

Government of Manipur
Office of the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Climate Change & FCA)
Sanjenthong, Imphal.

No.7/310/2022/Forests: 1688
To

Imphal, the 4th March, 2025

The Principal Secretary (For., Env. & CC)
Government of Manipur

Sub:- Proposal for diversion of 98.00 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of Yaingangpokpi-Nagaland Road Section of NH-202 into two laning with paved shoulder of 0.000 km from Laikot to Finch corner 30.970 km in the state of Manipur by NHIDCL. **Submission of Compliance Report - reg.**

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am to say that the Central Government vide letter 3-MN C 033/2022- SHI/3203-04 dt. 01.03.2023 (copy enclosed) conveyed the 'In-Principle Approval (IPA) for the above proposal under Section-2(1)(ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 with stipulated conditions. The User Agency (NHIDCL) and Divisional Forest Officer/Ukhrul, Thoubal & Central Forest Division have complied with the said conditions and the Compliance Report is given below.

A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.

Para No.	Stipulated Conditions	Details of Compliance
1.	The user agency shall transfer, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the Ministry's Guideline No.5-3/201 1-FC (Vol.I) dated 06.01.2022 and even No. dated 19.01.2022.	Complied. User Agency deposited a sum of Rs. 11,62,28,817/- (Rupees Eleven Crore Sixty-Two Lakh Twenty-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Seventeen) only as cost of NPV to CAMPA account through PARIVESH e-portal dated 07.03.2024. Payment details enclosed
2.	The user agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;	Complied. User Agency deposited a sum of Rs. 4,62,94,690/- (Rupees Four Crore Sixty-Two Thousand Ninety) only as cost of Compensatory Afforestation to CAMPA account through PARIVESH e-portal dated 07.03.2024. Payment details enclosed
3.	The user agency shall transfer the cost of raising Avenue plantation on the road side in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State only through e-portal;	Complied. User Agency deposited a total sum of Rs. 2,58,04,561 /- (Rupees Two Core Fifty-Eight Lakh Four Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One) only as cost of Avenue Plantation to CAMPA account through PARIVESH e-portal dated 28.08.2024. Payment details enclosed
4.	The penalty for violation shall be equal to NPV of forest land per hectare for each year of violation from the date of actual diversion as reported by the inspecting officer with maximum up to five (5) times of NPV plus 12 % simple interest till the deposits is made.	Complied. User Agency deposited a total sum of Rs. 27,02,004/- (Rupees Twenty-Seven Lakh Two Thousand and Four) only as penalty for violation to CAMPA account through PARIVESH e-portal dated 07.03.2024. Payment details enclosed

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5.	State Government will initiate disciplinary action against the Forest and NHIDCL officers/officials concerned as per State Forest laws for not being able to prevent use of forest land for non-forestry purpose without prior approval of Government of India.	Action Taken Report enclosed
6.	User agency responsible for violation shall be prosecuted under local Act of the State for unauthorized use of forest land without the permission of State authority.	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-A
7.	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA account only through e-portal(https://parivesh.nic.in). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance;	Complied as in sl. 1, 2, 3 & 4 above
8.	The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	Complied. User Agency deposited fund for cost of felling to the concerned DFOs as follows. i) DFO/Ukhrul - Rs. 9,16,000/- dt.06.03.2024 ii) DFO/Thoubal - Rs. 87,138/- dt. 22.08.2024 iii) DFO/Central - Rs. 42,60,000/- dt. 20.08.2024
9.	The cost for boundary demarcation of the diversion forest land shall be shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	Complied. User Agency deposited fund for cost of boundary demarcation to the concerned DFOs as follows. i) DFO/Ukhrul - Rs. 56,41,866/- dt. 06.03.2024 ii) DFO/Thoubal - Rs. 3,60,000/- dt. 22.08.2024 iii) DFO/Central - Rs. 21,27,430/- dt. 20.08.2024
10.	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the District Collector;	FRA Certificates enclosed
11	Undertaking from the user agency to undertake special measures for prevention of landslide / erosion by biological or mechanical measures and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides as per requirement and proposed in the Much Dumping Plan.	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-C
12	Road side amenities such as marketing shed, bus shed, toilet etc., shall be provided.	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-D
13	Road side plantation of indigenous species with economic & ecological importance in consultation with the communities / JFMC may be undertaken with special attention by the User Agency.	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-E
14	Muck Dumping Plan to be made available to DFOs with instructions to ensure dumping only on dumping sites for each of the respective road widening/improvement	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-F

