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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 29.421 ha forest land for improvement and four laning of Papu Nallah to Banderdewa Road from 40.40 km to 59.17 km by PWD in Papum Pare District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government's online proposal No. FP/AR/ROAD/33202/2018 on the subject seeking prior approval for the Central Government under Section 2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Regional Empowered Committee constituted by Central Government under Section 3 of aforesaid Act.

2. After careful examination of the proposal and on the basis of the recommendations of Regional Empowered Committee on 29.11.2021 and State Govt letter FOR.5-64/Cons/2018/689-93 dated 22.02.2024 and complete uploading of the proposal on Parivesh portal on 23.05.2025, "In Principle Approval/Stage- I" clearance of the Central Government is hereby granted for diversion of 29.421 ha forest land for improvement and four laning of Papu Nallah to Banderdewa Road from 40.40 km to 59.17 km by PWD in Papum Pare District of Arunachal Pradesh, subject to the following conditions:

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

- (1) The user agency shall transfer, the Net Present Value (NPV) in the revised rate of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in Writ petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009 and File No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 21.03.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State concerned;
- (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;

- (3) All the funds received from the user agency (CA and dwarf plantation cost, NPV, etc) under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Arunachal Pradesh State managed by the Ad-hoc CAMPA only through **e-portal** (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance.
- (4) The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas, the proposed SMC work, and the WLMP area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing working permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage II approval, as the case may be.
- (5) The compliance report shall be uploaded on **e-portal** (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (6) The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;
- (7) The charges for felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees should be collected from the User Agency at the rates approved by the State Govt and deposited with the DFO concerned for utilization immediately following the diversion of forest land.
- (8) The expenditure like boundary walls, stone pillars, demarcation charges, cost of damage of trees the funds on these accounts should, be deposited with the DFO concerned.
- (9) The User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
- (10) The user agency shall deposit the fund for the wildlife mitigation and conservation plan into the account of NCAMPA which will be utilized to prepare and implement wildlife mitigation plan to mitigate precautionary measures for safety of wild animals as recommended in 77<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.
- (11) The State Govt shall ensure that under no circumstances, implementation of such mitigating measures envisaged wildlife conservation plan should be delayed beyond a period of 2 years to ensure commencement of rejuvenation of ecosystem services lost from the forest area allowed for non-forestry use of forest land at the earliest possible time.
- (12) The State Govt shall submit wildlife conservation plan approved by Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh along with detail cost of its implementation.
- (13) The animal passage plan prepared in accordance with the guidance document, 'Eco-friendly measures to mitigate the impacts of linear infrastructures on wildlife' approved by the CWLW, Govt of Assam shall be submitted.
- (14) The user agency shall explore the possibility of successful translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;



- (15) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (16) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in guidelines of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 issued by this Ministry.

**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:**

- (1) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) The compensatory afforestation shall be taken up on double the area of 58.90 ha at Papum Reserve Forest under Banderdewa Forest Division in Papum Pare district of Arunachal Pradesh within three years from the date of Stage -II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided. The CA will be maintained for 10 years.
- (3) At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;
- (4) The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
- (5) State Govt shall strictly implement the recommendation of 77th meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 i.e.

(i). The mitigation plan as follows shall be implemented with funds from the User Agency:

Sl. No	Items of works	Rate/Unit	Total amount (Rs. in lakhs)	Remarks
1	Const. of check gate with hut at total 17.063 sqm.	4.953 x 1no.	4.953	As per Plinth area rate
1.1	Maint.@0.50 per annum adding escalation value @ 10% every year upto 10th year	4.55 x 1	4.55	
2	Erection of night vision vinyl sheet Signage 1.2 x 0.90 m size with MS angle post (1 No./Km or at every adverse curve)	11 nos.@ 0.10/nos.	1.10	As per market rate

2.1	Maintenance- repairing etc upto 10th year at 3 years interval	11 km @ 0.05 for every 3 years	1.65	
3	Construction of speed breakers in forested area at 5 km Intervals 30 x 0.90 x 0.15m x 15 nos. x 2	N/A	N/A	
4	Managements of Fire- cum- Protection squad 5 DLs for 4 months @ 10,000/- PM adding escalation value for 10 years	5 DLs @ 0.40 on for 10 years	20.00	
5	LMV for wildlife protection and monitoring-Bolero-1 no @ 9.00 Inc. accessories	1 no	9.00	As per dealer's rate
7.1.1	POL and maintenance of vehicle upto 7th year by adding escalation value, 10% every year	10 no.	5.46	
8	Motor cycle	2 nos @ 0.85	1.70	As per prevailing rate
8.1	Maintenance I/C Pol upto 10th year adding escalation value 10% every year	2 nos @ 0.25 add 10% escalation value every year	4.58	
9	Monitoring at CWLW's office (OE/TA/DA etc)	10 years @ 0.50	5.00	L/S
9.1	Wildlife Research (after effects of road widening)	10 years @ 0.50	5.00	L/S
10	Rescue of wild animals	@ 0.30 for 10 years	3.00	L/S
	<b>Total</b>		<b>65.99</b>	

(ii) The animal passage plan prepared in accordance with the guidance document, 'Eco-friendly measures to mitigate the impacts of linear infrastructures on wildlife' shall be implemented by the User Agency.

(iii) An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the User Agency to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an

annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.

- (6) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions & care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their actions/activities.
- (7) The user agency will undertake comprehensive soil and water conservation measures at the project cost.
- (8) The overburden shall not be dumped outside the width of the road. The muck generated in the earth cutting will be disposed off at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
- (9) Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the project cost.
- (10) The muck dumping area shall be stabilized and plantation of suitable species shall be carried out over stabilized dumps on the cost of the user agency under the supervision of State Forest Department.
- (11) The designing of culverts/ bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of the water, does not give rise to water logging and also does not hamper the movement of the wild animals.
- (12) All the site-specific engineering structures like retaining walls, breast wall and drainage shall be constructed to avoid any soil erosion and to provide slope stability of the concerned hills.
- (13) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels 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;
- (14) The user agency shall take special measures for prevention of landslide/erosion by biological or mechanical measures and stabilization of side slope to avoid landslides and ensure that muck is dumped only on identified muck dumping area as per Muck Dumping Plan.
- (15) The road side plantation of indigenous species with economic and ecological importance in consultation with the communities/JFMC may be undertaken as per MoRTH guideline by the user agency.
- (16) The user agency shall undertake with special attention for the road side amenities such as toilet, bus shed, etc. as per the guideline of MoRTH, wherever necessary. For all such amenities, special needs of women & differently abled to be kept in mind.
- (17) 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.
- (18) No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;
- (19) The lay out of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- (20) 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.



- (21) 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.
- (22) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (23) 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.
- (24) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (25) Where compliance of condition imposed in the 'In-principle' approval is awaited from the State Government or Union territory Administration, as the case may be, for more than two years, the 'In-Principle' approval shall be deemed to be null and void as per para 11(10) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, Rule, 2023.
- (26) Any other conditions that the Regional Office, Shillong, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
3. After the receipt of the compliance report from the State Government on fulfillment of the conditions mentioned above, final/stage-II approval of the Central Government, in accordance with Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, will be considered. Till the receipt of the Final / Stage-II approval of the Central Government for diversion of the said forest land from this Ministry, transfer of the said forest land to the User Agency shall not be affected by the State Government.

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