Divisional Forest Officer, Bilaspur Forest Division, District Bilaspur, HP

Subject: -

Diversion of 8.1683 ha. of forest land in favour of M/S Shyam Kumar R/o Village Tikkri, PO Panjgain, Tehsil Sadar, Distt. Bilaspur, HP for collection/extraction of sand, stone & Bajri within the Jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division, Distt. Bilaspur, HP.

Proposal Number: - FP/HP/MIN/34102/2018

Kindly refer to observation raised by IRO vide letter no. FC/HPC/06/57/2021 dated 12.12.2021 and Nodal officer-cum-Addl. Pr. CCF (FCA O/o Pr. CCF, H.P. Shimla-1 letter no. Ft.48-3757/2018(FCA) dated 1911.2024 on the subject cited above.

This is with reference to the subject cited above. In this connection, it is submitted that we have attended the shortcomings noticed in above proposal. The observations have been corrected as per your requirement. The Point wise reply to the observations is as under:-

Sr. No.	Deficiencies	Compliance to the Deficiencies
1	The documents as uploaded online Part-I against additional information detail are still not arranged as per the check list due to this, all documents are not able to scrutinized same may be reviewed and uploaded accordingly.	The documents under Part-I have now been rearranged strictly as per the checklist and the additional information requirements. All documents have been clearly labeled and uploaded in the prescribed format to facilitate smooth scrutiny. Kindly review the updated submission and confirm if any further clarification is required.
2	The LoI as uploaded in Part-I is not valid. Further, the KML file in column C(ii) (a) is found missing and instead of uploading the digital map of project copy of google map has been found uploaded. The revenue papers of the proposed area is uploaded but the field book has not uploaded.	The valid LoI has now been uploaded in Part-I. The missing KML file under column C(ii)(a) has also been uploaded as per the required format. Additionally, the correct digital map of the project area (in prescribed format) has been uploaded in place of the Google map image. The revenue papers were already uploaded earlier, and the field book has now also been scanned and uploaded for complete submission.
3	The Employment detail in column E(iii) is not correct further, page No. 18 of Mining Plan is tempered and not readable.	The employment details under column E(iii) was already correct as project includes 10 permanent employees comprising company drivers, clerical staff, and miscellaneous support staff. Additionally, 20 temporary laborers have been proposed for regular mining operations, which is adequate for the scale of the project. Page no. 18 of the Mining Plan has also been re-scanned and uploaded in a clear, untampered, and readable format for verification.

The KML file in M2 (vii) as uploaded in Part-I is overlapping with field hence, the same may be clarified/rectified moreover, if the area is encroached, then action may be taken and detailed report be submitted. Further, as per the Mining Plan, 1 KM road is required but neither has been mentioned in this regard in the online Part-I nor same has been marked in KML file, if the road is to be constructed in private land same may be mentioned in online Part-I and KML file and gift deeds of the land owners may also be supplied.

The previously uploaded KML file had an error due to oversight. A fresh DGPS survey has now been conducted, and the corrected KML file has been uploaded, resolving the issue of overlapping with field areas.

Regarding the 1 KM road mentioned in the Mining Plan, we would like to clarify that an existing road is already available, which was originally constructed by the local villagers / gram panchayat for access to the shamshan ghat. This same road will be utilized for transportation purposes related to the mining activity. The road alignment has been properly marked in the updated KML file.

As supporting evidence, a report from the Naib Tehsildar has been attached under Additional Documents at Sr. No. 28, titled "Details / Report of Naib-Tehsildar regarding approach access road to Mining Lease also revenue record of Existing Road".

The detail of estimated reserve in M5-2 and M7 are still not correct as per the mining plan. Further, the user agency may confirm that the proposed mining conforms to the DSR of the concerned districts issued by Competent Authority.

The estimated reserve details in M5-2 and M7 appear inconsistent due to a unit mismatch. In the Mining Plan, the unit used is metric tons, whereas in Parivesh 1.0, the unit is million tons. However, the actual figures are correct and consistent with the approved Mining Plan.

Furthermore, we confirm that the proposed mining activity conforms to the District Survey Report (DSR) of the concerned district, as issued by the Competent Authority. As supporting evidence, a report from the Mining Officer, District Bilaspur (H.P.) has been attached under Additional Documents at Sr. No. 24, titled "District Survey Report as per EMSMG 2020 & SSMMG 2016 duly issued by the Mining Officer, District Bilaspur (H.P.)"

The KML file of the CA area reveals that most of the area is proposed on Moderate Dense Forests to Dense Forests hence, the area may be revised, further the CA scheme is prepared for mixed for normal and tall plants and an amount of 12022910/- has come out for 16.3 ha. which does not seem justified please recheck the CA scheme and make necessary correction. Further, NPV bill is still not prepared on current rates.

This observation pertains to your good office please.

The documents as mentioned uploaded in reply to point No. 7-10 of this office memo dated 13.12.2023 was not found uploaded please specific the Sr. No. of the same while uploading the requisite documents.

In response to this point, we would like to clarify that:

- 1. The document related to Point No. 7 (CA Scheme and NPV Bill is not prepared on current rate":- this query pertains to your good office please
- 2. For Point No. 10 (Proceedings of Public Hearing not uploaded), the document has now also been uploaded under Additional Information at Sr. No. 26 titled "Proceeding of Public Hearing"

It is, therefore, you are requested that the proposal may please be forwarded to the corhigher office at the earliest.

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