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Date: 15-02-2024

To,

Divisional Forest Officer
Kamrup East Division,
Basistha, Guwahati-29

Sub.: Regarding Final/Stage-II clearance for diversion of 5.77Ha in Teteliguri Reserved Forest under Kamrup East Division for construction of 132kV D/C Sonapur-Baghjap Transmission line by AEGCL.

- Ref.** 1. FG.27/Nodal/Proposal/Trans Line/Sonapur-Baghjap; dated- 11.11.2021
2. FG.27/Nodal/Prposal/Trans. Line/Sonapur-Baghjap; dated- 09.03.2023
3. B/KE/Diversion proposal 132kV Trans Line/4318-19; dated- 02.06.2023

Sir,

1. You may be kindly aware that Govt. of India vide letter under ref.1 above has already been accorded "In-principle Approval/Stage-I" for diversion of 5.77Ha in Teteliguri Reserved Forest under Kamrup east Division for construction of 132kV D/C Sonapur-Baghjap Transmission line by AEGCL.
2. Subsequently, AEGCL deposited all the necessary compensatory levies like NPV, Penal NPV, CA, Dwarf species, Boundary pillar and operation cost, etc. as per the demand received from the concerned Forest Departments and got "Working Permission" for tree cutting & commencement of work vide letter dated- 09.03.2023.
3. Now the Compliance Report for the conditions stipulated in Stage-I Approval is enclosed for processing the Final/Stage-II approval of the Central Government in accordance with section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
4. Since completion of the aforesaid transmission line is of immense importance for evacuation of power, AEGCL has already deposited all the compensatory levies to State Forest Department against this Forest Division, we hereby, request your good office to kindly process the proposal for issuance of Final/Stage-2 Approval from appropriate authority.

This is for favour of your kind information and further needful action.

Yours faithfully,

Asstt. General Manager
132 KV EHV Grid Sub-Station
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1. The Chief conservator of Forest & Nodal Officer (FC Act) Assam, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati-37, Assam for favour of your kind information.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37, Assam, for favour of your kind information.
3. The Chief General Manager (PP&D), AEGCL, Bijulee Bhawan, Paltanbazar, Ghy-01, for favour of your kind information.
4. The Chief General Manager (O&M, LAR), AEGCL, Paltanbazar, Ghy-01, for favour of your kind information.
5. The General Manager, LAZ, AEGCL, Narengi, Gy-26, for favour of your kind information.
6. The Deputy General Manager, LA T&TC, AEGCL, Narengi, Ghy-26, for favour of your kind information.


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Compliance Report "In Principle Approval/Stage-I" vide FG.27/Nodal/Proposal/Trans Line/Sonapur-Baghjap; dated- 11.11.2021 for diversion of 5.77Ha in Teteliguri Reserved Forest under Kamrup East Division for construction of 132kV D/C Sonapur-Baghjap Transmission line by Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited (AEGCL).

Sl.No.	Conditions of "In Principle Approval/Stage-I" vide FG.27/Nodal/Proposal/Trans Line/Sonapur-Baghjap; dated- 11.11.2021	Compliance by Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited (AEGCL)
1.	The user agency shall transfer, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated- 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in Writ petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-3/2007-FC dated- 05.02.2009. The requisite shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State concerned.	The Net Present Value of the Forest land diverted under this proposal for Rs. 54,18,030.00 has been deposited to CAMPA account as per e-challan dated-10.06.2022 and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
2.	The user agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	The cost of the compensatory afforestation of Rs. 89,54,460.00 as per scheme prepared by Forest Department has been deposited to CAMPA account as per e-challan dated-10.06.2022 and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
3.	The State Govt. shall ensure the transfer of the admissible cost of penalty for act of violation to Ad-hoc CAMPA by the user agency i.e, AEGCL and necessary actions contemplated against erring officials who remained inactive against violations as per the Para 1.21(ii) of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications) handbook 2019	The penal Net Present Value of the Forest land diverted under this proposal for Rs. 54,18,030.00 has been deposited to CAMPA account as per e-challan dated-10.06.2022 and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
4.	All the funds received from the user agency (CA and dwarf plantation cost, NPV, etc.) under the project shall be transferred/deposited to Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Arunachal Pradesh State managed by the Ad-hoc CAMPA only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the stage-I clearance.	A total amount of Rs. 2,58,70,018.00 towards NPV, CA and dwarf plantation are deposited to CAMPA account as per e-challan dated-10.06.2022 and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
5.	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/)	Agreed and noted
6.	The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas, the proposed SMC work, the proposed Catchment Area Treatment area and the WLMP area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing working permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be.	Uploaded in the portal

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7.	The boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from the pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates as per the	The expenditure towards erecting pillars for area demarcation has been deposited to the DFO, Kamrup east Division and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
8.	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 expenditure towards erecting pillars for area demarcation has been deposited to the DFO, Kamrup east Division and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
9.	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 expenditure towards erecting pillars for area demarcation has been deposited to the DFO, Kamrup east Division and the payment details are enclosed at Annexure-A
10.	The user agency shall explore the possibility of successful translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.	Agreed and noted
11.	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.	Certificate from the concerned District Collector enclosed herewith.
12.	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017 dated-28.03.2019.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
13.	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.	Agreed and noted
14.	The Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over on double the degraded forest area i.e., 12Ha identified in Compartment No. 3 in West Aprikola Reserve Forest, Sonapur Range, Kamrup Forest Division in Kamrup District within three years from the date of stage-II clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department 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. The CA will be maintained for 10 years.	Shall be complied and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B

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15.	At the time of payment of the net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.	Undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
16.	The user Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of Environment (Protection) act, 1986, if required.	Not applicable for Transmission Line Project
17.	The User Agency shall take all possible precautions & care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their activities/actions.	Shall be complied and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
18.	The User agency will undertake comprehensive soil and water conservation measures at the project cost.	Not applicable for Transmission Line Project
19.	Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the transmission line within the area diverted under this approval, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the project cost.	Shall be complied and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
20.	The designing of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of the water, does not give rise to water logging and also does not hamper the movement of the wild animals.	Not applicable for Transmission line project
21.	All the site specific engineering structures like retaining walls, breast wall and drainage shall be constructed to avoid any soil erosion and to provide slope stability of the concerned hills.	Not applicable for Transmission line project
22.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the user agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any drainage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.	Shall be complied and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
23.	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.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
24.	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
25.	The layout of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
26.	The user agency shall provide suitable under/over pass in Protected Area/ forest area as per recommendations of CWLW/NBWL/FAC/REC, wherever applicable.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
27.	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the All Acts, Rights, regulations, guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and NGT Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	Shall be complied and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B

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28.	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
29.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
30.	As per Ministry's letter No 11-30/96-FC (pt) dtd. 14.9.2001, if the compliance of stipulated conditions is awaited from the State Govt for more than 5(five) years, the "In principle Approval" would be summarily revoked considering that the user agency is no longer interested in the project.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B
31.	Any other conditions that the Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati, Ministry of Environment & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	Agreed and undertaking enclosed as Annexure-B

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