



File No: 9-JKB-053/2021-Jammu

Dated: 23/03/2022

To,

Commissioner Secretary,
Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment,
U.T. of Jammu & Kashmir,
Civil Secretariat
Jammu & Kashmir
(csforestjk@gmail.com)

Sub: **Diversion of 3.01 ha of forest land for Pakul DUL Hydro Electric Power Projects, District Kishtwar, U.T. of Jammu & Kashmir. (Online proposal no. FP/JK/Others/141018/2020)-reg.**

Ref: i) UT Admin of J&K online proposal received on dated 20.05.2021
ii) In-principle approval dated 05.01.2022
iii) Letter of Govt of J&K Forest, Ecology and Env. no FST-Prvs/3/2021-02 Dated 11.03.2022

Sir,

Please refer to the above cited subject and letters seeking prior approval of the Central government for the diversion of Forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Vide this office letter of even no dated **05.01.2022**, *in principle* approval was accorded. The compliance of stage-I was received vide letter no. **FST-Prvs/3/2021-02 dated 11.03.2022**.

2. After careful examination of the proposal of the UT Administration, approval is hereby conveyed for diversion of **3.01 ha** of forest land for the above mentioned project, subject to the following conditions;

- i. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;
- ii. Minimum number of trees/plants shall be felled and in any case not more than **166** trees only;
- iii. The UT Govt shall upload the KML files of the degraded forest area accepted for raising compensatory afforestation as well as the forest area proposed for diversion in the extant proposal in the E-Green watch portal;
- iv. The acquired muck dumping site should be prepared appropriately before start of dumping to prevent downhill slide of muck;
- v. The forest land will not be used for any other purpose than that mentioned in the proposal;
- vi. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department, or persons without approval of the Central Government;

- vii. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- viii. No damage will be done to the adjoining forest land;
- ix. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
- x. The user agency shall pay additional amount of NPV as and when increased by the order of Hon'ble supreme court;
- xi. The User Agency shall provide firewood preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;
- xii. Compensatory afforestation will be carried out over **6.00 ha** of land on Comp No. 2a/N, Village Kwar Tangi, Tehsil Nagseni, District Kishtwar as per proposed CA scheme, at a cost of **₹ 10,93,145/-** (Rupees ten lakh, ninety three thousand, one hundred and forty five) provided by the user agency.
- xiii. Compensatory afforestation will be done within one year from the date of issue of final approval over the extent of land as approved, out of the funds provided by the user agency;
- xiv. Site of the compensatory afforestation shall not be changed without prior approval of the competent authority;
- xv. The user agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the state government and to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry regularly;
- xvi. Any other condition that this Regional Office may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;
- xvii. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per MoEF&CC Guideline F. No. 11-42/2017-FC, dtd 29/01/2018.
- xviii. It will be the responsibility of the UT Administration/User Agency to obtain all other prior approvals/clearances under all other relevant Acts/Rules/ Court's rulings/instructions, etc. including environmental clearance, as applicable to this proposal;

3. The Ministry may revoke/suspend the clearance, if implementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory. The **UT Administration shall ensure fulfilment of these conditions through forest department.**

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
(Raja Ram Singh)
DIGF (Central)
Regional Officer
IRO, Jammu

Copy to: -

1. The ADGF (FC), Ministry of Environment, Forests, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh, Aliganj, New Delhi (adgfc-mef@nic.in).
2. The Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), U.T. of Jammu & Kashmir, Forest Complex, Sheikh Bagh, Near Lal Chowk, Srinagar, UT of Jammu Kashmir (pccfjkforest@gmail.com)
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), U.T. of Jammu & Kashmir, Forest Complex, Sheikh Bagh, Near Lal Chowk, Srinagar, UT of Jammu Kashmir (jkcampacell@gmail.com).
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5. The Divisional Forest Officer, Kishtwar Forest Division and District Kishtwar, UT of Jammu Kashmir.
6. Larsen & Turbo Limited Heavy Civil Infra IC, Chennai, Tamil Nadu. (kpriam@lntec.com).