservation)/or concerned Territorial Wing of Forest Department.
- 3. The project proponent will seek necessary/mandatory permissions from the other concerned departments as applicable and will not violate the Hon'ble Court order, if any.
- 4. All activities inside Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary will be implemented in consultation with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula /DFO (T), Yamunanagar. Project Authority will not violate by any means, the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 5. Noise limit of all the construction equipments etc. will be fixed as guided by any expert deputed by the Forest/Wildlife Department.
- 6. The construction work within the sanctuary area will be limited only to the extent of right of way during day time only (i.e. after sunrise upto sunset).
- 7. The project authority will not fell/remove any trees, bushes and other vegetation in the sanctuary area without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 8. The project proponent will not park any machinery, vehicles etc. during night with in the sanctuary area.
- 9. Burning of any type of material will not be allowed within sanctuary area.
- 10. The project proponent will provide the details of name and address of labourers, engineers, officers and other person involved in construction of dam within sanctuary area to the Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 11. The project proponent will take all necessary steps to sensitize the labour and other persons towards protection of Wildlife.
- 12. The labourers and other persons engaged in project work will not violate the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The project authority will inform the Wildlife officials in case of any Wildlife crime reported in the area.
- 13. The transportation of dug out material like soil and boulders from the sanctuary area will not be allowed without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 14. No garbage dumps will be allowed inside the sanctuary area.
- 15. The project proponent will not establish labour camps within a distance of 1 km from the boundary of sanctuary.

- 16. The project proponent will not establish mix plant within a distance of 5 Kms from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 17. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.8** Proposal for use of 42.95 ha (42.83 ha of forest land and 0.12 ha private land) from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and 0.81 ha (0.03 ha forest land and 0.78 ha private land) from ESZ of the sanctuary for construction of Ambawali Dam for Irrigation purpose, Haryana. (WLS 42.95 + ESZ 0.81) of land.

## FP/HR/IRRIG/149591/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 43.76 ha area from Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary and its ESZ for construction of earthen dam at Chikan.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the proposal has been submitted by Irrigation Department. After recommendations of the State Board for Wild Life, the area proposed for use has been reduced. Similarly, the number of trees required to be felled have also been reduced. The main purpose of the project is irrigation. The project will also provide water to the wildlife in the sanctuary and improve underground water regime in the area.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency will submit the Conservation Plan as per MoEF& CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi letter F. No.1-20/2014 WL (Pt.) dated 28.10.2015 before starting the work and will implement the Conservation Plan in a phased manner. The cost of mitigative measures in the form of Conservation Plan will be at least 2% of the total project cost. The User Agency will deposit the entire Conservation Plan cost along with the Conservation Plan in the O/o Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula for approval.
- 2. The clearance of the forest related laws, rules and instructions will be obtained from the Conservator of Forests (Forests Conservation)/or concerned Territorial Wing of Forest Department.
- 3. The project proponent will seek necessary/mandatory permissions from the other concerned departments as applicable and will not violate the Hon'ble Court order, if any.
- 4. All activities inside Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary will be implemented in consultation with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula /DFO (T), Yamunanagar. Project Authority will not violate by any means, the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 5. Noise limit of all the construction equipments etc. will be fixed as guided by any expert deputed by the Forest/Wildlife Department.

- 6. The construction work within the sanctuary area will be limited only to the extent of right of way during day time only (i.e. after sunrise upto sunset).
- 7. The project authority will not fell/remove any trees, bushes and other vegetation in the sanctuary area without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 8. The project proponent will not park any machinery, vehicles etc. during night with in the sanctuary area.
- 9. Burning of any type of material will not be allowed within sanctuary area.
- 10. The project proponent will provide the details of name and address of labourers, engineers, officers and other person involved in construction of dam within sanctuary area to the Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 11. The project proponent will take all necessary steps to sensitize the labour and other persons towards protection of Wildlife.
- 12. The labourers and other persons engaged in project work will not violate the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The project authority will inform the Wildlife officials in case of any Wildlife crime reported in the area.
- 13. The transportation of dug out material like soil and boulders from the sanctuary area will not be allowed without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 14. No garbage dumps will be allowed inside the sanctuary area.
- 15. The project proponent will not establish labour camps within a distance of 1 km from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 16. The project proponent will not establish mix plant within a distance of 5 Kms from the boundary of sanctuary.
- 17. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.9** Proposal for use of 8.757 ha of forest land from Khol Hai Raitan WLS and 0.703 ha from ESZ for widening of Road (MDR-118) from Sector-32, Panchkula to Morni Road (From KM 0- KM 17.7) in District Panchkula, Haryana.

## FP/HR/ROAD/149699/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 8.757 ha of forest land from Khol Hai Raitan Sanctuary and 0.703 ha from its ESZ for widening of road from Sector-32 Panchkula to Morni Road for a distance of 17.7 km.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the existing road is of 5.50 m width. It is proposed to be widened by extending on both sides.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency will submit the Conservation Plan as per MoEF& CC, Govt. of India, New Delhi letter F.No.1-20/2014 WL (Pt.) dated 28.10.2015 before starting the work and will implement the Conservation Plan in a phased manner. The user agency will deposit the Conservation Plan cost with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula.
- 2. The clearance of the forest related laws, rules and instructions will be obtained from the Conservator of Forests (Forests Conservation)/or concerned Territorial Wing of Forest Department.
- 3. The project proponent will seek necessary/mandatory permissions from the other concerned departments as applicable and will not violate the Hon'ble Court order, if any.
- 4. All activities inside Khol-Hi-Raitan Wildlife Sanctuary and its Eco-Sensitive Zone, will be implemented in consultation with Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden, Panchkula/DFO (T), Morni-Pinjore. Project Authority will not violate by any means, the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 5. Noise limit of all the construction equipments etc. will be fixed as guided by any expert deputed by the Forest/Wildlife Department.
- 6. The construction work within the sanctuary area will be allowed during day time (i.e. after sunrise upto sunset).
- 7. The project authority will not fell/remove any trees, bushes and other vegetation in the sanctuary area without prior permission of Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 8. The project proponent will not park any machinery, vehicles etc. during night with in the sanctuary area.
- 9. Burning of any type of material will not be allowed within sanctuary area.
- 10. The project proponent will provide the details of name and address of labourers, engineers, officers and other person involved in construction of road within sanctuary area to the Chief Wildlife Warden.
- 11. The project proponent will take all necessary steps to sensitize the labour and other persons towards protection of Wildlife.
- 12. The labourers and other persons engaged in project work will not violate the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The project authority will inform the Wildlife officials in case of any Wildlife crime reported in the area.
- 13. The transportation of dug out material like soil and boulders from the sanctuary area will not be allowed.
- 14. No garbage dumps will be allowed inside the sanctuary area.
- 15. The User Agency shall provide animal passage structures as mentioned in the proposal.
- 16. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.10** Proposal for use of 21.29924 ha from Sultanpur National Park for SGT University (Medical College cum Hospital and Research Institute) at Village-Budhera Dist.-Gurugram, Haryana.

