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To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Cum Principal Secretary
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Govt of Arunachal Pradesh
Itanagar.

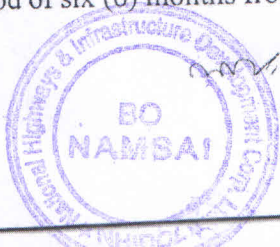
Sub : Diversion of 4.5 Ha of forest land for improvement of Akajan – Likabali – Bame road from 65.00 km to 71.00 km to NHDL specification by National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) in West Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government's letter No. FOR. 3-106/CONS/2008/Pt-III/3320-24 Dated Itanagar, the 19th August, 2013 on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. The In-principle approval granted vide letter of even number dated 04.03.2015 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The State Government has furnished compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval and has requested the Central Government to grant final approval.

In this regard and on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. 3-106/Cons/2008/pt-II/352-57 Dated Itanagar, the 19th April, 2017 and confirmation from Ad-hoc CAMPA dated 28.02.2017, I am to inform that **final approval** of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion **4.5 Ha** of forest land for improvement of Akajan – Likabali – Bame road from 65.00 km to 71.00 km to NHDL specification by National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) in West Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be carried out over double the degraded forest land i.e. 9.00 ha identified at Janbo VFR near Janbo village, Karko Forest Range, Jengging under Yingkong Forest Division as per the fund deposited by the User Agency & scheme furnished by the State Govt. The Compensatory Afforestation plantation shall consist of mixed indigenous species which shall include 20% of Medicinal Plants / Herbs / Shrubs.
- (3) An original notification declaring that the degraded forest land as Village Forest Reserve in accordance of the provisions of the Arunachal Pradesh Anchal and Village Forest Reserve (Constitution and Maintenance) Act, 1975, as amended from time to time and the Assam Forest Regulation, 1891 may be submitted to this Regional Office of MoEF & CC, Shillong within a period of six (6) months from the date of grant of Stage-II approval for information and record.



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- (4) The demarcation of forest land proposed for diversion shall be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars with serial numbers, forward and backward bearings and distance from pillar to pillar superscribed on the pillars.
- (5) The charges for felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees should be collected from the User Agency at the rates approved by the State Govt and deposited with the DFO concerned for utilization immediately following the diversion of forest land.
- (6) The expenditure like stone pillars, demarcation charges, cost of damage of trees felling should, be deposited with the DFO concerned.
- (7) All other clearances / NOCs under different rules / regulations / local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF, New Delhi guideline No. 11-9/98-FC(Pt) dated 05.02.2013 shall be complied with.
- (8) Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures of indigenous species along the roads within the area diverted under this approval, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency.
- (9) The tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable under strict supervision of the State Forest Department. The actual felling when and how carried out need to be informed.
- (10) The user agency shall restrict the felling of trees to the minimum within the ROW, preferably extending to 15 m width.
- (11) The user agency will undertake comprehensive soil and water conservation measures at the project cost.
- (12) No damage to flora and fauna of the area shall be caused.
- (13) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (14) No labour camp shall be set up inside the forest area.
- (15) The user agency shall provide fuel wood, preferably alternate fuel, to the labourers working at the site to avoid damage/felling of trees or buy the fuel wood from the extracted timber from the Forest Department to be used by labourers.
- (16) The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed off at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck / debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes. The muck dumping area shall be stabilized and plantation of suitable indigenous species shall be carried out on the cost of the user agency under the supervision of State Forest Department.
- (17) The user agency will undertake construction / maintenance of retaining / breast wall and drainage in steep slopes to ensure soil stablation and provide for proper drains / cross drains.
- (18) The designing of the culverts/bridges, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of the water. It should not cause rise of water level resulting in water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
- (19) All site specific engineering structures like retaining walls, breast wall and drainage shall be constructed to avoid any soil erosion and for slope stability of the concerned hills.
- (20) The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- (21) The User Agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for removal, if any, of stone, river sand, river boulders in forest land.
- (22) The proposal will be implemented under the overall supervision of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.



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(23) In case of any violation of the stipulated conditions immediate action is to be taken by the Forest Department as per Ministry's letter No. 5-5/86/FC dated 07.12.1999 and this office letter No. 2-1-51/2004/RONE/Vol II/3181-02 dated 28.12.2006.

(24) The layout of the plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.

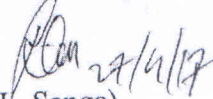
(25) No further change in the ownership will be allowed and the forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person.

(26) The State Government and User Agency shall submit an annual self-compliance report in respect of the above conditions to this office regularly.

(27) In future, any other conditions, as may be found appropriate for the betterment of environment & wildlife, may be imposed by North Eastern Regional Office.

(28) This approval may be revoked if the above conditions of approval is not complied to the satisfaction of the North Eastern Regional Office, Shillong.

Yours faithfully,

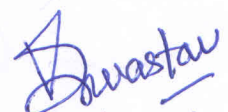

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