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To

The Principal Secretary
Government of Manipur,
Environment and Forests Department,
Imphal.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 4.65 ha of forest land for integrated Water Supply Project for Imphal Planning Area (Construction of 45 MLD Water Treatment Plant).

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Govt letter No 27/4/15/For & Envt dated 26.08.2015 on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to inform that the Central Government hereby conveys its "In Principle Approval" for diversion of 4.65 ha of forest land for integrated Water Supply Project for Imphal Planning Area (Construction of 45 MLD Water Treatment Plant) in Manipur subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The User Agency shall transfer the cost of compensatory afforestation over 9.30 ha of degraded forest land identified in Chinkheiching RF, Lamlong Block, Compt No.4 to the Adhoc CAMPA through State Forest Department.
- (ii) The State Govt shall charge the Net Present Value of the forest land diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 & 09.05.2008 in IA No.566 in WP (C) No.202/1995 and as per the guideline issued by this Ministry vide letter No. 5-3/2001-FC dated 05.02.2009 in this regard.
- (iii) All the above funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred to the Ad-hoc CAMPA Fund (CAF in New SB account No. SB01025219 of Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003).
- (iv) The User Agency shall obtain Environment Clearance as per the project provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required under the said Act.

- (v) The felling of trees on the forest land being diverted shall be reduced to the bare minimum and the trees should be felled under strict supervision of State Forest Department Forest.
- (vi) The User Agency shall bear and deposit the amount of the cost of transportation of the felled trees directly as per Territorial Divisional Forest Officer/ territorial Conservator of Forest's direction within division area.
- (vii) The User Agency shall bear and deposit the amount of the cost of demarcation of the land proposed for diversion directly to the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer shall demarcate the land proposed for diversion on the ground by erecting at least 4' high cement-concrete pillars duly numbered, forward and backward bearing and distance from pillar to pillar written on the pillars and DGPS co-ordinates to be inscribed on the pillars.
- (viii) The certificates for the payment in respect to Sl. No. (vi) and (vii) shall be furnished to this office by the user agency.
- (ix) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal and under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person.

After receipt of the compliance report from the State Government on fulfillment of the conditions mentioned above, final approval will be issued in this regard. Formal transfer of forest land shall not be effected by the State Govt till final approval orders approving the diversion of forest land are issued by the Central Government.

This has the approval of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central).

Yours faithfully,

(R.L.Sanga)

Conservator of Forests(C)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forest & Environment Deptt., Govt of Manipur, Imphal.

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