## FP/HR/Others/5100/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 21.29924 ha of land from the ESZ of Sultanpur National Park for SGT University.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana informed that the Zonal Master Plan of Sultanpur National Park imposes restriction on the height of buildings in ESZ. Dr.Sukumar pointed out the need for a fool-proof plan for disposal of bio-medical waste. He said that the bio-medical waste generated from the University should not flow into the sanctuary.

**Decision Taken:** As the details regarding the disposal of bio-medical waste were not made available to the Standing Committee by the State Government officials, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal to the next meeting.

**67.5.11** Affordable Group Housing Colony Project at Revenue Estate of Village-Dhorka, Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana by M/s Sternal Buildcon Private Limited. The total area of project site is 2.96 ha.

#### FP/HR/Others/5208/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 2.96 ha land from the ESZ of Sultanpur National Park for Affordable Group Housing Colony Project at Revenue Estate of Village-Dhorka Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana by M/s Sternal Buildcon Private Limited.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** As the details regarding the disposal of bio-medical waste were not made available to the Standing Committee by the State Government officials, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal to the next meeting.

**67.5.12** Construction of an Affordable Group Housing in village Dhorka, Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana of Signature Infrabuild Pvt Ltd. The project site is located in the revenue land of Village-Dhorka, Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana on a land measuring 2.069 ha.

#### FP/HR/Others/4493/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 2.069 ha land from Sultanpur National Park for Affordable Group Housing in village Dhorka, Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana of Signature Infrabuild Pvt. Ltd. The project site is located in the revenue land of Village-Dhorka, Sector-95, Gurugram, Haryana.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** As the details regarding the disposal of bio-medical waste were not made available to the Standing Committee by the State Government officials, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal to the next meeting.

**67.5.13** Proposal for use of 8.1872 ha of forestland from Great Himalayan National Park for construction of 11KV HT Line to the Un-electrified Village. Shagore, Shakti & Maror in Banjar Block Distt. Kullu, Himachal Pradesh.

### FP/HP/VELEC/1502/2017

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 8.1872 ha of forestland from Great Himalayan National Park for construction of 11kV HT Line to the Shagore, Shakti, &Maror Villages which are currently unelectrified in Banjar Block Distt. Kullu, Himachal Pradesh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Himachal Pradesh informed that out of 8.1872 ha of the required land, 4.65 ha is located in the Great Himalayan National Park, 3.07 ha is located in adjoining Sainj Wildlife Sanctuary and 0.46 ha falls in ESZ. He said that the project will electrify about 300 households. He informed that the user agency will use covered conductors and therefore, the project will not have any adverse effect on avifauna. He said that the user agency has submitted a mitigation plan for the project.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency shall implement the mitigation plan submitted by them.
- 2. The land below the transmission line shall be managed as per the management plan prepared specifically for the area so that fodder for herbivores is made available.
- 3. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.14** Proposal for upgradation and expansion of existing cement plant (area 12.38 ha) by Trumboo Industries Pvt. Ltd.

#### FP/JK/IND/4774/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 12.38 ha land in the ESZ of Dachigam National Park for upgradation and expansion of existing cement plant.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Jammu and Kashmir informed that the project is an existing cement plant which is 3.12 km from the Dachigam National Park. The

project area falls outside the proposed ESZ which is yet to be finally notified. The proposal has been submitted as it falls within default ESZ of 10 km and requires environment clearance. The project has now received environment clearance also. Mitigation measures such as green belt etc. have been prescribed.

The Chairman observed that Dachigam is a unique habitat for Hanguls and the Union Territory Government should take care of the impact of the proposed project on supply of fresh water from Dachigam to Srinagar.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Jammu and Kashmir clarified that the project is located on the other side of the Dachigam National Park and the project is an expansion of the existing industry.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Project Proponent shall carry out the woks only after obtaining clearance from State Pollution Control Board.
- 2. The existing Plant shall be upgraded and operated as per the latest CPCB Guidelines. The User agency shall submit an affidavit to the effect that such guidelines shall strictly be adhered to.
- 3. The area will be utilized only for the purpose of expansion of existing cement plant and no new plant under this garb shall be established. Also the mining activity in the leased-out area shall be carried out and no new area shall be brought under mining activity under the garb of the clearance.
- 4. Green belt as envisaged under EC / TOR and to the extent of three rows of plantations to act as a buffer around the existing cement plant and mining site shall be raised at the cost of the user agency.
- 5. No waste material (Industrial/ Solid/ Liquid waste) shall be dumped in the area between the boundary of the Dachigam National Park and boundary of Khrew Khonmoh Conservation Reserve.
- 6. Total pollution load from the area shall be monitored by the State Pollution Control Board to keep it within the permissible limits.
- 7. A Monitoring Committee shall be constituted under Regional Wildlife Warden Kashmir, Wildlife Warden Central, Members from User Agency and a representative from SPCB for implementing these conditions and also the conditions as envisaged in Environmental clearance.
- 8. That the area should not be used for any other purpose other than specified herein.
- 9. That the activity of the agency shall remain limited to the area in question which shall be properly demarcated and consolidated by way of fencing.
- 10. That the applicant should abide by the provisions of the Wildlife Protection Act and the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India's guidelines and other legislations.
- 11. The activities of user agency in the area shall be liable to periodic checks by the Department and stoppage of any activity shall be enforced, if it is found that any violation to the envisaged conditions of the Wildlife Clearance is carried by the applicant.

- 12. All the conditions laid down by the State Pollution Control Board as mentioned in the letters of consent to establish and operate shall be implemented by the applicant within the project area.
- 13. The Environment Impact Assessment and proposed mitigation measures recommended under the report shall be implemented along with mitigation measures recommended in Report.
- 14. The mitigation plan for Wildlife shall be prepared in consultation with Wildlife Protection Department and an amount of Rs.30 lakhs upfront and Rs.10 Lakh annually for a period of ten years shall be deposited with State CAMPA to be used for undertaking mitigation measures.
- 15. The proposed cement plant shall furnish an undertaking that it will not undertake illegal procurement of limestone from local stone query holders and shall apply for proper lease for carrying out mining as per approved mining plan.
- 16. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue.
- 17. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.15** Proposal for use of 0.267 ha of forest land from Koderma Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Nature and Wildlife Awareness Centre, Jharkhand.

