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सेवा में,

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विषय: Diversion of 8.1872 ha of forest land in favour of HPSEB Ltd. For the construction of 11KV HT Transmission line to the Un-electrified village Shagoure, Shakti and Maror in Banjar Block Distt. Kullu, within the jurisdiction of GHNP Shamshi Forest Division Distt. Kullu HP. (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/Trans/29322/2017).

संदर्भ: नोडल अधिकारी-सह-अतिरिक्त प्रधान मुख्य अरण्यपाल (एफ.सी.ए.), हि0प्र0 के पत्रांक 48-3662/2017 (एफ.सी.ए.) दिनांक 09.09.2022.

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषय पर संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करते हुए सूचित करना है कि प्रस्ताव में निम्नलिखित कमियां पाई गयी है। अतः राज्य सरकार निम्न बिन्दुओं पर आवश्यक सूचनाएं प्रेषित करने का कष्ट करें, ताकि अग्रिम कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित की जा सके:-

1. Alternates explored are not marked in the KML file. Therefore, the final alignment and all alternate alignments explored may be marked on the KML file in distinct colors.
2. Under Column C (b) the total segment area is found to be **8.1862 ha**, this may be reviewed and rectified accordingly.
3. Under Column C (iii) SoI toposheet is uploaded, However Topo Sheet number needs to be provided.
4. The Cost of the project mentioned under column A 1 mentioned 114.02 lacs, however, the cost of NPV and CA proposed is exceeding the total cost of the project. State Govt is requested to clarify the same
5. A Cost-Benefit Analysis is provided. However, it needs revision as per the revised NPV rates.
6. Complete Enumeration list of trees, including the compartment no and along with the date of tree enumeration, which is duly authenticated by the concerned DFO, needs to be provided.
7. NoC/Sale deed/Gift deeds for non-forest land acquired from private individuals are required to be submitted
8. Under Para 4 (i) of the Part-II online portal, the Density of Vegetation has been mentioned as 0.1445. However, as per the DSS Analysis of the proposed area for diversion has a Very Dense Forest of 3 ha and a Moderately Dense Forest of 1 ha, therefore State Govt. may review the same, and accordingly revised NPV calculations and Penal NPV sheet need to be submitted.
9. State Govt. may provide the clarification/justification in respect to Transmission line on the following points:-
 - (i) It is not clarified in the proposal whether the power of the proposed transmission line is transmitted/evacuated from sub station/power house. The deatio in form of layout plan/Grid Master Plan may be submitted.
 - (ii) It is not clarified in the proposal that the proposed Transmission line will be connected to which sub-station/clarification in this regard may be provided along with supporting layout plan.
 - (iii) Layout map showing the all the sub station, proposed transmission line, dimension and area of the towers and location of the towers to be erected may be provided
 - (iv) The detail of trees proposed to be felled in stretch of transmission line which will be proposed underground. Possibility may be explored to shift underground transmission lines from dense forest patch to the opposite bank which appears to be canopy density < 40 %
 - (v) The Detailed report for the alternatives examined and the reason of rejection may be provided

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- (vi) As per the KML provided there is gap exists between patch 3 and patch 2, State govt is requested to review and rectify the same.
- (vii) As per the KML, it can be observed that proposed transmission line is very close natural nallah/river, however, as the Draft ESZ of GHNP, it is clearly mentioned that “No construction activity unless otherwise permitted under the Zonal Master Plan shall be undertaken on the hill with slopes more than 1 to 10 and also up to 100 meters from the banks of any river, and natural nallah” therefore State Govt is requested to clarify whether it proposed as per the Zonal Master Plan?
10. State Govt is submitted that Muck Generated during the construction shall be disposed of/reused at the site of work. Therefore State Govt is requested to provide the calculation sheet for the quantity of Muck to be produced for the construction of the Transmission Line.
11. Examination of the KML file shows that the diversion area is slightly steep and prone to erosion. Therefore, the State Govt. may provide details of the mitigation measures to be adopted to arrest the accelerated soil erosion after the execution of the project. Additionally, the State Govt. may submit the Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan along with its detailed implementation cost as per MoEF & CC vide letter no. FC 11/43/2021-FC dated 07.06.2022
12. Large numbers of ecologically important trees are getting affected. State Govt. shall ensure retaining of important trees. Since the proposal involves transmission through Aerial Bunched Cable (ABC), therefore reduction in the width of RoW may be considered and accordingly, rationalization may be done to reduce the number of trees which were proposed to be felled.
13. (i) Examination of KML provided for the CA site shows that out of 17 ha, the 06 ha area is under the Moderately Dense Forest Category for Patch 1 and Patch 2 and leaves only 11 ha for restocking. Therefore, State Govt. may provide the possibility of plantation on such a site. Further, State Govt. may review and submit documentation regarding the suitability of land for CA in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion in terms of its vicinity to the area being proposed for DA and/or contiguity with the existing forest area and also ensure the manageability as per the latest Guidelines of MoEF & CC vide letter No. 11-423/2011-FC dated 13.07.2022.
- (ii) The Status of Proposed CA land may be provided, whether it is a Govt. Wasteland declared as PF under HP Govt. notification, 1952 or it is notified as UPF/DPF under, IFA 1927
14. The Following documents need to be C/s by the Concerned DFO:-
- i) Muck Management Pan
- ii) Undertakings of CA, NPV, and Addl NPV.
15. Under column 13 (v) Copy of NOC from the Competent Authority need to be provided.
16. Since the proposal involves area more than > 5 ha that too in ‘Protected Area’, therefore Sight Inspection Report from the concerned CF needs to be provided.
17. Under column 15 the site inspection report by the concerned DFO state that the “No Protected Area/ Heritage Site is located in the area, therefore State Govt may review and provide the comments for the same.
18. Under column 16 the specific recommendation of the concerned DFO uploaded states that “The UA has given the commitment to pay CA and NPV damage and penalties as will be demanded by the Forest Departement”. The recommendation is not justified as it is silent about the necessity of the project within the protected area. State Govt may review and provide comments for the same.

यदि चाही गई सूचना पत्र जारी होने की तिथि के 60 दिनों के भीतर (अधिकतम 90 दिन) इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं हुई तो प्रस्ताव को निरस्त किया जा सकता है।

Signed by Satya Prakash

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