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05th May, 2025

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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.25 ha of forest land for establishment of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) retail petrol pump outlet within 7 km near Bhalukpong Check Gate by Miss Abray Sagro under Khellong Forest Division in West Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

This has got reference to the online parivesh proposal FP/AR/ Others/153600/2022 subject seeking prior approval for the Central Government under Section 2 of the FCA, 1980.

2. After careful examination of the proposal and State Govt. letter No. FOR. 100/Cons/2022/1209-13 dated 08.04.2025 and Office Memorandum letter dated 24.09.2024 of Ministry, "In Principle Approval/Stage- I" clearance of the Central Government is hereby granted for diversion of 0.25 ha of forest land for establishment of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL) retail petrol pump outlet within 7 km near Bhalukpong Check Gate by Miss Abray Sagro under Khellong Forest Division in West Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh, subject to the following conditions:

A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.

- 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 funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State concerned;
- 2) 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;

- 3) The compliance report shall be uploaded on *e-portal* (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- 4) 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;
- 5) 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;
- 6) 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;
- 7) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector;
- 8) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 & Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, guideline & clarification, 2023;

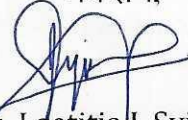
B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:

- (1) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (2) The compensatory afforestation shall be taken up as per Rule 13(5)(b) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023 dated 29.11.2023 towards compensatory afforestation i.e. plantation cost for ten times the number of trees likely to be felled or specified number of trees as may be specified in the order for diversion of forest land (subject to a minimum no. of 100 plants), shall be levied from the user agency towards compensatory afforestation;
- (3) 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;
- (4) The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
- (5) The approach road to petrol pump/fuel station should be as per the following norms issued by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and communicated vide Ministry's letter No.11-26812014-FC dated 11.07.2014:-

- (a) Fuel station should generally be a part of rest area complex having other amenities like place for parking, toilets, restaurants, rest rooms, shops etc. Proper planning should be done by the user agency, in advance, for construction of such complexes along the highways so that destruction of road side forest is minimized.
 - (b) Suitable signs and markings showing the location of the fuel station may be provided without disturbing the road side plantations.
 - (c) Entire periphery of the establishment should be lined up with tree plantation at a close spacing of 1.0 to 1.5 meter keeping an offset of 1.5 meter from the boundary, with light crown trees which will maintain greenery without compromising with the land requirement of the establishment.
 - (d) Suitable plantations should be raised by the user agency along the approach road, Separator Island and other vacant areas in addition to the compensatory afforestation, required to be raised as per the extant guidelines.
- (6) Earth or any other material shall not be brought from and debris resulting during construction shall not be disposed of in the adjoining forest area by the user agency.
 - (7) 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 damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;
 - (8) 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;
 - (9) No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;
 - (10) The lay out of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
 - (11) The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area;
 - (12) The User Agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, to avoid bird hits, wherever applicable;
 - (13) The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, 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;
 - (14) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
 - (15) 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, whichever is less;

- (16) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;
- (17) As per Ministry's letter No 11-30/96-FC(Pt) dt 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;
- (18) Any other conditions that the Regional Office, Shillong, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
3. After the receipt of the compliance report from the State Government on fulfillment of the conditions mentioned above, final/stage-II approval of the Central Government, in accordance with Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, will be considered. Till the receipt of the Final / Stage-II approval of the Central Government for diversion of the said forest land from this Ministry, transfer of the said forest land to the User Agency shall not be affected by the State Government.

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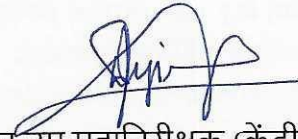
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