

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

No.FRS.61/2021/79

Dated Dispur, the 1st September, 2022

To : The Inspector General of Forest (Central),
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Integrated Regional Office, 4th Floor, Housefed Building,
G.S Road, Rukminigaon, Guwahati-781022

Sub : **Forest diversion proposal of 1.9413 Ha. forest land for construction of 132KV S/C Transmission line from Salakati Grid S/S to APM (Jogighopa) in Nadangiri Hill Reserved Forest under Haltugaon Division by AEGCL, Salakati.**

Ref: Govt. of India letter F. No 3-AS B 044/2021-GHY/1075-1076 dated 6.9.2021.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to your letter on the subject cited above, I am directed to furnish herewith the additional information/documents as below for favour of your kind information and necessary action:-

Govt. of India letter No 3-AS B 044/2021- GHY/1075-1076 dated 6.9.2021	Information Provided
Condition No. (i)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the undertaking for CA, NPV etc. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-I).
Condition No. (ii)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the justification for choosing the proposed area from 3-alternate route. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-II).
Condition No. (iii)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the SOI Toposheet map indicating three alternative route. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-III).
Condition No. (iv)	The Bodoland Territorial Council has handed over proposed Compensatory Afforestation land to the Forest Department (Copy enclosed as Annexure-IV). The notification of the RF/PRF will be submitted before final approval.
Condition No. (v)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the FRA-2006 Certificate (Copy enclosed as Annexure-V).
Condition No. (vi)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the SOI Toposheet map indicating the proposed area. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-VI).
Condition No. (vii)	The DFO, Haltugaon Division vide letter No. A/HFD/16/2/AEGCL/781-82 dated 1.7.2022 has submitted the clarification on the location of the proposed Compensatory Afforestation sites as it appears to be located in Sara Bhanga River (Copy enclosed as Annexure-VII).
Condition No. (viii)	As per Form A Part-II, DFO, Haltugaon Division report, the enumerated number of trees is 79 Nos. to be affected by this proposal.
Condition No. (ix)	The DFO, Haltugaon Division vide letter No. A/HFD/16/2/AEGCL/781-82 dated 1.7.2022 has submitted the clarification on the density of the forest cover of the proposed area (Copy enclosed as Annexure-VII).

Condition No. (x)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the total length and proposed Right of way of the proposed transmission line along with the numbers of towers involved (Copy enclosed as Annexure-VIII).
Condition No. (xi)	The User Agency (AEGCL) has submitted the undertaking for the payment of extraction charges for the trees to be removed from the proposed area. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-IX).

Yours faithfully,

Enclo: As stated above.

(Signature)
09/09/22

(I. Kalita, ACS)

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

Memo No.FRS. 61/2021/79-A

Dated Dispur, the 1st September, 2022

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37

(Signature)
(I. Kalita, ACS)

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

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Annexure - I



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CHECKLIST SERIAL NO.-22

UNDERTAKING FOR PAYMENT OF COST OF COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION

It is to certify that, I/we, **Borsing Engti**, Asstt General Manager, 220 KV Salakati Grid Substation have applied for the diversion of **1.9413 hectares** of forest area for the purpose of construction of 132 KV S/C transmission line on D/C tower from Salakati Grid Substation to Jogighopa Grid Substation. I/We, hereby undertake to pay the entire amount for compensatory afforestation in lieu of forest area as per prevailing wage at the time of plantation.

Date:

Place:

Signature of user agency

Counter-signed by:

Je
Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Forest Division,
Kokrajhar

Office seal *Divisional Forest Officer
Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar*

Official Seal:-

*Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL: Salakati*

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CHECKLIST SERIAL NO.-23

UNDERTAKING FOR PAYMENT OF NET PRESENT VALUE OF FOREST AREA

This is to certify that, I/we, **Borsing Engti**, Asstt General Manager, 220 KV Salakati Grid Substation have applied for the diversion of **1.9413 hectares** of forest area for the purpose of construction of 132 KV S/C transmission line on D/C tower from Salakati Grid Substation to Jogighopa Grid Substation. I/We, hereby undertake to pay the **Net Present Value (NPV)** of the above forest land.

Date:

Place:

Signature of user agency

Counter-signed by:

Je
Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Forest Division,
Kokrajhar

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Haltugaon Forest Division, Kokrajhar

Official Seal:-

Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL:: Salakati

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CERTIFICATE FOR MINIMUM USE OF FOREST LAND


This is to certify that the forest area involved in the proposal for construction of 132 kV transmission line from Salakati Grid S/S to Jogighopa Grid S/S is unavoidable and barest minimum forest area i.e. 1.9413 hectares is proposed for diversion.

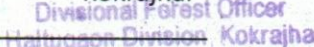
Date:

Place:


Signature of user agency

Counter-signed by: -


Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Forest Division,
Kokrajhar

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Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL: Salakati

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CERTIFICATE FOR SURVEY DONE BY TS

This is to certify that the survey for 132 KV S/C transmission line on D/C tower from Salakati Grid Substation to Jogighopa Grid Substation was done by Total Station (TS) and not done by DGPS.

Date:

Place:

Signature of user agency

Counter-signed by:

Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Forest Division,
Kokrajhar

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Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar

Official Seal:

Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL:: Salakati

Justification for choosing the Proposed Route for the transmission line

Alternative Route	Total Length (Km)	Total forest area Covered (km)	Forest Cover Under Salakati (Km)	Forest cover under Dhaligaon (Km)	Name of the revenue forest	Type of forest	Habitation
I	42.767	1.658	0.719	0.939	Nandangiri Reserve Forest and Bhairab Reserve Forest	Reserve forest	Nil
II	50.086	5.000	0.719	4.300	Bhumeswar Hill Reserve forest and Nandangiri Reserve forest	Reserve forest	Nil
III	48.669	13.480	1.000	12.480	Nandangiri Reserve forest, Chakrasila Reserve forest, Shrigram Reserve forest & Bhairab Reserve forest	Chakrasila is wildlife sanctuary	Present

The transmission line is handled by two divisions of the Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited Separately. Both division manages half part the total length of the line i.e. 42.767 Km. It can be seen from the above table comparing all three alternative route, the minimum forest area is covered by the alternative route I. out of 1.658 km area covered under forest land, Salakati Division handles 0.719 km (under Nadangiri R.F.) for which application for forest clearance has been applied.

Moreover all the parameters such as total forest cover, name of the forest, type of forest, habitation has been mentioned clearly in the above table.


 Asst. General Manager
 220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
 AEGCL:: Salakati

GOVT. OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE CIRCLE OFFICER:.....DOTMA REVENUE CIRCLE

No. DRC 2071

Dated Dotma the 24/09/19.

LAND POSSESSION CERTIFICATE

In pursuance of the BTC Govt. Order vide letter No. BTC/LR 151/2019/PT-1/15 dated 7/8/2019, the possession of following scheduled of land is handed over to the DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, HALTUGADY FOREST DIVISION, KOKRAJHAR

Schedule of Land

1. Dahi/Mouza:- 4th part Sidli Mouza

2. Village:- Ouguri

3. Dag No. :- 3

4. Area of Land:- 15 B 00 K 00 L

(Fifteen Bigha zero Kafa zero Lassa)

Handed Over

23/9/19

24-9-19

Circle Officer
Dotma Revenue Circle
Dotma
24/09/19

Taken Over

23/09/2019
Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugady Division, Kokrajhar

Memo No. DRC

Dated Dotma the

Copy to:-

1. The Joint Secretary (Rev.), BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information.
2. The President/ Secretary
3. The O/C

Circle Officer
Dotma Revenue Circle
Dotma
24/09/19

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE: KOKRAJHAR
(MAGISTRACY BRANCH)

No. KMJ.32/2018/30

Dated, Kokrajhar the 29th Oct' 2018.

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN


In compliance of Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Government of India's No.11-9/98-FC(pt.) dated 3rd August' 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA, for short on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5th February 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear project, it is certified that **1.9413** Hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of **Assistant General Manager, 220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station, AEGCL, Salakati** (name of user agency) for construction of **132KV S/C Transmission Line from Salakati Grid S/S to APM S/S Jogigopa** (purpose for diversion of forest land) in Kokrajhar district falls within jurisdiction of **Salakati** village (s) under Nadangiri RF under DFO, Haltugaon Division in Kokrajhar thehsils.

It is further certified that:

(a)The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 1.9413 hectares of forest area proposed for diversion. A copy of letter received from the Addl. Principal Secretary, BTC, Kokrajhar/ Divisional Forest Officer, Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar/Conservation of Forests cum CHD, BTC, Kokrajhar are enclosed as annexure 1 to IV.

(b)The diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the FRA, does not arise as there is no locality or community found present in that area.

(c)The proposal does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal groups and Pre agriculture communities.


(Niranjana Barua)
District Magistrate,
Kokrajhar.



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
BODOLAND TERRITORIAL COUNCIL

OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER :: HALTUGAON DIVISION KOKRAJHAR

No.A/HFD/16/2/AEGCL/781-82

Dated: 1st July, 2022

To

The Chief Conservator of Forest
cum
Nodal Officer, (F.C. Act)
O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Ghy-37

Sub: Regarding **1.9413 ha** diversion proposal of Forest land in Nadangiri Hill RF under Haltugaon Division for "**132 KV S/C Transmission line from Salakati Grid S/S to APM (Jogighopa)**" by AEGCL, Salakati.

