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Memo No. PSPD/2F2/ Turga-Forest (Compliance) / 33

Dated : 19 April 2022

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests - CAMPA,  
Directorate of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal,  
Aranya Bhavan, Block-LA-10A, Sector-III  
Salt Lake, Kolkata-700098

**Sub: 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project in Purulia District of West Bengal**  
Submission of observation of WBSEDCL to the comments of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India dated 08.04.2022

**Ref:** i) MoEF&CC Forest Proposal No.: FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014  
ii) In- Principle Approval accorded vide Gol, MoEF & CC no. 8-51/2017-FC, dt. 12.04.2018  
iii) Comments of MoEF&CC vide File No.: 8-51/2017-FC dated 08.04.2022

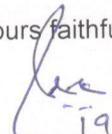
Dear Sir,

With reference to above, WBSEDCL's Observations on the comments of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India dated 08.04.2022 are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and taking further necessary action towards early diversion of 234 Ha of forest land for the project implementation.

Thanking you.

**Encl:** As stated

Yours faithfully,

  
19.04.22  
Chief Engineer  
PSPD, WBSEDCL

**WBSEDCL's OBSERVATION TO THE COMMENTS OF MoEF&CC DATED 08<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022**

No.	MoEF&CC Observation dated 08 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	WBSEDCL Observation																												
i.	<p>In comply to condition No. (ii) of Stage I of approval dated 12.04.2018, the State Govt. was reiterated to clarify the status of CA land with DSS . However, the DSS report has not been furnished. As per report done by DSS Cell of this Ministry, it shows that the proposed CA area of about 28.167 ha. falls in Recorded Forest Area(RFA) in terms of forest classes (as per the ISFR 2019) based on the interpretation of satellite data period 2017-2018. The details are as below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="264 909 743 1473"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No.</th> <th>Name of CA Site</th> <th>Given Area (Ha)</th> <th>Approx area falling in RFA</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Purba Totgaon, Jalpaiguri</td> <td>158.899</td> <td>3.13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Tilaboni, Purulia</td> <td>8.733</td> <td>8.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Hariharpur, Purulia</td> <td>6.11</td> <td>6.11</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>Madhabpur, Purulia</td> <td>7.017</td> <td>7.017</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>Durku, Purulia</td> <td>8.624</td> <td>3.73</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Total</td> <td>189.383</td> <td>28.167</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>As above, the NFL proposed for CA is partially situated within the boundary of the forest and the boundaries on DSS software are also based upon the information provided by the State Govt. Therefore, either the area proposed for CA is forest land or the Digitized boundary of forest areas prepared by the State Govt are not correct and need correction. In view of this, the State Govt. may be requested to verify and confirm that all the proposed CA area</p>	Sl. No.	Name of CA Site	Given Area (Ha)	Approx area falling in RFA	1	Purba Totgaon, Jalpaiguri	158.899	3.13	2	Tilaboni, Purulia	8.733	8.18	3	Hariharpur, Purulia	6.11	6.11	4	Madhabpur, Purulia	7.017	7.017	5	Durku, Purulia	8.624	3.73		Total	189.383	28.167	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After in-principle approval from MoEF&amp;CC dated 12 April 2018, Field Verification report on suitability of lands for Compensatory Afforestation purpose were obtained from DFO- Kangsabati (N), DFO- Kangsabati (S) and DFO – Baikunthapur.</li> <li>• During actual handing over the CA Land sites to Forest Department post in-principle approval period, area was calculated and GPS co-ordinates were authenticated by the officials of Forest Department and Land Department, Govt. of West Bengal. <u>Based on the GPS co-ordinates collected, revised Map was prepared and revised kml file was uploaded in the website of PARIVESH during process for Stage II Approval.</u></li> <li>• Since all the patches of Compensatory Afforestation lands belonged to Non-forest Category and State Forest Department confirmed the suitability of the patches for Compensatory Afforestation, the lands were Notified as Protected Forest vide Notification No.:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 851-For / O / L / 10T -12 / 2017 dated 29.07.2021</li> <li>ii) 531 - For / O / L / 10T -12 / 2017 dated 25.03.2019</li> <li>iii) 412 - For / O / L / 10T -12 / 2017 dated 08.03.2019</li> </ul>             These Notifications had been enclosed alongwith the Final Compliance Report. However, they are further enclosed as <b>Annex – A</b> for ready reference.           </li> </ul> <p><u>Revised DSS Report may kindly be verified by State Forest Department based on revised Map and revised kml file as uploaded in the website of PARIVESH during process for Stage II Approval and necessary corrections may please be incorporated.</u></p>
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	is Non-forest land and free from all encumbrances. In addition, State Govt. may submit an undertaking that the digitized boundaries of concerned forest areas would be corrected and updated on the website and sent to FSI for correction in the DSS.	
ii	With regard to condition no.(viii) of Stage-I approval which states that "The encroachment, as reported by CCF Northern circle, West Bengal in the proposed CA area shall be evicted prior to mutation of land in favour of Forest Department. State Government shall ensure that the Non-forest land shall be free from all encumbrances. A certificate duly signed by the Nodal Officer (FCA) may be furnished in this regard" and accordingly State Govt. vide point (iii) of letter dated 24.01 2022 requested for certificate of Nodal Officer (FCA). The same is still awaited.	<p>After obtaining the Stage I Approval from MoEF&amp;CC dated 12.04.2018, the Addl. PCCF / CAMPA &amp; Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of WB vide letter memo no.: 409 / L &amp; LT / 2M – 1003 / 2013 dated 16.04.2018 asked CCF, Northern Circle to send a report after eviction of encroachment of the CA lands at Purba Totgaon under Baikunthapur Forest Division..</p> <p><b>Refer: Annex – B</b></p> <p><u>Based on that letter of the Addl. PCCF / CAMPA &amp; Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of WB, CCF – Northern Circle vide letter memo: 223 / 2M -84 dated 17.04.2018 informed that the CA land of area 392.65 acres in Purba Totgaon under Mouza Targhera of WBSEDCL have been found suitable and earmarked for Compensatory Afforestation free from encroachment and all encumbrances.</u></p> <p><b>Refer: Annex –C</b></p> <p>Further Certificate as desired by MoEF&amp;CC is the matter of State Forest Department.</p>
iii	The fund of Rs.2,70,98,000/- deposited towards CA on 18.10.2021 as mentioned in the proforma which is duly signed by Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer has not been confirmed by the National Authority with the remark to check the transaction details of the remittance and submit again the proposal to them for confirmation.	<p>Rs. 2,70,98,000 was paid in the Ad-hoc CAMPA Account towards Compensatory Afforestation, SMC Work, Boundary Demarcation, etc. for 25.39 Ha (62.72 Acres) of CA land in Paschim Medinipur District. The said payment was made through Challan generated from PARIVESH portal having Application No.: 5682140736.</p> <p><b>Refer: Annex -D</b></p> <p><u>The said amount of Rs. 2,70,98,000.00 was paid by WBSEDCL in the Ad-hoc CAMPA Account on 18.10.2021 through RTGS UTR No.: SBINR52021101847292288.</u></p> <p><b>Refer: Annex –E</b></p> <p>After making the payment, as per instruction in the challan, a confirmatory mail was also sent to helpdeskampa@corpbank.co.in with a copy to Nodal Officer (FCA) on 25.10.2021</p> <p><b>Refer: Annex –F</b></p> <p><u>The detail of the payment made was also updated as PAID in the website of PARIVESH.</u></p> <p><b>Refer: Annex –G</b></p>

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iv	<p>As per time line details on PARIVESH for instant proposal, the proposal is showing pending with State Govt. due to non-uploading the compliance report on PARIVESH. In this regard, it is advised that the compliance report may be uploaded immediately on PARIVESH before sending a physical copy of the letter to this Ministry for consideration of the reply of State Govt.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reply to the para i, ii and v of the query raised by MoEF&amp;CC dated 24.01.2022 has been uploaded in PARIVESH Portal.</li><li>• Reply to the query raised by MoEF&amp;CC dated 08.04.2022 has been uploaded in PARIVESH Portal.</li></ul>
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*19.04.2022*  
**Surajit Chakraborty**  
**Director (Generation)**  
**W.B.S.E.D.C.L.**

No. 851-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

Kolkata, the 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

**NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, have accorded its in-principle approval vide their Memo No. B-51/2017-FC dt. 12.04.2018 for diversion of 234 ha of Forest Land under Parula Forest Division, in favour of West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Ltd. for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project.

