GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS ITANAGAR.

No. FOR. 790/Cons/2018/ 1655 - 61

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To

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Guwahati-781022

Proposal for diversion of 135.47 ha of forest land for laying of 132 KV Transmission Line from Sub:-Likabali to Niglok under Comprehensive Scheme for strengethening of transmission and distribution system by Power Department in East & Lower Siang District. of Arunachal Pradesh

RO, Shillong's letter No. 3-ANA 096/2019-SHI/4164-65 dtd. 06.03.2020.

Sir.

With reference to your letter cited above, this is to submit compliance report as below of the conditions stipulated therein for favour of your information and necessary action:

1	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.	Noted
2	Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over double the area diverted i.e.271.00 ha degraded forest land identified at 2 (two) locations i.e. 146.00 ha in Ruskin Range, Pasighat Forest Division, East Siang District & 124.40 ha, Likabali Range, Likabali Forest Division, West Siang at the cost of the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.	Noted.
	The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and dwarf species plantation scheme shall be deposited in the Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Arunachal Pradesh State managed by the National CAMPA, through E-portal. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	The cost of compensatory afforestation Rs. 6,54,64,400/- has been deposited to Ad-hoc CAMPA as per e-challan dated 06.05.2020 and dwarf species plantation to Rs.23,93,100/- has been deposited to Ad-hoc CAMPA as per e-challan dated 06.05.2020 (Annexure-I) and deposited on 12.05.2020.
	The State Govt. shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 135.47 ha forest area to be diverted under the proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30.10.2002, 01.08.2003, 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA No. 566 in Writ Petition (Civil) No.	The amount of Net Present Value of the forest land diverted under this proposal for Rs.11,18,91,900/- has been deposited to Ad-hoc CAMPA as per e-challan dated 06.05.2020 (Annexure-I) and deposited on 12.05.2020.

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	Ministry vide its letter No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18.09.2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03.10.2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal to CAMPA account of the State concerned.	has submitted
	Additional amount of NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Govt. from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	The User Agency undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-II).
€	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project towards compensatory leveies (CA and dwarf plantation cost, NPV, etc) shall be transferred/deposited to Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Arunachal Pradesh State managed by the Ad-hoc CAMPA only through e-portal mode.	towards CA, NPV & dwarf species plantation has been transferred to Adhoc CAMPA through e-payment as per e-
7	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-III).
8	The charges for felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees should be collected from the User Agency at the rates approved by the State Govt. and deposited with the DFO concerned for utilization immediately following the diversion of forest land.	An amount of Rs.77,27,281/- towards cost of demarcation, felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees of the land proposed for diversion has been deposited directly to the Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali & Pasighat Forest Division.
9	The expenditure like boundary walls, stone pillars, demarcation charges, cost of damage of trees the funds on these accounts should, be deposited with the DFO concerned.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-IV).
10	The User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition (Annexure-V).
11	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 submitted by the UA are enclosed at Annexure-VI a,b,c. In this connection, it is mentioned here that out of 73.27 ha

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		under Pasighat Forest Division (East Siang District), 19.098 ha falls under juridiction of DC, East Siang District (FRA at Annexure V a). The remaining area of 54.17 ha falls under juridiction of DC, Lower Siang, Likabali (FRA at Annexure V b). Further, FRA certificate for 62.20 ha under Likabali FD issued by DC, Lower Siang District, Likabali is enclosed at Annexure-V c. The total area for diversion as per FRA Certificate is (19.098 ha +54.17 ha + 62.20 ha)=135.468 ha Say 135.47 ha.
12	The User Agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in right of way under the transmission line for execution of the said scheme by the State Forest Department.	
13	The User Agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-VII).
14	The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter No. 7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-VIII).
15	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.	Not applicable
16	The layout of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-IX).
17	No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-X).
18	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternative fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternative fuel.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-XI).
19	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-XII).
20	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the User Agency or the project life,	Noted.

	whichever is less.	
21	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition.
22	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.	(Annexure-XIII). The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-XIV).
23	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation for Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF & CC Guidelines F No. 11-41/2017-FC dated 29/01/2018.	The User Agency has submitted undertaking for this condition. (Annexure-XV).
24	Any other conditions that the North Eastern Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	Noted.
25	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/)	To be uploaded.

It is, therefore, requested to kindly issue necessary formal approval for diversion of 135.47 ha forestland for construction of above Transmission line under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 at an early date.

The additional information is also enclosed at Annexure 'A'.

Enclosed:- As above

Yours faithfully,

(R.K.Singh)
PCCF (A&V) & Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to:-

- 1. The Chief Conservator of Forests, CAC, Pasighat for information.
- 2. The Executive Engineer (E), Basar Electrical Division, Power Deptt., Basar for information and necessary action.
- The Execitive Director, Power Grid, Itanagar for information and necessary action.
 - 4. The Chief Engineer (T&P) & Chairman, Spiu CSS T&Ds, Vidyut Bhawan, Itanagar for infrmation and necessary action.
 - 5. The Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali & Pasighat Forest Division for information.

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