

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

Indira ParyavaranBhawan,
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New Delhi – 110003,
Dated:20-08-2024

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),

Department of Forest Environment and Climate Change,
Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itangar.

Subject: 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 M/s. North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (NEEPCO Ltd.) (A Govt. of India Enterprises) for non-forestry use of 52.8 ha. of forest land for (surface forest land 47.7 ha. riverbed-2.3 ha & underground area-2.8 ha) for construction of Tato-I HEP (186 MW) in Shi Yomi District earlier in West Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/AR/HYD/3580/2012)- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letter No. FOR.9-313/Cons/2010/3308-11 dated 03rd July, 2024 which was received in the Ministry on 29.07.2024 on the above mentioned subject forwarding a report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage- I approval dated 27.10.2015 and change of name of user agency letter dated 31.01.2024 and to say that examination of the said compliance report in the Ministry revealed following shortcomings:-

- i. The State Govt. has not submit KML file, suitability certificate and DGPS map of additional CA land in lieu of very dense forest in compliance to condition No. 2 of Stage- I approval. The same needs to be submitted along with revised CA scheme before Stage-II approval.
- ii. The State Govt. has not submit a copy of Survey of India topo-sheet in 1:50,000 scale of the area proposed for CA. The same needs to be submitted.
- iii. The State Govt. has not submitted the progress of notification of the unclassed CA land as RF under Indian Forest Act, 1927/Assam Forest Regulation 1891 or as Anchal Forest Reserve/Village Forest Reserve under Arunachal Pradesh. Progress of notification may be submitted.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours faithfully,

(S. Sundar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservation of Forests (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, Shillong of MoEF&CC.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.