## FP/JH/Others/26990/2017

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.267 ha of forest land from Koderma Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Nature and Wildlife Awareness Centre, Jharkhand.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal.

**67.5.16** Proposal for use of 0.0642 ha of forest land from Shettihalli Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Under Ground water pipeline connecting from patta land in Sy.No.21 of Puradala Village to Sy.No.92 of Aladevara Hosur Village for irrigation/agriculture purpose in favour of D.B Avinash. passing through Puradala SF, Shetihalli Wildlife Division, Shimoga.

## FP/KA/Others/36486/2018

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.0642 ha of forest land from Shettihalli Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of underground water pipeline for irrigation/agriculture purpose.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Karnataka informed that the area required is very small and the User Agency has made provisions for supplying water for wildlife.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The work should strictly be within the Right of Way.
- 2. The User Agency should provide two outlets within the sanctuary limit all along the pipeline and supply water to the wild animals, which would benefit the wild animals.
- 3. All the staff and workers involved in the project implementation should be made aware about wildlife in the area and it should be ensured that they do not harm wildlife or abet in any wildlife crime in any way.
- 4. Care should be taken not to disturb the wildlife species and their habitat during construction activities.
- 5. No work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area.
- 6. The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 7. The muck generated during the project implementation shall be taken out of the protected area without endangering the flora and fauna.
- 8. The work shall be taken up only under the close supervision of the jurisdictional officers & staff, to avoid any damage to the flora and fauna.
- 9. No tents or any other stay arrangement shall be permitted inside the protected area.
- 10. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.17** Proposal for use of 0.01 ha from Thungabhadra Otter Conservation Reserve for filling of tanks in Yellburga and Koppal Taluks by lifting water from Tungabhadra River for drinking purpose.

## Proposal No. FP/KA/WATER/4761/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.01 ha from Thungabhadra Otter Conservation Reserve for filling of tanks in Yellburga and Koppal Taluks by lifting water from Tungabhadra River for drinking purpose.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The site selection of intake well should be done so as to minimize disturbance to Otters & other wild animals.
- 2. The equipment/machineries used during construction/pumping etc. should make minimum noise.

- 3. During the summer period sufficient level of water should maintained in river that so as not to affect the aquatic animals.
- 4. The project activities should pollute the water.
- 5. Suitable small mesh should be used on the foot valves of the pumps.
- 6. Awareness activities such as street plays, erection of signages, name boards etc. should be taken up for a period of 5 years in and around the notified area to bring awareness about conservation of otters.
- 7. Proper care should be taken for conserving the habitat of the otters in the reserve.
- 8. Watch towers should be constructed and watchers should be provided for a period of 5 years.
- 9. Anti-poaching camps should be provided with watchers in the notified area to protect the otters.
- 10. No work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area.
- 11. The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 12. The muck generated during the project implementation shall be taken out of the protected area without endangering the flora and fauna.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.18** Proposal for use of 4.5053 ha of forest land from Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary for improvement of Mud Road to Cement Concrete Road from Kattinahole to Kodachadri Hill Top Kodachadri & Chakra Forest, Hosanagar, Sagar Taluk, Sagar Division & Kundapura (T), Udupi District, Karnataka

## FP/KA/ROAD/42755/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 4.5053 ha of forest land from Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary for improvement of Mud Road to Cement Concrete Road from Kattinahole to Kodachadri Hill Top Kodachadri& Chakra Forest, Hosanagar, Sagar Taluk, Sagar Division &Kundapura (T), Udupi District, Karnataka

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Karnataka informed that there is a traditional approach road from Kattinahole to Kodachadri Hill Top used by pilgrims and tourists to Annapoorneshwari Shrine. The project requires felling of 73 trees.

Dr. Sukumar said that the area has a very high rainfall road and is a habitat of liontailed macaque. He suggested that speed breakers should be put on the road.

The Chairman enquired whether it was feasible to construct a ropeway in order to avoid disturbance to wild animals.

Dr. H. S. Singh said that construction of a cement concrete road would lead to faster movement of vehicles inside the sanctuary. He said that tourists may use mud roads which can be maintained without causing much disturbance to wildlife.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that the existing path may be maintained as a mud path only and the forest department may carry out its maintenance wherever there is erosion. It was also decided that the State Government will be asked to examine the feasibility of laying a ropeway to approach the shrine.

**67.5.19** Building Stone Mine (Quarry) project of M/s Nellikunnu Granite & Crusher Pvt. Ltd. is situated at Survey No. 523/1pt, 571/1pt & 567pt of Maruthonkara Village & Panchayat, Vatakara Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala in an area of 7.8991 hectares.

## FP/KL/QRY/4578/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 7.8991 ha from default ESZ of Malabar Sanctuary by Building Stone Mine (Quarry) project of M/s Nellikunnu Granite & Crusher Pvt. Ltd at Maruthonkara Village & Panchayat, Vatakara Taluk, Kozhikode District, Kerala.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala informed that no mitigation plan had been provided with the proposal. He said that the State Government will submit a mitigation plan.

**Decision Taken:** As the mitigation plan had not been submitted with the proposal, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal till the next meeting.

**67.5.20** Building Stone Mine (Quarry) project of M/s Highrange Metal Crusher Survey Nos.1119, 969/3, 969/3, 969/4, 969/4, 969, Peermade Village, Peermade Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala for area 4.606 hectare at a distance of 8.61 kms from Periyar Tiger Reserve

#### FP/KL/QRY/4464/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 4.606 in default ESZ of Periyar Tiger Reserve by Building Stone Mine (Quarry) project of M/s Highrange Metal Crusher at Peermade Village, Peermade Taluk, Idukki District, Kerala.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala informed that no mitigation plan had been provided with the proposal. He said that the State Government will submit a mitigation plan. **Decision Taken:** As the mitigation plan had not been submitted with the proposal, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal till the next meeting.