AND WHEREAS the total area of non-forest land measuring 578.22 acres is to be transferred in favour of Forest Department, and out of that an area of 122.85 acres and 392.65 acres were declared as 'Protected Forest' vide notification no. 412-For/O/L/10T-12/2017 dt. 8/03/2019 and notification no. 531-For/O/L/10T-12/2017 dt. 25/03/2019 now an area of 62.72 acres has been transferred particulars of which are described in Schedule below (hereinafter referred to as the said area), in favour of State of West Bengal for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation as per the condition laid down in the approval bid.

AND WHEREAS the 'said area', is considered to be of adequate natural, ecological, faunal and botanical significance over which the (State) Govt. has proprietary rights and there are no further rights of anybody else and no rights as recorded on said area will be abridged or affected without due process of settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, the Governor is hereby pleased to declare that the 'said area' measuring 62.72 acres shall be Protected Forest with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the official 'Kolkata Gazette Extraordinary'.

The Schedule

LOCATION:

Within district- Paschim Medinipur, P.S.-Salboni, Mouza-Ketalkuli, I.L. No -326.

LAND SCHEDULE:

Plot No.	Area (in acres)
03	62.72
Total	62.72

By order of the Governor,

Sd/- Vivek Kumar  
Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

No. 851/1(1)-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

Kolkata, the 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

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Officer on Special Duty

Kolkata, the 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

No. 851/2(6)-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

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- 5) The Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, Paryavaran Bhavan, JorBagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110 003.
- 6) The Inspector General of Forest (C), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, IB-198, Broadway Road, IB Block, Sector-III, Salt lake City, Kolkata-700 106.

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**Government of West Bengal**  
**Department of Forests,**  
**For Branch,**  
**Aranya Bhavan(1<sup>st</sup> Floor), Block-LA-10A, Sector-III, Saltlake City**  
**Kolkata-700 098.**

No. 531-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

Kolkata, the 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, have accorded their in-principle approval as per proviso laid down under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide their Memo No. 8-51/2017-FC dt. 12.04.2018 for diversion of 234 ha of Forest Land under Purulia Forest Division, in favour of West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Ltd. for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project.

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AND WHEREAS the 'said area', is considered to be of adequate natural, ecological, faunal and botanical significance over which the (State) Govt. has proprietary rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, the Governor is hereby pleased to declare that the 'said area' measuring 392.65 acres shall be Protected Forest with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the official 'Kolkata Gazette Extraordinary'.

**LAND SCHEDULE:**

Dist.	Block	Mouza	J.L. No.	Plot No.	Area (in acre)
Jalpaiguri	Mal	Purba Totgaon	02	24(P)	25.83
				25	1.17
				26	10.78
				27	74.58
				28	77.12
				29	6.22
				30	32.60
				31	13.52
				32	9.52
				33	22.89
				34	14.56
				35	16.07
				36	87.50
				37	0.14
38	0.15				
<b>Total:</b>				<b>392.65</b>	

Area of land measures more or less 392.65 acres.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/- I. Pandey

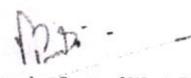
Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

No. 531/1(1)-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

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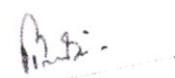
  
Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

No. 531/2(17)-For/O/L/10T-12/2017

Kolkata, the 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

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- 5) The P.S. to the Addl. Chief Secretary, Deptt. of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal.
- 6) The LRC & Principal Secretary, L & LR Deptt.
- 7) DM, Jalpaiguri District.
- 8) DLLRO & ADM (LR), Jalpaiguri District.
- 9) DFO, Baikunthapur Forest Division.
- 10) Divisional Commissioner, Jalpaiguri Division.
- 11) The P.C.C.F. (HoFF), West Bengal.
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Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

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**Government of West Bengal**  
**Department of Forests,**  
**For Branch,**  
**Aranya Bhavan(1<sup>st</sup> Floor), Block-LA-10A, Sector-III, Saltlake City**  
**Kolkata-700 098.**

No. 412 -For/O/L/10T-12/2017

Kolkata, the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

**NOTIFICATION**

WHEREAS the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, have accorded their in-principle approval as per proviso laid down under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide their Memo No. 8-51/2017-FC dt. 12.04.2018 for diversion of 234 ha of Forest Land under Purulia Forest Division, in favour of West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Ltd. for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project.

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AND WHEREAS the 'said area', is considered to be of adequate natural, ecological, faunal and botanical significance over which the (State) Govt. has proprietary rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the power conferred under Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, the Governor is hereby pleased to declare that the 'said area' measuring 122.85 acres shall be Protected Forest with effect from the date of publication of this Notification in the official 'Kolkata Gazette Extraordinary'.

**LAND SCHEDULE:**

Dist.	Block	Mouza	J.L. No.	Plot No.	Area (in acre)		
Purulia	Puncha	Dhabani	08	789	12.80		
				1717	10.86		
	Hura	Hariharpur	30	1270	15.09		
				Saharjuri	22	487	23.86
				Tilaboni	04	1111	21.58
	Manbazar-I	Durku	04	2150	17.34		
				412	21.32		
	<b>Total:</b>					<b>122.85</b>	

Area of land measures more or less 122.85 acres.

This substitutes this Deptt.'s earlier order no. 366-For/O/L/10T-12/2017 dt. 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

By order of the Governor,

Sd/- P. Tantri  
 Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

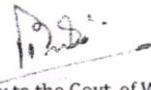
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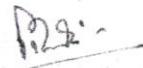
  
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Joint Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal

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Directorate of Forests

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ACE  
For suitable reply,  
16/4/2018

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Dated: 16.04.2018

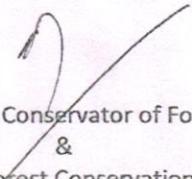
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Ref.: In-Principal Approval accorded vide GOI, MoEF & CC F. No. 8-51/2017-FC dt. 12.04.2018.

Your attention is invited to Serial No. viii of the above stated In-Principal approval accorded to the proposal and to request you to evict the encroachment of forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation at Purba Totgaon, J.L. No. 2, P.S. Mal, Dist. Jalpaiguri under Baikunthapur Forest Division prior to mutation of the land in favour of Forest Deptt., West Bengal and send the report to the undersigned through Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, West Bengal for further necessary action.

  
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / CAMPA  
&  
Nodal Officer, Forest Conservation Act, 1980  
West Bengal

No- / L & LT/2M- 1003/2013

Dated: .04.2018

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1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Forests, Govt. of West Bengal.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, West Bengal with a copy of the In-Principal Approval. He is requested to send a complete report to the undersigned after eviction of encroachment.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Forest Division with a copy of the In-Principal Approval.

**Sd/- N. Singhal, IFS**

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / CAMPA  
&  
Nodal Officer, Forest Conservation Act, 1980  
West Bengal

Annex-C

14/18

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
DIRECTORATE OF FORESTS  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS  
NORTHERN CIRCLE, WEST BENGAL,  
COLLECTORATE AVENUE, JALPAIGURI

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Dated, Jalpaiguri, the \_\_\_\_\_/18

To,  
The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator Forests, CAMPA  
& Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980,  
West Bengal.

Sub : Proposal for diversion of 232 ha. Of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project of WBSEDCL- handing over of 392.65 acres of Govt. land in Purba Totgaon under Mal Block for compensatory afforestation.

Ref : Your endorsement no. 409/L&LT/2M-1003/2013, dt. 16.04.18.

In view of what has been requested in your above quoted communication, it is to apprise you that a quantum of 392.65 acres of land out of 1156.96 acres of govt. land in Purba Totgaon under Mouza Targhera of Mal Block pertains to the WBSEDCL have been found suitable and earmarked for compensatory afforestation free from encroachment and all encumbrances.

In this connection, the Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Division's letter no. 1437/8-2, dt. 05.06.17 is enclosed which will speak for itself in this regard.

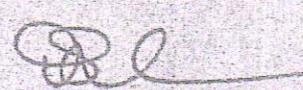
Sd/- U. Chatterjee  
Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Northern Circle, West Bengal.

