

F. No. 8-98/2011-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(FC Division)

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Dated: 3rd May, 2016

To

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

Sub: Diversion of 187.20 ha of forest land (Surface forest land = 172.25 ha and underground area = 14.95 ha) for construction of Tawang H.E. Project –Stage-I (600 MW) on Tawang Chu River in Tawang District by NHPC, Tawang District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letters No. FOR.10-54/CONS/2009/27612-16 dated 21.9.2011 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. On receipt of Cumulative Impact Assessment & Carrying Capacity Study of Tawang river basin in Arunachal Pradesh for Development of Hydroelectric Power Projects (HEPs) by this Ministry, the proposal was placed before FAC in its meeting held on 03.05.2016 and the detailed minutes of the said FAC meeting is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in. After examination of the said proposal, the Forest Advisory Committee *inter alia* recommended that the following clarification and documents be obtained:

- (i) User agency to submit the shape files of the forest Land proposed for diversion.
- (ii) Muck Dumping sites to be revisited and shifted to non forest areas.
- (iii) Forest areas for construction of colony shall be excluded from the proposal
- (iv) User agency to submit complete compliance of FRA in accordance to the guidelines issued by MOEF and CC.
- (v) User agency to submit R and R plan duly approved by competent authority.
- (vi) Copy of Cumulative Impact assessment and carrying capacity study of Tawang river basin in Arunachal Pradesh to be circulated and discussed in the next FAC. A presentation to be made by the organization which carried out the study.

2. Accordingly, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information / documents, as indicated above, for further consideration of proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,




(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

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1. The PCCF, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
3. The Add. PCCF (Central) Regional Office, Shillong.
4. Guard file.
5. Monitoring Cell.



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