**67.5.21** Building Stone Quarry Project Located at Sy Nos.138/(pt), 836(pt), 837(pt), 839(pt) and 847(pt) at Killimangalam Village, Thalappily Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala

## FP/KL/QRY/4590/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 4.2649 ha from default ESZ of Peechi-Vazhani Sanctuary for Building Stone Quarry Project by M/s Celakkara Granite at Killimangalam Village, Thalappily Taluk, Thrissur District, Kerala.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala informed that no mitigation plan had been provided with the proposal. He said that the mitigation plan will be submitted by the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** As the proposal had been submitted without a mitigation plan, the Standing Committee decided to defer the matter till the next meeting.

**67.5.22** Proposal for use of 3 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for Ladakh Geothermal Field Development at Puga.

## FP/LA/Others/5851/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 3 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for Ladakh Geothermal Field Development at Puga.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Ladakh informed that the project proposal is a pilot project by ONGC for use of 3 ha land for generation of 1 MW geothermal energy at Puga in Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged. The User Agency will have right only for construction, maintenance and use of the land.
- 2. The land shall be used for the purpose stated in the Wildlife Clearance order. Any diversion of land to any other purpose except the stated purpose shall not be admissible without fresh approval from the Standing Committee of NBWL.

- 3. The User Agency shall pay Net Present Value (NPV) and other monies in accordance with the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the MoEF&CC guidelines.
- 4. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue, including Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 if applicable before the initiation of work.
- 5. No damage to any wildlife including habitat shall be done in the neighbouring area.
- 6. User agency will report all accidents of any wild animals and deposit the carcases to the office of concerned wildlife warden to be dealt according to the prevailing laws.
- 7. User Agency shall abide by all the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, directions of the Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, conditions imposed in the Wildlife Clearance sanction and orders of the UT Administration in force and as may be issued from time to time.
- 8. The activities shall be liable to periodic check by the officers of the Wild Life Protection Department. The officer(s) may order stoppage of work if it is found that any provisions of preceding clause have not been complied with.
- 9. Dumping of solid and liquid waste shall be scientifically dealt with by the User Agency to ensure that there is no damage to wildlife and their habitat.
- 10. Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the projects, if required, would be approved separately, without any reference to Phase 1 of the project.
- 11. Detailed muck disposal plan shall be prepared by the User Agency and approved by the Chief Wild Life Warden/Wildlife Warden before commencement of work on ground. If any deviation from the approved disposal plan is noticed, the permission granted for construction of road is liable to be revoked.
- 12. The User Agency shall not restrict movement of Wildlife/Forest officials including the persons authorized in discharging official duties, including survey and census.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.23** Proposal for use of 30.1 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11 KV transmission line from SumdhoTrToThukjayGompa, UT of Ladakh.

## FP/LA/VELEC/5877/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 30.1 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11 KV transmission line from Sumdho Tr to Thukjay Gompa, UT of Ladakh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The user agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9, 17A,27,29,30,31,32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 2. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the sanctuary.
- 3. The user agency shall ensure that they will not create any dumping site within the Protected Area.
- 4. The user agency shall not use the area for any other work other than the work permitted.
- 5. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Protected Area.
- 6. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Protected Area.
- 7. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time.
- 8. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 9. The user agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land in the Protected Area as per existing rates before initiating any work on the land.
- 10. The user agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 11. The user agency shall implement the mitigation plan submitted along the proposal in toto.
- 12. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.24** Proposal for use of 30.1 ha land from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11kV transmission line from Rebel Sumdho to Korzok, UT of Ladakh.

## FP/LA/VELEC/5945/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 30.1 ha land from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11KV transmission line from Rebel Sumdhoto Korzok, UT of Ladakh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The line should be laid underground for the last 7 km approaching the Tsomoriri Lake.
- 2. The user agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9, 17A,27,29,30,31,32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 3. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the sanctuary.

- 4. The user agency shall ensure that they will not create any dumping site within the Protected Area.
- 5. The user agency shall not use the area for any other work other than the work permitted.
- 6. The user agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Protected Area.
- 7. The user agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Protected Area.
- 8. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time.
- 9. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 10. The user agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land in the Protected Area as per existing rates before initiating any work on the land.
- 11. The user agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 12. The transmission line would be laid underground in certain critical wildlife areas and with adequate safeguards as assessed by the Chief Wildlife Warden, Wildlife Protection Department, UT of Ladakh.
- 13. The user agency shall implement the mitigation plan submitted along the proposal in toto.
- 14. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.25** Proposal for use of 23.1 ha land from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11kv transmission line from Sumdho TR to Nyoma, UT of Ladakh.

## FP/LA/VELEC/115353/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 23.1 ha land from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11kv transmission line from Sumdho TR to Nyoma, UT of Ladakh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Transmission lines would be laid underground in certain critical wildlife areas and with adequate safeguards as assessed by the Wildlife Protection Department, UT of Ladakh.
- 2. The user agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9, 17A,27,29,30,31,32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 3. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the sanctuary.
- 4. The user agency shall ensure that they will not create any dumping site within the Protected Area.
- 5. The user agency shall not use the area for any other work other than the work permitted.

- 6. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Protected Area.
- 7. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Protected Area.
- 8. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time.
- 9. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 10. The user agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land in the Protected Area as per existing rates before initiating any work on the land.
- 11. The user agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 12. The User Agency shall implement the mitigation plan submitted along the proposal in toto.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.26** Proposal for use of 44.1 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11KV transmission line from Eirath to Kherapullu & Phobrang to Khastet, UT of Ladakh.

## FP/LA/VELEC/5875/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 44.1 ha from Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of 11KV transmission line from Eirath to Kherapullu & Phobrang to Khastet, UT of Ladakh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** The Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. Transmission lines would be laid underground in certain critical wildlife areas and with adequate safeguards as assessed by the Wildlife Protection Department, UT of Ladakh.
- 2. The user agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9, 17A,27,29,30,31,32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 3. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the sanctuary.
- 4. The user agency shall ensure that they will not create any dumping site within the Protected Area.
- 5. The user agency shall not use the area for any other work other than the work permitted.
- 6. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Protected Area.
- 7. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Protected Area.
- 8. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time.

- 9. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 10. The user agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land in the Protected Area as per existing rates before initiating any work on the land.
- 11. The user agency shall resolve the land in its original form after completion of the work.
- 12. The User Agency shall implement the mitigation plan submitted along the proposal in toto.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.27** Proposal for use of 55.68 ha of from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Saser la-Saser Brangsa road, UT of Ladakh.

