

Participant States

F. No. 3-AS A/ 147/2022/GHY/3217-32/8

15th November, 2022

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अतिरिक्त प्रमुख सचिव/ Addl. Chief Secretary, असम सरकार/Govt of Assam, पर्यावरण और वन विभाग/Environment and Forests Deaprtment, दिसपुर/Dispur, गुवाहाटी/Guwahati-781006.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 42.6 ha of forest land for widening/up-gradation of NH-29 from 2 lane to 4 lane divided National Highway from Doboka to Lahorijan under Bharatmala Pariyojana (Lot-1-Package-II) in Doboka Reserved Forest under Nagaon South Division, Hojai in favour of NHIDCL.

Ref: (i) Letter No. ECF. No. 240441/56 dated 07.11.2022 of Govt of Assam.

Sir,

Please refer the State Govt letter on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. I am directed to inform that the proposal referred above has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and rules/guidelines framed thereunder and following lacking information/documents has been observed:-

- 1. The SoI map indicating 3-alternate route examination with justification for selecting this proposed area as the submitted map is on Google Earth Imagery.
- 2. The approved Human Elephant Conflict mitigation and wildlife conservation plan by CWLW.
- 3. The mutation and notification certificate of the non forest land identified for CA.
- 4. The technically approved avenue plantation scheme.
- 5. To clarify whether the ESZ of Marat Longit Wildlife Sanctuary has been notified or not, if yes, whether the proposed area falls within the notified ESZ of Marat Longit Wildlife Sanctuary or not.
- 6. To clarify any muck dumping locations have been identified or not, and if muck dumpling sites involved, the approved muck dumping plan is to be submitted.
- The undertaking certificate by the user agency for payment of extraction charges of the trees to be removed from the proposed area.
- State Govt to comment on the proposed area as it is 'INVIOLATE" due to the presence of hydrological layer.
- The kml/shape file of the CA is to be uploaded on Parivesh Portal as the same has not been uploaded.

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State Govt, is requested to kindly furnish the above requisite information to this office for further processing of this proposal.

भवदीय, (Ms. Laelitia Jean Sylemiong)

i/c DIGF (C), IRO, Guwahati

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 The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Aranya Bhawan, Rop Konwar Jyoti Prasad, Agarwal Path, Near Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, Panjabari, Guwahati-781037 for kind information and necessary action.

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