No. 223 12M-84

Dated, Jalpaiguri, the 17/04 18

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1. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, NB, Siliguri.
2. The Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Division with reference to his letter no. quoted above.

  
Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Northern Circle, West Bengal.

## AGENCY COPY



## NEFT / RTGS CHALLAN for CAMPA Funds

Date : 07-10-2021

Agency Name.	WEST BENGAL STATE ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LIMITED
Application No.	5682140736
MoEF/SG File No.	8-51/2017-FC
Location.	WEST BENGAL
Address.	Vidyut Bhavan, Block -DJ, Sector - II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata 700091 North 24 Parganas
Amount(in Rs)	27098000/-

Amount in Words : Two Crore Seventy Lakh Ninety-Eight  
Thousand Rupees Only

NEFT/RTGS to be made as per following  
details;

Beneficiary Name:	WEST BENGAL CAMPA
IFSC Code:	UBIN0903710
Pay to Account No.	150915682140736 Valid only for this challan amount.
Bank Name & Address:	Union Bank Of India Lodhi Complex Branch, Block 11,CGO Complex, Phase I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi -110003

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After making successful payment, User Agencies may send a line of confirmation through  
Email: helpdeskampa@corpbank.co.in

Note: After making the required payment through challan, if the payment status has not been updated  
even after 7 working days, then kindly mail a copy of your challan with transaction date to  
Email: cb0371@unionbankofindia.com



Account Name : W B S ELEC DIST CO LTD C AC  
 Address : BIDYUT BHABAN BLOCK DJ SEC II, SALT LAKE KOL 91, WEST BENGAL, North Twenty Four Parganas  
 KOLKATA  
 WEST BENGAL-700091  
 IN

Date : 18 Oct 2021

Account Number : 00000034057518912

Account Description : CA-SURABHI-PUB OTH-ALL-INR

Branch : BIKASH BHAWAN GOC

Drawing Power : 0.00

Interest Rate(% p.a.) : 0.0

MOD Balance : 2,72,739.00

CIF No. : 81086212173

IFS Code : SBIN0007816

MICR Code : 700002114

Balance as on 18 Oct 2021 : 1,00,440.55

Account Statement from 18 Oct 2021 to 18 Oct 2021

Txn Date	Value Date	Description	Ref No./Cheque No.	Branch Code	Debit	Credit	Balance
18 Oct 2021	18 Oct 2021	TRANSFER CREDIT-SWEEP DEPOSIT BY TRANSFER-	SWEEP FROM 40512489116 W B S ELEC DIST CO LTD /	7816		2,70,13,00 0.00	2,71,13,440.5 5
18 Oct 2021	18 Oct 2021	CHQ TRANSFER-RTGS UTR NO: SBINR52021 10184729228 8-713866 WEST BENGAL CAMPA	/ 713866 WEST BENGAL CAMPA	7816	2,70,98,00 0.00		15,440.55

\*\*This is a computer generated statement and does not require a signature.

Annex-F

PSPD WBSEDCL &lt;wbasedclpspd@gmail.com&gt;

**1000 MW Turga PSP: Payment for Compensatory Afforestation in Paschim Medinipur District**

1 message

PSPD WBSEDCL &lt;wbasedclpspd@gmail.com&gt;

Mon, Oct 25, 2021 at 3:28 PM

To: helpdeskampa@corpbank.co.in

Cc: "Nodal Officer FCA, W.B." &lt;nfcawb@gmail.com&gt;, dfomd@yahoo.com, Divisional Forest Officer Purulia Division &lt;dfopfd@gmail.com&gt;

Bcc: Director Generation &lt;directorgen2019@gmail.com&gt;

Dear Sir,

Dear Sir

For Construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project under Purulia Forest Division, West Bengal, the amount of Rs. 2,70,98,000.00 (Rupees Two Crores Seventy Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand only) has already been made to Adhoc CAMPA Account on account of Compensatory Afforestation, SMC and Maintenance for 10 Years of CA Land under Block: Salboni, Paschim Medinipur through SBI ref no.: SBINR52021101847292288 Dated 18.10.2021 in terms of Clause no x, xi, xiii, xiv, xviii of the In-Principle Approval accorded by MoEF & CC, Govt. of India Dated 12.04.2018.

Thanking you,  
Chief Engineer, PSPD



Office of the Chief Engineer  
Pumped Storage Project Department  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, C-Block, Vidyut Bhavan Block-DJ  
Sector-II, Salt Lake, Kolkata- 700091  
Phone 033 2334 5821/ 2319 7746

Annex-G



Sno.	Proposal Detail	Application No	Application No (New)	Date of IN-PRINCIPLE	Amount to be Paid / Amount Paid (in Rs.)	Payment Status	Payment Detail	Demand Letter
1	FP/WB/HYD/0214/2014 1000 MW TURGA PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT	HY082142014736	5682140736	12 Apr 2018	CA: 27088000/- Addl CA: 0/- PCA: 0/- CAT: 0/- Safety Zone: 0/- Addl PA: 0/- NPV: 0/- Other Charges: 0/- Other Charges1: 0/- Other Charges2: 0/- Other Charges3: 0/- Total: 27088000/-	Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On :07 Oct 2021 Bank Name :Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment :NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On :07 Oct 2021 Transaction Date :18 Oct 2021	Demand Letter Generated Challan
2	FP/WB/HYD/0214/2014 1000 MW TURGA PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT	HY082142014618	5682140618	12 Apr 2018	CA: 0/- Addl CA: 0/- PCA: 0/- CAT: 0/- Safety Zone: 0/- Addl PA: 0/- NPV: 0/- Other Charges: 0/- Other Charges1: 0/- Other Charges2: 0/- Other Charges3: 0/- Total: 335545790/- Conservation Plan : 335545790/-	Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On :29 Jul 2021 Bank Name :Union Bank Of India Mode of Payment :NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On :29 Jul 2021 Transaction Date :08 Sep 2021	Demand Letter Generated Challan
3	FP/WB/HYD/0214/2014 1000 MW TURGA PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT	HY082142014595	5682140595	12 Apr 2018	CA: 24533244/- Addl CA: 0/- PCA: 0/- CAT: 40965000/- Safety Zone: 0/- Addl PA: 0/- NPV: 187902000/- Other Charges: 0/- Other Charges1: 0/- Other Charges2: 0/- Other Charges3: 0/- Total: 473399244/-	Paid	Fund Demand Verified by Nodal Officer On :19 Mar 2019 Bank Name :Corporation Bank Mode of Payment :NEFT/RTGS (Challan) Challan Generated On :19 Mar 2019 Transaction Date :25 Mar 2019	Demand Letter Generated Challan



পাম্পড স্টোরেজ প্রজেক্ট ডিপার্টমেন্ট  
**West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited**  
(A Government of West Bengal Enterprise)  
Pumped Storage Project Department

FAX : 033 2334-5855  
Telephones : 033 2334-5821/2319-7628  
E-Mail : [cepspd@wbsecl.in](mailto:cepspd@wbsecl.in), [wbsedclpspd@gmail.com](mailto:wbsedclpspd@gmail.com)

Vidyut Bhavan (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)  
Block-DJ, Sector-II  
Bidhannagar, Kolkata – 700 091

Memo No. PSPD/2F2/ Turga-Forest (Compliance) / 361

Dated : 25 February 2022

To  
The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Purulia Forest Division,  
Govt. of West Bengal  
Purulia

Sub: **1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project in Purulia District of West Bengal**  
Submission of observation of WBSEDCL to the comments of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India

Ref: i) MoEF&CC Forest Proposal No.: FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014  
ii) In- Principle Approval accorded vide GoI, MoEF & CC no. 8-51/2017-FC, dt. 12.04.2018  
iii) Comments of MoEF&CC vide File No.: 8-51/2017-FC dated 24.01.2022  
iv) Your letter vide memo no.: 521 / 8 – 5 / 2 (a) dated 18.02.2022

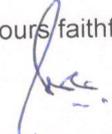
Dear Sir,

With reference to above, WBSEDCL's Observations on the comments of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India dated 24.01.2022 are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and taking further necessary action towards early diversion of 234 Ha of forest land for the project implementation.

Thanking you.

