

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

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Dated: 8 April, 2022

To,

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

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 83.12 ha (94.712 ha proposed originally) of forest land for drilling of Oil well at 27 new locations in Changlang District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Geo-Enpro Petroleum Limited seeking forest clearance under Section 2(ii) of FC Act 1980 – regarding.

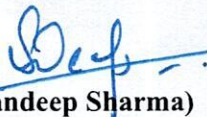
Sir

I am directed to refer to the above subject proposal and to inform that the instant proposal has been considered by FAC in its meeting held on 31.03.2022 and the minutes of the meeting may be seen at www.parivesh.nic.in. The FAC *inter-alia* recommended to obtain the following information from State Govt. :-

- i. Complete detail of Petroleum Mining Lease, status of grant of general approval, if any, and status of deposition of 2% NPV in pursuance to Ministry's Guidelines dated 24.06.2015.
- ii. Detail of forest land involved in the 29 bore holes stated to be drilled already and status of approval, if any, obtained under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- iii. Certificate of District Collector certifying the process of settlement of rights needs to be furnished strictly in accordance with the MoEF&CC advisory dated 5.07.2013, incorporated at Annexure- II of the Handbook at appropriate time.
- iv. The State Government may also submit its comments on 3 bore holes locations, dropped temporarily by the user agency which are overlapping with the area diverted for mining in Namchik Naphuk Coal Block.

In view of above, the State Govt. is requested to furnish the details/information on the above mentioned points at the earliest to this Ministry for further consideration of this proposal.

Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati.

3. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Forest Department, Government Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF& CC, New Delhi, for uploading.