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अतिरिक्तप्रमुखसचिव / Addl. Chief Secretary,
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मणिपुरकीसरकार / Government of Manipur,
इंफाल-Imphal – 795 001.

Sub: Diversion of 56.833 ha of forest land for construction of 132 KV single circuit transmission line on double circuit towers from Rengpang to Tamenglong under NERSIP by MSPCL.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government of Manipur letter No.27/36/2019-For & Env/46dated 25.09.2018 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 30.01.2020 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.7/237/2018/Forests:91 dated 07.07.2025 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 56.833 ha of forest land for construction of 132 KV single circuit transmission line on double circuit towers from Rengpang to Tamenglong under NERSIP by MSPCL, subject to the following conditions:

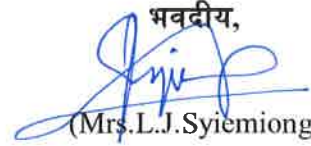
1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the Forest Department over double the area diverted in degraded forest land identified over **114.00 ha** at 2 (Two) locations i.e. i) 30 ha in Rengpang, Nungba Range, Noney Forest Division and ii) 84 ha in Keikao & Lower Tamenglong, Tamenglong Range, Western Forest Division both in Tamenglong District. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
3. The user agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall maintain a detailed scheme for the maintenance of the plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal species) in right of way under the transmission line as per the funds provided for execution of the said scheme by the State Forest Department.

4. The additional NPV, if any, shall be calculated as per the latest guidelines of MoEF & CC dated 06.01.2022.
5. The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA area, the proposed SMC treatment area and the WLMP area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details.
6. The State Forest Department shall undertake wildlife conservation measures and soil conservation as per the Mitigation Plan and Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan prepared and fund deposited by the User Agency.
7. The Width of right of way for the transmission line shall be limited to 27 metres.
8. The User Agency shall install circuit breakers at suitable places besides maintain necessary ground clearance to prevent electrocution of wild animals.
9. No approach road shall be constructed in the forest area for transportation of steel and other materials required for the transmission line. As far as possible the User Agency shall use the existing road and the proposed RoW for the transportation of the material and in the event of non-availability of such facilities, the User Agency shall transport material manually without construction of any path.
10. To minimize the felling for construction of transmission line. User agency shall comply with the following guidelines:
 - i) Below each conductor, width clearance of 3 mtr. is permitted for carrying the tension stringing equipment. The trees on such strips may be felled but after stringing work is completed, the natural regeneration will be allowed to come up.
 - ii) One outer strip may be left clear to permit maintenance of the transmission line;
 - iii) In the remaining width the right of way felling/pollarding/pruning of trees will be done with the permission of the local forest officer whenever necessary to maintain the electrical clearance, trees shall be allowed to be felled or lopped to the extend required, for preventing electrical hazard by maintaining the minimum 4.0-meter clearance between conductors and trees. The sag and swig of the conductors are to be kept in view while working out the minimum clearance mentioned as above;
 - vi) In case a portion of the transmission lines to be constructed is located in hilly areas, where adequate clearance is already available, trees shall not be cut.
11. The user agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Bird's nests artificially made out of eco-friendly material shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project
12. Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on the ground at project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

13. 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.
14. The user agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.
15. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector, if applicable.
16. The User agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission through forest area issued by Ministry vide letter no. 7-25/2012-Fc dated 05.05.2014 & 17.11.2014.
17. The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
18. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
19. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
20. 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.
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 proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
24. The User Agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for removal, if any, of stone, river sand, river boulders in forest land.
25. The user agency shall provide suitable under / over pass in Protected Area / Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable.
26. 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.

27. 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.
28. 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.
29. This approval may be revoked if the above conditions of approval are not complied with the satisfaction of the Regional Office, Shillong.
30. 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.

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

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