**Enclo:** As stated

Yours faithfully,

  
25.02.22  
Chief Engineer  
PSPD, WBSEDCL

Memo No. PSPD/2F2/ Turga-Forest (Compliance) /  
Copy forwarded for kind information and necessary action:-

Dated : 25 February 2022

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt. of West Bengal
2. The Addl. PCCF, CAMPA and Nodal Officer FCA-1980, Govt. of West Bengal

Chief Engineer  
PSPD, WBSEDCL

**WBSEDCL's OBSERVATIONS TO THE COMMENTS OF MoEF&CC DATED 24.01.2022.**

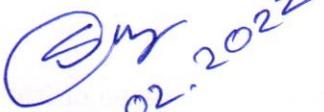
**Ref: Letter of DFO, Purulia vide no. 521 / 8-5/2 (a) dated 18.02.2022**

SNo.	MoEF&CC Comments	WBSEDCL Observations
i)	<p>In compliance to the condition No. (ii) of Stage I of approval dated 12.04.2018, the State Govt. was asked to clarify CA land with DSS as out of 12 patches proposed for CA, 6 CA patches having the legal status as Forest land. But this condition has not been compiled by the State Govt.. Moreover, the State Govt. now informed that one land patch vide plot No. 631 of Mouza: Mangura Lalpur, Block: Hura, District: Purulia is not being transferred to the Forest Department for compensatory afforestation purpose. The DSS calculated area of the said plot is 9 ha. After reducing the CA area of plot No. 631 from the total CA area comes to 225 ha. instead of 234 ha. Therefore, State Govt. has to identify additional area in lieu of plot number 631 of Mouza: Mangura Lalpur, Block: Hura, District: Purulia. In view of this, State Govt. is again requested to re-look this condition and submit their compliance with justification and DSS report as desired.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• With the help of Forest Survey of India, Forest Department identified the 6 patches of Compensatory Afforestation land assumed to have legal status of Forest Land. <b>(Annex – A)</b></li><li>• Through DSS, by Forest Department, it was revealed that 80% of these mouzas do not have any tree cover. <b>(Annex – A)</b></li><li>• To comply with the condition of MoEF&amp;CC, Forest Department verified the land records of all the 12 patches of Compensatory Afforestation lands to confirm if these patches are forest land or not. <b>(Annex – A)</b></li><li>• It was found that only one CA land patch vide plot no. 631 in Mouza: Mangura Lalpur, Block: Hura Area: 9 ha (21.64 Acres), District: Purulia has recorded status of Forest Land. <b>(Annex – B)</b></li><li>• As advised by Addl. PCCF CAMPA, this plot vide plot no. 631 in Mouza: Mangura Lalpur, Block: Hura Area: 21.64 Acres was not handed over to Forest Department for Compensatory Afforestation purpose. <b>(Annex – B)</b></li><li>• Moreover, out of 12 patches the plots of Mouza: Kelyardi, Block: Manbazar I, Area : 12.78 Acres , Mouza: Dhanda, Block: Manbazar II, Area: 11.15 Acres and Mouza: Kuchung Block: Puncha, Area : 17.15 Acres were also not handed over to Forest Department for Compensatory Afforestation.</li><li>• In lieu of the above 04 (four) patches of land, the balance area of 25.38 Hectares i.e. 62.72 Acres (21.64 + 12.78+ 11.15 + 17.15 Acres) of Non-Forest land, was arranged from Mouza: Kotalkuli, Block: Salboni, District : Paschim Medinipur.</li><li>• <u>Thus, total 234 Ha of Non-forest CA land has been transferred to Forest Department. Also, relevant cost for raising Afforestation was also paid to Forest Department.</u></li></ul>
ii)	<p>Two FRA certificates, one for an area of 234 ha issued vide dated 13.06.2017 and another for an area of 5.356 ha issued vide dated 27.12.2017, are furnished with the compliance report. If the FRA certificate dated 13.06.2017 given for entire area of 234 ha was complete then why another FRA certificate for part area of 5.356 ha is</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It has been clearly stated in the Site Inspection Report (SIR) of MoEF&amp;CC, Regional Office that <b>(Ref: Annex-C, Page 1)</b>:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <u>It was observed during presentation and subsequent site inspection that 5.356 ha of additional forest land is required to be diverted against proposed underground constructions and 0.969 ha under</u></li></ul></li></ul>

Surajit Chakraborty  
Director (Generation)  
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24.02.2022

	<p>obtained. This need clarification.</p> <p>Moreover, the FRA certificate(s) as furnished are not in prescribed format. The same with documentary evidences may be provided.</p>	<p><u>reconstruction work totaling to 6.325 ha. However, the user agency has taken up 6.908 ha forest land for diversion in the current project under the component Rock quarry area of 21.300 ha, which has already been diverted under Purulia Pumped Storage Project of the same user agency. Hence, the total forest land required for diversion is 234.0 + 6.325 – 6.908 ha = 233.412 Ha which is a little less than the forest land proposed for diversion.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thus, no extra Forest Land has been proposed for diversion.</li> <li>• Initially for 234 Ha of Forest Land FRA Certificate was obtained from DM, Purulia on 13.06.2017.</li> <li>• As the plot area of underground structures of 5.356 Ha was not within the initial plot area of 234 Ha of Forest Land so, additional FRA for 5.356 Ha was obtained from DM, Purulia on 27.12.2017.</li> <li>• In line with MoEF&amp;CC's letter vide no. 11-9/98-FC (pt.) dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013, Form – II of the FRA reports from District Magistrate, Purulia vide Memo no.: 968/1/BCWP dated 13.06.2017 and Memo no. 2024/1/BCWP dated 26.12.2017 are enclosed <b>(Annex- D and Annex - E)</b></li> </ul>
iv)	<p>The funds for compensatory levies towards instant proposal have been deposited through RTGS but the details of funds have not been furnished in the prescribed format. The same may be furnished duly signed by the Nodal Officer so that the confirmation for amount deposited towards instant proposal shall be obtained from National Authority.</p>	<p>The proforma of details of fund deposition has been prepared and submitted to Nodal Officer in January 2022 for onward transmittal to MoEF&amp;CC.</p> <p><b>(Annex – F)</b></p>
v)	<p>User agency has not submitted undertakings to comply the condition No.(i) (xxxviii) and (xxxix) of Stage I approval dated 12.04.2018</p>	<p>WBSEDCL herewith submits the following Undertakings to comply the condition No.(i) (xxxviii) and (xxxix) of Stage I approval dated 12.04.2018 <b>(Annex – G, Annex – H, Annex – I).</b></p>

  
21.02.2022

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Director (Generation)  
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Government of West Bengal  
Directorate of Forests

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Aranya Bhavan, LA-10A, Sector-III  
Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700098  
PH-2335-8581/7751, Fax No-23358756  
E-mail : pccfwb@vsnl.net



No- 5587 L A & LT/2M- 1003/2013

Dated: 05.09.2018

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Kangsabati (North) Forest Division,  
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- (3) The Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati (South) Forest Division,  
Purulia
- (4) The Divisional Forest Officer  
Baikunthapur Forest Division,  
Siliguri

PSPD / WBSEDCL	
Receipt No.	272
Date	5/9/18
Contents Not Verified	

Sub.: Proposal for diversion of 234 ha. of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project of WBSEDCL in Ajodhya Hills under Purulia Forest Division (Proposal No. FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014)--Submission of approved CAT Plan- Reg.

- Ref.: (1) In-principle Stage - I approval vide file no. 8-51/2017-FC dt. 12.04.2018.  
(2) Letter of DFO, Baikunthapur Division No. 1437/8-2 dt. 05.06.2017.  
(3) Letter of CF, Northern Circle No. 395/2M-84 dt. 23.06.2017  
(4) Letter of DFO, Kangsabati (North) Division No. 3341/28-54 dt. 17.08.2018.  
(5) Letter of DFO, Kangsabati (North) Division No. 2816/28-54 dt. 04.07.2018  
(6) Letter of DFO, Kangsabati (South) Division No. 1330/28- dt. 17.08.2018.

Inviting reference to the letters quoted above (copy enclosed) you are requested to raise demand to the 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project of WBSEDCL for payment of the cost of Net Present Value, cost of Compensatory Afforestation along with it 10 years maintenance, cost of Catchment Area Treatment, revised Soil and Moisture Conservation (SMC) on the CA land and other cost if any as per clause no. x, xi, xiv, xv, xvi, xvii and xviii for deposition of the amount by User Agency to Ad-hoc CAMPA account.

