

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

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Dated: 6th August, 2020

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
State Government of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 94.712 ha 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-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even no. dated 18.05.2020 wherein it was informed the State Govt. to submit the requisite information within one month failing which the project proposal will be liable for consideration for rejection by this Ministry.

2. Now the State Govt. vide their letter No. FOR.572/Cons/2014/1840-41 dated 21.07.2020 informed that earlier CA area had been proposed in Namphuk RF but now an alternate CA of 190 ha. has been identified at Muktur VFR under Lumla Range of Tawang SF Division. However, the shape/KML file for the propose area of diversion and revised sites identified for compensatory afforestation have not been provided. In addition, the clarification was also sought on admissibility of CA for private agency on forest land, which is also not given.

In view of above, it is again request to furnish the following information without any further delay:

- i. The Shape-file/ KML file for the proposed area of diversion and revised site identified for compensatory afforestation.
- ii. Clarification as to why the CA proposed on forest land whereas the user agency, M/s Geo-Enpro Petroleum Limited, is a private entity and not eligible to propose/ raise compensatory afforestation on forest land.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The Dy. Director General (Central), Regional Office, Shillong.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Divisions, MoEF&CC to upload and issue through e-mail to all concern including user agency.