#### FP/LA/DEF/5567/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 55.68 ha of from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Saser la-SaserBrangsa road, UT of Ladakh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** The Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged. The User Agency will have right only for construction, maintenance and use of the road.
- 2. The land shall be used for the purpose stated in the Wildlife Clearance order. Any diversion of land to any other purpose except the stated purpose shall not be admissible without fresh approval from the Standing Committee of NBWL.
- 3. The User Agency shall pay Net Present Value (NPV) and other monies in accordance with the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the MoEF&CC guidelines.
- 4. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue, including Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 if applicable before the initiation of work.
- 5. No damage to any wildlife including habitat shall be done in the neighbouring area.
- 6. The user agency will report all road kills or accident of any wild animals and deposit the carcases to the office of concerned wildlife warden to be dealt according to the prevailing laws.
- 7. The user agency shall abide by all the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, directions of the Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, conditions imposed in the Wildlife Clearance sanction and orders of the UT Administration in force and as may be issued from time to time.

- 8. The activities shall be liable to periodic check by the officers of the Wild Life Protection Department. The officer(s) may order stoppage of work if it is found that any provisions of preceding clause have not been complied with.
- 9. Dumping of solid and liquid waste shall be scientifically dealt with by the User Agency to ensure that there is no damage to wildlife and their habitat.
- 10. Detailed muck disposal plan shall be prepared by the User Agency and approved by the Chief Wild Life Warden/Wildlife Warden before commencement of work on ground. If any deviation from the approved disposal plan is noticed, the permission granted for construction of road is liable to be revoked.
- 11. Check posts shall be established before the completion of construction of road at the relevant point (entry/exit point) of the road proposals having a total length of more than 5 km after obtaining approval from the Chief Wild life warden for location and design. The staff of the Wildlife Department shall manage such established check post. The cost of construction and maintenance including man-power of Wildlife Department shall be borne by the user agency throughout the life of the road, for which the user Agency shall make payment in advance to the satisfaction of Chief Wildlife Warden prior to commencing the work on ground. The user agency shall construct one patrolling camp for each road having a total length of up to 5 km and one patrolling camp at every 10 km along road length for each road having a total length of more than 10 km after obtaining approval of the Chief Wild Life Warden for location and design of construction of the road. These works shall be completed within two years of commencing of the project. The User Agency shall provide underpass every 15 km after seeking the approval of Chief Wild Life for location and design.
- 12. The User Agency shall not restrict movement of Wildlife/Forest officials including the persons authorised in discharging official duties, including survey and census.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.28** Proposal for use of 1.63 ha land from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of BOP in UT of Ladakh.

## FP/LA/DEF/6058/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 1.63 ha land from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of BOP in UT of Ladakh. The proposal has been submitted by the Indo-Tibetan Border Police.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** The Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

1. The user agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section-9,17A, 27,29,30,31,32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

- 2. The user agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the sanctuary.
- 3. The user agency shall ensure that they will not create any dumping site within the Protected Area.
- 4. The user agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the protected area.
- 5. The user agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Protected Area.
- 6. Approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
- 7. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected area as per the existing rates.
- 8. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.29** De-notification of 348.12 sq.km Revenue land of Sardarpur Kharmor Sanctuary and notification of 16.82 sq.km forestland as sanctuary in Dhar, Madhya Pradesh

## **FP/MP/Others/5589/2021**

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for de-notification of 348.12 sq. km.of Sardarpur Kharmor Sanctuary and notification of 16.82 sq.km of forest area in lieu of the proposed denotification.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Madhya Pradesh informed that the entire area of the sanctuary is a revenue area. He said that the State Government has proposed denotification of the entire area of the sanctuary and notification of adjoining forest areas which are grasslands managed by Forest Department where Lesser Floricans are found.

Dr. Sukumar suggested that the proposal may be examined by conducting a field visit in order to ascertain the nature of the land and suggest measures to strengthen conservation at the landscape level.

Dr. H. S. Singh said that rationalisation/denotification of a sanctuary is a serious issue and should be examined by a Committee. He suggested that a committee should thoroughly examine the proposal and propose areas for denotification and fresh notification.

The Chief Wild Life Warden informed that the area proposed for denotification is not being visited by the Lesser Florican for the last 5-6 years. He said that these birds visit adjoining forest areas in Dhar district which are grasslands.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that a committee comprising of Dr. H. S. Singh and Member Secretary, National Tiger

Conservation Authority shall examine the proposal and submit report to the Ministry for placing before the Standing Committee in the next meeting.

**67.5.30** Partial de-notification of 292.39 ha of revenue land of the National Chambal Wildlife Sanctuary, Morena, Madhya Pradesh.

### FP/MP/Others/6129/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for alteration of boundaries of National Chambal Sanctuary by partial de-notification of 292.39 ha from the Sanctuary.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that a committee comprising of Dr. H. S. Singh and Member Secretary, National Tiger Conservation Authority shall examine the proposal and submit report to the Ministry for placing before the Standing Committee in the next meeting.

**67.5.31** De-notification of 445.441 ha revenue land and Re-notification of 580.11 ha forestl and of Sailana Wildlife Sanctuary, Ratlam.

#### FP/MP/Others/5844/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for denotification of 445.441 ha of revenue land in Sailana Wildlife Sanctuary and notification of forest area of 580.11 ha as Sanctuary.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that a committee comprising of Dr. H. S. Singh and Member Secretary, National Tiger Conservation Authority shall examine the proposal and submit report to the Ministry for placing before the Standing Committee in the next meeting.

**67.5.32** Diversion of 1.124 ha land from Son Ghariyal Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of High Level Bridge and approach Road on Son River in Khadbada-Kubri Road via Amarpur.