Further as per clause no. XIII of the In-Principle approval of MoEF&CC, the non forest lands identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation vide your above letters (except for Block: Hura, Mouza: Mangura Lalpur, RS. Plot No.: 631, Area: 21.64 Acres of Purulia District), may be transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest department and shall be notified as RF under section 4 or PF under section 20, of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under relevant section(s) of the local forest act, as the case may be.

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Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / CAMPA  
&  
Nodal Officer, Forest Conservation Act, 1980  
West Bengal

No- 5582 LA& LT/2M- 1003/2013

Dated: 05 .09.2018

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1. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, West Bengal – is requested to submit a report confirming if the Non-Forest land given by the UA is free from encroachment prior to transfer of Non-forest land. You shall please refer to Clause viii of the In-Principle Approval of MoEF&CC in this regard.
2. ~~The Divisional Forest Officer, Purulia Division with a copy of the enclosures.~~
3. The Chief Engineer, PSPD, WBSEDCL, Bidyut Bhawan, Kolkata – 700091 – is requested to arrange for suitable Non-Forest land of 21.64 Acres as replacement for CA purpose as mentioned by his letter no.: PSPD/Turga PSP/ 2Ff/229 dt. 28.08.2018. Payment to Ad-hoc CAMPA should be as per clause no. xviii of In-Principle approval from MoEF&CC.

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / CAMPA  
&  
Nodal Officer, Forest Conservation Act, 1980  
West Bengal



Government of West Bengal  
Directorate of Forests  
Office of the Divisional Forest Officer  
Baikunthapur Division  
Rabindranagar, P.O. Rabindra Sarani, Siliguri - 734006

No. 1437 /8-2

Dated, Siliguri, the 05.06.2017.

From: The Divisional Forest Officer  
Baikunthapur Division

To: The Chief Engineer, PSPD  
WBSEDCL, Vidyut Bhawan (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)  
Block-DJ, Sector-II, Bidhan Nagar,  
Kolkata - 700 091

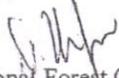
**Sub:** Handing over of 392.65 acres of Govt. land in Purba Totgaon under Mal Block.  
**Ref:** BL & LRO, Mal Block Memo No. 317/BLLRO/MAL/JAL/2017 dated 26.05.2017.  
& DI & LRO, Jalpaiguri Memo No. 170/5(6)/D/E/001/218/LMS-  
1/DLLRO/JAL/2016 dated 27.02.2017.

In consonance with the above mentioned communications this is to mention that out of the 1156.96 Acres of Govt. Land in Purba Totgaon in Mouza - Targhera of Mal Block proposed to be handed over to the Forest Department for compensatory afforestation towards implementation of 1000 MW Turga Pump Storage Power Project in Ayodha Hills in Purulia to be executed by WBSEDCL and Barjora (North) Coal Mine to be implemented by WBPDC, 392.65 Acres have been earmarked. The earmarked land (392.65 Acres) pertains to WBSEDCL. The Schedule of the land is being mentioned herein below: -

Mouza	J.L. No.	Khatian No.	Plot No.	Proposed Area in Acres
Targhera	2	1	24(P)	25.83
			25(F)	1.17
			26(F)	10.78
			27(F)	74.58
			28(F)	77.12
			29(F)	6.22
			30(F)	32.60
			31(F)	13.52
			32(F)	9.52
			33(F)	22.89
			34(F)	14.56
			35(F)	16.07
			36(F)	87.50
			37(F)	0.14
38(F)	0.15			
		<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>392.65</b>

The above mentioned land has been found suitable for compensatory afforestation. Moreover there is no encroachment on the said 392.65 Acres of land earmarked for compensatory afforestation; hence it is free from all encumbrances.

This is for your kind information and taking necessary action.

  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Baikunthapur Division

No: 1437 /8-2

Dated, Siliguri, the 05.06.2017

Copy forwarded for information & taking necessary action to: -

1. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, West Bengal.
2. The District Magistrate, Jalpaiguri
3. The Additional Magistrate & District Land & Land Reforms Officer, Jalpaiguri.
4. The Block Land & Land Reforms Officers, Mal Block.
5. The Range Officer, Targhera Range.

  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Baikunthapur Division

s/c

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
DIRECTORATE OF FORESTS  
OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS  
NORTHERN CIRCLE, WEST BENGAL,  
COLLECTORATE AVENUE, JALPAIGURI

Tel- 03561-231563, FAX – 03561-224582, e-mail – [cft\\_nc@rediffmail.com](mailto:cft_nc@rediffmail.com)

No. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_, Dated, Jalpaiguri, the \_\_\_\_\_ 2017.

To :: The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
North Bengal.

Sub. :: Handing over of 1156.96 acres of Govt. Land at Purba Totgaon in  
Mouza – Targhera under Mal Block for compensatory afforestation.

Ref. :: This office endt. No. 160/2M-84, dated 15.03.2017  
and 220/2M-84, dated 31.03.2017.

In continuation to this office letters quoted under reference, it is to bring to your kind notice that after necessary verification, the Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Division is of the opinion that out of 1156.96 acres of Govt. Land at Purba Totgaon, under Targhera Mouza of Mal Block proposed for handing over to this Department for compensatory afforestation towards implementation of 1000 MW Turga Pump Storage Power Project in Ayodha Hills in Purulia to be executed by the WBSEDCL and Barjora(North) Coal Mine to be implemented by WBPDCCL, only 392.65 acres of land could be earmarked which is suitable for compensatory afforestation, free from encroachment and all encumbrances. A copy of letter No. 1437/8-2, dated 05.06.2017 sent by the Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Division in this regard to the Chief Engineer, PSPD, WBSEDCL, Kolkata under intimation to this office is enclosed for ready reference.

Sd/- U. Ghosh  
Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Northern Circle, West Bengal.

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No. 395 / 2M-84, Dated, Jalpaiguri, the 23/06/ 2017.

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officers, Baikunthapur Division for information with reference to his endt. No. 1437/8-2, dated 05.06.2017.

Sd/-  
Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Northern Circle, West Bengal.



APCC  
G. S. Ghosh



Government of West Bengal  
Directorate of Forests  
Office of the Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati North Division



Noted  
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No. 3341/28-54

dated, Purulia, the 17/08/2018.

From : Divisional Forest Officer,  
Kangsabati North Division,  
Purulia.

To : The Chief Engineer PSPD  
WBSEDCL  
Vidyut Bhawan (5<sup>th</sup> Floor)  
Block-DJ, Sector-II, Bidhan Nagar  
Kolkata-700091

Sub : Diversion of 234 Ha. of Forest Land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pump Storage Project, WBSEDCL in Ajodhya Hills, Purulia District, Government of West Bengal, Directorate of Forest, State Serial No. 42 of 2013 regarding suitability report for compensatory afforestation.

Ref : Your Memo No. PSPD/Turga-PSP/2F/41, dated- 04.05.2015 and this office letter No. 2816/28-54 dt. 04/07/2018

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With reference to the above, this is to inform you that as per field verification, joint inspection and verification of land records, the following Mouzas under Puncha & Hura Range of this Division are suitable for compensatory afforestation on the above project.

Block	Mouza	RS JL No.	CS JL No.	Classification	RS Plot No.	CS Plot No.	Vested area available (Acres)	BL & LR Office, Recorded Tenant of Vested Portion	Remarks
Puncha	Kuchung	20	562	GL Patit	2489	2236	17.15	Collector	Suitable for plantation
Puncha	Dhabani	8	594	Danga	789	1442 (P)	12.80	Collector	
Puncha	Dhabani	8	594	Danga	1717	1414 (P)	10.86	Collector	
Puncha	Mariharpur	30	571	Danga	1270	309	15.09	Collector	
Hura	Saharjuri	22	439	Danga	487	305 (P)	23.86	Collector	
Hura	Madhabpur	5	445	Danga	2150	1777 (P)	17.34	Collector	
Hura	Tiaboni	4	444	GL Palit	1111	1717 (P)	21.58	Collector	
Sub Total :							118.68 acres		

The suitability report sent vide this office letter no. 3331/28-54, dtd. 16/08/2018 may please be considered cancelled.

  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati North Division  
Purulia

No. / dated, Purulia, the / /2018.

