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Sub: Minutes of 53rd Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life- reg.

Sir / Madam,

The 53rd Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life was held on 25th February 2019 through Video Conference under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change. The following proposals pertaining to your State were considered:

Mining of mineral sandstone (Minor mineral) with enhancement of production capacity from 80,000 TPA to (ROM) by M/s. Kanhaiyalal Rameshwar Das located at Village(s)- Dhaneshwar & Sutara, Tehsil and District- Bundi

The IGF(WL) briefed the Standing Committee on the proposal and stated that the proposal involves mining of minor mineral with the enhancement of production capacity from 80,000 TPA to 2,40,000 TPA, from an area located at 1.0 km away from Jawahar Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary of Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve. He added that the State Chief Wildlife Warden has recommended the proposal with the following conditions:

- (1) 2% of proportional project cost of the project falling within the ESZ of protected area should be deposited in the Rajasthan Protected Area Conservation Society by the user agency for development and protection measures in MHTR.
- (2) No work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area.
- (3) No material of any kind should be extracted from the protected area and eco-sensitive zone.
- (4) There will be no felling of trees and burning of fuel wood inside the protected area and eco-sensitive zone.
- (5) The waste material generated should be disposed outside the protected area and eco-sensitive zone.
- (6) There will be no labor camp within 1 km from the boundary of protected area.

- (7) No blasting will be carried out within 1 km from the boundary of protected area during the work.
- (8) Green belt should be created by the user agency on the periphery of the protected area.
- (9) Water harvesting structures for recharging of water should be mandatory in the project area.
- (10) There shall be no high mast / beam / search lights high sounds within 1 km from the boundary of protected area.
- (11) Signages regarding information about the wild animals in the area control of the traffic volumes, speed, etc., should be erected in the project area.
- (12) The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- (13) Reclamation of the mined out areas. The mined out area should be back filled with waste material and later on planted. The dumps shall be afforested with local grass and plant species. All along the edge of the pit fencing will be made and afforested within good fruit bearing species.
- (14) User agency will submit yearly compliance report to DCF(WL), MNP Kota about the compliance of above condition and conservation plan implementation report as submitted.
- (15) The approval is given for carrying out mining in 490.5509 ha area only and not the entire mining area.

Further, IGF(WL) stated that the NTCA has recommended the proposal with the following conditions and mitigative measures:

- (a) As there cannot be any commercial mining within 1 km area of Jawahar Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary, the user agency in coordination in the concerned Forest Authorities / Tiger Reserve Management has to carryout joint survey of the project area delineating the boundary of project area after taking out the area falling within 1.0 km at the ground. Moreover, an extra-cushion of at least 100 m for the development of green belt for the reclamation of the mining area. The maps of the area left out for mining along with shape file of the periphery needs to be submitted of NTCA for concurrence.
- (b) A boundary wall shall be constructed by the project proponent on the periphery of the area to be mined physically separating this area with the adjoining revenue/forest area.
- (c) There shall not be any transportation of vehicles (incoming and outgoing) from the mining area which is bordering the boundary of draft ESZ.
- (d) The surrendered area after survey shall be restored and a proper mines reclamation plan should be prepared with due diligence including *inter-alia* the plantation, soil & water harvesting measures etc by the concerned Forest Division in consultation with the tiger reserve management and should be submitted to the CWLW, Govt. of Rajasthan. It should be implemented at the cost of project proponent.
- (e) The NPV of the Forest land involved shall be paid by project proponent into the Tiger Reserve Foundation (TCF) of MHTR.
- (f) The blasting of any kind should not be involved in the mining operation and no work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area and waste material/debris of any kind generated should not be disposed / dumped in the ESZ zone and the area of MHTR.

- (g) No labour camps shall be settled & no digging operations should be carried out within the area of MHTR and in the ESZ.
- (h) There shall not be any high mast/beam/search lights and high sounds in the project area.
- (i) The tiger reserve management in consultation with the District magistrate, Bundi & Kota and the Mining Department should ensure the closure of all the mining areas of the mines which are within the 1km zone of core area of MHTR / Jawahar Sagar WLS (as per the details enclosed at Annexure 3) and a compliance report need to be submitted to NTCA.
- (j) A monitoring committee should be constituted by the State Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Rajasthan including the representative of MHTR, NTCA and the user agency to monitor the compliance of above mentioned conditions and a compliance report should be submitted of NTCA & CWLW on periodic basis.