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	and also contractors should be properly sensitized by the User Agency for proper muck dumping.	
15	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter I of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-Fc dated 28.03.2019;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-G
16	The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing work permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be;	Shall be uploaded by concerned DFO's
17	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);	Shall be uploaded

B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:

Para No.	Stipulated Conditions	Details of Compliance
1.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-H
2.	The Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the Forest Department over 197.34 ha in 4 (four) patches i.e (i) 80 ha in Compartment No. 30, Khamasom Block, Ukhrul Forest Division (ii) 75 ha in Compartment No. 5, Ukhrul Forest Division, (iii) 26 ha in Compartment No. 3, Lamjong Block, Central Forest Division, Imphal East, and (iv) 16.34 ha in compartment No. P-11 & 12, Yairipok Block, Thoubal Forest Division in Thoubal District;	Shall be taken up by concerned DFOs once fund is released to State Forest Department
3.	The overburden shall not be dumped outside the diverted land. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-J
4.	The State Govt shall ensure that the user agency provide proper drainage of retaining / breast wall in steep slopes and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides and provide for proper drains / cross drains. Physical barriers / structures to prevent muck from entering streams & rivers and other ecologically sensitive areas are to be constructed on the lower slope side, if required, before any construction work are started;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-K
5.	User agency may raise strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms as per the fund deposited by the User Agency;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-L
6.	Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-M

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7.	The user agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable;	
8.	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-N
9.	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-O
10.	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area;	As reported by the DFOs there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
11.	The user agency shall undertake re-grassing of the muck dumping area and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-P
12.	The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;	UA shall obtain the Environmental Clearance if required.
13.	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-Q
14.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-R
15.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-S
16.	The boundary of the diversion forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the direction of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-T
17.	Wherever possible and technically feasible, User Agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-U
18.	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution materials for execution of the project work;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-V
19.	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;	Noted
20.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-W
21.	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-X
22.	The User Agency shall submit the annual self -compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-Y

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23.	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon 'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-Z1
24.	All other clearance/NOCs under different applicable rules/regulations /local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF, New Delhi guideline No. 11-9/1998-FC(pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with;	Undertaking enclosed by UA as Annexure-Z2
25.	As per Ministry's letter No 11-30/96-FC(Pt) dt 14.9.2001, if the compliance of stipulated conditions is awaited from the State Govt for more than 5(five) years, the in-principle approval would be summarily be revoked considering that the user agency is no longer interested in the project;	Noted.

Based on the fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the 'In-Principle Approval' dated 01.03.2023 the above proposal may be accorded 'STAGE-II/Final Approval' under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

Enclosed:

1. IPA Letter No. 3-MN C 033/2022- SHI/3203-04 dt. 01.03.2023
2. Compliance report submitted by the DFOs/ Ukhrul, Thoubal & Central Forest Division.
3. Compliance report submitted by User Agency (NHIDCL)

Yours faithfully,

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4/3/2025

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Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests &
Nodal Officer/FCA
Government of Manipur

Copy to:

1. The Dy. Inspector General of Forests (Central), RO, Shillong, MoEF & CC, Govt. of India.
2. The Conservator of Forests/ Northern & Central Forest Circle, Government of Manipur.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer/ Ukhrul, Thoubal & Central Forest Division, Government of Manipur.
4. The DGM(LA), NHIDCL, RO-Imphal.