

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, Forest and Climate Change
Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar.

Sub: Diversion of 52.8 ha of forest land (surface forest land-47.7 ha, reiverbed-2.3 ha & underground area-2.8 ha) for construction of Tato-I H.E. Project (186 MW) in West Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Siyota Hydro Power Pct. Ltd - regarding change of name of the user agency from M/s. Siyota Hydro Power Limited (original User Agency) to North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd. (NEEPCO) (a Government of India Enterprise).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letter No. FOR.223/CONS/2009/5875-81 dated 17th October, 2023 requesting to change of the name of user agency from M/s. Siyota Hydro Power Limited (original User Agency) to North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd. (NEEPCO) (a Government of India Enterprise). Before considering the proposal for change of the name of user agency form one user agency to another user agency, the following information/ clarification is required to be submitted by the State Govt. to the Ministry:

- a. Justification to delay the submission of the information vide Ministry's letter dated 29.06.2021 subsequently reminder dated 13.08.2021.
- b. During the intervening period of the proposal in the Ministry there are so many changes in the Rule, Guidelines of the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980. Therefore, the State Govt. may be requested to submit the revised CA scheme along with KML files of the CA area.
- c. DGPS maps and KML files of proposed forest area.
- d. Progress of the compliance of the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval letter dated 27.10.2015 and 26.07.2020.
- e. Comments on the violation done by the User agency under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, if any.

- f. Revised tree felling details. Since 8 years has been lapsed for submission of the proposal.
- g. The State Govt./user agency has not submitted the certificate of registration of the company register in the company registrar office, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.
- h. At the time of the granting 'in-principle approval in favour of the old UA, CA land was considered on equivalent NFL and now the State Government is requesting transfer from Pvt. UA to a Govt. of India enterprise (CPSU), therefore, clear view of the State Government in this regard is required and whether the State Govt. is seeking the transfer of the approval granted earlier to the new user agency on the conditions stipulated earlier, is to be clearly stated.

In view of the above the State Govt. is requested to submit the above mentioned information/clarification to this Ministry as the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, Shillong of MoEF&CC.
4. The Sub-office, Guwahati of MoEF&CC.
5. User Agency
6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, of MoEF&CC, New Delhi.