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No. 493/CF
HP Forest Department.

Dated Palampur, the/ 02/06/2023

From: DCF Palampur.

To: CCF Dharamshala.

Subject: - Diversion of 7.3991 ha of forest land in favor of Luni Power Company Private Ltd, Village Deolkhas, Post & Tehsil Baijnath, District Kangra, H.P - 176125, for the construction of 33 KV S/C Transmission Line from Luni -I SHEP Switchyard to 33 KV HPESB Ltd. Baijnath Sub-station, within the jurisdiction of Palampur Forest Division, District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh. (FP/HP/TRANS/40307/2019)

Memo:

Kindly refer to Regional Office Ministry of Environment, Forest Climate Change CGO Complex Shimla office letter No.8B/HP/04/15/2020/FC/194 dated 16.05.2023 on the subject cited above.


2. In this regards, it is submitted that the observation raised by higher ups has been attended the detail is given as under:-

Sr. No.	Observation/EDS	Reply
1.	The reply of the EDS has been provided after a period of three years. Therefore, necessary justification regarding the delay of the reply may be provide by the State Government.	In this connection, it is intimated that the reply to the EDS could not be submitted well in time due to the reason that the Forest Rights Committees (FRCs) involved in the project were not processing the request of the project proponent to issue FRA Certificate and the FRCs took a very long time to issue the recommendation letters to the concerned SDM regarding issuance of FRA certificate. Recommendation letters were issued by these FRCs during February 2023. Copies of these letters are enclosed.

2.	There is a mismatch in the amount of CA mentioned in the recommendation letter of DFO and the amount of CA mentioned in the CA scheme. This needs to be reviewed and revised.	The said recommendation letter pertains to the year 2019 and CA amount mentioned there in is as per old CA Scheme which has now been revised. The revised cost of CA scheme is Rs. 38, 22,600-00 and hence the mismatch.
3.	Comment of DFO is not submitted regarding presence or absence of rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in this area in SIR in Para 15 of Part – II. Needful correction in SIR is required.	Correct copy of SIR with comments regarding rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area is attached.
4.	Comments on flora and fauna is not in downloadable/readable format. Needful correction in this regard may be done.	Comments on flora and fauna in downloadable/readable format is attached herewith.

It is therefore, requested that the necessary approval for the above mentioned proposal may kindly be obtained from the compentent authority please.

Encl: As above


**Dy.Conservator of Forest,
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Palampur**