

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT
DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

No. 234260/2025/214

Dated Dispur, the June, 2025

To : The Assistant Inspector General of Forests,
Government of India, MoEF & CC, FC Division,
Jor Bagh Rd, Lodi Colony,
New Delhi 110003.

Sub: Submission of Compliance Report of the conditions laid down in the “In-Principal approval/Stage-I” for diversion proposal of 1.76783 hectare of forest land for exploratory drilling location TLAA in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC, Jorhat – reg.

Ref: Government of India letters No. 3-ASB/117/2022/GHY dated 09.02.2024 & No. 3-ASB/116/2022/GHY dated 21.10.2024.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to your letter on the subject cited above, I am directed to furnish herewith the report regarding compliance of the conditions enlisted in the Central Government's "In-Principle Approval" for the above-mentioned forest diversion proposal as given below for favour of your kind information and necessary action:

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Yours faithfully

**Digitally signed by
MAUCHUMI BARUA**

Date: 10-06-2025

Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

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Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department

Memo No. 234260/2025/214-A

Dated Dispur, the June, 2025

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.

ESIGNED

Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS AND
HEAD OF FOREST FORCE, ASSAM
ARANYA BHAWAN, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-37

No. FG.27/FCA/Proposal/ONGC/TLAA/Golaghat Divn.

Date: 02.06.2025

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Therefore, you are requested to kindly forward the compliance report to the Government of India, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for onward necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,
Rajendra
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Approved
Digitally signed
by Rajendra G
Garawad
Date: 2025.06.02
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**Chief Conservator of Forests &
Nodal Officer (FC Act)**
Email: adlpcf.nodal@gmail.com

Copy for kind information to:

1. The Circle In Charge, Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat.
2. The Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, MoEF & CC, FC Division, New Delhi.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Golaghat Division, Golaghat.
4. The Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon.
5. The General Manager (E&T) i/c HSE-A & AAB Basin, ONGC, Jorhat.

**DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND FOR EXPLORATORY DRILLING LOCATION TLAA IN
DOYANG RESERVED FOREST
PROPFORMA**

1	State/ District /Forest Division to which the proposal relates	Assam/ Golaghat / Golaghat.
2	Name of User Agency, nature of proposal	The General Manager (E&T) i/c HSE-A & AAB Basin, ONGC, Jorhat. Proposal for diversion of forest land for exploratory drilling location TLAA in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC, Jorhat.
3	Extent of Forest area involved	1.76783 hectare of Reserved Forest area
4	Whether original, or extension	Original
5	If extension of lease, please clarify if proposal involves additional forest area, and if so, specify	Does not arise.
6	Date of 1 st stage clearance	09.02.2024.
7	Extent of CAMPA charges, head wise viz.	
	(a) Compensatory Afforestation	Rs. 94,22,415/- The amount has been paid for consolidated CA for the seven locations, viz. TLAA (FP/AS/MIN/140108/2021) SUAD (FP/AS/MIN/139446/2021) SPAA (FP/AS/MIN/87902/2020) ELAJ (FP/AS/MIN/139315/2021) KSAI (FP/AS/MIN/35222/2018) TLAB (FP/AS/MIN/113884/2020) DPAB (FP/AS/MIN/113896/2020)
	(b) Additional CA.	NIL
	(c) Penal CA	NIL
	(d) Catchment Area Treatment	NIL
	(e) Wildlife Management Plan	Rs. 40,00,000 /-
	(f) Additional charges for diversion of area falling under notified/ protected areas	NIL
	(g) Net Present Value	Rs. 19,74,490/-
	(h) Any other charges/ Levies (Pl specify)	Over head cost Rs. 47,11,208/- & Cost of protection & fencing of CA land bank Rs. 2,00,00,000/-
8	Details of Bank Drafts (Bank, Draft No, Date & Amount), head wise against items indicated in paragraph 7 above	NIL
9	Whether deposited by RTGS, if so the particulars and date of remittance	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 3,61,08,113/- & Rs. 40,00,000 /- into the Ad-hoc CAMPA account through online web portal (www.parivesh.nic.in) of MoEF & CC on 07.02.2025 & 23.05.2025
10	Bank (Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex/ Union Bank of India, Sunder Nagar) in which deposited with date deposition.	As stated in column No. 9 above.
11	Any other remarks	NIL

Rajendra G
Garawad

Approved
Digitally signed by
Rajendra G Garawad
Date: 2025.05.02
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**Chief Conservator of Forests &
Nodal Officer (FC Act)**



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Property Description : FOREST CLEARANCE FOR ONGC
Consideration Price (Rs.) : 0
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First Party : LILY P CHAWANG
Second Party : NA
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Undertaking of Oil and Natural Gas Limited (ONGCL) to comply the conditions of In Principle Approval vide letter no. F No. 3-ASB/121/2022/GHY dated 09.02.2024 and amended IPA condition letter no. F.No. 3-ASB/116/2022/GHY dated 21.10.2024 for diversion of 1.76783 ha of Forest Land for drilling of exploratory location TLAA in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division, Assam and Proposal No-FP/AS/MIN/140108/2021.

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2. The onus of checking the legitimacy is on the users of the certificate.
3. In case of any discrepancy please inform the Competent Authority.

1. Legal Status of Forest Land:

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), hereby undertakes that, Legal Status of Forest Land proposed for diversion will remain unchanged.

2. Payment of Net Present Value (NPV):

ONGC undertakes that, to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

3. Permission for Forest Entry and Borehole Activities:

ONGC undertakes that, to seek permission of concerned Divisional Forest Officer before entering into the forest area and borehole shall be dug with prior permission of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer and also furnish detailed report thereof on completion of the project.

4. Plugging of Borehole:

ONGC undertakes that, proper plugging of borehole shall be made after exploration activities are complete to the satisfaction of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

5. Tree Felling Restrictions:

ONGC undertakes that, No tree felling shall be undertaken for exploration activities. Project activities shall be restricted to clearing of bushes and lopping of tree branches if any for the purpose of site preparation.

6. Compensation for Loss of Flora and Fauna:

ONGC undertakes that, for any loss to the flora and fauna in the surrounding. Any damage done in this regard shall be compensated by the User Agency from the project cost as per assessment of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

7. Use of Existing Forest Roads:

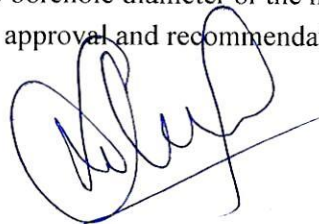
ONGC undertakes that, No new road shall be constructed for transporting prospecting tools and machines. ONGC will use the existing forest road/path with prior information to the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The area used for path during the prospecting work shall be restored to its original status of forest after completion of prospecting work.

8. No Additional Construction Activities:

ONGC undertakes that, No other construction activities shall be done by the User Agency on forest land. Existing path and roads only will be used by the User Agency for the purpose of prospecting activities and drilling of bore holes will be limited to 01 no. with diameter of 171/2" within forest land will be dug. No other physical breaking of forest land will be taken up. However, in case a requirement arises for additional bore hole, due intimation and permission will be sought.

9. Changes in Borehole Specifications:

ONGC undertakes that, to report any proposed changes in the borehole diameter or the number of boreholes to the concerned Regional Office in advance for approval and recommendations to the Central Government.



