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19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

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अतिरिक्तप्रमुखसचिव / Addl. Chief Secretary,  
वन और पर्यावरण विभाग/Forest and Environment Department  
मणिपुर की सरकार / Government of Manipur,  
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Sub : Diversion of 179.46 ha of forest land for construction and up-gradation of existing Ukhrul – Tolloi – Tadubi section of NH- 102A (115 Km) in Ukhrul & Senapati District by NHIDCL.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government of Manipur letter No. 27/19/2017/For & Env't./ dated 06.01.2018, No. 7/186/2016/Forests dated 07.04.2018 and recommendation of NBWL letter F.No.6-111/2018 WL dated 27.09.2018 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and to say that the said proposal has been examined by the REC and the In-principle approval (IPA) was granted vide this office letter dated 29.08.2018 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

2. In this connection and on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. 7/186/2016/Forests/295 dated 13.12.2023 and payment of compensatory levies under CAMPA by user agency, the Central Government hereby agrees to accord **Stage-II/Final approval** under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **179.46 ha** of forest land for construction and up-gradation of existing Ukhrul – Tolloi – Tadubi section of NH- 102A (115 Km) in Ukhrul & Senapati District by NHIDCL, subject to the following:

**A. The following conditions recommended by the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife held on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 shall be complied:**

- 1) The status of the sanctuary shall remain unchanged.
- 2) The Compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over double the degraded forests i.e. **358.92 ha** (i) 80.00 ha in Compartment No. 32 & 79.18 ha in Compartment No. 30, Tolloi Block, Ukhrul Range, Eastern Forest Division, Ukhrul District, (ii) 99.87 ha in Compartment No. 32 & 33 in Liyai Block, Liyai Range and (iii) 99.87 ha in Compartment No. 26 in Tadubi Block, Karong Range of Senapati Forest Division, Senapati District, Manipur as per the funds deposited by the User Agency. As far as possible, mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- 3) The Wildlife Management Plan for the mitigation due to the adverse impact of the project, approved by NBWL at Rs. 204.02 lakhs shall be implemented as per the plan approved.
- 4) Avenue plantation preferably with local species along the national highway including the raising of nursery, creation of green belt between the national park and the highway and on the road medium shall be taken up at the cost be borne by the user agency in consultation with the DFO/Wildlife or DFO/Eastern Forest Division.
- 5) (a) The user agency shall bear the cost of logging and transportation of the felled trees as per estimate of DFO/Eastern Forest Division and DFO/Wildlife. Bare minimum of number of trees which are strictly essential, will be felled for the execution of the project under strict supervision of DFO/Eastern Forest Division and DFO/Wildlife;

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- (b) the felled trees shall be distributed to forest bonafide villagers of the proposed areas in consultation with DFO/Eastern Forest Division and DFO/Wildlife in the manner as provided u/s 29 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 6) All the non-timber forest produces (NTEPs) removed during execution of the project shall be made available to the local people for their bonafide uses on equitable basis.
  - 7) At least 6 (six) corridors for the movement of wildlife of minimum 6 m width are to be provided by the user agency. The corridors shall be well demarcated on the highway by the user agency with caution signages.
  - 8) The user agency shall not take any such activity which contravenes wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 or rules made therein.
  - 9) Speed breakers near corridors, turnings and blind turnings shall be provided at on the highway. Speed breakers or series of smaller speed breakers at a distance of every 2 (two) km in between particularly near corridors as per the specifications of WII, Dehradun.
  - 10) Caution sign boards warnings wildlife crossings shall be installed by the user agency at all necessary points along the highways in consultation with DFO/Wildlife.
  - 11) Since the terrain is hilly with loose soil texture, it is necessary to undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures to make slopes stable, check soil erosion and landslides: (b) the user agency shall make necessary provisions for construction of retaining walls, breast walls, Gabion structures, etc. at all necessary locations (both hills side and valley side) in consultation with CRRI (Central Road Research Institute) and the State Forest Department.
  - 12) The user agency shall also construct storm drains all along the proposed roads with culverts at appropriate locations at their cost. The user agency shall make necessary provisions in their project cost accordingly. They shall not take up such construction, which diverts, stops or enhances flow of water into or outside of the national park.
  - 13) Cost for demarcation of the diverted forestland and installation of boundary pillars shall be borne by the user agency.
  - 14) The user agency shall ensure that there is no damage to surrounding forests, environment, wildlife, natural resources like water bodies and other public properties.
  - 15) The user agency and the district administration will ensure that no resettlement takes place on forestland which would eventually results in encroachment.
  - 16) Heavy machines and explosives shall not be used except under avoidable circumstances and with the prior permissions on the DFO/Wildlife or DFO/Eastern Forest Division.
  - 17) The user agency shall supply fuel wood, preferably alternate fuel to the laborers working at the site to avoid damage/felling of the trees. No camp-fires or pitching of tents for construction staff or engineers shall be allowed.
  - 18) The muck/debris generated in the earth cutting shall be disposed off at the designated sites and in no case the muck/debris shall be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
  - 19) Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake strip plantation on both sides of the national highways.
  - 20) Prior to granting permission by the state government for starting the work of project a detailed mitigation plan/animal passage plan as recommended by the state CWLW shall be prepared, on the bases of WII guidelines named Eco-friendly Measures to Mitigate Impacts on Linear Infrastructures on Wildlife, by the project proponent in consultation with state CWLW and same shall be implemented at the project cost.

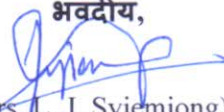
#### **C. General Conditions :**

- 1) The additional NPV, if any, shall be calculated as per the latest guidelines of MoEF & CC dated 06.01.2022.
- 2) The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal by the State Government, if any.



- 3) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- 4) The reclamation of quarry should be done under the supervision of the State Forest Department. The quarry shall be reclaimed and afforested completely before the project is closed.
- 5) The designing of the culverts/bridge, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
- 6) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- 7) The User Agency shall ensure that because of this project, no damage is caused to the wildlife available in the area.
- 8) The layout of the plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 9) 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.
- 10) The user agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Chief Wildlife Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State CWLW to Government of India, New Delhi and Regional Office by the end of March every year regularly.
- 11) The User Agency, if required, shall obtain the Environmental Clearance under Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006 issued under the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 12) Any other conditions that the Regional Office, Shillong may stipulate with the approval of competent authority in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forests & Wildlife.
- 13) The State Government, before issuing the final diversion order, shall ensure that the user agency has complied with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s), including compliance of Forest Rights Act, 2006, pertaining to this project, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- 14) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.

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

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