

Date: 30.10.2021
Ref: AA-1/FC/28/01

To
Adl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FC),
Aranya Bhawan,
Guwahati, Assam.

Subject- Submission of EDS- Forest diversion proposal no: FP/AS/MIN/44360/2020 dated 14.2.2020 for use of forest land measuring 2.43 hectare for Forest diversion proposal for oil and gas exploration, development and production in Block AA-ONHP/2017/1 in Assam- Well pad No 28.
Ref: (1) Our forest diversion proposal No. FP/AS/MIN/44360/2020 dated 14.2.2020.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, we are pleased to submit the following pointwise response of the Essential Documents Sought (EDS) for consideration of Forest Diversion proposal No. FP/AS/MIN/44360/2020 dated 14.2.2020.

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1	C-(iii)-The matter related to uploading the full size SOI toposheet (1:50000 scale) map is not resolved as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020. Also, the name of the Reserve Forest and Forest Division is not included in the title annexure of the uploaded SOI toposheet (1:50000 scale) map. Further, the DGPS/Total station readings annexed in the uploaded SOI toposheet (1:50000 scale) map do not fall exactly in the proposed land to be diverted. Please rectify the mistakes and upload a freshly prepared full size SOI toposheet (1:50000 scale) map with all the mandatory map contents.	Complied.
2	C-(iv)-The matter related to uploading the proper Geo-referenced map is not resolved as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020. Also, the name of the Reserve Forest and Forest Division is not included in the title annexure of the uploaded Geo-referenced map. Further, the DGPS/Total station readings annexed in the uploaded Geo-referenced map do not fall exactly in the proposed land to be diverted. Please rectify the mistakes and upload a freshly prepared Geo-referenced map with all the mandatory map contents.	Complied.
3	D. (i)-No rectification has been made with respect to upload the proper copy of the note containing justification for locating the project in forest land as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied.
4	K-(i)-The comment against "Whether the process for settlement of Rights under the Forest Rights Acts 2006 on the forest land proposed to be diverted has been completed?" should be 'Yes' instead of 'No'. Please rectify the mistake.	Complied.
5	L-(iv)-(e)-The present owner (User Agency) mentioned in the uploaded Form A-Part-I is incompatible. Please rectify the same and provide the ownership details.	Complied.
6	L-(v)-No action has been made to upload the correct geo-referenced map of the proposed Compensatory Afforestation area with all the necessary annexures and map components as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied.
7	L-(vi)-No action has been taken to upload the SOI toposheet (1:50000 scale) map of proposed Compensatory Afforestation area with necessary annexures and map components as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied.

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8	M-2-(iii)-No action has been taken to rectify the mistake in uploading the copy of approval of mining plan as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied.
9	M-2-(iv)-The exemption for not conducting the 3-D analysis is uploaded instead of the copy of approved mining plan. Please rectify the mistake.	Complied.
10	M-2-(vi)-No rectification has been made with respect to uploading the correct map showing the details land use plan in 1:4000 scale prepared by using GPS or Total Station as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied
11	M-2-(vii)-No rectification has been made to upload KML file of the outer boundary of mining lease area instead of KML file of the proposed Well Pad No.28 as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied
12	M-7-(i)-The table with respect to minerals wise details is filled incompletely where certain estimates are not included in the table. Please rectify the mistake and fill the table accordingly.	Complied
13	M-7.1-(ii)-No copy of the note from the competent authority in respect of the details of the plan for transportation of the mineral proposed to be raised from the forest area is uploaded as E-communicated vide this office observation dated 26.02.2020.	Complied
14	A copy of colored layout map of proposed project in the forest land from the competent authority must be uploaded. Please rectify and upload accordingly.	Complied.
15	It is to mention here that one of the project components i.e. the approach road was omitted in the user agency's online reply on 07.10.2021 against this office observation dated 26.02.2020. Also, after careful examination of the proposal it is found that the proposed forest land to be diverted is changed from 3.627 hectare to 2.43 hectare. Therefore, you are requested to give reasonable justification with respect to the change in project components as well as the change in forest land to be diverted.	Complied

Thanking you,
Yours Faithfully,

For Vedanta Ltd. (Div. Cairn Oil and Gas)


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