GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS AND HEAD OF FOREST FORCE, ASSAM ARANYA BHAWAN, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-37

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No. FG.27/FCA/Proposal/Pipeline/OIL/Digboi

Date: 12.02.2024

To

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam Environment and Forest Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.

Sub:

Compliance of the conditions laid down in the "In-Principle approval/Stage-I" for diversion proposal of 13.43 Ha. of forest land for laying of underground Oil & Gas pipeline portion of Duliajan-Digboi Road in Upper Dehing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division in favour of Oil India Ltd.

Ref:

Government of India letter No. 3-AS C 040/2021-GHY/2258-2259 dated 30.03.2022.

Sir,

With reference to the above, I am directed to submit herewith the report regarding compliance of the conditions enlisted in the Central Government's "In–Principle Approval/Stage-I" issued vide letter No. 3-AS C 040/2021-GHY/2258-2259 dated 30.03.2022 for the above-mentioned forest diversion proposal as given below:

No. A	
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	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has deposited Rs. 1,92,94,479/- for Net Present Value against
	forest land to be diverted.
2	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has deposited a total amount of Rs. 3,94,18,001/- into Ad-hoc
	CAMPA account through online web portal (<u>www.parivesh.nic.in</u>) of MoEF&CC on 05.05.2022
	(copy enclosed).
	The details are as follows:
	Net Present Value = Rs. $1,92,94,479/-$
	Compensatory Afforestation = Rs. $1,34,15,682$ /-
	Hover Head Cost = Rs. $67,07,841/-$
	Total Rs. 3,94,18,001/-
3	The User Agency has uploaded the compliance report on e-portal.
4	The KML files of proposed diversion area and Compensatory Afforestation area uploaded in e-
	Green watch Portal.
5	The PCCF, WL & CWLW, Assam has submitted the approved Wildlife Conservation and Conflict
	Mitigation Plan for Dihing Patkai Elephant Reserve vide letter No. WL/FG.35/ Proposal/Oil &
	Gas Pipeline/Digboi Divn. Dated 07.02.02024 (copy enclosed).
6	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has deposited Rs. 2,36,64,000/- for 2% of the total project cost
	into Chief Wildlife Warden, Assam account on 06.05.2022 for wildlife mitigation and
	conservation plan.
7	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (7) laid down in the
	"In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
8	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has stated that the Environment Clearance is not
	applicable, since the pipeline is not passing through any National Park/Wildlife
	Sanctuary/Coral Reef/Ecologically Sensitive Area vide letter No. S&E/E/102(A)/1127
	dated 25.11.2023 (copy enclosed).
9	The boundary of the diverted forest land has been demarcated on ground at the project cost, by
	erecting four feet high RCC pillars, each inscribed with its serial number and GPS co-ordinates by
	the DFO, Digboi Division (Copy of Photographs enclosed herewith)

10	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted FRA-2006 certificate (copy enclosed).
11	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (11) laid down in
	the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed).

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Condition No. B	Compliance Report/Remarks
1	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (1) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
2	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has deposited Rs. 2,01,23,522/- for Compensatory Afforestation.
3	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (3) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
4	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (4) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
5	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (5) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
6	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (6) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
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9	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (9) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
10	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (10) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
1 1	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (11) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
12	The concerned DFO has monitor and take necessary mitigation measures to ensure there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
13	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (13) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
14	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (14) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
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20	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (20) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
21	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (21) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)
22	The User Agency (Oil India Ltd.) has submitted undertaking for condition No. (22) laid down in the "In Principle Approval" (Copy enclosed)

Therefore, you are requested to kindly forward the compliance report to the Government of India, MoEF & CC, Sub Office, Guwahati for issue of "Final Approval" for the forest diversion proposal.

Encl: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. C Muthukumaravel, IFS)
Chief Conservator of Forests &
Nodal Officer (FC Act), Assam
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and

Head of Forest Force, Assam

Copy to:

- 1. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Upper Assam Zone, Jorhat for kind information.
- 2. The Circle In Charge, Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat for kind information.

3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Digboi Division, Digboi for information.

4. The Chief General Manager (HSE), Safety & Environment Department, OIL, Quhajan, Dibrugarh, Pin-786602 for information.

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