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From :: Divisional Forest Officer,  
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To :: The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / CAMPA  
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Sub :: **Proposal for diversion of 234 ha. Of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project of WBSEDCL in Ajodhya Hills under Purulia Forest Division (Proposal No. FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014)**

Ref :: Your letter No. 1636/LA& LT/2M-1003/2013, dt- 23/05/2018

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With reference to quoted above it is to state that, the reports of following Mouzas given below as per available office record and documents collected from concerned BL & L.R.Os related to compensatory afforestation.

SL No	Mouza	RS - J.L	C.S - J.L	R.S Plot	C.S Plot	Classification	As per BL&L RO Record	Area	Remarks
1.	Hariharpur	30	571	1270	309	Danga	Vested area	15.09	R.O.R Attached
2.	Madhabpur	5	445	2150	1777(P)	Danga	Vested area	17.34	
3.	Tilaboni	4	444	1111	1717 (P)	G.L.Patit	Vested area	21.58	
4.	Manguria Lalpur	72	521	631	413 instead of 416	Jungle	Vested area	21.64	As per R.O.R the C.S Plot No 416 will be 413 in correspondence with R.S Plot No. 631. The entire plot is Jungle and area 55.21 acre is classified Forest under Calcutta Gazette Notification No 3982-FR/2P-II/65 dt 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug 1967.

It may kindly be noted that plots mentioned under mouzas Hariharpur, Madhabpur & Tilaboni may be suitable for compensatory afforestation if they are declared free from all encumbrances by District Collector and demarcated in the field by the user agency.

However, regarding mouzas Manguria-Lalpur, the following fact may please be considered. Vide Calcutta Gazette Notification No. 3982-For/2P-11/65 dt. 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1967, C.S Plot No. 413 has notified forest area 55.21 acres. The same plot corresponds to JL No. 72, R.S. Plot No. 631. So until the total 55.21 acres of Forest Land is identified as RS Plots on record and in the field, it is not possible to identify non-forest land under this RS Plot No 631 for raising compensatory afforestation.

Enclosed :- Xerox copy of R.O.R Notification

Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati North Division  
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No.: 2816/28-54

dated, Purulia, the 04/07 /2018.

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4. The Range Officer, Land Cell, Kangsabati North Division, Purulia
5. The Range Officer, Hura Range under Kangsabati North Division, Purulia.
6. The Range Officer, Pancha Range under Kangsabati North Division, Purulia.

  
Divisional Forest Officer  
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Office of the Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati South Division

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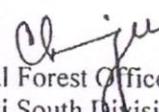
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With reference to the above, this is to inform you that as per field verification, joint inspection and verification of land records, the following Mouzas under Manbazar-I & Manbazar-II Range of this Division are suitable for compensatory afforestation on the above project.

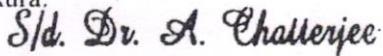
Block	Mouza	RS JL No.	CS JL No.	Classification	RS Plot No.	CS Plot No	Vested area available (Acres)	BL& LR Office Recorded Tenant of Vested Portion	Remarks
Manbazar-I	Durku	4	4	Danga	412	321	21.32	Collector	Suitable for plantation
Manbazar-I	Kelardi	106	327	GL Patit	441	156	12.78	Collector	
Manbazar-II	Dhanda	261	316	Danga	288	40/39 (P), 1458, 1459	11.15	Collector	
Total :							45.25		

  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati South Division  
Purulia

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dated, Purulia, the \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ /2018.

1. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, CAMPA & Nodal Officer, FCA, W.B. This is in connection with your Office Memo No.1635/LA & LT/2M-1003/2013 Dt. 23.05.2018
2. The Chief Conservator of Forest, South West Circle, West Bengal
3. The Conservator of Forest Working Plan & GIS.
4. The Divisional Forest Officer, Working Plan (South) Division-II, Bankura.

  
S/d. Dr. A. Chatterjee  
Divisional Forest Officer  
Kangsabati South Division  
Purulia



Government of India/ भारत सरकार  
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change/ पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय  
Eastern Regional Office/ पूर्वी क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय  
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No. 5-WBA097/2017-BHU

18.12.2017

**SPEED POST**

To

Shri Sandeep Sharma,  
Asst. Inspector General of Forests (FC),  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,  
New Delhi-110003.

Sub: Diversion of 234.00 ha of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage project of WBSEDCL in Ajodhya Hills under Purulia Forest Division.

Ref: Ministry's letter No.8-51/2017-FC, dated 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited as above, I am directed to inform you that the site inspection of the above mentioned project was carried out by the undersigned from 29.11.2017 to 30.11.2017. The site inspection report along with the relevant enclosures is attached herewith for kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

(SUMAN MOHAPATRA)  
CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (C)

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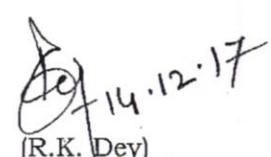
**RECOMMENDATION OF APCCF (CENTRAL) IN RESPECT OF DIVERSION OF 234.00 HA OF FOREST LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 1000 MW TURGA PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT OF WBSEDCL IN AJODHYA HILLS UNDER PURULIA FOREST DIVISION.**

The instant proposal is for diversion of 234.000 ha of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage project of WBSEDCL in Purulia Forest Division.

On perusal of the records and the site inspection report of the Conservator of Forests (Central), it is observed that:

- The pump storage project will generate electricity by reusing water available in the stream and also by enhancing storage capacity of the reservoir without any perceptible adverse impact on the surrounding. The energy required for pumping shall also be met from the surplus power available in the grid during non-peak hours and improving the power scarcity during peak hours, which perhaps makes this project proposal outstanding.
- Since water is a precious resource, the user agency may take some measures for creation of water conservation/harvesting structures so that the water to be released for use of communities and agriculture, down streams, is not affected.
- The user agency should also address the stone quarry within the leased area. After extraction of stones the quarry should be reclaimed with soil and should be vegetated; thereby developing the mined out land into an ecotourism spot enhancing the ecology & aesthetics of the site. The User agency may also fence the quarry prior to reclamation to check possible casualty of wildlife due to accidental fall.
- The user agency is to take precaution not to dump the debris generated from the underground construction works in the forest area and these shall be disposed of conforming to environmental standards.

With the above observations along with the site inspection report of CF (Central), this proposal for diversion of 234.000 ha of forest land for construction of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage project of WBSEDCL in Ajodhya Hills under Purulia Forest Division is forwarded with recommendation for consideration.

  
(R.K. Dey)  
Addl. PCCF (Central)

**SITE INSPECTION REPORT IN RESPECT OF DIVERSION OF 234.00 HA OF FOREST LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 1000 MW TURGA PUMPED STORAGE PROJECT OF WBSEDCL IN AJODHYA HILLS UNDER PURULIA FOREST DIVISION.**

The site inspection of the above project was carried out by me from 29.11.2017 to 30.11.2017 along with Shri Ramprasad Badana, DFO, Purulia Forest Division, Sri Surajit Chakraborty, Director (Gen.), Shri Ashis Kumar Bhowmick, Addl. Chief Engineer, PSPD, Sri Tusar K. Chatterjee, DE (Civil), Turga PSP Site and Sri Sourav Chakraborty, AE (Civil), PSPD, WBSEDCL.

**1. Legal status of the forest land proposed for diversion\***

The legal status of the forest land is "Protected Forests".

**2. Item-wise breakup details of the forest land proposed for diversion.**

The item-wise breakup details, as submitted by the State Govt. are as follows:

Sl. No.	Purpose/Component	Forest Land (in ha)	Non-forest land (in ha)	Total land (in ha)
1.	Submergence Area (Lower & Upper Reservoir)	112.669	33.689	146.358
2.	Civil structures	10.239	0.000	10.239
3.	Construction facilities	18.387	0.000	18.387
4.	Stockpile, Processing & Disposal area	22.654	0.000	22.654
5.	Project Roads (Permanent and Temporary)	22.124	0.000	22.124
6.	Rock Quarry Area	21.300	0.000	21.300
7.	Other Project Components	8.537	0.000	8.537
8.	Borrow Area	18.090	24.311	42.401
	Total	234.000	58.000	292.000

It was observed during presentation and subsequent site inspection that 5.356 ha of additional forest land is required to be diverted against proposed underground constructions and 0.969 ha under reconstruction work totaling to 6.325 ha. However, the user agency has taken up 6.908 ha forest land for diversion in the current project under the component Rock quarry area of 21.300 ha, which has already been diverted under Purulia Pumped Storage project of the same user agency. Hence, the total forest land required for diversion is  $234.0 + 6.325 - 6.908$  ha = 233.417 ha which is a little less than the forest land proposed for diversion.