10. Protection of Wildlife:

ONGC undertakes that, adequate measures shall be taken to ensure that prospecting activities do not harm the wildlife in the area. Any damage done in this context shall be compensated as per assessment, by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

11. No Labour Camp on Forest Land and no work after sun set:

ONGC undertakes that, No labour camp will be established on the forest land. Exploratory drilling is a short term project of about 3 months to explore the presence of hydrocarbons in the subsurface. The drilling process is a continuous job that cannot be halted because of the complexities involved. Therefore, it is not possible to stop drilling in between. It will continue day and night until completion.

It may please be noted that in the 2nd Regional Workshop held at Shillong, hosted by MoEF&CC on 23.01.2024 the same was raised & the matter is under due consideration by MoEF&CC.

12. Usage of Collected Samples:

ONGC undertakes that, the samples collected during the prospecting shall be used purely for investigation purposes and shall in no case be used for trade or commerce purpose.

13. Phased Tree Felling:

ONGC undertakes that, trees should be felled in phased manner as per the requirement in the approved Mining Plan with prior permission of concerned DFO.

14. Provision of Alternative Fuels:

ONGC undertakes that, will provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.

15. No Changes to Layout Plan:

ONGC undertakes that, the layout plan of the mining plan/ proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government and the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

16. No Transfer of Forest Land:

ONGC undertakes that, the forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.

Date: 26.05.2025

Place: Jorhat



Lily P. Chawang
GM (E&T) -I/C-HSE, A&AA Basin

Sno.	Proposal Detail Online Help/Query	Application No	Date of IN-PRINCIPLE	Amount to be Paid/Amount Paid (in Rs.)		Payment Status	Payment Detail	Demand Letter
1	FP/AS/MIN/113884/2020 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/113884/2020) ONGC, Drilling of Exploratory Location TLAB	MIN1138842020920	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, PCA: 0/-, Safety Zone: 0/-, NPV: 0/-, Total : 5400000/-	Addl CA : 0/- CAT : 0/- Addl PA : 0/- 2% of the project cost of the location TLAB as : 5400000/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On 16 May 2025 Bank Name : Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment : NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On 19 May 2025 Transaction Date 23 May 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/140520251239162829_FPASMIN1138842020) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN1138842020)
2	FP/AS/MIN/139315/2021 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/139315/2021) ONGC Drilling of Exploratory location ELAJ	MIN1393152021036	12 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, PCA: 0/-, Safety Zone: 0/-, NPV: 0/-, Total : 4000000/-	Addl CA : 0/- CAT : 0/- Addl PA : 0/- 2% of the project cost of the location ELAJ as : 4000000/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On 16 May 2025 Bank Name : Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment : NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On 20 May 2025 Transaction Date 23 May 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/140520251233573145_FPASMIN1393152021) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN1393152021)
3	FP/AS/MIN/139446/2021 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/139446/2021) ONGC Drilling of Exploratory location SUAD	MIN1394462021549	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, PCA: 0/-, Safety Zone: 0/-, NPV: 0/-, Total : 4000000/-	Addl CA : 0/- CAT : 0/- Addl PA : 0/- 2% of the project cost of the location SUAD as : 4000000/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On 16 May 2025 Bank Name : Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment : NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On 20 May 2025 Transaction Date 23 May 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/140520251243394365_FPASMIN1394462021) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN1394462021)
4	FP/AS/MIN/140108/2021 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/140108/2021) ONGC Drilling of Exploratory Location TLAA	MIN1401082021105	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, PCA: 0/-, Safety Zone: 0/-, NPV: 0/-, Total : 4000000/-	Addl CA : 0/- CAT : 0/- Addl PA : 0/- 2% of the project cost of the location TLAA as : 4000000/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On 16 May 2025 Bank Name : Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment : NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On 19 May 2025 Transaction Date 23 May 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/140520251236136637_FPASMIN1401082021) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN1401082021)
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6	FP/AS/MIN/87902/2020 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/87902/2020) ONGC, Drilling of Exploratory Location SPAA	MIN879022020947	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, PCA: 0/-, Safety Zone: 0/-, NPV: 0/-, Total : 5400000/-	Addl CA : 0/- CAT : 0/- Addl PA : 0/- 2% of the project cost of the location SPAA as : 5400000/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On 16 May 2025 Bank Name : Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment : NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On 19 May 2025 Transaction Date 23 May 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/140520251238093630_FPASMIN879022020) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN879022020)

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8	FP/AS/MIN/113896/2020 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/113896/2020) ONGC, Drilling of Exploratory Location DPAB	MIN1138962020473	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, Addl CA: 0/- PCA: 0/-, CAT: 0/- Safety Zone: 0/-, Addl PA: 0/- NPV: 2109825/-, NA: 0/- Total: 2109825/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On Bank Name: Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment: NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On: 07 Feb 2025 Transaction Date: 07 Feb 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/210120251308195203_FPASMIN1138962020) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN1138962020)
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13	FP/AS/MIN/87902/2020 (../viewreport.aspx?pid=FP/AS/MIN/87902/2020) ONGC, Drilling of Exploratory Location SPAA	MIN879022020809	09 Feb 2024	CA: 0/-, Addl CA: 0/- PCA: 0/-, CAT: 0/- Safety Zone: 0/-, Addl PA: 0/- NPV: 1933354/-, NA: 0/- Total: 1933354/-	✓ Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On Bank Name: Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment: NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On: 07 Feb 2025 Transaction Date: 07 Feb 2025	Demand Letter (../writereaddata/Fundpdf/210120251311106136_FPASMIN879022020) Generated Challan (../UserAccount/Neft_ChallanCorp.aspx?pid=MIN879022020)

CA Scheme for 13.3 Hectare Artificial Regeneration (AR) Plantation for ONGC Ltd.

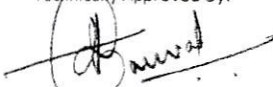
Area (ha.)	13.3
Spacing (m x m)	2 X 2
Number of Saplings/ ha	2500
Length of Fence (RM)	2072 *
Wage rate (Rs.)	353
Increase in wage rate for subsequent years by a factor	1.1 **

Sl. No.	Particulars of works	Units	Qty./ Ha.	Total Qty.	Rate/ Unit	Amount (Rs.)	Applicable rate of GST/ Cess etc.	
							GST	Labour Cess
A	ERECTION OF FENCING							
	(a) Cost of full chain link fencing (4' ht with 10 gauge 3" dia link) with 2 strand barbed wire, to be filled on pre-cast RCC pillars of specific specification and size (2.1m x 0.125m x 0.125m) as per detail specification attached at 2.5 m apart, including transportation, fitting and fixing for 2072 RM @ Rs. 1661/RM as per estimate (Inclusive of 14.05% GST and 1% Labour Cess)	RMs		2072	1661	3441592		
	<i>Sub Total</i>					3441592		
B	INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLANTATION AREA							
	Construction of Camp Hut with installation of Ring Well/ Tube Well	Nos.		1	225000	225000.00		
	Cost of tools & implements	Set		1	10000	10000		
	Cost of RCC signboard & Gate including fitting and fixing of the same	Nos.		1	40000	40000		
	Camp accessories @ Rs. 10000 Per Camp	Nos.		1	10000	10000		
	<i>Sub Total</i>					285000		
C	ADVANCE WORK							
	Raising of Nursery for creation including vacancy filling for 3 (three) years (25% + 15% + 10%) and site nursery mortality 15% by using polypots	Nos.	4125	54862.5	10	548625		
	Site selection, surveying, demarcation, jungle cutting, slash disposal etc. 40 DLs/ha.	DLs	40	532	353	187796		
	<i>Sub Total</i>					736421		
D	CREATION							
	Soil working, carriage of stumps, polypot seedling and planting at the plantation site including, dibbling of seeds wherever necessary to complete raising of plantation with all necessary operation @ 50 DLs/ ha	DLs	50	665	353	234745		
	<i>Sub Total</i>					234745		
E	1ST YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	4 weeding, mulching and fire protection works @ 25 DLs/ ha/ weeding	DLs	100	1330	353	469490		
	Maintenance & Protection by way of deploying of watch and ward for site nursery and plantation area (2 DL for 365 days)	DLs	2	730	353	257690		
	Contingency	LS				10000		
	<i>Sub total</i>					737180		
F	2ND YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	4 weedings, mulching & fire protection works @ 25 DLs/ha/weeding	DLs	100	1330	388.3	516439		
	25% vacancy filling by 1 year old seedlings from nursery @ 28 DLs/ha	DLs	28	372.4	388.3	144602.92		
	Maintenance and protection by way of deploying of watch & ward for site nursery & plantation area (2 DL for 365 days)	DLs	2	730	388.3	283459		
	Maintenance of Camp Hut, Implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				10000		
	Contingency	LS				10000		
	<i>Sub Total</i>					964500.92		
G	3RD YEAR MAINTENANCE							


