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F. No. 3 AS B 044/2021-GHY/

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Proposal for diversion of 1.9413 ha of forest land for construction of 132 kV S/C transmission Sub: line from Salakati Grid S/S to APM (Jogighopa) Nandagiri Hill RF under Haltugaon Division by AEGCL, Salakati.

(i) Letter No. ECF No. 172213/93 dated 20.10.2022 of State Govt. of Assam Ref:

(ii) Letter F. No 3 AS B 044/2021/GHY/3056-3057 dated 19.09.2021 of IRO Guwahati

Sir,

With reference to the subject and letter cited above, I am to bring to your kind attention on the judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Re: T.N.Godavarman Thirumulpad Vs Union of India and Ors. Reported in 2022 Live Law(SC) 540 dated 03.06.2022 at 44(a) and (e) as reproduced below:

"44. (a) Each protected forest, that is national park or wildlife sanctuary must have an ESZ of minimum one kilometre measured from the demarcated boundary of such protected forest in which the activities proscribed and prescribed in the Guidelines of 9 th February 2011 shall be strictly adhered to. ....

(e) .... No new permanent structure shall be permitted to come up for whatsoever purpose within the ESZ."

In view of the above, State Govt. is requested to clarify whether the proposed area is within the Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) of the Chakrasila Wildlife Sanctuary or not. In case of the proposed area is falling within the ESZ of Chakrasila Wildlife Sanctuary, State Govt. is requested to furnish the consent of NBWL in respect of this proposal to this office for further processing of the proposal.

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Dr. Hemen Hazarika Scientist "D"/HoO

Copy to:

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