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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 32.5904 ha of forest land for construction of Donginala-Gau road from 0.00km to 15.328 km by NHIDCL in Upper Subansiri District of Arunachal Pradesh.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government's letter No. FOR.11-04/CONS/2018/684-89 dated 18.03.2021 and even No. 3979-82 dated 31.10.2022 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Regional Empowered Committee constituted by the Central Govt, under Section 3 of the aforesaid Act. After careful consideration of the proposal and the recommendation of REC in the meeting held on 02.11.2021, In-Principle Approval (IPA) was granted vide this office letter of even number dated 11.11.2021 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

2. In this connection and on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. FOR.11-04/CONS/2018/3979-82 dated 31.10.2022 and its uploading on Ministry's portal on 22.02.2023 and submission of compensatory levies by e-challan and online payment by user agency under CAMPA, **Final Approval** of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of for diversion of 32.5904 ha of forest land for construction of Donginala-Gau road from 0.00km to 15.328 km by NHIDCL in Upper Subansiri District of Arunachal Pradesh, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) The compensatory afforestation shall be raised by the State Forest Department over an equivalent area of 32.5904 ha identified in Ering VRF, Daporijo Division, Upper Subansiri district of Arunachal Pradesh, as per the fund deposited by the User

- Agency & scheme furnished by the State Govt. 20% of the plantation shall be carried out of indigenous medicinal plant, aromatic plants, shrubs, herbs and trees.
- 3) The proposed OB labour Sheds & MB type quarter in the Compensatory afforestation scheme should be of temporary structure and to be dismantled within 10 years from the 1st year of plantation. State Govt shall adhere to Section 5(4)(e) of CAF rules and other relevant Rules as applicable while implementing the Compensatory afforestation scheme; and accordingly, technically approved and duly signed revised CA estimate scheme is to be submitted.
 - 4) State Govt has promulgated Notification dated 20.06.2013 under Section 3A of the Arunachal Pradesh Village Forest Reserve (Constitution and Maintenance) Act, 1975 (Act No.1 of 1976), as amended in 1984 read with Section 4 & 5 of the Assam of the Assam Forest Regulation, 1891(7 of 1891) for declaring CA area in Ering VRF. The onus of the final declaration as VFR shall lie with the State Govt.
 - 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 user agency shall provide proper drainage of retaining/breast wall in steep slopes and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides; and to provide drains /cross drains. Physical barriers/ structures to prevent muck from entering streams & rivers and other ecologically sensitive areas are to be constructed on lower slope side, if required, before any construction works are started;
 - 7) The State Govt shall direct the user agency to undertake avenue plantation with RET species, fruit bearing plants and other native species of ecological and economical importance and that the State Forest Department shall solicit the active participation of JFMC for nursery raising and production of quality Planting materials for the plantations.
 - 8) The State Forest Department and user agency to jointly identify activities in consultation with concerned villagers for construction of wayside amenities like waiting sheds, marketing sheds etc. along the highway for the benefit of villagers and incorporate into the proposal, if found necessary.
 - 9) The charges for felling, logging and transportation of project affected trees should be collected from the User Agency at the rates approved by the State Govt and deposited with the DFO concerned for utilization immediately following the diversion of forest land and State Govt shall intimate immediately about the compliance with respect to the amount deposited as per the undertaking furnished by the user agency.
 - 10) The User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.

- 11) Overburden shall not be dumped outside the width of the road. The muck generated in the earth cutting will be disposed off at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.
- 12) The muck dumping area shall be stabilized and plantation of suitable species shall be carried out over stabilized dumps on the cost of the user agency under the supervision of State Forest Department.
- 13) Wherever possible and technically feasible, the user agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the project cost.
- 14) **The User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.**
- 15) **The Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.**
- 16) **The user agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendations of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, wherever applicable.**
- 17) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- 18) 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.
- 19) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- 20) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- 21) The User Agency shall not expand its occupation or use surrounding forest/forest land in any manner otherwise expressed in this clearance.
- 22) Land so diverted shall revert back to the Forest Department in case it is not needed for the above use after due restoration to its original status (as far as possible and to the satisfaction of State Forest Deptt.).
- 23) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions & care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their actions/activities.
- 24) The user agency will undertake comprehensive soil and water conservation measures at the project cost.
- 25) No damage to the flora fauna of the area shall be caused.
- 26) No labour camp shall be established inside the forest area.
- 27) The user agency shall provide fuel wood preferably alternate fuel to the labourers working at the site to avoid damage/felling of trees or buy the fuel wood from the extracted timber from the Forest Department to be used by labourers.
- 28) The user agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance under Environment Protection Act, 1986, if applicable.
- 29) The user agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for removal, if any, of the stone, river sand, river boulders in forest land.

- 30) The proposal will be implemented under the overall supervision of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- 31) The layout plan shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 32) 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.
- 33) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF & CC Guidelines F No. 11-42/2017-FC dated 29/01/2018.
- 34) The user agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year;
- 35) 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;
- 36) This approval may be revoked, if the above conditions of approval is not complied to the satisfactory of the Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati.
- 37) Any other conditions as may be found appropriate in future for the betterment of environment & wildlife, may be imposed by Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Guwahati.

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