	4 weedings, mulching & fire protection works @ 20 DLs/ ha/ weeding	DLs	80	1064	427.13	454466.32		
	15% Vacancy filling by 2 year old seedlings from nursery @ 23 DLs/ ha	DLs	23	305.9	427.13	130659.067		
	Maintenance and protection by way of deploying of watch & ward for site nursery & plantation area (2 DL for 365 days)	Dls	2	730	427.13	311804.9		
	Maintenance of Camp Hut, Implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				10000		
	Sub Total					911930.287		
H	4TH YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	3 weedings, fire protection works @ 15 DLs/ ha/ weeding	DLs	45	598.5	469.843	281201.0355		
	10% Vacancy filling by 3 year old seedlings from nursery @ 20 DLs/ ha	DLs	20	266	469.843	124978.238		
	Maintenance and protection by way of deploying of watch & ward for site nursery & plantation area (1 DL for 365 days)	DLs	1	365	469.843	171492.695		
	Maintenance of Camp Hut, Implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				10000		
	Sub Total					592671.9685		
I	5TH YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	Climber cutting, 3 weedings & other silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 15 DLs/ ha	DLs	45	598.5	516.8273	309321.1391		
	Maintenance and protection by way of deploying of watch & ward for site nursery & plantation area (1 DL for 365 days)	Dls	1	365	516.8273	188641.9645		
	Maintenance of Camp Hut, Implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				10000		
	Sub Total					512963.1036		
J	6TH YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	Repairing of Chainlink fencing	LS				25000		
	1st mechanical thinning of alternate single strips in the plantation; 1250 nos of stems/ha	DLs	62	825	568.51003	468793.3707		
	Climber cutting, Silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 10 DLs/ ha	DLs	10	133	568.51003	75611.83399		
	Maintenance of camp hut, implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				5000		
	Sub Total					579405.2047		
K	7TH YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	Climber cutting, Silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 10 DLs/ ha	DLs	10	133	625.361033	83173.01739		
	Maintenance of camp hut, implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				5000		
	Sub Total					93173.01739		
L	8th YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	Climber cutting, Silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 10 DLs/ ha	DLs	10	133	687.8971363	91490.31913		
	Maintenance of camp hut, implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				5000		
	Sub Total					101490.3191		
M	9th YEAR MAINTENANCE							

	Climber cutting, Silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 10 DLs/ ha	DLs	10	133	756.6868499	100639.351		
	Maintenance of camp hut, implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				5000		
	Sub Total					110639.351		
N	10th YEAR MAINTENANCE							
	Climber cutting, Silvicultural works and fire protection works @ 10 DLs/ ha	DLs	10	133	832.3555349	110703.2861		
	Maintenance of camp hut, implements, upkeepment of plantation signboard, documentation & upkeepment of records etc.	LS				5000		
	Contingency	LS				5000		
	Sub Total					120703.2861		
	Total					9422415		
	Over Head Cost (50% of Compensatory Afforestation)					4711208		
	Cost of protection and fencing of CA Lank Bank from encroachment, etc	LS				20000000		
	Grand Total					34133623		
	Rupees Three Crore Forty One Lakh ThirtyThree thousand Six hundred and Twenty Three only							

Technically Approved By:


CCF & Nodal Officer (FC Act)
o/o PCCF & HoFF, Assam

Prepared by


Divisional Forest Officer
DFO, Nagaon Wildlife Division cum
Nagaon Wildlife Division
Nagaon, Assam
By Director, Kaziranga Tiger Reserve

Note:

- * subject to actual measurement in the field.
- ** subject to revision of schedule of rates.

20/12/24

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road
New Delhi-110 003

Dated: 26th December, 2024

To

Addl. Chief Secretaries (Forests)/Principal Secretary (Forests),
All State Government/UT Administrations

Sub: Clarification on the provisions of guidelines given under para 1.22 of the Consolidated Guidelines issued under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Rules, made thereunder – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter no. A/MOEFCC/24/281 dated 16.10.2024 received from Federation of India Mineral Industries, FIMI requesting for uniform guidelines for fixing charges of Wildlife Management Plan(WLMP) and Soil and Moisture Conservation Plans(SMCP) , prepared and implemented in compliance of approvals granted under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. In this connection, it is to inform that the matter has been examined in the Ministry in light of submissions made by the FIMI. After examination of the same, the following is clarified:

- i. The Guidelines at para 1.22 of the Chapter-1 of Consolidated Guidelines issued on 29.12.2023 by the MoEF&CC provides for an optional arrangement for the User Agencies and States to forward the compliance of in-principle approval to the Central Government in such cases where due to unavoidable circumstances, there is delay in the preparation of Wildlife Management /Soil and Moisture Conservation Plans and its submission along with the compliance of in-principle approval granted earlier. In such cases, the User Agency can make an upfront payment of 2% of the project cost towards the cost of implementation of Wildlife Management and 0.5% in lieu of the cost of implementation of Soil and Moisture Conservation Works for submitting the compliance of in-principle approval.
- ii. However, in cases where there is no delay and the WLM/SMC Plan has been prepared by the User Agency before submission of compliance of in-principle approval, the provision of upfront payment of 2% and 0.5% shall not be applicable. In such cases, the User Agency needs to make the payment towards the actual cost of implementation of the WLMP/SMCP, as provided for in the estimate of the approved WLM/SMC Plans.
- iii. Further, measures to be suggested in the Wildlife Management or SMC Plan should be based on the requirement of site i.e. site-specific interventions need to be taken in the area to mitigate the impact of the diversion of forest land. The same should be incorporated in the WLMP and SMC Plans. The values of 2% and 0.5% provided in para 1.22 of the Consolidated Guideline are only indicative values and they cannot be considered as a standard

benchmark for preparing the WLMC or SMC which should be based on the specific field requirements . Therefore, it is appropriate for the States/UTs to prepare these Plans based on the actual cost of the interventions required to be made at the site and not based on the indicative financial outlay totalling to 2% (for WLMP) or 0.5% (for SMCP) of the total project cost.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government/UT Administrations to take into consideration the above clarifications while arriving at the cost of WLMP and SCMP.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Signed by

Charan Jeet Singh

Date: 26-12-2024 14:38:40 (Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'E'

Yours faithfully

Copy to:

1. PCCF & HoFF, all States/ Union territories Administrations
2. The Dy. DGF (Central), all Regional Offices of MoEF&CC
3. The Nodal Officer (Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan), all States/ Union territories Administration
4. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
5. Guard File.

