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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi- 110003.

Dated:18-06-2025

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests)

Department of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of Project Manager, Halaipani Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd. for nonforestry use of 4.75 ha. of forest land (Pailo Village Reserve Forest = 0.88 ha & Unclassed State Forest = 3.87 ha) for construction of Halaipani HEP (16 MW) by Halaipani Hydro Project Ltd. in Anjaw District of Arunachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/AR/HYD/156579/2022)— regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the letter No. FOR. 116/Cons/2002/Pt-I/1234-38 dated 11.04.2025, of the Government of Arunachal Pradesh on the above subject, wherein a copy of request letter dated 10.03.2025 from the Department of Hydro Power Development, Government of Arunachal Pradesh (User agency) was forwarded, wherein this Ministry was requested to consider waiving or reducing the penal NPV imposed in condition (xvi) of the in-principle/stage-I approval accorded by the Central Government on 14.01.2025.

In this connection, it is to inform that matter has been considered by the Ministry and after examination of the matter, it has been decided that the State Government may be requested to ensure compliance of all the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval issued vide Ministry letter dated 14.01.2025.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to inform the user agency accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Charan Jeet Singh)

Scientist 'E'

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Department of Forest, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
- 2. The DDGF (Central) Regional Office, Shillong of MoEF&CC.
- 3. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

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- 4. The User Agency.5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading.