

# GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST DEPARTMENT DISPUR, GUWAHATI -6.

Dated Dispur, the 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021

### No. FRS.89/2020/110

From	:	Sri I. Kalita, ACS Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment and Forest Department,
To	:	The Inspector General of Forest (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Housefed Building, G.S Road, Rukminigaon, Ghy-781022
Sub	:	Proposal for diversion of 3.411 ha forest land for drilling Location DGR in upper Dehing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division in favour of OIL.
Ref	:	Letter No. F.No.3 AS B 111/2020-SHI/3065-66 dated 01.01.2021.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject and letter mentioned above, I am directed to send herewith the additional information/documents in respect of the proposal for diversion of 3.411 ha forest land for drilling location DGR in upper Dehing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division in favour of OIL for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

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Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Environment & Forest Department

Enclo: As stated above.

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## Dated Dispur, the 11th June, 2021

From	:	Shri I. Kalita, ACS Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Environment and Forest Department.
То	:	The Inspector General of Forest (Central)
		Integrated Regional Office
		Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
		Bormotoria, Guwahati, Assam 781036
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Sir,		Oil.

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to submit herewith the report regarding compliance of the conditions enlisted in the Central Government's "In Principle Approval" issued vide letter F. No. 3-AS B 111/2020-SHI/3065-66 dtd. 01.01.2021 for the above mentioned forest division proposal is given below :

Govt. of India letter No.3-	Information Provided
AS B 111/2020-SHI/3065-	
66 dtd. 01.01.2021	
Point No. 1	The recommendation in Form-A, Part-V is at Annexure-XII
Point No.2	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the total forest area involved in
	the Dumduma PML of 149.63 sq. km as Annexure-I
	As per the decision support system (DSS) the total forest area in
	Dumduma PML is 151.02 sq. km.
Point No. 3	The User Agency (OIL) has deposited an amount of Rs. 31.21 Crore
	against 2 % NPV of the Dumduma PML (Forest area 14963 ha) to the
	Ad-hoc CAMPA account New Delhi on 06.10.2019 (copy enclosed as
<i>i</i> .	Annexure-II)
Point No. 4	The User Agency (OIL) stated that the one bore hole to be drilled and
	size 26 inch.
Point No. 5	Aerial distance of the proposed area from the nearest Dehing Patkai
	Wildlife Sanctuary is 4.5 KM as reported by the DFO, Digboi Division
	(copy enclosed as Annexure-III). Therefore it falls within 10 KM from
	Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary.
Point No. 6	The cost of the project is Rs. 3000/- lakhs.
Point No. 7	The User Agency (OIL) has applied for 3.411 Ha. Forest diversion
	proposal for Form-A, Part-I.
Point No.8	The User Agency (OIL) stated that the present well is already diverted
	land prior to Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. However the diversion for
	approach road & plinth is also included in the present proposal.

int No. 9	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the specific names of the local
	names or the local name of the tree species list. (Copy enclosed as
	Annexure-IV)
oint No. 10	The Compensatory Afforestation scheme has been technically approved
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	by the Conservator of Forests, Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat (copy
Point No. 11	enclosed as Annexure-V)
onit No. 11	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for payment of
	Additional Net Present Value (copy enclosed as Annexure-VI)
Point No. 12	As per DFO, Digboi Division report, the proposed area is part of the
	Dehing Patkai Elephant Reserved.
Point No. 13	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the Net Present Value
	calculation sheet. (copy enclosed as Annexure-VII)
Point No. 14	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for payment for
	extraction charges of the trees to be removed from the propose area.
	(Copy enclosed as Annexure-VIII)
Point No. 15	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the SOI Toposheet map
	including the proposed Compensatory Afforestation site alongwith GPS
	coordinate. (copy enclosed as Annexure-IX).
Point No. 16	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for Forest Right
	Act, 2006 certificate. (copy enclosed as Annexure-X).
Point No. 17	A copy of Environment Clearance certificate is enclosed herewith as
	Annexure-XI.
Point No. 18	The User Agency OIL is a Central PSU, hence as per para 2.5 (f) of
	Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (amended 2019) the Compensatory
	Afforestation area should be allotted inside the Reserved Forest.
	So, the Chief Secretary certificate for non-availability of non-forest land
	for the proposed Compensatory Afforestation area may not be required.

This for favour of your kind information and necessary action for issuing final approval for the forest diversion proposal.

Enclosure: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam

Dated Dispur, the 11th June, 2021

Memo No. FRS. 89/2020/109-A Copy to :-

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- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.
- The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.

By order etc.,

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