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
GOLAGHAT DIVISION: GOLAGHAT

e-mail: dfo.t.golaghat@gmail.com

Letter No. B/GD/Diversion/2025/1961

Dated: 13/05/2025.

To,

The Director,
Wildlife Institute of India (WII),
Chandrabani, Dehradun
Uttarakhand

Sub: Consultation for Wildlife Conservation Plan & Human Animal Conflict Mitigation Plan for
Golaghat- Regd.

Ref: PCCF (WL) & CWLW Assam Letter no WL/FG/Proposal/ONGC/Drilling TLAB/Golaghat
Dtd 30-04-2025

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited, I would like to state that, a draft of Wildlife Conservation Plan with special reference to Human Animal Conflict Mitigation measures is being prepared. In the plan, the urgent need for logistical and infrastructure interventions for the mitigation are mentioned. Besides that, research in the field of wildlife conservation pertaining to the issues of this Golaghat (T) Division is also important. The Division has one Protected Area, i.e. Nambor Doigrung Wildlife Sanctuary.

In this regard, you are requested to kindly go through the draft and provide additional inputs or comments pertaining to the above mentioned, especially the budget requirement for research and infrastructure related components.

Hence, I kindly request you to provide your recommendations in the preparation and finalization of the Wildlife Conservation Plan at the earliest for further processing.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Encl:-

Draft Wildlife Conservation Plan with partially filled estimate.

Ritu
Paban
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by Ritu Paban
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Yours Faithfully

Divisional Forest Officer
Golaghat Division
Golaghat

Dtd: 13 /05/2025

Memo no: A/GD/Diversion/2025/931-33

Copy for favour of kind information to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.
2. The Chief Conservator of forest & Nodal Officer (FC Act) 1980, O/o The Principal Chief Conservator of forests & Head of Forest Forces, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for favour of Kind Information.
3. The GM and HSE (Basin), ONGC Jorhat A & AAB for favour of his kind information.

Divisional Forest Officer
Golaghat Division
Golaghat



FORM -I

ANNEXTURE-IGOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, GOLAGHAT

NO. ITDP/G/FRA-2006/89/PT-I/2017/124

Dated : 05/05/2022

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98/FC(Pt.) Dated 3rd August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA, for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5th February 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that **1.767** hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of **ONGC, Jorhat** for **TLAA** set up (Purpose for diversion of forest land) in Golaghat district falls within jurisdiction of Dakhin Negheri Sonapur Gaon village (s) in Dayang Reserve Forest Division.

It is further certified that:

- (a) The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under FRA has been carried out for the entire **1.767** hectares of forest area proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meeting of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District level Committee are enclosed as annexure I to II
- (b) The diversion of forest land facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the FRA have been completed and the Gram Sabhas have given their consent to it.
- (c) The proposal does not involve recognized right of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural communities.

Encl: As above .

D
(Mrigesh Narayan Barua, ACS)
Deputy Commissioner, Golaghat
(Full name and official seal of the District Collector)

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FORM -II



ANNEXTURE-II

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR, GOLAGHAT

NO. ITDP/G/FRA-2006/89/PT-I/2017/722/12-4

Dated : 05/05/2022


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- (b) The proposal for such diversion (with full details of project and its implication , in vernacular/local language) have been placed before each concerned gram sabha of forest dwellers , who are eligible under FRA .
- (c) The each of concerned gram sabha(s), has certified that all formation /process under the FRA have been carried out and they have given their consent to the proposed diversion and the compensation and ameliorative measures , if any , having understood the purpose and details of proposed diversion . A copy of certificate issued by gram sabha of N.A. Village(s) is enclosed as annexure.....to annexure.....
- (d) The discussion and decision on such proposal had taken place only when there was a quorum of minimum 50 of members of Gram Sabha present .
- (e) The diversion of forest land facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the FRA have been completed and the Gram Sabhas have given their consent to it.
- (f) The right of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agriculture Communities, where applicable have been specifically safeguarded as per section 3(1)e of FRA.

Encl: As above .


De. (Mr. G. Narayan), ACS
District Collector, Golaghat
(Full name and official seal of the District Collector)



STATE ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY, ASSAM
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India
BAMUNIMAIDAM, GUWAHATI-21

No. SEIAA.1294/2020/EC/ 1991
Proposal No.SIA/AS/IND2/296159/2023

Dated: 17/02/2023

To

✓ Oil and Natural Gas co. Ltd (ONGC)
HSE Division, Assam & Assam Arakan Basin,
Jorhat, Assam-785704

Sub: Amendment of Environment Clearance for "Drilling of 45 Exploratory wells in Upper Assam Shelf (South) area encompassing Jorhat and Golaghat, Assam."

Dear Sir,

This has reference to your application dated 12/01/2023 seeking Amendment of Environmental Clearances for the above project under EIA Notification 2006. The proposal has been appraised as per prescribed procedure in the light of provisions under the EIA Notification 2006 and subsequent modification vide S.O. 236(E) dtd 16/01/2020 and on the basis of the mandatory documents enclosed with the application and additional clarifications furnished in response to the observation of the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee.


2. Brief details of the Project:

1	Category/ Item No. (In Schedule):	1(b) B2	
2.	Location of Project	(a) Plot/ survey/ Khasra No. Golaghat (b) Bounded Latitudes (North) From 26 ⁰ 37'45" to 25 ⁰ 48'30" (c) Bounded Longitudes (East) From 93 ⁰ 36'15" to 94 ⁰ 23'15" (d) Distant of nearest HFL from the project boundary within the study area 50. (e) Survey of India Toposheet No.83 (f) Seismic Zone - 5	
3.	Project Details	Drilling of Exploratory wells (7 Nos.) at Golaghat Dist under the project "Drilling of 45 Exploratory wells in Upper Assam Shelf (South) area encompassing Jorhat and Golaghat, Assam" by A & AA Basin, ONGC, Jorhat Nambar-1, ONGC, Cinnamara, Jorhat, Assam 785704	
4.	Total Project Cost	700 to 900 Crores.	
5.	Water Requirement & source	Water requirement: 25 Cu.M per day per well water will be required for drilling of wells. Sourcing of water requirement: water requirement for all the project activities would be sourced locally through approved/ authorized sources of surface water and/ or ground water (e.g PHD bore wells, privately owned bore wells, irrigation Dept./ water Resources Dept. of state Govt.).	
6.	Power Requirement:	a) Quantity (Kilo Volt Amps (KVA))	250
		b) Source	Gen Set
		c) Uploaded copy of agreement	Not Applicable


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		d) Standby Agreement (Details of DG Sets)	250																
		e) Stack Height (in m)	7																
7.	Environment Management Plan	<p>Environment Management Plan (EMP) has been submitted to SEIAA office.</p> <p>Cost of Environment Management Plan (EMP) including Greenbelt/ plantation:-</p> <p>The tentative budget for implementation of the EMP including environmental monitoring and Green/ plantation would be INR 10.0 Lakh for each of site during drilling activity.</p> <table><tr><th>Sl. No.</th><th>Particulars</th><th>Approx. budget/ well (INR) in Lakh</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Air quality management</td><td rowspan="6">1.03 L/Well</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Noise monitoring</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Surface and Ground water Quality</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Soil Quality</td></tr><tr><td>5.</td><td>Waste management</td></tr><tr><td>6.</td><td>Greenbelt/ Plantation</td></tr></table>		Sl. No.	Particulars	Approx. budget/ well (INR) in Lakh	1	Air quality management	1.03 L/Well	2	Noise monitoring	3	Surface and Ground water Quality	4	Soil Quality	5.	Waste management	6.	Greenbelt/ Plantation
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8	CSR /ESR Activities	<p>All activities proposed by the Project Proponent or by the State Expert Appraisal Committee shall be part of the Environment Management Plan instead of allocation of fund under CER i.e. as per OM No. 22-65/2017-IA.III dtd. 25-2-2021 & OM No. 22-65/2017-IA.III dtd. 30-9-2020 of the MoEFCC, Govt. of India.</p>																	
9	Green Belt/ Plantation	<p>Greenbelt/ Plantation will be carried out suitably.</p> <p>33% of the total project area.</p>																	

The project proposal asking amendment of the EC for **“Drilling of 45 Exploratory wells in upper Assam Shelf (South) Area encompassing Jorhat and Golaghat District, Assam”** proposed by **Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC)** is placed before the SEAC held on 21/ 01/ 2023 for appraisal and detail deliberation. The project proposal was initially deliberated in the 16th Meeting of SEAC held on 20th Feb.2021 on the application of the ONGC dated 13th Nov. 2020 and necessary EC was granted against three locations out of 45 proposed vide EC dated 16th March 2021. The three locations were THAA, TJAA & BRAK in Upper Assam Shelf (South) Area encompassing Jorhat and Golaghat District, Assam. Now, ONGC has applied for another seven (7) Nos. of well locations and documents submitted by the proponent have been appraised and discussed. The proponent has also given a brief presentation before the committee relating to the well site locations- ELAI, MJAA, KSAJ, KSAK, TLAA, DPAB & KHBK. All the above proposed seven location falls in the same block. Deliberation is held and the proponent has also submitted Land Use map as desired by the committee. After due deliberation the committee **recommended approving for issuance of necessary EC against seven exploratory well locations i.e. ELAI, MJAA, KSAJ, KSAK, TLAA, DPAB & KHBK** within the upper Assam Shelf (South) Area encompassing Golaghat District, Assam following the guidelines of the EIA Notifications 2006 and amendment up to date. The proponent shall have to strictly follow all the measures mentioned in the project report and submit requisite compliance in time following the guide lines issued from time to time in this respect. Further, the proponent (ONGC) shall have to furnish Forest Clearance Certificate issued by the concerned


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authority.

The SEIAA, Assam after considering the proposal and recommendations of the SEAC, Assam relevant documents/ clarification submitted by P.P. hereby approved for amendment of Environmental Clearance for Drilling of Exploratory wells (7 Nos. i.e. ELAI, MJAA, KSAJ, KSAK, TLAA, DPAB & KHBK) in the forest areas of Kasomarigaon ML, Kasomarigaon Add. PML, Kalyanpur ML, East Lakhbari Extn PML and Khoraghat Extn-I PML at Golaghat Dist. as shown in the following table subject to strict compliance of the terms and conditions as follows and as per the provisions of Environmental Impact Assessment Notification 2006 and its subsequent amendments, subject to conditions laid down by SEAC and *submission of Forest Clearance* before starting of exploration.

Sl No	Well name	Latitude	Longitude
1	ELAI	26°22'40.489"N	94°04'14.257"E
2	MJAA	26°19'51.066"N	94°03'13.711"E
3	KSAJ	26°17'48.319"N	94°04'30.171"E
4	KSAK	26°16'51.92"N	94°00'28.03"E
5	TLAA	26°16'22.46"N	94°02'24.66"E
6	DPAB	26°12'42.370"N	94°00'42.713"E
7	KHBK	26°05'10.990"N	93°56'26.8429"E

I. Statutory compliance:

- i. The project proponent shall obtain forest clearance under the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1986, in case of the diversion of forest land for non-forest purpose involved in the project.
- ii. The project proponent shall obtain clearance from the National Board for Wildlife, if applicable.
- iii. The project proponent shall prepare a Site-Specific Conservation Plan & Wildlife Management Plan and approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden. The recommendations of the approved Site-Specific Conservation Plan / Wildlife Management Plan shall be implemented in consultation with the State Forest Department. The implementation report shall be furnished along with the six-monthly compliance report. (in case of the presence of Schedule-I species in the study area)
- iv. The Project proponent shall obtain Consent to Establish / Operate under the provisions of Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 from the concerned State Pollution Control Board/Committee.
- v. The project proponent shall obtain authorization under the Hazardous and other Waste Management Rules, 2016 as amended from time to time.
- vi. The Company shall strictly comply with the rules and guidelines under Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals (MSIHC) Rules, 1989 as amended time to time. All transportation of Hazardous Chemicals shall be as per the Motor Vehicle Act (MVA), 1989.

II. Air quality monitoring and preservation.

- i. The project proponent shall install 24×7 continuous emission monitoring system at process stacks to monitor stack emission with respect to standards prescribed in Environment (Protection) Rules 1986 and connected to SPCB and CPCB online servers and calibrate these system from time to time according to equipment supplier specification through labs recognized under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 or NABL accredited laboratories.


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- ii. The project proponent shall monitor fugitive emissions in the plant premises at least once in every quarter through labs recognized under environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- iii. The project proponent shall install system to carryout Ambient Air Quality monitoring for common/criterion parameters relevant to the main pollutants released (e.g. PM10 and PM25 in reference to PM emission, and SO2 and NOx in reference to SO2 and NOx emissions) within and outside the plant area at least at four locations (one within and three outside the plant area at an angle of 120 each), covering upwind and downwind directions.
- iv. To control source and the fugitive emissions, suitable pollution control devices shall be installed to meet the prescribed norms and/or the NAAQS. Sulphur content should not exceed 0.5% in the coal for use in coal fired boilers to control particulate emissions within permissible limits (as applicable). The gaseous emissions shall be dispersed through stack of adequate height as per CPCB/SPCB guidelines.
- v. Storage of raw materials, coal etc shall be either stored in silos or in covered areas to prevent dust pollution and other fugitive emissions.
- vi. National Emissions Standards for Organic Chemicals Manufacturing Industry issued by the Ministry vide G.S.R. 608(E) dated 21st July, 2010 and amended from time to time shall be followed.
- vii. The National Ambient Air Quality Emission Standards issued by the Ministry vide G.S.R. No. 826(E) dated 16th November, 2009 shall be complied with.


III. Water quality monitoring and preservation

- i. The project proponent shall provide online continuous monitoring of effluent, the unit shall install web camera with night vision capability and flow meters in the channel/drain carrying effluent within the premises (applicable in case of the projects achieving ZLD)
- ii. As already committed by the project proponent, Zero Liquid Discharge shall be ensured and no waste/treated water shall be discharged outside the premises (applicable in case of the projects achieving the ZLD).
- iii. The effluent discharge shall conform to the standards prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, or as specified by the State Pollution Control Board while granting Consent under the Air/Water Act, whichever is more stringent.
- iv. Total fresh water requirement shall not exceed the proposed quantity or as specified by the Committee. Prior permission shall be obtained from the concerned regulatory authority/ CGWA in this regard.
- v. Process effluent/any waste water shall not be allowed to mix with storm water. The storm water from the premises shall be collected and discharged through a separate conveyance system.
- vi. The company harvest rainwater from the roof tops of the buildings and storm water drains to recharge the ground water and utilized the same for different industrial operations within the plant.
- vii. The DG sets shall be equipped with suitable Pollution control devices and the adequate stack height so that the emissions are in conformity with the extant regulations and the guidelines in this regard.

