

HIMACHAL PRADESH POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(A-State Government Undertaking)

General Manager

Shongtong-Karchham HEP (450 MW)ReckongPeo Distt. Kinnaur (H.P)-172107



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To,

The Deputy Commissioner Recong Peo Distt. Kinnaur (HP). Email:-dc-kin-hp@nic.in

Subject:

Diversion of 63.5015 Ha of forest land for the construction of Shongtong Karchham HEP, being constructed by HPPCL, in District Kinnaur of Himachal Pradesh-Declaration of Reserve Forest under Indian Forest Act, 1927 -thereof.

Sir.

Regarding subject cited above, it is submitted that 63.5015 Ha of forest land has been diverted in favour of Shongtong-Karchham HEP, HPPCL vide letter dated 14-11-2012 (copy enclosed as per Annexure-I). Condition no. 8 of this letter states that "the entire reservoir created due to submergence shall be declared Reserve Forest under Indian Forest Act, 1927 within six months. However, regulated fishing shall be allowed. Nodal Officer shall submit compliance report in this regard".

The said declaration of reserve Forest under Chapter-II, Section-20 of Indian Forest Act 1927 can only be done by the state Government. Thus, it is requested to kindly declare the Barrage Reservoir Area submergence in respect of Shongtong-Karchham HEP (450MW) as Reserve Forest at the earliest, please. Detail of land falling in the submerged area is attached as per Annexure-II & III.

An early action in the said matter is solicited, please.

Yours faithfully

DA:- As above

KSINOKUV General Manager Shongtong-Karchham HEP HPPCL, Reckong Peo Distt. Kinnaur (H.P.).

CC:- The Director (Civil), HPPCL, Himfed Building, BCS, Shimla-09 for information please.

Deputy Conservator of Forests Kinnaur Forest Division at R/Peo H.P.