The copy of modified item-wise breakup, submitted by the user agency is enclosed as Annexure-V.

**3. Whether proposal involves any construction of buildings (including residential) or not. If yes, details thereof:**

As reported at Point No.2 above.

**4. Total cost of the project at present rates:**

As reported by the user agency, the total estimated cost of the project is Rs. 4,65,069 Lakhs.

**5. Wildlife:**

As reported by DFO, Purulia division, the wildlife noticed in and around the area are Elephant, Hyena, Wolf, Jackal, Bengal Fox etc.

**Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not:**

It is reported by DFO, Purulia division that a herd of 14 nos. of wild elephants occasionally migrates through the forest area from Ajodhya hill forest to Jharkhand. However, care has to be taken to avoid accidents of electrocution as elephants keep moving in the area.

**6. Vegetation:**

As reported by DFO, Purulia division, the density of vegetation is 0.3 (Eco-class-3). This has been verified during site inspection.

**a) Total number of trees to be felled.**

As reported by DFO, Purulia division, the total no. of trees enumerated is 6816.

**Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area:**

As the number of trees to be felled is not very large compared to the proposed area, the effect on the general eco-system may not be significant.

**b) Important species:**

The species available in the proposed area are Sidha (*L. parviflora*), Bhela (*S. pusanacardium*), Dha (*A. latifolia*), Sal (*Shorea robusta*), Haritaki (*Terminalia chebula*), Karam (*H. cordifoliya*), Satso (*D. latifolia*), Piyal (*Buchanania lanzan*), Kendu (*Diospyros melanoxylon*), Palash (*Butea monosperma*), Kusum (*Schleichera oleosa*), Sirish (*Albizia lebbek*), Bahera (*Terminalia bellirica*), Segun (*Tectona grandis*), Neem (*Azadirachta indica*), Arjun (*Terminalia arjuna*), Gamhar (*Gmelina arborea*), Doka (*Isobertinia doka*), Asan (*Terminalia tomentosa*), Karanja (*Pongamia pinnata*) and other miscellaneous species.

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**Number of trees of girth below 60 cm.**

The no. of trees of girth below 60 cm are 3645.

**Number of trees of girth above 60 cm**

The no. of trees of girth above 60 cm are 3171.

**7. Background note on the proposal:**

Initially four pumped storage schemes were identified by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in the Ayodhya Hills of Purulia District, West Bengal. These are:

1. Purulia Pumped Storage Scheme
2. Turga Pumped Storage Scheme
3. Kathlajal Pumped Storage
4. Bandhu Pumped Storage Scheme

Studies were conducted in 1978-79 by Geological Survey of India (GSI) and WBSEB on these schemes.

The forest land required for the first scheme named Purulia Pumped Storage project (4 x 225 MW) on Kistobazar nala has already been diverted in three phases, the final phase was granted on 28.01.2003 and the project is now in operation since 2007-08.

Turga Pumped Storage scheme is the second Pumped Storage Scheme being taken up by WBSEDCL. The said Turga project with capacity of 1000 MW is located at Baghmundi in Purulia district. The other two are yet to be taken up.

**8. Compensatory afforestation:**

The land identified for compensatory afforestation is as follows:

Sl. No.	District	Block/Range	Mouza	Area in Acres
1	Purulia	Manbazar-I & II	Durku, Kelyardi, Dhanda	45.25
2	Purulia	Puncha/Puncha	Kuchung, Dhabani & Hariharpur	55.90
3	Purulia	Hura/Hura	Mangura Lalpur, Saharjuri, Madhabpur, Tilaboni	84.42
4	Jalpaiguri	Mal	Targhera	392.65
			Total	578.22 or <b>234 ha</b>

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- a) **Whether land for compensatory afforestation is suitable from plantation and management point of view or not:**

The DFOs, Baikunthapur, Kangsabati North & South forest divisions have reported that the proposed land earmarked for C.A. has been found suitable for compensatory afforestation.

- b) **Whether land for compensatory afforestation is free from encroachment/other encumbrances:**

The DFOs, Baikunthapur, Kangsabati North & South forest divisions have reported that the proposed land earmarked for C.A. is free from all encumbrances.

- c) **Whether land for compensatory afforestation is important from Religious/Archaeological point of view:**

Not reported.

- d) **Land identified for raising compensatory afforestation is in how many patches, whether patches are compact or not:**

12 nos. of patches have been identified for raising compensatory afforestation, the largest being in Jalpaiguri district.

- e) **Map with details:**

Submitted.

- f) **Total financial outlay:**

As reported by DFO, Purulia division, the total financial outlay for C.A. is Rs. 4,18,02,606.

9. **Whether proposal involves violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or not. If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken against the concerned officials:**

As reported by DFO, Purulia Division, no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been committed by the user agency.

10. **Whether proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced persons. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been prepared by the State Government or not:**

As reported by the user agency, the project does not involve any displacement.

11. **Reclamation plan:**

Not applicable.

**Details and financial allocation:**

Not applicable.

**12. Details on catchment and command area under the project:**

A copy of CAT plan is enclosed as Annexure-IV. The total catchment area is 1266 ha.

**Catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir:**

As reported in point No. 12 above.

**13. Cost benefit ratio:**

Not applicable.

**14. Recommendations of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/State Government:**

Recommended by PCCF, W.B/State Government.

**15. Recommendations of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) along with detailed reasons:**

Enclosed separately.

**16. Conservator of Forests (Central) shall give detailed comments on whether there are any alternative routes/alignment for locating the project on the non-forest land:**

The project is suitable for the terrain from the technical point of view.

**17. Utility of the project:**

The project is likely to generate permanent/regular employment for 169 persons and temporary employment for 1890000 persons.

**Numbers of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribes to be benefited by the project:**

Not reported.

**18.**

**a) Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/ religious value:**

Not reported.

b) **Whether any sacred grove or very old growth trees/forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion:**

Not reported.

c) **Whether the land under diversion forms part of any unique ecosystem:**

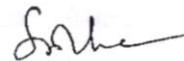
Not reported.

**19. Situation with respect to any Protected Area:**

The project area is at an approximate distance of 130 kms from Dalma WL Sanctuary, the nearest protected area.

**20. Any other information relating to the project:**

- i) Topo-sheet and Geo-reference map of forest land proposed to be diverted are enclosed as Annexure-I & II.
- ii) FRA certificate issued by District Magistrate, Purulia is enclosed as Annexure-III.
- iii) Since some additional forest lands are required to be diverted for dismantling the irrigation dam, pillars have to be posted there with proper demarcation.
- iv) The quarry from which the rocks will be extracted for construction works needs to be reclaimed after the work is over. Extreme caution has to be taken to guard the boundary of all the quarries before reclamation in order to avoid any accidental fall of animals and human beings.



(SUMAN MOHAPATRA)  
CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (CENTRAL)

**FORM-II**  
(for projects other than linear projects)  
Government of West Bengal  
Office of the District Magistrate, Purulia

Memo No.- 968/1/BCWP

Dated – 13-6-17

**TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN**

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98-FC(pt.) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the progress 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, it is certified that **234 Hectares** of Forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of **West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited** for implementation and installation of **1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project** in Purulia district falls within jurisdiction of Baghmundi, Bareria, Gosaidih, Kudna Mouza under Baghmundi Gram Panchayat and Ranga, Teliabhasa, Hatinada Mouza under Ajodhya Gram Panchayat within Baghmundi Block.

