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Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (IA. I Division)

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Subject: 1260MW Saundatti HEP (Integrated Renewable Energy with Pumped Storage Project) near Village and Tehsil Saundatti in Belagavi District of Karnataka by M/s Greenko Energies Private Limited-regarding Environment Clearance (EC) Sir,

This has reference to your, Letter No. IREP/MoEF&CC/EC/20190208 dated 08.02.2019 and letter no. IRE-Saundatti/MoEF&CC/EC/20190430 dated 30.04.2019 on the above-mentioned subject.

- 2. Proposal of 1260 MW Saundatti HEP (Integrated Renewable Energy with Pumped Storage Project) near Village and Tehsil Saundatti in Belagavi District of Karnataka was considered in 22<sup>nd</sup> EAC meeting of River Valley and Hydro Electric Project held on 27.02.2019.
- 3. The EAC has recommended the Environment Clearance for Saundatti HEP (1260 MW). The project involves 167.65 ha of forest land. It is a pre-requisite to submit a copy of the Stage-I Forest Clearance (FC) by the Project proponent, before grant of EC by the Competent Authority. In this context, it is requested to kindly submit a copy of the **Stage-I Forest Clearance** in accordance with the Ministry's latest guidelines.
- 4. Further, you are also requested to submit the following:
  - i. Break-up of the capital and recurring cost of the EMPs along with the timeline for incurring the capital cost.
  - ii. Details of the name and number of posts to be engaged by the project proponent for implementation and monitoring of environmental parameters should be submitted.
  - iii. An undertaking as part of the EIA report from Project proponent, owning the contents (information and data) of the EIA report with the declaration about the contents of the EIA report pertaining to a project have not been copied from other EIA reports.

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- iv. As per the Ministrys OM dated 01.05.2018, for greenfield projects, an investment of 0.5% of the project cost (Rs 5535.22 Crores) towards CER is required to be submitted. You are therefore requested to submit CER details and should depict clear timeline for incurring the capital cost towards proposed activities under CER.
- v. Point wise reply to Memorandum given during the Public hearing by the Hon'ble MLA to DC regarding objection for implementation of power project should be submitted.
- vi. Approved conservation plan for Schedule-I species by competent authority to be submitted.
- 5. In view of para no. 03 & 04 above, you are requested to kindly submit the information at the earliest to enable us to process the recommendations of EAC with respect to Environmental Clearance.
- 6. This has approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. S. Kerketta)
Director

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