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## सेवा में,

सचिव/Secretary,

त्रिपुरा सरकार/ Government of Tripura

पर्यावरण और वन विभाग /Department of Environment & Forests,

कुंजावन, अगरतला/ Kunjaban, Agartala.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 10.05 Ha of forest land for resettlement of Bru-Migrant at Mouja-Kulai RF Extension in favour of SDM, Ambassa, Govt of Tripura under Dhalai District.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government of Tripura letter No.F.6-1289/FC/For-21/707-13 dated 07.08.2021, even no. 683-84 dated 18.09.2021 and No.F.6-1317/FC/For-21/902-909 dated 30.10.2021 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government of Tripura by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its 45<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 15.11.2021 at Agartala, the REC recommended the proposal as a very special case. Further, as per the direction of Ministry vide letter No.FC-11/204/2020-FC dated 21.12.2020, wherein Ministry in its meeting decided that the diversion of forest land for resettlement /rehabilitation of the Bru (Reang) migrants must be processed by MoEF&CC, GoI (as a special case in relaxation of the existing guidelines, if required) urgently as the agreement has to be implemented in a time bound manner.

3. On the recommendation of MoEF&CC, GoI New Delhi for IRO, Shillong to process the proposal (s) as per FC Rules, the **In-principle approval (IPA)** was granted vide this office letter of even number dated 30.11.2021 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. In this connection and on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. F.6-1310/ FC/For-2021/1236-240 dated 31.12.2021 and online payment by user agency under CAMPA and submission of compensatory levies by e-challan dated 07.12.2021, Final Approval of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of diversion of **10.05 Ha** of forest land for resettlement of Bru-Migrant at Mouja-Kulai RF Extension in favour of SDM, Ambassa, Govt of Tripura under Dhalai District, Tripura subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- 2. Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained over equivalent non-forest land diverted i.e.10.05 ha identified at 4 locations i.e. (i)1.74 in Plot No.249/P, Khatian No. 1/28 of Mouja –Raipasa, Ambassa Range in Ambassa Forest Division (ii) 4.0 ha in Plot No.1523/P, Khatian No. 1/3 of Mouja –Ultacherra, Gandacherra Range in Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary, (iii) 2.32 ha in Plot No.53/P, Khatian No. 1/6 of Mouja –Chitrajari, Gandacherra Range in Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary and (iv) 2.0 ha in Plot No.583/P, Khatian No. 1/3 of

Mouja -Laxmipur, Gandacherra Range in Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary, as per the funds deposited by the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided;

- 3. The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from the pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates;
- 4. Rs.40.00 lakhs provided by the User Agency for purchasing animal rescue van, and Rs. 25.0 lakhs for Ex-situ conservation of Orchid, fern species and ex-situ/in-situ conservation of butterfly should be utilized as per the funds deposited.
- 5. The State Forest Department shall construct chain link fencing of the proposed land to be diverted for protection as per the fund deposited by the user agency.
- 6. The user agency will provide Gas-Chulas & Cylinders to each household in order to reduce dependency on forest for fuelwood;
- 7. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the District Collector;
- 8. The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal before issue of final approval by the State Government;
- 9. The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
- 10. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- 11. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;
- 12. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- 13. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area;
- 14. The user agency shall explore the possibility of successful translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum numbers which shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;
- 15. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest( Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-Fc dated 28.03.2019;
- 16. The User Agency shall submit the annual self -compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year;
- 17. The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
- 18. The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.

 All other clearance/NOCs under different applicable rules/regulations /local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights)Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF, New Delhi guideline No.11-9/1998-FC(pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with.

This is issued with the approval of Deputy Director General of Forests (C).

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Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C)

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