

JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN RESERVE FOREST AREA

1. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), a Government of India Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) had advertised for Establishment of BPCL Retail Outlet Dealership (Petrol Pump) within 7 KM from Bhalukpong Check Gate on Assam-Arunachal Border towards Tawang in West Kameng District under ST category on 25-Nov-2018. The entire stretch of land from Bhalukpong to Nichephu is a Notified Reserve Forest.
2. Being eligible for application for the said dealership, I applied for the same duly complying with all requirements and offered the piece of land under my possession located towards the left side of the Main Balipara- Chardwar- Tawang Road ahead of Forest Inspection Bungalow near Tippi Village and within 7 Km from Bhalukpong Check Gate. This piece of land falls under the Reserve Forest area but since there is no alternate location held by me which falls within 7 Km of Bhalukpong Check Gate and is not part of the Reserve Forest, there is no option of providing an alternate non forest land available to me.
3. Moreover, the Dealership of this Petrol Pump is being offered by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited specifically for ST (Reserved Category) belonging to this area hence there is no other option but to locate the Petrol Pump on Reserved Forest Land.
4. Considering the above, due to non-availability of any other option Forest Clearance for the subject piece of land measuring 50 m x 50 m i.e. 0.25 Hectares which falls under the Reserve Forest is sought for establishment of the above mentioned Petrol Pump.

Date: **22** Apr 2022

Place: Tippi (Bhalukpong)



(Abhay Sagro)
Proprietor