

Government of Manipur  
Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Climate Change & FCA)  
Sanjenthong, Imphal

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Imphal, the 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

To

✓ The General Manager (P)  
NHIDCL, PMU- Noney

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 87.070 ha of Forest Land for Widening and Improvement of Package- IV of Imphal-Jiribam Road Section of NH-37 into two laning of existing of 67.496 km from Kumji village to 103.557 km near Sangrung (Khongsang) Village in the State of Manipur by NHIDCL.

Ref: No.3-MN C 016/2022-SHI/3126-27 dated 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.

Sir,

I am to say that the Central Government vide letter No.3-MN C 016/2022-SHI/3126-27 dated 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 (copy enclosed) accorded **"In- Principle/Stage-I Approval"** for diversion of 87.070 ha of Forest Land for Widening and Improvement of Package- IV of Imphal-Jiribam Road Section of NH-37 into two laning of existing of 67.496 km from Kumji village to 103.557 km near Sangrung (Khongsang) Village in the State of Manipur by NHIDCL subject to the fulfilment of the stipulated conditions. Mode of compliances for these conditions will be as under:

**A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.**

Para No	Stipulated Conditions	Mode of compliance
1	The User Agency shall transfer, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the Ministry's Guideline No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol.I) dated 06.01.2022 and even No. dated 19.01.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State concerned;	The User Agency to transfer ₹ 9,72,48,500/- (Rupees Nine Crore Seventy Two Lakh Forty Eight Thousand Five Hundred) only as cost of Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land diverted under this proposal into CAMPA account of the State concerned through e-portal ( <a href="http://parivesh.nic.in">http://parivesh.nic.in</a> ).
2	The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;	The User Agency to transfer ₹ 3,99,90,100/- (Rupees Three Crore Ninety Nine Lakh Ninety Thousand One Hundred) only as cost of raising and maintaining the Compensatory Afforestation into CAMPA account of the State concerned through e-portal ( <a href="http://parivesh.nic.in">http://parivesh.nic.in</a> ).
3	The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising Avenue plantation on the road side in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State only through e-portal;	The User Agency to transfer the cost of raising Avenue plantation on the road side into CAMPA account of the State concerned through e-portal ( <a href="http://parivesh.nic.in">http://parivesh.nic.in</a> ).



4	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA account only through e-portal( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in">https://parivesh.nic.in</a> ). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance;	The User Agency to transfer the above funds to CAMPA account only through e-portal ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in">https://parivesh.nic.in</a> ). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance;
5	The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	The User Agency to deposit the cost of felling of trees to DFO/ Noney Forest Division.  DFO/Noney Forest Division to submit detailed estimate for cost of felling of trees.
6	The cost for boundary demarcation of the diversion forest land shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	The User Agency to deposit the cost of boundary demarcation for the proposed diversion of forest land to DFO/ Noney Forest Division. The Divisional Forest Officer/ Noney to submit detailed estimate for cost of boundary demarcation for the proposed diversion of forest land.
7	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the District Collector;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking for complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 by way of prescribed certificate from the District Collector.
8	Undertaking from the User Agency to undertake special measures for prevention of landslide / erosion by biological or mechanical measures and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides as per requirement and proposed in the Much Dumping Plan.	The User Agency to submit Undertaking to undertake special measures for prevention of landslide / erosion by biological or mechanical measures and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides as per requirement and proposed in the Much Dumping Plan.
9	Road side amenities such as marketing shed, bus shed, toilet etc., shall be provided.	The User Agency shall provide Road side amenities such as marketing shed, bus shed, toilet etc.
10	Road side plantation of indigenous species with economic & ecological importance in consultation with the communities / JFMC may be undertaken with special attention by the User Agency.	Road side plantation of indigenous species with economic & ecological importance in consultation with the communities / JFMC may be undertaken with special attention by the User Agency.
11	Muck Dumping Plan to be made available to DFOs with instructions to ensure dumping only on dumping sites for each of the respective road widening/improvement and also contractors should be properly sensitized by the User Agency for proper muck dumping	The User Agency to provide Muck Dumping Plan to the concerned DFO with instructions to ensure dumping only on dumping sites for each of the respective road widening/improvement and also contractors should be properly sensitized by the User Agency for proper muck dumping.
12	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para I .21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that 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



	Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-re dated 28.03.2019.	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.
13	The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing work permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be;	The DFO/Noney Forest Division to upload the KML files of the area to be diverted and the CA areas on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing work permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be;
14	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a> );	The User Agency to upload the compliance report on e-portal ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a> ) after fulfilling the conditions stipulated in the In-Principle.