IV. Noise monitoring and preservation

- i. Acoustic enclosure shall be provided to DG set for controlling the noise pollution.
- ii. The overall noise levels in and around the plant area shall be kept well within the standards by providing noise control measures including acoustic hoods, silencers, enclosures etc. on all sources of noise generation.
- iii. The ambient noise levels should conform to the standards prescribed under E(P)A Rules, 1986 viz, 75 dB(A) during day time and 70 dB(A) during night time.

V. Energy Conservation measures


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- i. The energy sources for lighting purposes shall preferably be LED based.

VI. Waste management

- i. Hazardous chemical shall be stored in tanks, tank farms, drums, carboys etc. Flame arresters shall be provided on tank farm and the solvent transfer through pumps.
- ii. Process organic residue and spent carbon, if any, shall be sent to cement industries. ETP sludge, process inorganic & evaporation salt shall be disposed off to the TSDF.
- iii. The Company shall undertake waste minimization measures as below:-
 - a. Metering and Control of quantities of active ingredients to minimize waste.
 - b. Reuse of by-products from the process as raw materials or as raw material substitutes in other processes.
 - c. Use of automated filling to minimize spillage.
 - d. Use of Close Feed system into batch reactors.
 - e. Venting equipment through vapors recovery system.
 - f. Use of high pressure hoses for equipment clearing to reduce waste water generation.

VII. Green Belt


The green belt of 5-10 m width shall be developed in more than 33% of the total project area, mainly along the plant periphery, in downward wind direction, and along road sides etc. Selection of plant species shall be as per the CPCB guidelines in consultation with the State Forest Department.

VIII. Safety, Public hearing and Human health issues

- i. Emergency preparedness plan based on the Hazard identification and Risk Assessment (HIRA) and Disaster Management Plan shall be implemented.
- ii. The unit shall make the arrangement for protection of possible fire hazards during manufacturing process in material handling. Fire fighting system shall be as per the norms.
- iii. The PP shall provide Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) as per the norms of Factory Act.
- iv. Training shall be imparted to all employees on safety and health aspects of chemicals handling. Pre-employment and routine periodical medical examinations for all employees shall be undertaken on regular basis. Training to all employees on handling of chemicals shall be imparted.
- v. Provision shall be made for the housing of construction labour within the site with all necessary infrastructure and facilities such as fuel for cooking, mobile toilets, mobile STP, safe drinking water, medical health care, creche etc. The housing may be in the form of temporary structures to be removed after the completion of the project.
- vi. Occupational health surveillance of the workers shall be done on a regular basis and records maintained as per the Factories Act.
- vii. There shall be adequate space inside the plant premises earmarked for parking of vehicles for raw materials and finished products, and no parking to be allowed outside on public places.

IX. Corporate Environment Responsibility


- i. The project proponent shall comply with the provisions contained in this Ministry's IM vide F.No.22-65/2017-IA III dated 1st May 2018, as applicable, regarding Corporate Environment Responsibility.
- ii. The company shall have a well laid down environment policy duly approved by the Board of Directors. The environment policy should prescribe for standards operating procedures to have proper checks and balances and to bring into focus any infringements/ violation of the environmental/ forest/ wildlife norms/ conditions. The company shall have defined system of reporting infringements / deviation / violation of the environmental/ forest/ wildlife norms/


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- conditions and / or shareholders / stake holders. The copy of the board resolution in this regard shall be submitted to the MOEF& CC as a part of six-monthly report.
- iii. A separate environmental Cell both at the project and company head quarter level, with qualified personnel shall be set up under the control of senior Executive, who will directly to the head of the organization.
 - iv. Action plan for implementing EMP and environmental conditions along with responsibility matrix of the company shall be prepared and shall be duly approved by competent authority. The year wise funds earmarked for environmental protection measures shall be kept in separate account and not to be diverted for any other purpose. Year wise progress of implementation of action plan shall be reported to the Ministry/Regional Office along with the Six Monthly Compliance Report.
 - v. Self environmental audit shall be conducted annually. Every three years third party environmental audit shall be carried out.

X. Miscellaneous

- i. The project proponent shall make public the environmental clearance granted for their project along with the environmental conditions and safe guards at their cost by prominently advertising it at least in two local newspapers of the District or State, of which one shall be in the vernacular language within seven days and in addition this shall also be displayed in the project proponent's website permanently.
- ii. The copies of the environmental clearance shall be submitted by the project proponents to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same for 30 days from the date of receipt.
- iii. The project proponent shall upload the status of compliance of the stipulated environment clearance conditions, including results of monitored data on their website and update the same on half-yearly basis.
- iv. The project proponent shall monitor the criteria pollutants level namely; PM₁₀, SO₂, NO_x (ambient levels as well as stack emissions) or criteria sectoral parameters, indicated for the projects and display the same at a convenient location for disclosure to the public and put on the website of the company.
- v. The project proponent shall submit six-monthly reports on the status of the compliance of the stipulated environmental conditions on the *Parivesh portal* through individual user ID to the SEIAA, Assam/Regional Office of the MoEFCC, Guwahati.
- vi. The project proponent shall submitted the environmental statement for each financial year in Form-V to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently and out on the website of the company.
- vii. The project proponent shall inform the Regional Office as well as the Ministry, the date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities, commencing the land development work and start of production operation by the project.
- viii. The project authorities must strictly adhere to the stipulations made by the State Pollution Control Board and the State Government.
- ix. The project proponent shall abide by all the commitments and recommendations made in the EIA/EMP report, commitment made during Public Hearing and also that during their presentation to the Expert Appraisal Committee.
- x. No further expansion or modifications in the plant shall be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change (MoEF & CC).
- xi. Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data may result in revocation of this environmental clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.


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- xii. The Ministry may revoke or suspend the clearance, if implementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory.
- xiii. The Ministry reserves the right to stipulate additional conditions if found necessary. The Company in a time bound manner shall implement these conditions.
- xiv. The Regional Office of this Ministry shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities should extend full cooperation to the officer (s) of the Regional Office by furnishing the requisite data / information / monitoring reports.
- xv. The above conditions shall be enforced, inter-alia under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 along with their amendments and Rules and any other orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India / High Courts and any other Court of Law relating to the subject matter.
- xvi. Any appeal against this EC shall lie with the National Green Tribunal, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 16 of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

17.02.2023

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**Member-Secretary,
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Memo No. SEIAA.1294/2020/EC/ (179) -A

Dated: 17/02/2023

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1. The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environmental & Forest Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for favour of kind information.
2. The Chairman, PCBA for information.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Golaghat Division for favour of information.
4. The Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, 4th Floor, Housefed Building, GS Road, Rukminigaon, Guwahati-22 for favour of information.
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Detailed Summary of Selected FCA Project

Project Basic details

S.No.	Project Name	Project Year	Project Type	Purpose of Diversion	Total Land Diverted	User Agency
1	ONGC Drilling of Exploratory Location TLAA	2024	Mining	The Location TLAA is an Exploratory drilling location of A&AA Basin, ONGC, Jorhat in Golaghat district in DAYANG Reserve Forest, vill. Madhupur. Purpose of drilling this location is to explore Hydrocarbon.	1.768	

