

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

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To

The Principal Secretary (Forests)  
Department of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
Government of Arunachal Pradesh  
Itanagar

**Sub: Diversion of 1165.66 ha (including 91.331 ha underground area) of forest land for construction of Etalin Hydro Electric Project (EHEP) (3097 MW) in Dibang Valley District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Etalin Hydro Electric Power Company Limited, Arunachal Pradesh. -regarding.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letter No. FOR.279/CONS/2010/Vol-II/6427-30 dated 07.12.2023 on the above mentioned subject forwarding the additional information in response to this Ministry's letter even number dated 02.02.2023. In this regard, it may be noted that the Ministry vide its earlier letter dt 02.02.2023 has requested the State Govt. to submit the revised proposal under section 2 (1) (ii) of Van (Sanrakshan and Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, on the PARIVESH portal of this Ministry and it was also informed that the proposal can not be considered in the present from.

2. It would be pertinent to mention that already 10 years have elapsed and a number of changes/amendment in the guidelines and rules pertinent with the Van (Sanrakshan and Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, has been issued in the intervening period. Moreover, the proposed forest land for diversion might have also been subject to changes on account of forest crop composition etc. Original proposal submitted was 'offline' which was submitted in the year 2014; whereas, now the Ministry is considering only online proposals. Further, the user agency has also changed in the instant proposal.

3. Accordingly, in order to address all the above issues, the State Government is requested to submit the revised proposal through online on [www.parivesh.nic.in](http://www.parivesh.nic.in) as per observations of the Advisory Committee communicated earlier by this Ministry's letter dt 02.02.2023.

Yours faithfully,

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati of MoEF&CC.
4. The User Agency.
5. The Monitoring Cell of FC division MoEF&CC, New Delhi.