**B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:**

Para No	Stipulated Conditions	Mode of compliance
1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	The User Agency to submit undertaking that Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2	Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 174.14 ha i.e. (i) 40 ha in Compartment No. 80 in Ramgailong village, (2) 40 ha in Compartment No. 2, Nungnang 2 village, (3) 30 ha in Compartment No. 1, Tajei village, (4) 40 ha in Compartment No. 2 in Khongsang village and (5) 24.14 ha in Compartment No. I in Tamlok village all in Noney Forest Division;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 174.14 ha i.e. (i) 40 ha in Compartment No. 80 in Ramgailong village, (2) 40 ha in Compartment No. 2, Nungnang 2 village, (3) 30 ha in Compartment No. 1, Tajei village, (4) 40 ha in Compartment No. 2 in Khongsang village and (5) 24.14 ha in Compartment No. I in Tamlok village all in Noney Forest Division;
3	The overburden shall not be dumped outside the diverted land. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that overburden shall not be dumped outside the diverted land. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes;
4	The State Govt shall ensure that the User Agency provide proper drainage of retaining / breast wall in steep slopes and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides and provide for proper drains / cross drains. Physical barriers / structures to prevent muck from entering streams & rivers and other ecologically sensitive areas are to	The User Agency to submit Undertaking for providing proper drainage of retaining / breast wall in steep slopes and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides and provide for proper drains / cross drains. Physical barriers / structures to prevent muck from entering streams & rivers and other ecologically sensitive areas



	be constructed on the lower slope side, if required, before any construction work are started;	are to be constructed on the lower slope side, if required, before any construction work are started;
5	User Agency may raise strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms as per the fund deposited by the User Agency;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking for raising strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms as per the fund deposited by the User Agency;
6	Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking for erection of speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas;
7	The User Agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking to provide suitable under/over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable;
8	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;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking ensuring that 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.
9	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	The User Agency to submit undertaking stating that no damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
10	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;	The Divisional Forest Officer/Noney Forest Division to monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
11	The User Agency shall undertake re-grassing of the muck dumping area and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking to undertake re-grassing of the muck dumping area and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc.
12	The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;	The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;
13	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that the layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
14	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that no labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
15	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking stating that sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development



		Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
16	The boundary of the diversion forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the direction of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that the boundary of the diversion forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the direction of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;
17	Wherever possible and technically feasible, User Agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that wherever possible and technically feasible, User Agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval;
18	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of Construction materials for execution materials for execution of the project work;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that no additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of Construction materials for execution materials for execution of the project work;
19	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the User Agency or the project life, whichever is less;	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the User Agency or the project life, whichever is less;
20	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;
21	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that the forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;
22	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,	The User Agency shall submit undertaking ensuring the submission of 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,
23	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;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking to 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.
24	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;	The User Agency to submit Undertaking that 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.



25	As per Ministry's letter No 11-30/96-FC(Pt) dt 14.9.2001, if the compliance of stipulated conditions is awaited from the State Govt for more than 5(five) years, the In-Principle approval would be summarily be revoked considering that the User Agency is no longer interested in the project;	As per Ministry's letter No 11-30/96-FC(Pt) dt 14.9.2001, if the compliance of stipulated conditions is awaited from the State Govt for more than 5(five) years, the In-Principle approval would be summarily be revoked considering that the User Agency is no longer interested in the project;
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Prompt compliance to above mentioned conditions is requested so that further necessary action can be taken up.

Enclosed:

1. No.3-MN C 016/2022-SHI/3126-27 dated 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.
2. Compensatory Afforestation Scheme.
3. Calculation of NPV.

Yours faithfully,



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Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer/FCA  
Government of Manipur

Copy to:

1. The Chief Conservator of Forest, CAMPA, Government of Manipur.
2. The Conservator of Forest, Western Forest Circle, Government of Manipur.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer/Noney Forest Division, with a request to submit detailed estimate for (i) Cost of felling, logging and transportation of felled trees (ii) Cost of raising Avenue Plantation on road side (iii) detailed estimate for cost of survey and erection boundary pillars.