#### FP/MP/ROAD/5551/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 1.124 ha land from Son Ghariyal Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of High Level Bridge on Son river and approach Road.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. During the construction of the bridge, the agency shall not be allowed to use noisy machinery which may disturb aquatic fauna of Son Ghariyal.
- 2. Storage of construction material will not be allowed within periphery of 100 mtr from boundary of sanctuary.
- 3. 5% of the project cost corresponding to the area falling in the protected area would be paid by the user agency for the development of wildlife habitat and management.
- 4. The user agency will ensure the vehicular movement and the speed limit of vehicles should not exceed 20 km per hour in the sanctuary area.
- 5. Minimum movement of the staff of the user agency is to be allowed in sanctuary area
- 6. No damage should be caused to flora and fauna of the said area by user agency and its establishment.
- 7. The agency and/or contractor will not use the area of the sanctuary which is not included in this project for the movement, transportation and any other purpose of the construction and maintenance of project.
- 8. The agency of contractor will strictly adhere to the provisions of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and Forest Conservation Act, 1980.
- 9. No realignment shall be permissible.
- 10. Construction material shall be brought from outside of sanctuary area/Ecosensitive zone of the sanctuary.
- 11. Vehicular movement inside sanctuary shall be allowed from sunrise to sunset.
- 12. The user agency is to submit name, designation, contact details of all the persons responsible for implementation of project so that they may be held responsible in the case of any violation.
- 13. The user agency shall provide fund for construction of a barrier building with accessories and annual to pay wages to labours kept for security for five years.(a) 10 lakh for building (b) 5 lakh for its maintenance for 5 years (c) 20 lakh for wages of 3 labours for a period of 5 years. Total Rs.35 lakh to be given to Sanjay Tiger Reserve.
- 14. The user agency shall submit a copy of the Environmental/Biodiversity impact assessment report for the project, before starting of construction work.
- 15. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.33** Proposal for use of 0.85 ha (0.10 ha forest land and 0.70 Revenue land) of Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of OFC cable in ROW of Gandhisagar Hydel Border (Ratangarh) road by Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd., Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

## FP/MP/OFC/4817/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.85 ha of land from Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary for underground laying of optical fibre cable. The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government. **Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. The User Agency should ensure that there is no damage to the forest, wildlife and its habitat and no work will be done at night.
- 2. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.34** Proposal for construction of 220 KV DC Karad-Koyana (KDPH) transmission line in same right of way of existing 220 KV LILO on 220 KV Karad-Pophali DC transmission line KDPH, A/P-Hambarali & Koynanagar, Gokul, Tal.Patan, Dist. Satara.

## FP/MH/TRANS/4512/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 4.6 ha from Shahyadri Tiger Reserve for construction of 220 KV DC Karad-Koyana (KDPH) transmission line in same right of way.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Maharashtra informed that the proposal is for replacement of old towers and laying of multiple conductors from the existing two for ensuring proper electricity supply. The area falls in buffer zone of Shahyadri Tiger Reserve and is non-forest area.

The Director General of Forests and Special Secretary mentioned that the area below the transmission lines should be planted with species beneficial to wild animals.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. Necessary mitigation measures for avoiding bird as well as bat hits would be put in place.
- 2. Old transmission towers should be removed after work completion in the present proposal.
- 3. The Chief Wild Life Warden has recommended the proposal with the condition that the project proponent shall deposit 2% of the cost of proposed project (41.94 Lakhs) with the Conservator of Forest & Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur for the habitat improvement of the Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur and adjoining forests.
- 4. Insulated cables, if possible, should be used along the entire stretch of the proposed transmission line so as to avoid electrocution to avifauna and other arboreal species as well as to avoid poaching using electricity.
- 5. The entire length of the proposed power-line should be marked with appropriate bird diverters spaced at 10m intervals. The bird diverters shall be regularly checked and maintained by the power company.

- 6. The alignment of the power-line should be made such that minimum numbers of trees are felled. Any felling/pollarding/pruning of trees for allowing electrical clearance/maintenance will be done with the permission of the local DFO, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve. Only those trees that are of sufficient height to compromise the requirements of minimal vertical and horizontal clearance from the conductor wires at maximum sag point should be lopped.
- 7. Periodic clearing of vegetation along the power-line may bring up invasive species. The plantation of native, palatable species should be carried out by the user agency in collaboration with Maharashtra Forest Department below the power-line.
- 8. No construction / maintenance work shall be permitted within forest and wildlife areas in between 6 PM to 7 AM. Labor camps should be at least 1 km away from the boundaries of the Tiger Reserve.
- 9. No construction material (including soil, stones etc.) should be collected from the forest.
- 10. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.35** Diversion of 82.54 ha of land [i.e. for construction of Golf Course (42.14 ha) and Resort (40.40 ha)] falling within the Eco-Sensitive Zone of Keibul Lamjao National Park and Khongjaingamba Ching Sanctuary for the proposed Loktak Lake Eco-Tourism Project of Tourism Department, Manipur.

## FP/MN/Others/5539/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 82.54 ha of land for construction of Golf Course and Resort falling within the Eco-Sensitive Zone of KeibulLamjao National Park and Khongjaingamba Ching Sanctuary for the proposed Loktak Lake Eco-Tourism Project of Tourism Department, Manipur.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

Dr. Sukumar said that the proposal may be examined by Wildlife Institute of India. He pointed out that the golf course would require a lot of water for its maintenance and the likely impact of the proposed project on the Keibul Lamjao National Park needs to be assessed in orderto ensure that the hydrology of the area is not disturbed. The Chairman observed that the proposal may be examined with respect to Loktak Conservation Plan developed by Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that the proposal shall be examined by a committee comprising of representatives of Wildlife Institute of India and Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee with respect to the impact of the project on the hydrology of area and Loktak Conservation Plan.

67.5.36 Proposed Residential Scheme No.13 by Urban Improvement Trust-Bharatpur, District, Bharatpur, Rajasthan.

## FP/RJ/Others/5273/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 13.40 ha for proposed Residential Scheme No.13 by Urban Improvement Trust-Bharatpur, District, Bharatpur, Rajasthan in the ESZ of Keoladeo National Park.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal for further examination.

**67.5.37** Existing Marble mines (ML No. 258/89) of M/s Om Shubham Housing & Construction (P) Ltd. situated at village-Kalsi Kala, Thana Gazi, Alwar, for an area of 10.1857 ha.

## FP/RJ/MIN/838/2016

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 10.1857 ha of land from default ESZ of Sariska Tiger Reserve at a distance of 3.5 km.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chief Wild Life Warden, Rajasthan informed that the proposed project is located at a distance of 3.5 km from Critical Tiger Habitat of Sariska Tiger Reserve, about 10 km from Sariska Wildlife Sanctuary and 8.8 km from Jamua Ramgarh Sanctuary. The project is more than 1 km from the boundary of the Sanctuary.

Dr. H. S. Singh suggested that the project may be recommended as the mine is located about 3.5 km from the boundary of the Critical Tiger Habitat.

Dr. Sukumar said that since the area already has an existing marble mine, the project may be recommended.

The Chairman observed that the Chief Wild Life Warden, Rajasthan should take steps for final notification of ESZ around Sariska Tiger Reserve.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. Two percent of the proportional project cost falling within the ESZ of Protected Area should be deposited in RPACS by the user agency for management and protection of wildlife in the state as a corpus.
- 2. No work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area.
- 3. No material of any kind should be extracted from the Protected Area and Eco-Sensitive Zone except the project area.
- 4. There will be no felling of trees and burning of fuel wood inside the Protected Area and Eco-Sensitive Zone.
- 5. The waste material generated should be disposed outside the Protected Area and Eco-Sensitive Zone or within the project area.