Details of Diverted forest land

S.No.	Area Diverted (In Hac)	Division	Range	Forest Type	Location
1	1.690	Golaghat	Golaghat	Reserved Forest (RF)	Doyang Reserved
2	0.078	Golaghat	Golaghat	Reserved Forest (RF)	Doyang Reserved

Details of Lands received from user agency for Compensatory Afforestation

S.No.	Land Type	Area(in Ha)	District	Range	Notification order No.
1	Revenue_land (Non-forest)	13.300	Sonitpur [Tezpur]	Lawkhowa WL [Nagaon Wildlife]	ECF No.635218/A- dated-03/04/2025

Details of the amount demanded from UA against the FCA project

S.No.	FCA Proj. File No	Project Name	State	Proj. Year	Order No.	Date	NPV	CA	ACA	PCA	PAF	CAT	SZ	Others	Total Demand
1	FP/AS/MIN/140108/2021	ONGC Drilling of Exploratory Location TLAA	AS	2024	B/62/ONGC/7 Nos Location/GD/2025/69	07/01/2025	1974490	9422415	0	0	0	0	0	28711208	40108113
Total							1974490	9422415	0	0	0	0	0	0	40108113

Details of the amount received from UA against the FCA project.

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ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT
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ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR

NOTIFICATION

DatedApril,2025

ECF No635218: In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5 of the Assam Forest Regulation of 1891 (VII of 1891), the Governor of Assam is pleased to declare that the land described in the schedule annexed here to is proposed to be constituted as a Proposed Reserve Forest and appoints the Addl. District Commissioner(Revenue), Sonitpur, to be the Forest Settlement Officer to inquire into and determine the existence, nature and extent of any rights claimed by or alleged to exist in favour of any person in or over land comprised within such limits and described in the Schedule annexed here to and to deal with same as provided in Chapter-II of the above Regulation.

Under the provisions of Section 5, Sub-Section (2) of the aforesaid Assam Forest Regulation, the Governor of Assam is pleased to appoint the Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon to assist the Forest Settlement Officer, in the inquiries prescribed in Chapter-II of the Regulation in connection with the proposed reservation.

Under the provisions of Section 15 of the said Regulation, the Governor of Assam appoints the Director of Land Record, Assam to hear appeals on the order of the Forest settlement Officer.

SCHEDULE "A"

Proposed reserved forest at Compensatory Afforestation Reserved at Burhachapori No. 3

1. Situation (a) District (Civil)	:Sonitpur District
(b) Forest Division	:Nagaon Wildlife Division
(c) Forest Range	:Dhanial Range, Burhachapori
(d) Revenue Circle	:Tezpur
(e) Name	:Compensatory Afforestation Reserved at BurhachaporiNo. 3
(f) Area	:13.3 Ha

2. Boundaries :

North : 1st Addition to Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary and 2nd Addition of Orang National Park & Tiger Reserved
 South : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 East : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 West : Kochmara Reserved Forest

3. Location, Perimeter, Area along with GPS Co-ordinates of Compensatory Afforestation.

GPS POINT	Latitude	Longitude	Area	Name of Location
1	26° 32' 8.644" N	92° 37' 7.190" E	13.3 Hectare	Govt. un-surveyed land under Sonitpur District, surrounded by Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
2	26° 32' 9.529" N	92° 37' 12.040" E		
3	26° 32' 17.508" N	92° 37' 10.817" E		
4	26° 32' 30.891" N	92° 37' 6.664" E		
5	26° 32' 27.556" N	92° 36' 53.865" E		
6	26° 32' 22.937" N	92° 36' 54.955" E		
7	26° 32' 24.962" N	92° 37' 2.947" E		
8	26° 32' 16.353" N	92° 37' 5.197" E		

SCHEDULE "B"

- Valuation of the Forest Area (In terms of quality of the forest and canopy density):- The proposed raising Compensatory Afforestation area inside the CA land Bank of 830 hectare of evicted non-forest land adjacent to the Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Description of Soil:- Sandy loam.
- Description of Forest:- (Giving details types of species present) - NA
- Wildlife:- NA
- Medicinal Plants:- Not found.
- List of Surroundings,

North : 1st Addition to Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary and 2nd Addition of Orang National Park & Tiger Reserve.
 South : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 East : Burhachapori Wildlife Sanctuary
 West : Kochmara Reserved Forest

7. Area of the proposed Reserved Forest: -13.3 ha

Reason for Reservation:

1. As per the modification in compensatory afforestation (CA) land from Degraded Forest land (DFL) to Non-Forest land (NFL) proposed in the "In Principal Approval/Stage-I Forest Clearance" already accorded by the Central Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change vide letter no. 3-ASB/116/2022/GHY Dated 21.10.2024 for diversion of 7 Nos. exploratory drilling locations viz: TLAA (1.76783 ha), TLAB (1.781 ha), DPAB (1.889 ha), SUAD (1.82125 ha), SPAA (1.731 ha), ELAJ (2.2091 ha) and KSAI (2.10 ha) in favour of ONGC under Golaghat Forest Division, Golaghat, the Advisory Committee decided to consider the proposals for stage-II after the NFL of area 13.3 ha identified for CA is mutated in favour of Forest Department.
2. The Government of Assam, Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur vide letter No. ECF.439104/2024/16 dated 29.07.2024 has allotted / transferred the 830 hectare of the land in the name of State Forest Department for raising of plantation as Compensatory Afforestation under Sonitpur District. And the land of area 13.3 ha has been identified for consolidated CA against the above mentioned 7 proposals from the said land bank under Sonitpur District of Government of Assam adjacent to Burhachapari Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. Compensatory Afforestation is one of the most important requirement/conditions for prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes and purpose of compensatory afforestation is to compensate the loss of 'land by land' and loss of 'trees by trees'. As per rule. 13 of Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Rule, 2023, the user agency shall provide land which is neither notified as forest under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 (16 of 1927) or any other law nor managed by forest by the Forest Department.

Digitally signed by

SACHINDRA DAS

Date: 03-04-2025

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department

Memo No. ECF No.635218/-A

Dated Dispur, the ... April, 2025

Copy to :

1. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister, Environment & Forests, Assam, for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister.
2. The Secretary, Co-ordination to the Chief Secretary, Assam, for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Guwahati.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Assam, Guwahati.
5. The Director of Land Record, Assam, Rajah Bhawan, Rupnagar, Guwahati.

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6. The District Commissioner, Sonitpur.
7. Divisional Forest Officer, Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon.
8. The Deputy Director, Assam Government Press, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21, for publication of the notification in the Assam Gazette extra ordinary and to send 100 copies to this department.

By Orders etc.,

e-Signed

Joint Secretary to the Govt of Assam
Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department



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F. No. 3-AS B /116/2022/GHY/651-52

19th December, 2024

To,

Shri Ramesh Pandey, IFS,
Inspector General of Forest (FC Division)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (FC Division),
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road,
New Delhi-110003.

Sub:

1. Proposal for diversion of 1.8212483 ha of forest land for drilling of exploratory location SUAD in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. Jorhat
2. Proposal for diversion of 1.731 ha of forestland for drilling of exploratory location SPAA in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. Jorhat
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7. Proposal for diversion of 2.2091 ha of forestland for drilling of exploratory location ELAJ in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. Jorhat.

Ref: Minutes of the Advisory Committee meeting scheduled on 23.09.2024.

Sir,

With reference to the subject and reference cited above, please find enclosed herewith a site inspection report of the compensatory afforestation sites of the above mentioned proposals undertaken by Regional Office, Shillong for above mentioned project.


