

# कार्यालयः वन प्रमंडल पदाधिकारी, दुमका वन प्रमंडल, दुमका।



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सेवा में,



General Manager/Project Head, Pachwara South Coal Mine Project, Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd. Shanta Bhawan, LIC Colony, Behind SBI, Dumka-814101, Jharkhand.

- विषय :
  - Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 455.1108 ha of forest land for Pachwara South Coal Block project in favour of M/s Neyveli Uttar Pradsh Power Ltd. (NUPPL), District Dumka, Jharkhand State (Online No. FP/JH/MIN/59823/2020) –regarding.
- प्रसंगः प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, रांची के कार्यालय आदेश सं0–49, 50, 51 तद्नुसार ज्ञापांक–911, 912, 913 दिनांक–07.04.2025 तथा प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, वन्यप्राणी एवं मुख्य वन्यप्राणी प्रतिपालक, झारखण्ड, राँची के कार्यालय आदेश सं0–16 तद्नुसार ज्ञापांक–336 दिनांक–03.04.2025

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रसंग में सूचित करना है कि Pachwara South Coal Block project हेतु भारत सरकार, वन पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली का पत्र दिनांक—18.09.2024 द्वारा In-principle/Stage-I की स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है। In-principle/Stage-I के शर्त्त सं0—v, viii (IWMP), vi, ix (CAT for Bansloi river & SMC Plan), ix, xix, xxiv (CAT Plan) & xxiii (De-Silting Plan) की स्वीकृति प्राप्त है। भारत सरकार, वन पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली के पत्र संख्या—FC-11/43/2021-FC दिनांक— 07.6.2022 के आलोक में उक्त कार्यों के लिए आपके द्वारा जमा की गई राशि तथा अवशेष जमा की जानेवाली राशि निम्नवत् है :—

शर्त्त सं०	शर्त्त	स्वीकृत राशि (लाख में)	पूर्व में Adhoc CAMPA में जमा की गई राशि (लाख में)	जमा की जानेवाली अवशेष राशि (लाख में)
1	2	3	4	5
v.	The State Govt. shall prepare and implement Wildlife Conservation plan duly approved by CWLW, Jharkhand to mitigate the impact of mining on elephant and other wildlife in and around the proposed area at project cost.			
viii.	A site specific wildlife management plan of a radius of 10 km from the proposed lease area at the project cost will be prepared. Besides this, migration path for elephant's passage if present beyond 10 km then such migration route shall be developed with plantation of suitable species at the project cost.	5216.98000	4485.80000	731.18000

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vi.	As the Bansloi river is flowing in the Northern boundary of the proposed mining lease, no excavated material and mine waste water shall be discharged into the river. Embankment all along the river bank should be constructed to ensure that the no mining waste water is drained to the river. Catchment area treatment plan for river Bansloi shall be prepared and implemented at project cost			
ix.	User agency shall prepare a Digital Elevation Model of 10 Km radius using LIDAR technology before commencement of mining operation and shall be repeated on 3rd, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th and 30th year in consultation with the PCCF. On the basis of DEM user agency shall prepare a CAT and SMC plan of 10 km radius including Chatua nala and other nearby nalas. These plans will be approved by the PCCF (HoFF) and will be implemented by the Forest Department at the project cost. A team, to be finalized by the PCCF, comprising of officials of user agency, Forest Department subject matter specialist shall be constituted to study and monitor the soil erosion, water conservation, ecological restoration activities during the implementation of the project.		0.00000	3807.98000
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xix.	The User Agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil and moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located within the periphery of 100 m from outer perimeter of the mining lease as per approved plan for plantation and SMC activities submitted along with compliance of 'in-principle' approval;			
xxiv.	The User agency will undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures at the project cost in consultation with the State Forest Department. A scheme of the same shall be submitted to the Regional Office along with the 'in-principle' approval; and			PTO

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अनुरोध है कि अवशेष राशि नियमानुसार जमा किया जाय तथा राशि जमा करने संबंधी

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वन प्रमंडल पदाधिकारी, दुमका वन प्रमंडल, दुमका। रिनेषी२५

विश्वासभाजन.



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File no.- 22 पी०-2(2)-06/2022......

Office order No. 5/ dated 07-04 2025

Sanction Order of the Catchment Area Treatment Plan with reference to nonforestry use of 455.1108 ha of forest land for Pachhawara South Coal Block project in favour of M/s Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd. (NUPPL), District Dumka,

The Instant Catchment Area Treatment Plan has been submitted by M/s Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd. (referred to as "the Use Agency") in pursuance of the following condition laid by MoEF&CC under Section 2(1)(ii) of condition no. (VI), and (IX) of Stage-1 approval vide letter no. 8-37/2022-FC dated 18.09.2024 for non-forestry use of 455.1108 ha of forest land for Pachhawara South Coal Block project in favour of M/s Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd. (NUPPL).