- 6. There will be no labor camp within 1 km from the boundary of Protected Area.
- 7. No blasting will be carried out within 1 km from the boundary of Protected Area during the work.
- 8. Green belt should be created by the User Agency on the periphery of the project area.
- 9. Water harvesting structure for recharging of water should be mandatory in the project area.
- 10. There shall be no high mast/ beam/search Lights & high sounds within 1 km from the Protected Area boundary.
- 11. Signage's regarding information about the wild animals in the area, control of the traffic volumes, speed etc should be erected in the project area.
- 12. The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 13. Maintenance activity of any nature should be carried out only after seeking formal approval from competent authority of tiger reserve/PA.
- 14. Six feet high wall is to be constructed on the periphery of applied project area.
- 15. Any permission/clearance required under FCA-1980 or other acts may be taken as per rules.
- 16. The user agency will deposit fund in RPACS for construction of 6 feet high protection wall in protected areas. Length of this wall will be calculated at the rate of 250 m for each ha of project area.
- 17. The project proponent should ensure that no natural watercourse is affected at any stage of the mining lease.
- 18. No long term dumping may be permitted. Wherever required for short term, it may be done in a way that it creates least disturbance to the movement of wild animals.
- 19. Topsoil should be stacked with proper slope at earmarked site(s) only with adequate measures and should be used for reclamation of the mined out areas.
- 20. No night time mining shall be allowed.
- 21. Labor camps and other project paraphernalia shall operate only within the boundaries of the lease area.
- 22. Regular water sprinkling should be carried out in critical areas prone to air pollution.
- 23. Waste water from mine should be properly collected and treated before release so as to conform to the standards prescribed under Environment (Protection) Second Amendment Rules, 1993 or as amended from time to time.
- 24. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.38** Proposal for use of 1.688875 ha of forest land from Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary for improvement/widening of road from Jatanbari to Mandirghat via Tirthamukh, Tripura.

## FP/TR/ROAD/140077/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 1.688875 ha of forest land from Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary for improvement/widening of road from Jatanbari to Mandirghat via Tirthamukh, Tripura.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. Construction of check dam and salt licks for wild animals needs to be taken up for development of wildlife habitat at the cost of user agency.
- 2. Maintenance of 2 (two) nos. housing infrastructure of Patrolling staff at the cost of user agency.
- 3. Grazing spaces for wild animals' i.e. plantation of Napier grass & fruit bearing species over 100 ha needs to be created from the funds provided by the user agency for development of wildlife habitat.
- 4. Fund for procurement of one patrolling vehicle (Bolero Pickup) for protection of forest & wildlife at the cost of user agency.
- 5. Detailed and appropriate wildlife mitigation measures to be taken by the user agency.
- 6. The impact of the project on wildlife could be compensated by protection of wildlife and take mitigation measures.
- 7. No damage to animals & birds should be done by the contractor, labour or PWD staff during the improvement/widening of road & thereafter. For this purpose, noise levels should be kept low and labour should stay and cook outside the sanctuary/Forest area. Generators etc. should be placed and noise proof enclosures, no natural flow of water in the sanctuary should be stopped or diverted or enhanced.
- 8. All relevant rules of regulations should also be followed wherever applicable.
- 9. The animal passage plan submitted along with the project proposal shall be implemented in toto.
- 10. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.39** Proposal for use of 3.0968 ha of forest land from Govind Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Naitwar to Halwari motor road under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.

## FP/UK/ROAD/123853/2021

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 3.0968 ha of forest land from Govind Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of Naitwar to Halwari motor road under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

The Chairman mentioned that roads under the Pradhan Mantri Gram SadakYojana shall provide connectivity to remote villages. Such proposals should be recommended.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

- 1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. Minimum tree felling in the area shall be resorted to. The felling shall be done under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department.
- 3. No damage to the flora and fauna of the surrounding area shall be caused.
- 4. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than the specified in the proposal.
- 5. The concerned territorial Divisional Forest Officer/Director shall monitor the implementation of the project regularly and report for the violations, if any.
- 6. It shall be ensured that no labourer camp will be set up inside the forest area.
- 7. The user agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.
- 8. The user agency shall comply with the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and all other Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and Hon'ble NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the projects.
- 9. The animal passage plan submitted by the User Agency along with the proposal shall be implemented in toto.
- 10. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.40** Proposal for lease renewal of Swami Shukdevanand Trust- Parmarth Ganga Ghat, Tehsil Yamkeshwar, District PauriGarhwal, Uttarakhand.

## FP/UK/Others/42571/2019

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for renewal of lease over 0.97 ha land for Swami Shukdevanand Trust- Parmarth Ganga Ghat, Tehsil Yamkeshwar, District PauriGarhwal, Uttarakhand.

The proposal has not been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden. However, the State Board for Wild Life and the State Government have recommended the proposal.

The Member Secretary, NTCA mentioned that the proposal has been recommended by the NTCA with conditions such as installation of fence along their boundary with Rajaji Tiger Reserve.

**Decision Taken:** The Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

1. The trust should ensure that no waste is disposed inside Rajaji Tiger Reserve or into the River Ganga.

- 2. The level of noise pollution inside the Ashram premises should be kept minimal in between 8 PM to 6 AM.
- 3. The trust should at its own expense install wild animal proof fence on its boundary towards Rajaji Tiger Reserve.
- 4. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.
- **67.5.41** Proposal for extraction of RBM over an area of 9.878 ha by Windlass RBM Mining Project.

## FP/UK/MIN/5059/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of an area of 9.878 ha by Windlass RBM Mining Project in ESZ of Rajaji Tiger Reserve.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

In similar proposals, the Ministry has requested assessment by the NMCG which is awaited.

Dr. Sukumar mentioned that several proposals of sand and boulder mining have been received from Uttarakhand. They are received in piecemeal manner. It is not clear how these affect the overall connectivity of Rajaji Tiger Reserve and Corbett Tiger Reserve. Therefore, it is important to take an overall view of the landscape. Certain critical zones should be identified where sand and boulder mining should not be allowed. It is important to have holistic plan in order to protect tiger and elephant movement corridors from west to east between Rajaji Tiger Reserve and Corbett Tiger Reserve.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that the Wildlife Institute of India shall be requested to prepare a holistic plan for critical passage of wild animal for the landscape around 10 km from the Rajaji Tiger Reserve to identify zones for sand and boulder mining within two months. It was therefore decided to defer the proposal. After receipt of the report from Wildlife Institute of India, the proposal shall be placed for consideration of the Standing Committee.