Recommendations of the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central):

As mentioned in the report, the proposed CA site is suitable for plantation and hence recommended and may be considered further as per the extant Rules and Guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Snarakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.

This is for your kind information and needful from your end.

Yours Faithfully,

Encl: As above




(Ms. Imtieno Ao)

Deputy Director General of Forests(C)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Aranya Bhawan, Rop Konwar Jyoti Prasad, Agarwal Path, Near Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, Panjabari, Guwahati-781037.



Deputy Director General of Forests(C)

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Site inspection of compensatory afforestation sites of the following 7 nos. of proposal as per Ministry's letter 3AS B /116/2022/GHY dated 18.05.2024 and as per decision of AC meeting scheduled on 23.09.2024:-

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The compensatory afforestation site identified in lieu of the above mentioned proposals was conducted by Dr Hemen Hazarika, Scientist 'E' and Thoudam James Singh, Research Officer of Sub Office, Guwahati, Regional Office, Shillong on 16.12.2024 along with the following officials:-

- (i) Shri Pankaj Bora, Range Forest Officer, Dhania Range.
- (ii) Ms Lily P. Chawang, GM(E&T) &i/c, HSE-A & AA Basin, ONGC
- (iii) Shri Ravi Velpula, Superintending Chemist, ONGC
- (iv) Shri Akash Neel Das, Superintending Engineer(HSE)

The State Govt of Assam have identified an area of 13.313 ha CA site in a single patch non forest in the identified compensatory afforestation land bank of 830 ha evicted non forest land in Sonitpur district of Assam located adjacent to Burahchapory Wildlife Sanctuary under Nagaon Wildlife Division in Sonitpur district of Assam. The State Govt of Assam vide its letter No ECF, 439104/2024/16 dated 29.07.2024 notified the evicted non forest land of 830 ha in Sonitpur district of Assam adjacent to Burahchapory Wildlife Sanctuary under Nagaon Wildlife Division for providing lands towards compensatory afforestation for forest diversion cases in Assam. The final notification of identified CA site to RF/PRF has not been completed


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however the Range Officer, Dhania Range informed that it will be completed before grant of Stage II /Final Approval of the proposal.

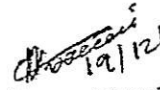
The Brahmaputra river is at a distance of 0.5 km from the nearest point of CA site and is located around the submergence area during the peak rainy season. The approach route to the CA site is through two nallahs i.e. Phultala Nallah and Boga Nallah by boat or temporarily constructed bamboo bridge and motorable during the lean season. On the day of the site inspection, the Range Officer informed that temporary illegal settlement are still occupying the evicted CA land bank. The team observed that agricultural practices like cultivation of mustard, Chilli, pea, brinjal, maize, etc and rearing of livestock, cows, sheep etc are still continuing in this evicted land.

The identified CA site is an open forest with few standing trees species like *Streblus asper*, *Bombax ceiba*, *Ziziphus* sp.etc. In another CA site inspection conducted by Sub Office, Guwahati on August, 2024 adjacent to this proposed 13.313 ha CA site in the same CA land bank, large scale jute cultivation was observed and reported that about 300 household had encroached in this evicted CA land bank. The then concerned Range Officer informed that after harvesting the jute cultivation no further cultivation would not be allowed. The Range Officer, Dhania Range informed that some illegal temporary settlement are still existing in the evicted CA land bank of 830 ha and forest department is in the process of eviction of such temporary settlement.

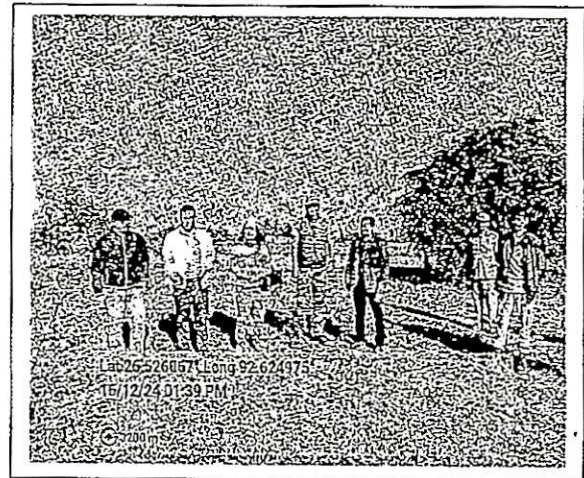
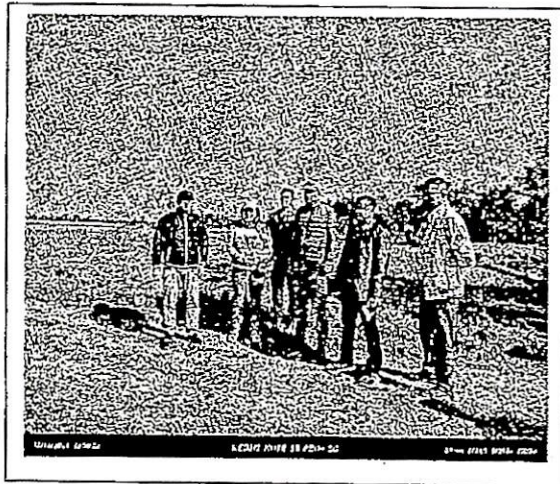
The identified CA site is suitable for plantation. However following measures suggested:-

- (i) Complete demarcation and proper fencing of the boundary of identified CA site to prevent from encroachment with signages for each project/proposals with area clearly specified, etc.
- (ii) State Govt to take necessary action for removing the existing temporary encroachment/encumbrances around the identified CA land.
- (iii) To conserve the productive land and promising flora of identified CA site, biological embankment of nearby river shall be taken up, if required.

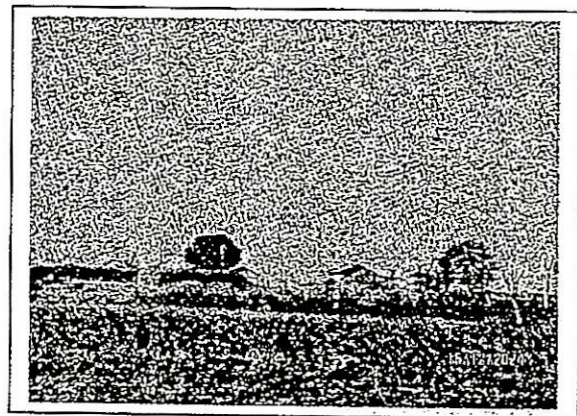
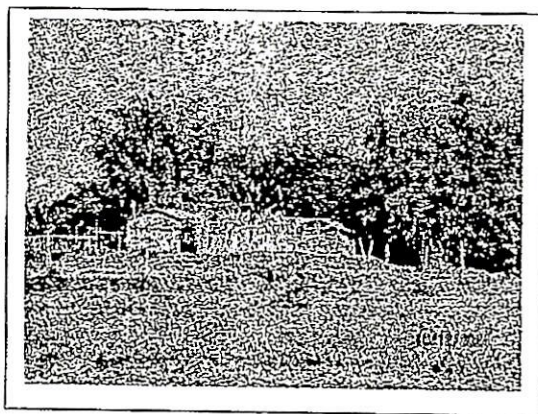

(Shri Himadri James Singh)
Research Officer


(Dr. Hemen Hazarika),
Scientist 'E'

Photographs of the CA site



Photographs of the inspection team along user agency of ONGC at the identified CA site



Photographs showing encroached area and existing houses with cultivation of maize, etc in the CA site

