

## भारतसरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, बनएबंजलबातुपरिवर्तनमंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE क्षेत्रीयकार्यलय REGIONAL OFFICE लम्बर्तगेन/ LUMBATNGEN,



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अतिरिख्तप्रमुखसचिव / Addl. Chief Secretary, वनऔरपर्यावरणविभाग/ Forest and Environment Department मणिपुरकीसरकार / Government of Manipur, इंफाल-Imphal – 795 001.

Sub: Diversion of 22.045 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of existing road Chakpikarong-Sajik-Aigejang(0 Km to 19.5 Km) to NHSL in the state of Manipur by 84 RCC(GREF).

Sir.

This has got reference to the State Government of Manipur letter F.No.20/55/2022-For.& Envt. dated 02.12.2022 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and the In-principle approval (IPA) was granted vide this office letter dated 18.01.2023 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The State Govt. has furnished compliance report in respect to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval and has requested the Central Government to grant final approval.

- 2. In this connection, I am directed to say that on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the Government of Manipur vide letter No.7/314/2022/Forests:/59 dated 03.06.2025 and payment of compensatory levies under CAMPA by user agency, **Final approval (Stage-II)** of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for non-forestry use of 22.045 ha of forest land for widening and improvement of existing road Chakpikarong-Sajik-Aigejang(0 Km to 19.5 Km) to NHSL in the state of Manipur by 84 RCC(GREF), subject to the following conditions:
  - 1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
  - 2. Compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over equivalent to the area diverted in degraded forest land identified over 22.045 ha identified in Compartment No. 25&27, Reserved Forest Block, Sajik Centre, Chakpikarong Range, Chandel Forest Division in Chandel District. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
  - 3. The Additional NPV, if any shall be calculated as per the latest guidelines of MoEF & CC dated 06.01.2022.
  - 4. The KML files of the area to diverted, the CA area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details.
  - 5. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector, if applicable.

- 6. The overburden shall not be dumped outside the diverted land. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed of at the designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes;
- 7. The State Govt shall ensure that the user agency provide proper drainage of retaining / breast wall in steep slopes and stabilization of side slope to avoid soil erosion and landslides and provide for proper drains / cross drains. Physical barriers / structures to prevent muck from entering streams & rivers and other ecologically sensitive areas are to be constructed on the lower slope side, if required, before any construction work are started;
- 8. User agency may raise strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms as per the fund deposited by the User Agency;
- 9. Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas;
- 10. The user agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable;
- 11. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- 12. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;
- 13. 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.
- 14. The user agency shall undertake re-grassing of the muck dumping area and restore the land to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna etc;
- 15. The User Agency shall obtain the mandatory Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- 16. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- 17. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 18. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
- 19. The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from the pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates;
- 20. Wherever possible and technically feasible, User Agency shall undertake afforestation measures along the road within the area diverted under this approval;
- 21. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution materials for execution of the project work;

- 22. 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.
- 23. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- 24. 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;
- 25. 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.
- 26. 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.
- 27. This approval may be revoked if the above conditions of approval are not complied with the satisfaction of the Regional Office, Shillong.
- 28. Any other condition that the RO, Shillong may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife, the State Government shall ensure compliance of all the above conditions.
- 29. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter I of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-Fc dated 2803.2019;

This is issued with the approval of Deputy Director General of Forests (C).

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