The aforesaid Term of Reference laid by the Central Government reads as follows:

# Condition no. 2(1) (ii) : Compensatory Afforestation;

Condition No. (ii)(vi): "As the Bansloi river is flowing in the Northern boundary of the proposed mining lease, no excavated material and mine waste water shall be discharged into the river. Embankment all along the river bank should be constructed to ensure that the no mining waste water is drained to the river. Catchment Area Treatment Plan for river Bansloi shall be prepared and implemented at project cost."



**Condition No. (ii)(ix):** "The User Agency shall prepare a Digital Elevation Model of 10 km radius using LIDAR technology before commencement of mining operation and shall be repeated on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> year in consultation with the PCCF. On the basis of DEM user agency shall prepare a CAT and SMC plan of 10 km radius including Chatua nala and other nearby nalas. These plans will be approved by the PCCF (HoFF) and will be implemented by the Forest Department at the project cost. A team, to be finalized by the PCCF, comprising of officials of user agency, Forest Department Subject matter specialist shall be constituted to study and monitor the soil erosion, water conservation, ecological restoration activities during the implementation of the project.."

2. In compliance of the aforesaid condition laid by MoEF&CC, the User Agency M/s Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd. (NUPPL) has Submitted a Catchment Area Treatment Plan for diversion of forest land proposal of Pachhawara South Coal Block project prepared in consultation with the forest officials including DFO, Dumka and DFO, Godda Forest Division, the Conservator of Forest Territorial Circle (CF), Dumka and Regional Chief Conservator of Forest (RCCF), Dumka.

3. In the above stated background, the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, (RCCF), Dumka vide his letter no. 366 dated 10.03.2025 submitted the Plan to office of the undersigned for its consideration for sanction.

4. In order to examine the plan prescriptions a communication was issued to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Dumka, CF Territorial Circle, Dumka, DFO, Dumka, Godda and User Agency vide this office letter no. 795 dated 24.03.2025 to arrange a Power-Point Presentation of the plan in meeting scheduled on 26.03.2025 in the conference hall of the undersigned. The presentation was made by the Project proponent in the presence of Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Dumka and Divisional Forest Officer, Dumka and DFO Godda Forest Division (DFO, Dumka and Pakur on video conferencing). Shri

Deepak Vincent Surin (NUPPL) G.M. Project Head, Pachwara South Coal Block, Shri Rajeev Ranjan, Representative (NUPPL) and Shri Kislay Kumar, Director, Ecosofet Pvt. Ltd., Consultant were present during the presentation.

5. After deliberation on various provisions of the proposed Plan and the presentation, it was observed that:-

- (i) Pachawara South Coal Block is bounded by Pachawara Central Coal Block in the North and Pachawara North Coal Block in further North. All these three Blocks form somewhat a continuum. Pachawara South Block falls in Dumka Forest Division, both Pachawara Central and Pachawara North Blocks lie in Pakur Forest Division, Bansloi river being the bifurcating boundary between Dumka and Pakur Forest division/districts. Both Pachawara Central and Pachawara North Coal mines have forest land within and therefore, statutory forest clearances have been obtained by the User Agency. The User Agency has prepared the said plans which have duly been approved by the competent authorities. Notably, the said plans have been formulated restricting impact area within Pakur forest division.
- (ii) The Impact Area (IA) of instant Catchment Plan falls within the surrounding area (10 km radius) of Dumka and Godda Forest Division.
- During the deliberation and presentation it was informed that the Impact Area (IA) delineated for the formulation of this Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan of altogether 203 number of villages, 158 in Dumka Forest Division and 45 in Godda Forest Division.

It was also informed that the areas of villages which fall partly outside the 10-15 km boundary have also been considered for prescribing management interventions under the CAT Plan. The same rational has been utilized while formulating the SMC Plan, meaning thereby, the villages falling partly within and partly outside the 10 km boundary have been considered under the SMC

Plan, thus bringing all villages coming within 15 km periphery of the lease boundary under line of treatment. The Plan Impact Area is endowed with three rivers namely Bansloi, Brahmni and Pagla.