In the meeting the Member Secretary, NTCA stated that present area includes area located within 1 km radius of the boundary of Tiger reserve where mining cannot be permitted. Therefore, the joint survey of the project area delineating the boundary of project area after taking out the area falling within 1.0 km of the protected area should be carried out by the user agency in coordination with the Forest Department / Field Director, Tiger Reserve.

In the meeting the State Chief Wildlife Warden stated that the user agency is required to deposit NPV of the forestland into the CAMPA and not into the Tiger Reserve Foundation of MHTR as recommended by the NTCA. He also stated that the proposal be deferred till the receipt of the joint survey report.

After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal till the receipt of the joint survey report.

Proposal for clearance for all units of DCM Shriram, Kota Complex at Shriram Nagar Industrial Area, Kota

The IGF(WL) briefed the Standing Committee on the proposal and stated that the proposal involves expansion of existing chemical units of urea fertilizers, PVC resins, PVC compounds, chloro-alkali, cement, calcium carbide, SBP, fenesta, UPVC, etc., in the existing area of 320.1 ha located at 5.60 km away from the National Chambal Sanctuary of Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve. He added that the State Chief Wildlife Warden has recommended the proposal with the following conditions:

- (1) 2% of proportional project cost of the project falling within the ESZ of protected area should be deposited in the Rajasthan Protected Area Conservation Society (RPACS) by the user agency for development and protection measures in MHTR.
- (2) No work shall be done before sunrise and after sunset in the project area.
- (3) No material of any kind should be extracted from the protected area and eco-sensitive zone.
- (4) There will be no felling of trees and burning of fuel wood inside the protected area and eco-sensitive zone.

- (5) The waste material generated should be disposed outside the protected area and eco sensitive zone.
- (6) There will be no labor camp within 1 km from the boundary of protected area.
- (7) Green belt should be created by the user agency on the periphery of the protected area.
- (8) Water harvesting structures for recharging of water should be mandatory in the project area.
- (9) Signages regarding information about the wild animals in the area control of the traffic volumes, speed, etc., should be erected in the project area.
- (10) The user agency and project personnel will comply with the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- (11) Maintenance activity of any nature should be carried out only after seeking formal approval from competent authority of tiger reserve.
- (12) Quality of outflow water would be strictly maintained as per norms prescribed by State Pollution Control Board and Central Pollution Control Board.
- (13) There is should be no increase in the existing treated effluent quantity, which is within the prescribed norms.
- (14) All the proposed expansions / modernization / up-gradation, etc. will be carried out within the existing premises which will have no impact on the wildlife habitats in the protected area. There should be no increase in the treated effluents discharge after the expansion projects of both caustic soda and power plants.
- (15) Adequate measures shall be adopted by the user agency to mitigate the water pollution in Kasuwa Nallah and Chandraloi river which finally joins Chambal river.

Further, the IGF(WL) stated that the NTCA has recommended the proposal with the following conditions and mitigative measures:

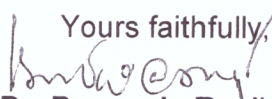
- (a) It should be ensured that all the proposed expansions/modernization/upgradation etc will be carried out within the existing premises and there should not be any increase in treated effluent discharge after the expansion projects of both Caustic Soda & Power plants.
- (b) Adequate measures shall be adopted by the user agency to mitigate the water pollution in Kasuwa Nallah and Chandraloi river which finally joins in the Chambal River. A mitigation plan is to be prepared by the concerned forest authorities in consultation with tiger reserve management and submitted of the CWLW, Govt. of Rajasthan should be implemented at the cost of user agency.
- (c) 2% of the Project cost shall be deposited in Tiger Conservation Foundation (TCF) of MHTR for restoration of wildlife habitat of National Chambal Sanctuary and MHTR.
- (d) The quality of outflow water would be strictly maintained as per the norms prescribed by State Pollution Control Board and Central Pollution Control Board.
- (e) A monitoring committee should be constituted by the Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Rajasthan including the representative of MHTR & the user agency to monitor the compliance of the above mentioned conditions & a compliance report should be submitted to NTCA & CWLW on the periodic basis.

After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal subject to the conditions that

- (a) The project proponent will comply with all the conditions imposed by the State Chief Wildlife Warden and the NTCA.


- (b) The annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions should be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wildlife Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wildlife Warden to GoI.

The above recommendation(s) are subject to the existing directives of Hon'ble Supreme Court and provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

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