16. Specific recommendation of the DFO for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reason: The proposal is recommended on the ground of making the state self reliant in terms of power generations and its supply. This project has been proposed with a view to transmit/ evacuate total generation of the 97MW Tashiding HEP. The project involves diversion of 1.3090 ha of forest land which is unavoidable.

The diversion of forest land is recommended for approval subject to conditions laid by the State and Central Government.

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