It is further certified that:

- (a) the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire **234 hectares** of forest land proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultation and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and District Level Committee are enclosed as,
- Vide No. 1071 / BDO / BAG dated 27/03/2017 of BDO, Baghmundi
    - Vide No. 182/BAGH/GP dated 23/03/2017 of Baghmundi Gram Panchayat
    - Vide No. 22/AGP dated 24/03/2017 of Ajodhya Gram Panchayat
  - Vide No. 1891 / BDO / BAG dated 05/06/2017 of BDO, Baghmundi
    - Vide No. 86/AGP dated 05/06/2017 of Ajodhya Gram Panchayat
- (b) the proposal for such diversion (with full details of the project and its implications, in vernacular/ local language) have been placed before each concerned Gram Sabha of forest-dwellers, who are eligible under the FRA;
- (c) the each of concerned Gram Sabha(s), has certified that all formalities/ processes under the FRA have been carried out, and that 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 the gram sabha of Baghmundi, Bareria, Gosaidih, Kudna Mouza under Baghmundi Gram Panchayat and Ranga, Teliabhasa, Hatinada Mouza under Ajodhya Gram Panchayat within Baghmundi Block villages(s) are enclosed as,
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    - Vide No. 182/BAGH/GP dated 23/03/2017 of Baghmundi Gram Panchayat
    - Vide No. 22/AGP dated 24/03/2017 of Ajodhya Gram Panchayat
  - Vide No. 1891 / BDO / BAG dated 05/06/2017 of BDO, Baghmundi
    - Vide No. 86/AGP dated 05/06/2017 of Ajodhya Gram Panchayat

- (d) the discussion and decisions on such proposals had taken place only when there was a quorum of minimum 50% of the members of Gram Sabha present – Not Applicable for Turga PSP as explained in (g) below:
- (e) the diversion of forest land for 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; - Not Applicable for Turga PSP as per FRA, 2006
- (f) the rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural Communities, where applicable have been specifically safeguarded as per section 3(1)(e) of the FRA.
- (g) Neither any person has been given patta under the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006, nor any person is in possession of any portion of the forest land which is required for 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, Baghmundi, Purulia.

Encl: As above

**District Magistrate**  
**Purulia**

Signature

(Full name and official seal of the District Collector)

13/07/2017

**FORM-II**  
(for projects other than linear projects)  
Government of West Bengal  
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Memo No.-2024/1/BCWP

Dated – 27.12.2017

**TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN**

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98-FC(pt.) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the progress 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, it is certified that 5.356 Hectares of Forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited for implementation and installation of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project in Purulia district falls within jurisdiction of Baghmundi Mouza under Baghmundi Gram Panchayat within Baghmundi Block.

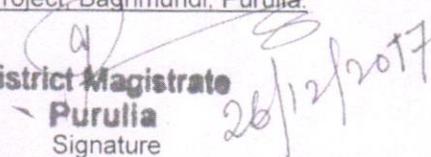
It is further certified that:

- (a) the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 5.356 hectares of forest land proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultation and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and District Level Committee are enclosed as,
  - Vide No. 4283 / BDO / BAG dated 18/12/2017 of BDO, Baghmundi
    - Vide No. 747/BAGH/GP dated 18/12/2017 of Baghmundi Gram Panchayat
- (b) the proposal for such diversion (with full details of the project and its implications, in vernacular/ local language) have been placed before each concerned Gram Sabha of forest-dwellers, who are eligible under the FRA;
- (c) the each of concerned Gram Sabha(s), has certified that all formalities/ processes under the FRA have been carried out, and that 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 the gram sabha of Baghmundi, Bareria, Gosaidih, Kudna Mouza under Baghmundi Gram Panchayat and Ranga, Teliabhasa, Hatinada Mouza under Ajodhya Gram Panchayat within Baghmundi Block villages(s) are enclosed as,
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    - Vide No. 747/BAGH/GP dated 18/12/2017 of Baghmundi Gram Panchayat
- (d) the discussion and decisions on such proposals had taken place only when there was a quorum of minimum 50% of the members of Gram Sabha present; – Not Applicable for Turga PSP as explained in (g) below
- (e) the diversion of forest land for 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; - Not Applicable for Turga PSP as per FRA, 2006

(f) the rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural Communities, where applicable have been specifically safeguarded as per section 3(1)(e) of the FRA.

(g) Neither any person has been given patta under the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006, nor any person is in possession of any portion of the forest land which is required for 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, Bagmundi, Purulia.

Encl: As above

  
**District Magistrate**  
**Purulia**  
Signature

(Full name and official seal of the District Collector)

**PROFORMA FOR VERIFICATION OF DEPOSITS IN COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION FUND**

1	Name of Office	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, West Bengal
2	State / District / Forest Division to which the proposal relates	West Bengal Purulia Purulia Forest Division
3	Name of User Agency, nature of proposal	West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited  1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project
4	Nature and Category of proposal	Hydel
5	Proposal Number	FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014
6	Extent of forest area involved	234 Hectare
7	Whether Original or Extension	Original
8	If extension of lease, please clarify if proposal involves additional forest area and if so, specify	Not Applicable
9	Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> Stage Clearance	12 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
10	Extent of CAMPA charges, head wise viz.:	
(a)	Compensatory Afforestation	Rs. 27,16,30,244.00
(b)	Additional Compensatory Afforestation	Not Applicable
(c)	Penal Compensatory Afforestation	Not Applicable
(d)	Catchment Area Treatment	Rs. 4,09,65,000.00
(e)	Wildlife Management Plan	Rs. 53,55,45,790.00
(f)	Additional Charges for diversion of area falling under notified / protected area	Not Applicable
(g)	Net Present Value	Rs. 18,79,02,000.00
(h)	Any other charges / levies (Please Specify)	Not Applicable
	Total	Rs. 103,60,43,034.00
11	Whether payment made through challan or otherwise. In case of online payment, details of challan	Payment made through challan. Challan Nos.: (1) 5682140595 dated 19.03.2019 (2) 5682140618 dated 29.07.2021 (3) 5682140736 dated 07.10.2021

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12		Details of Deposits			As available from Parivesh Portal		
S. No.	Type of Deposit (NPV / CA / IWMP / Others (specify))	Whether by RTGS / DD / NEFT (Specify)	UTR / DD No.	Amount Deposited	Date of Deposit	Name of Bank from which amount transferred to account of CAF	Bank account of CAF managed by CAMPA in which fund deposited
1	NPV, CAT, CA Land (208.62 Ha)	RTGS	SBINR 5201903 2500074 328	Rs. 473399244	25.03.20 19	SBI, Bikash Bhaban G.O.C	1509156 8214059 5 IFSC CORP00 00371
2	Wildlife Conservation Plan	RTGS	SBINR 5202109 0841163 500	Rs. 535545790	08.09.20 21	SBI, Bikash Bhaban G.O.C.	1509156 8214061 8 IFSC: UBIN090 3710
3	CA Land (25.39 Ha)	RTGS	SBINR 5202110 1847292 288	Rs. 27098000	18.10.20 21	SBI, Bikash Bhaban G.O.C.	1509156 8214073 6 IFSC: UBIN090 3710

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CA : Compensatory Afforestation; Addl CA : Additional Compensatory Afforestation; PCA : Penal Compensatory Afforestation; CAT : Catchment Area Treatment; Addl PA : Additional Charges for protected area; NPV : Net Present Value;

To be Verified

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Challan Generated

Paid

: This icon shows that the challan has been generated.

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Proposals received on or after 15th July 2014 All Proposals received upto 14th July 2014

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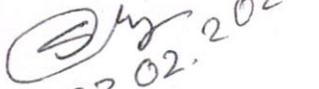
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**UNDERTAKING**

(ref: Sl. no. i of compliance report)

This is to certify that, West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL), A Government of West Bengal Enterprise, undertakes that the Legal Status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged, for the implementation of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, District: Purulia, West Bengal.

  
23.02.2022

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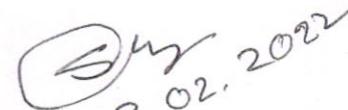
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**UNDERTAKING**

(ref: Sl. no. xxxviii of compliance report)

This is to certify that, West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL), A Government of West Bengal Enterprise, undertakes to submit annual self compliance report in respect of the conditions stated in 'in-principle' approval to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to MoEF&CC by the end of March every year, for the implementation of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, District: Purulia, West Bengal.

  
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**1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, Dist.: Purulia, West Bengal**

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**UNDERTAKING**

(ref: Sl. no. xxxix of compliance report)

This is to certify that, West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Limited (WBSEDCL), A Government of West Bengal Enterprise, undertakes to abide any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of MoEF&CC may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife, for the implementation of 1000 MW Turga Pumped Storage Project, District: Purulia, West Bengal.

  
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