

**F. No. 8-100/2008 - FC**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2020  
14/1

To  
The Principal Secretary (Forests),  
Government of Jharkhand,  
Ranchi.

**Sub: Transfer of Stage-I approval dated 20.09.2010 accorded for non-forestry use of 150.49 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Bihar State Power Generation Company Limited for Badam Coal Mining Project Hazaribagh District in the State of Jharkhand from the original user agency i.e. M/s Bihar State Power Generation Company Limited to M/s NTPC Limited – reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Ministry of Coal's letter no. 103/20/2015/NA dated 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 on the above subject requesting this Ministry's to transfer its approval granted under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of forest land for coal mining at Badam Coal Block in Hazaribagh District in the State of Jharkhand from the user agencies i.e. M/s Bihar State Power Generation Company Limited to M/s NTPC Limited in whose favour the coal block was auctioned/re-allotted by the Ministry of Coal, in accordance with para 5.4 of the Guidelines given under the Handbook of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

In this connection, I am directed to say that after careful examination of the proposal for transfer of forest clearance and on the basis of recommendations of the Ministry of Coal, the Central Government hereby conveys its approval for transfer of 'in-principle' approval dated 20.09.2010 read with letter dated 27.10.2015 granted under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 150.49 ha of forest land for Badam Coal Mining Project in District Hazaribagh (Jharkhand) from the user agency M/s Bihar State Power Generation Company Limited to M/s NTPC Limited, subject to the conditions as given below:

- (i) Lease transfer charges @ 10% of the NPV or Rs. 1,00,000/- (1 Lakh) whichever is less will be realized from the new user agency and will be deposited in the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA before execution of lease in favour of the new user agency.
- (ii) Reimbursement of amount paid by the original user agency shall be dealt with in the manner, as provided in the Coal Mines (Special Provisions) Second Ordinance, 2014 and Rules framed thereunder.
- (iii) The new user agency shall pay the NPV as per the approval granted under FC Act if not paid earlier. The new user agency shall also furnish an undertaking to pay the additional NPV, if so determined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- (iv) The new user agency shall abide by all the conditions on which the forest land was leased to the original user agency.
- (v) The new user agency shall abide by any other condition that may be stipulated by the Central Government/Regional Offices/State Government in future in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests and wildlife.

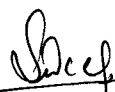
Yours faithfully,

  
(Sandeep Sharma) 14.01.2020

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Coal, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Principal Chief Conservation of Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
3. Dy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office (Eastern Zone), Ranchi.
4. Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
5. User Agencies;
  - a) M/s Bihar State Power Generation Company Limited
  - b) M/s NTPC Limited
6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
7. Guard File.

  
(Sandeep Sharma) 14.01.2020

Assistant Inspector General of Forests