



GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM  
OFFICE OF THE PCCF-cum-PRINCIPAL SECRETARY  
FORESTS AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT  
FOREST SECRETARIAT, DEORALI, GANGTOK-737 102

Ref. No. 1794/FCA/F&ED/.....

Dated:.....2020

To,

The PCE-cum-Secretary,  
Energy & Power Department,  
Government of Sikkim, Gangtok.

**Sub : Proposal for diversion of 0.0521 Ha (East Dist = 0.0447 Ha + South Dist= 0.0074 Ha) of Forest Land for installation of 11 KV Transmission Line from Rangpo (East) and Mamring (South) in South & East Districts of Sikkim by Energy & Power Department, Govt. of Sikkim - In Principle Approval reg.**

Sir,

Reference your No. FP/SK/TRANS/35964/2018 received through on-line/off line mode and after careful examination of your proposal, the State Govt. is hereby pleased to accord the **Stage-I (In-Principle) Approval** in terms of the General approval as conveyed by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt of India, New Delhi under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 [vide letter No. F.No.11-9/98 FC, dated 03/01/2005 and Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 vide Chapter 4 para 4.3 category vide Sl. No. "c" – Electric line ] for **diversion of 0.0521 Ha (East Dist = 0.0447 Ha + South Dist= 0.0074 Ha) of Forest Land for installation of 11 KV Transmission Line from Rangpo (East) and Mamring (South) in South & East Districts of Sikkim by Energy & Power Department, Govt. of Sikkim**, subject to fulfillment of conditions as follows :-

- (1) The User Agency shall deposit the payment of **Rs. 9,71,139.00** (Rupees nine lakhs seventy one thousand one hundred and thirty nine) only for Compensatory Afforestation over double the area of degraded forest land i.e. 0.0894 ha. identified at Zitlang Khasmal in Singtam (T) Range, East (T) Division and **Rs. 4,01,300.00** (Rupees four lakhs one thousand and three hundred) only for Avenue Plantation of 0.5 Km identified at Jholunga RF, Road Reserve under Namthang Range, South (T) Division.
- (2) The User Agency shall deposit the payment of **[Rs. 29,368.00 (East) + Rs. 4862.00 (South) = Rs. 34,230.00** (Rupees thirty four thousand two hundred and thirty) only for the Net Present Value (NPV) for the forest land diverted under this proposal as per the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India date 23.03.2008 & 09.05.2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No.202/1995 and as per the guideline issued by the Ministry vide letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 in this regard.
- (3) Additional amount of NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, will be charged by the State Govt from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (4) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- (5) The payment as above towards compensatory levies (CA and NPV) shall be transferred/deposited in the Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Sikkim State through Demand Draft/cheque in favour of PCCF-cum-Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment Govt. of Sikkim.



- (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 User Agency shall provide charges for felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees, at the rates approved by the State Govt. if required.
- (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 identify muck disposal site and prepare muck disposal management plan duly approved/agreed by the State Govt. for the aforesaid project proposal if required.
- (10) The user Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, before consideration of final approval, if required.
- (11) The user agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for stone, river sand, river boulder in forest land, if necessary.
- (12) As per Ministry's letter No.11-30/96-FC (Pt) dated 14.09.2001, if the compliance of stipulated conditions is awaited from the State Government for more than 5(five) years the In-Principle Approval would summarily be revoked considering that the user agency is no longer interested in the project.
- (13) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

After fulfillment of the above conditions in completeness, the User agency shall submit the **compliance report** for seeking the Final Approval under General Approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003.

**Diversion of forest land shall not be effected till the Final Approval is granted by the State Govt. in this respect. Demand Note in respect of Conditions No. (1) & (2) are also enclosed for realization of payment.**

The IPA is issued within the delegated powers of the State Govt. as conveyed by the Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India with the Guidelines, referred to above.

Yours faithfully,

Sd-(Y.P. Gurung, IFS),  
CCF-cum-Nodal Office (FCA)

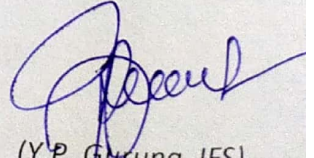
Dated: 12/6/2020

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2. Conservator of Forest (T), Gangtok
3. DFO (Territorial) East Division
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