**67.5.42** Proposal for extraction of RBM over an area of 13.161 ha by Windlass RBM Mining Project.

#### FP/UK/MIN/5052/2020

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of an area of 13.161 ha by Windlass RBM Mining Project in ESZ of Rajaji Tiger Reserve.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

In similar proposals, the Ministry has requested assessment by the NMCG which is awaited.

Dr. Sukumar said that it is important to take an overall view of the landscape and identify certain critical zones where sand and boulder mining should not be allowed. He suggested that a holistic plan should be put in place in order to protect tiger and elephant movement corridors from west to east between Rajaji Tiger Reserve and Corbett Tiger Reserve.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that the Wildlife Institute of India will be requested to prepare a holistic plan for the landscape around 10 km from the Rajaji Tiger Reserve to identify zones for sand and boulder mining within two months. It was therefore decided to defer the proposal. The proposal will be placed for consideration of the Standing Committee after receipt of the report from Wildlife Institute of India.

**67.5.43** Proposal for use of 0.1887 ha from Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary (0.0591 ha PWD land and 0.1296 ha private land) for construction of Retail Outlet M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. Moradabad site situated at Village MukkarPur Gujjar Khasra No.459 along Chhachhari more to Jaleelpur Road km.1 Chainage 0.250 (left Shoulder) Tehsil and District Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh.

#### **FP/UP/Others/3680/2018**

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal is for use of 0.1887 ha land from Hastinapur Sanctuary for construction of Retail Outlet of M/S Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. Moradabad at Village MukkarPur Gujjar, District Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh.

The proposal has been recommended by the Chief Wild Life Warden, State Board for Wild Life and the State Government.

**Decision Taken:** After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to following conditions:

Protection & Mitigation measures for wild life should be ensured as per guidelines of Government of India (MoEFCC).

- 1. Land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- 2. Rules and regulation of the concerned departments for establishing the project shall be complied with.
- 3. The instructions/orders passed by the State Govt/Central Govt. and the directions passed by Hon'ble High Court/Hon'ble Supreme Court/ National Green Tribunal from time to time regarding such project shall be complied with.
- 4. User agency will ensure that the project personnel engaged in the project shall observe the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 & Rules made there under.
- 5. Construction/waste materials shall not be thrown inside the sanctuary area or movement corridor of the wildlife.

- 6. User agency will take all precautions including technical measures to contain the noise and air pollutions and protection from fire due to construction activities and thereafter.
- 7. The project proponent shall obtain consent to establish and to operate from U.P. Pollution Control Board and effectively implement all the conditions stipulated therein.
- 8. The project proponent shall undertake plantation work by planting the native species in the area adjacent to project area/sanctuary for which necessary finance will be provided by the user agency as per suggestion/direction of DFO concern.
- 9. Amount of Net Present Value (N.P.V.) shall be paid by the User Agency as per directions contended in G.O. No writ 526/14-2-2008 dated- 22-8-2008.
- 10. No labour camp shall be established within the sanctuary/forest area or other sensitive areas.
- 11. No Construction work will be allowed after sunset and before sunrise within Sanctuary area.
- 12. In place of 11 trees required to be removed, 22 trees to be planted at appropriate site by the DFO. The cost of plantation and maintenance of 22 trees will be deposited by the user agency with DFO concern as per estimates/demand raised by the DFO.
- 13. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the project proponent to the Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.

The Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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## ANNEXURE-I

#### LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

	Shri Bhupender Yadav	
1	Hon'ble Minister for EF&CC	Chairman
2	Ms. Leena Nandan, Secretary, MoEF&CC	Member
3	Shri Chandra Prakash Goyal, DGF&SS, MoEF&CC	Member
4	Shri Bivash Ranjan, ADGF(WL), MoEF&CC	Member Secretary
5	Prof. R. Sukumar, Member, NBWL	Member
6	Dr. H. S. Singh, Member, NBWL	Member
7	Director, GEER Foundation - Member, NBWL	Member
8	Dr. Dhananjai Mohan, Director, WII - Member, NBWL	Member
9	Shri S.P. Yadav, ADGF (PT) and M.S. NTCA	Invitee
10	Shri Rohit Tiwari, IGF(WL)	Invitee
11	Shri R. K. Singh, Chief Wild Life Warden, Arunachal Pradesh	Invitee
12	Shri Prashant Rajgopal, Chief Wildlife Warden, Dadar, Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu	Invitee
13	Shri Shyamal Tikedar, Chief Wild Life Warden, Gujarat	Invitee
14	Shri Pankaj Goel, Chief Wild Life Warden, Haryana	Invitee
15	Shri Rajiv Kumar, Chief Wild Life Warden, Himachal Pradesh	Invitee
16	Shri Suresh Kumar Gupta, Chief Wild Life Warden, Jammu & Kashmir	Invitee
17	Shri Rajiv Ranjan Chief Wild Life Warden, Jharkhand	Invitee
18	Shri Vijay Kumar Gogi, Chief Wild Life Warden, Karnataka	Invitee
19	Shri Bennichan Thomas, Chief Wild Life Warden, Kerala	Invitee
20	Shri Sajjad Hussain Mufti, Chief Wild Life Warden, Ladakh	Invitee
21	Shri Sunil Limaye, Chief Wild Life Warden, Maharashtra	Invitee
22	Shri Jasbir Singh Chauhan, Chief Wild Life Warden, Madhya Pradesh	Invitee
23	Shri Aditya Joshi, Chief Wild Life Warden, Manipur	Invitee
24	Shri Arindam Tomar, Chief Wild Life Warden, Rajasthan	Invitee
25	Shri Shashi Paul, Chief Wild Life Warden, Odisha	Invitee
26	Shri Rameshwar Das, Chief Wild Life Warden, Tripura	Invitee
27	Dr. Parag Madhukar Dhakate, Chief Wild Life Warden, Uttarakhand	Invitee
28	Shri Sanjaya Singh, Chief Wild Life Warden, Uttar Pradesh	Invitee
29	Shri Rakesh Kumar Jagenia, DIG(WL), MoEF&CC	Invitee
30	Dr. Sunil Sharma, AIG (WL), MoEF&CC	Invitee
31	Dr. Rajendra Kumar, Scientist 'C', WL-Division, MoEF&CC	Invitee