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अतिरिक्त प्रमुख सचिव/ Addl. Chief Secretary,
वन और पर्यावरण विभाग/ Forest & Environment Deptt. (Forest),
मणिपुर सरकार/ Govt of Manipur,
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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 6.552 ha of forestland for construction of Moreh Bypass from NH-102 near Indo-Mayanmar Border to Land Custom Port of India to Bypass Moreh Town, Manipur.

Ref: Letter F.No. 27/13/2017/For & Emt./ dated 06.05.2017 of Govt of Manipur.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Govt letter F.No. 27/13/2017/For & Emt./ dated 06.05.2017, No.7/193/2016/Forests(Rd.) dated 05.11.2018 and recommendation of NBWL letter F.No. 6-159/2017 WL dated 09.08.2017 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 of Manipur by the Regional Empowered Committee held on 21.12.2018 and its recommendation, I am to inform that **"In Principle Approval"** is hereby granted under Section 2 of the FCA, 1980 for diversion of 6.552 ha of forestland for construction of Moreh Bypass from NH-102 near Indo-Mayanmar Border to Land Custom Port of India to Bypass Moreh Town, Manipur of National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The User Agency shall transfer the cost of compensatory afforestation over double the degraded forest land i.e. 14 ha identified at K. Zlenmoul in Yangoupokpi Lokchao WLS to the Adhoc CAMPA through e-payment and inform this office through the State Forest Department.
- (ii) The User Agency shall pay 5(five) times of the Net Present Value(NPV) amount fixed as per the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India amounting to ₹ 2,39,14,800/- and 2 % of the project cost amounting to ₹ 59.48 lakh shall be paid by the user agency for implementation of Impact of mitigation and Wildlife Action Plan as proposed by Divisional Forest Officer, Wildlife and as

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recommended by NBWL in its 44th meeting of NBWL in Ministry's letter F.No 6-159/2017-WL dated 09.08.2017.

- (iii) The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization/revision of the same by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- (iv) The concerned DFO shall prepare the scheme for raising avenue plantation on both side of the road and the cost for which shall be borne by the user agency.
- (v) 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. 520101263743620 of Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003).
- (vi) All the tree or NTFP removed for the Implementation of the project shall be made available to the local people for their bonafide personal needs.
- (vii) Minimum numbers of trees should be felled and it shall be done only when it is unavoidable and under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.
- (viii) The user agency shall not take comprehensive soil conservation measures such as retaining walls, breast walls and adequate drainage as per requirement at the project cost to control soil loss and to make the slope stable.
- (ix) The user agency shall construct convert and other structures at the project cost in order to maintain natural water flow of rivers, streams etc, and should not take up activity to divert, stop or enhance flow of water into or outside the Sanctuary.
- (x) There should not be damage to the surrounding forests, environment, wildlife natural resources and other properties.
- (xi) Normally no explosive shall be used but when unavoidable the same may be used to the minimum extent and it will be done only with the prior permission of the State Forest Department.
- (xii) No labour camp shall be set up inside the Sanctuary.
- (xiii) Sufficient quantity of firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the user agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- (xiv) The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed off at the designed dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
- (xv) Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the roads within the area diverted in consultation with the State Forest Department at the Project Cost.
- (xvi) The User Agency shall obtain Environment Clearance as the project falls under category B before the final clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required, under the said Act.
- (xvii) 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.

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- (xviii) Transplanting of the important tree species affected by the project, wherever possible should be taken up by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer with the logistic support from the user agency.
- (xix) 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.
- (xx) The lay out plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- (xxi) State Govt and user agency shall comply with the stipulated conditions of the 44th meeting of NBWL as per the Ministry's letter F.No 6-159/2017-WL dated 09.08.2017 along with the conditions imposed by the State Chief Wildlife Warden.
- (xxii) State Govt shall pass an order for tree cutting and commencement of work of a linear project in forest land for a period of one year. However, one more year may be extended by the permission of Central Govt subject to submission of reasonable progress report from the State Govt as regards to the steps taken to comply with the remaining stipulated conditions mentioned above as per the Ministry letter F.No.11-306/2014-FC(pt.) dated 28.08.2015.
- (xxiii) All other clearance/NOCs under different applicable rules/regulations /local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights)Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF, New Delhi guideline No.11-9/1998-FC(pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with.

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.

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