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To

The Principal Secretary
Government of Assam
Environment and Forests Department
Dispur, Guwahati

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 1.918 ha of forest land for drilling of proposed location URAA under Golaghat Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd.

Ref: Letter No. FRS 210/2017/206 dated 08.11.2017 of Government of Assam.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government letter above 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 proposal has been found deficient. The following additional information/documents are found lacking:

- (i) The compartment No. of the proposed drilling location.
- (ii) The lay out plan showing the break up of the proposed area.
- (iii) The GPS coordinates of the proposed diversion site in Degree, Minutes and Seconds format.
- (iv) The aerial distance of the proposed area from the nearest National Park/ Wildlife Sanctuary/ Protected Area.
- (v) To submit the corrected soft copy of the shape/kml file of the proposed area as the submitted area of the shape file of the proposed area is 1.843 ha which is different from the actual proposed area i.e. 1.918 ha.
- (vi) To clarify the proposed CA area on field by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer as the proposed CA area is having 90% of Open Forest in the DSS software but however showing good vegetation cover as per the Google map.

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

Yours faithfully,

(R.L. Sanga)

Conservator of Forests(C)

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- (i) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt of Assam, Govt of Assam, Rop Konwar Jyoti Prasad Agarwal Path, Near Srimanta Sankardev Kalakheta, Panjabari, Guwahati -781037.

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