

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: November, 2023

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Department of Environment & Forests,
Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar.

Sub: Proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Govt. under Section-2 (iii) of FC Act, 1980 towards grant of Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) for contract area "AA/ONDSF/KHEREM/2016" measuring 200 ha. of forest land (out of 1645 ha) in Kherem area in Changlang District of Arunachal Pradesh in favour of M/s Hindustan Oil Exploration Company Limited. regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letter no. FOR. 742/Cons/2017/5482-86 dated 26.09.2023 on the above mentioned subject with a request to de-link the proposal from compliance of the eviction of encroachment as the exercise has already been initiated and issue the final approval.

In this regard, it is to inform that the request of delinking the proposal from compliance of the eviction of encroachment was considered in the Ministry and it has been decided that the State Govt. shall comply with the conditions of Stage-I approval letter dt 07.08.2019 in totality and delinking of condition regarding removal of encroachment on forest land may not be acceded to before issuance of the final approval.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The PCCF(HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The DDGF(C), Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Shillong.
4. The sub-office, MoEF & CC, Guwahati.
5. User Agency.
6. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.