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Dated :- 6/3/2023

To,

**Divisional Forest Officer,
Chamba Forest Division,
Chamba (H.P.)**

Sub:- Diversion of 0.9854 hectare of forest land in favour of Ometa hydro power Pvt. Ltd. House No.73 Raipur khurd Chandigarh-160003 for construction of Braguna Small Hydro Project (1.50 MW) HEP within the jurisdiction of Chamba Forest Division, District Chamba, HP (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/HYD/44517/2020).

Reference:GoI, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF letter No. FC/HPB/01/51/2021 dated 14.12.2022.

Respected Sir,

In the above subject and reference, the reply to the observations as raised by the GoI, IRO, MoEF&CC vide his letter under reference is given as under: -

Regarding the Cumulative Impact Assessment & Carrying Capacity (CIA&CC) study the Chief Engineer (Energy), DOE, Govt of HP, Shimla in his letter No. HPDOE/CE(Energy)/Himurja/2022-9997-98 dated 6.03.2023 issued to Nodal Officer (FCA) HP, Shimla. Since the CIA studies in Ravi Basin have not been carried out as such as and when the studies are carried out the project already allotted by the Govt. shall be required to be considered as per their allotted domains. Therefore, it shall be appropriate that the domains already allotted in this project may be considered for grant of diversion”

The DOE has also added in his letter that in the year 2015, MoEF&CC, GoI took in-principle decision that henceforth all the CEIA & CCA study in all River basins will be conducted by MoEF&CC, GoI itself. Accordingly all the studies undergoing in the State of Himachal Pradesh were handed over to MoEF&CC, GoI. As such the mandate of such study is now with GoI, MOEF &CC. (The letter of DOE referred above is enclosed herewith).

Besides, above Chief Executive Engineer, HIMURJA vide his letter NO.10322 dated 22.02.2023 has clarified the procedure of allotment of small hydro projects with respect to size capacity and all other aspects. (Copy enclosed herewith).

From the above, it is very clear, that project allotment is made as per the Hydro Policy provision of Govt. of HP and the criteria laid down in the policy after conducting all detailed study, approval of DPR and Technical Concurrence from the DOE. Therefore, your self is requested to kindly take up the matter the competent authority for obtaining the stage-I approval under FCA-1980.

For Ometa hydro power Pvt.Ltd.

Authorised signatory

DIRECTORATE OF ENERGY
GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH
SHANTI BHAWAN PHASE-III SECTOR-6 NEW SHIMLA-9
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No. HPDOE/CE (Energy)/Himurja/2022- 9997-98

Dated: 06/3/2023

From:

The Director (Energy),
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh

To

The Nodal officer-cum-APCCF (FCA),
Forest Department Talland, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh 171002.

Subject: - Diversion of 0.9854 ha. of Forest land in favor of M/s Banni Hydro Projects, Village Khalana, P.O. Kunr, Sub Tehsil Dharwala, Distt. Chamba, H.P., for the construction of Baraguna Small Hydro Project (1.56 MW) HEP, within the jurisdiction of Chamba Forest Division, Distt. Chamba, Himachal Pradesh. (Online No. FP/HP/HYD/44517/2020).

Sir,

In reference to your office letter no. Ft. 48-5044/2020 (FCA), dated 08.12.2022, I am directed to inform you that hydro projects below 5 MW are being allotted by HIMURJA. The comments furnished by Himurja in this regard is enclosed at **Annexure-A**.

Since, the CIA studies in Ravi Basin have not been carried out as such as & when the studies are carried out the project already allotted by the Govt. shall be required to be considered as per their allotted domains. Therefore, it shall be appropriate that the domains already allotted in this project may be considered for grant of diversion of 0.9854 ha., of Forest land in favor of M/s Banni Hydro Projects.

It is further intimated that in the year 2015, Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), CC, GoI took in- principle decision that henceforth all the CEIA and CCS study in all River basins will be conducted by MoEF, CC, GoI itself. Accordingly, all the studies undergoing in the State of Himachal Pradesh were handed over to MoEF, CC, GoI. Further it is also apprised that TEC of Project was accorded vide letter no. 3408-17 dated 04.08.2021 (**Annexure-B**).

In this context, it is amply clear that the mandate of such study is now with MoEF, CC, GoI, hence the matter may be taken up accordingly and diversion 0.9854 ha., of forest land in favour of M/s Banni Hydro Projects may be granted.

Yours faithfully,

DA as above:

K. S. M. K. W.
Chief Engineer (Energy),
Directorate of Energy,

Copy to M/s Banni Hydro Projects, Village Khalana, P.O. Kunr, Sub Tehsil Dharwala, Distt. Chamba for information please.

K. S. M. K. W.
Chief Engineer (Energy),
Directorate of Energy,



(H.P. Govt. Energy Development Agency)
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No: HIMURJA/SHP-IA Braguna/ 0322
From :-

Dated: 22.2.2023

To

Chief Executive Officer,
Himurja Kasumpti Shimla-9

✓ The Chief Engineer (Energy),
Directorate of Energy,
Shanti Bhawan, Phase -III, Sector-6,
New Shimla -171009.




Subject : Diversion of 0.9854 ha. Of Forest Land in Favour of M/s Banni Hydro Projects village – Khalana, P.O. unr, Sub Tehsil Dharwala Distt Chamba. For construction of Baraguna small Hydel Project (1.50MW) HEP within the jurisdiction of Chamba Forest Division , Distt Chamba H.P. (Online No. FP/HP/HYD/44517/2020).

Sir,

In reference to your letter dated 31-1-2023, it is informed that the allotment of the projects upto 5.00 MW is being done in consonance with Hydro Power Policy provisions of Govt of H.P. and the criteria laid down in the policy, which is available on website of Himurja i.e “ imurja.hp.gov.in”.

As far as the matter regarding approval of sites the allotment of SHEPs are concerned , it is based on the projects identified by IPPs i.e under self identified sites /identified category. After confirming the proposals with respect to the policy guidelines these proposals were forwarded to HPSEBL & DoE for scrutiny of overlapping issues with the already allotted projects . After fulfilling the requisite criteria these projects will be allotted to the IPPs and they were asked to carryout the detailed study of the site and prepare the Detailed Project Report. After preparation of DPR the same is submitted to Directorate of Energy for its Technical Concurrence with respect of size capacity and all other aspects . As far as the cumulative impact of River basin is concerned the matter is not pertained to Himurja please .

Yours faithfully,



Project Director cum Dy CEO,
HIMURJA, Urja Bhawan
Kasumpti, Shimla-171009.
22.2.2023

Copy to :- 10323

The Nodal Officer cum APCCF(FCA) O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) H.P. Shimla for information please.

Director (Energy)
C.E (Energy)
S.E 1 (Gen, E&T, IT, Wb, SDA, Safety)
S.E -2 (TEC)
S.E -3 (Power Sales, SDA, Commercial Billing)
S.E -4 (Allot, Policy, L&D, Legal, V.S., Monitoring)
Admin., Accounts & Finance)

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28/2/23


Project Director cum Dy CEO,
HIMURJA, Urja Bhawan
Kasumpti, Shimla-171009

25/2/23