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

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Dated:10-09-2024

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests)

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

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 128.97 ha. of Forest Land for Open Cast Mining Project in Namchik-Namphuk Coal Fields in Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh. – regarding request for transfer of lease in respect of diversion of forest land for open cast coal mining in Namchak Namphuk Coal Mine in changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh along with Stage-I and Stage-II approval granted in favour of M/s. Arunachal Pradesh Mineral Development & Trading Corporation Limited to M/s. Coal Pulz Private Limited (Online Proposal No. FP/AR/MIN/611/2003)—regarding.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh letter no. FOR.14-7/CONS/2002/3552-55 dated 12.08.2024 on above subject forwarding additional information as sought vide this Ministry's letter dated 17.06.2024 and to say that after examination of additional information, it is to inform that compliance of following may be submitted for further release of remaining 89.95 ha and change in name of User Agency:

- i. Undertaking from condition No. 10 to 18 of Stage- II approval has not been submitted by the User Agency.
- ii. The cost of CA and NPV for remaining area i.e. 89.95 ha shall be realized from the User Agency as per current rates and deposited into National Authority, CAMPA account. Details of the same shall be submitted.
- iii. Compensatory Afforestation over an area of 39.02 ha was carried out by the State Government and the same has been notified as RF/PF under Section 4 and Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1972 or other local Act. Now, since the new user agency is requesting for approval of remaining 89.95 ha out of 128.97 ha. Details of Compensatory Afforestation land viz. site specific CA scheme, site suitability certificate, KML file and DGPS maps needs to be submitted.
- iv. The State Govt. shall ensure that the transfer fee of Rs.10,00,000 (Rupees ten lakh) is deposited into CAMPA account of the concerned State Government.
- v. Detailed component-wise breakup of the proposed land is to be submitted by the State Government.
- vi. The new user agency shall pay the NPV as per the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No.5-3/2007-FC dated 06.01.2022 read with 22.03.2022

- through online portal of CAMPA account of the State concerned.
- vii. The new user agency shall also pay the additional NPV, if so determined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India
- viii. The new User Agency shall abide by all the conditions on which the forest land was leased/diverted in favour of the original user agency.
- ix. The new User Agency shall abide by any other condition that may be stipulated by the Central Government/Regional Office/State Government in future in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- x. The State Govt. and the user agency shall comply with the provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to furnish information/documents, as indicated above, to the Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Sd-(S. Sundar) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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