6. The cost of the proposed 10-year (2026-27 to 2035-36) Catchment Area Treatment Plan with respect to the activities to be carried out by DFO, Dumka Forest Division and DFO, Godda Forest Division have been estimated to be Rs. 3807.98 lakh. The summary of the proposed interventions (component wise) under the Plan is as follows:-

sı.	Activity Head	Dumka Forest Division	Godda Forest Division	Total
No		(Rs. In Lakh)	(Rs. In Lakh)	(Rs. In Lakh)
1.	Natural Resource Management /Catchment Area Treatment Measures	1976.69	776.11	2752.80
2.	Capacity Building Frontline Forest Staff	22.00	12.50	34.50
3.	Awareness Development Programmes	20.00	10.00	30.00
4.	Development of Alternative Livelihoods & Promotion of Renewable Energy Consumption	80.00	25.00	105.00
5.	Monitoring and Evaluation	10.00	6.00	16.00
6.	Infrastructural Strengthening towards Implementation of the Plan & its Monitoring and Evaluation	115.00	55.00	170.00
7.	Administrative Cost	50.00	15.00	65.00
1.	Sub-total	2273.69	899.61	3173.30
	Escalation cost @20%	454.73	179.95	634.68
	Grand Total Cost	2728.42	1079.56	3807.98

# The Proposed financial projection under the Plan may be summarized in the following table-

Cost to the User Agency towards implementation of the CAT Plan is Rs. 3807.98 Lakh.

7. The Plan with a total financial outlay of **Rs.** 3807.98 **Lakh** extends over a period of 10 years and shall be utilized by the Forest Department through the

DFO, Dumka Forest Division and DFO, Godda Forest Division in accordance with the Plan prescriptions.

8. Considering the proposals under the plan submitted by the User Agency and recommendations of the concerned forest officers, sanction is hereby accorded to the instant Plan subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the User Agency shall ensure that its officials/contractors and the work force engaged into mining and allied operations under the Project shall not commit or abet any forest/wildlife offence in their area of operation. They will also promptly report any forest/wildlife offence in the area to the nearest forest office/official. Further, they will extend their full cooperation to the forest officials in control/mitigation of any incident, natural or man-made, determined to forest and wildlife in their area of operation.
- (ii) That the total amount of Rs. 3807.98 Lakh (Rupees Thirty Eight crore seven lakh and ninety eight thousand only) shall be deposited by the User Agency into CAMPA account under the relevant head/sub-head and shall be utilized by the State Forest Department through the DFO, Dumka Forest Division and DFO, Godda Forest Division as delineated under the Plan, strictly in accordance with the prevailing norms under the Jharkhand Forest Department.
- (iii) That as regards the funds earmarked against activities to be undertaken by the State Forest Department, the DFO, Dumka Forest Division and DFO, Godda Forest Division shall prepare a detailed Annual Plan of Operations (APO) in the beginning of every financial year in respect of the instant Plan following all the rules, regulations, Schedule of Rates etc. issued from time to time by the State Government/Forest Department. Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Dumka shall supervise & closely monitor the progress of the activities undertaken by DFO, Dumka Forest Division and

DFO, Godda Forest Division as per the approved APO & funds released under CAMPA.

- (iv) That the Conservator of Forests, Dumka Circle shall supervise all the activities as per directions issued by the Forest Department from time to time.
- (v) That the DFO, Dumka Forest Division and DFO, Godda Forest Division shall carry out the activities under the Plan strictly as per the duly sanctioned APO.
- (vi) That both the DFOs shall ensure that no violation of duly sanctioned Working Plans of their Forest Divisions takes place during implementation of any of the activities involved in this plan over notified and demarcated forest land.
- (vii) That the instant Plan is dynamic and be revisited after 5 years to assess its compatibility with mining and its concurrent reclamation activities and a revised Plan be formulated as per requirement.
- (viii) That though adequate provisions have been made towards cost escalation in the plan viz. increase in wage rate/material cost etc., yet the User Agency shall submit an undertaking to the Divisional Forest Officer, DFO, Dumka and DFO, Godda Forest Division to the effect that they will deposit extra cost of the plan beyond the cost escalation provision owning to increase in wage rate etc. in due course of time as well as consequent upon revision in the plan, if any, as and when given effect to by the competent authority.

Sd/-Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Jharkhand, Ranchi File no.- 22 पी०-2(2)-06/2022/ Memo No.

dated

Copy forwarded to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi, Harmu Housing Colony, Ranchi [email: <u>ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in]</u> / Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Executive Director, Waste Land Development Board, Jharkhand, Ranchi / Additional PCCF, CAMPA along with a copy of the Plan, for information and necessary action.

#### Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Jharkhand, Ranchi

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> Sd/-Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Jharkhand, Ranchi

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Lt No. NUPPL/PSOCP/GM/CAT/2025/05/03

Date: 05.05.2025

## UNDERTAKING

M/s NUPPL undertakes to deposit extra cost of the Catchment Area Treatment Plan beyond the cost escalation provision owing to increase in wage rate etc. in due course of time as well as consequent upon revision in the plan, if any, and when given effect to by the competent authority.

Yours faithfully, For Neyveli Uttar Pradesh Power Ltd.

General Manager/Rroject Head, PSCMP, NUPPL.

> GOTTE RAMESH General Manager/ Project Head Pachwara South Coal Block NUPPL, Dumka (Jharkhand)