Ref: Your Letter No.FG.27/Nodal/Proposal/Trans Line/Haltugaon Dtd. 25/10/2021

Sir,

Wirth reference to the subject and in continuation to the above letter No. under reference, I have the honour to submit herewith the required documents (CDs) submitted by the User Agency (AEGCL) vide Ltr. No. AEGCL/AGM/SLKT/Grid/TL-01(FCA)/2021-22/434 Dt. 05/01/2022 for favour of your kind needful.

Also, the reply for the Observation No.:

- vii. The Proposed CA Land against **1.9413 ha** diversion proposal of AEGCL is adjacent to the already approved CA Land of the same USER Agency i.e. AEGCL for 1.82 ha diversion proposal of "132 KV S/C Transmission Line from 220 KV Salakati Grid S/S to 132 KV/33KV Kokrajhar S/S", and the site for the Compensatory Afforestation area are now outside of River Bed considering that the Old Toposheet still shows the Land in-side River.
- ix. The Density of the Forest Cover is 20% to 30%. Part – II of the On-Line submitted proposal through PARIVESH Portal will be made corrected after the higher authority rise EDS through the Portal against the said proposal.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As Stated Above

Yours faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar

01/7/22

Copy to the Conservator of Forests cum CHD, Forests, BTC, Kokrajhar for favour of kind information and necessary action.

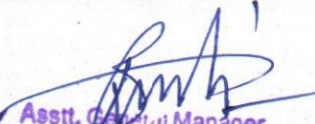
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Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar

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Annexure - VII

Name of the transmission line : 132 KV S/C transmission line on D/C tower from Salakati Grid Substation to Jogighopa Grid Substation.

	Length (Km)	No. Of towers
Overall	42.76	157
Under Salakati Division (Concerned Division for which Forest Clearance is applied)	21.38	79


Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL:: Salakati

BODOLAND TERRITORIAL COUNCIL SECRETARIAT:.....BODOFA NWGWR, KOKRAJHAR.

LAND REVENUE & DM DEPARTMENT.

No.BTC/LR-185/2010/97

Dated Kokrajhar, the 20th August'2015.ORDER

Whereas construction of 132 KV D/C Transmission line from proposed 220 KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station to proposed 132/33 KV APM S/S, Jogighopa and requested to accord "Right of Way" permission for carrying out survey and construction work of the said transmission line.

Now, therefore, I Dr. Anupam Kr. Roy IAS, Principal Secretary, BTC in exercise of the power conferred on me under the provision laid down in the Indian Electricity Act, 2003, do hereby allow Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Ltd. (AEGCL) to carry out necessary construction works of the proposed transmission alignment on observing usual formalities in areas falling under Kokrajhar District of BTAD.

It is further stipulated that the AEGCL will pay reasonable compensation to land owners for any surface damage of land their crops, zirat, house & other properties while doing the survey and construction works and take care to avoid alignment on the populated villages requiring displacement of permanently settled residents as well as School or other public building etc.

Given under my hand and seal today, the 20th August'2015.

Sd/-

(Sri C. Narzary)

Secretary,

Bodoland Territorial Council,
Kokrajhar.Dated Kokrajhar, the 20th August'2015

Memo No.BTC/LR-185/2010/97-(A)

Copy to:

1. The S.O. to Hon'ble Executive Member, LR&DM, BTC, Kokrajhar.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Kokrajhar.
3. The Director, Land Records & Surveys, BTC, Kokrajhar.
4. The Circle Officer, Kokrajhar Revenue Circle, Kokrajhar. He is requested to accord all possible help to AEGCL as and when approached.
5. The Asstt. General Manager, 220 KV Salakati Grid S/S, AEGCL, Salakati. He is requested to approach Circle Officer, Kokrajhar Revenue Circle for solution of any problem faced by him during survey and construction of the above transmission line.
6. Office order file.

Sri C. Narzary,
Secretary,Bodoland Territorial Council,
Kokrajhar.

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER:.....BONGAIGAON

Tele No.(03664)-230889(O)/230891(R)

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No. BLA. 20/2015/9

Dated, Bongaigaon the 29th July 2015


ORDER

Whereas the construction of 132 KV BTS, Salakati to Jogighopa, APM Line Salakati Grid Sub-Section to the proposed Bongaigaon District 132 KV Sub-Section at Bongaigaon District requested to accord "Right of Way" permission for carrying out survey and construction of the said transmission line under TDF Scheme.

Now, therefore, I Sri Biswajit Pegu, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Bongaigaon in exercise of the power conferred on me under the provision laid down in the Indian Electricity Act' 2003, do hereby allow Assam Electricity Grid Corporation Limited to carry out necessary construction works of the proposed transmission alignment on observing usual formalities in areas falling under Bongaigaon District.

It is further stipulated that the AEGCL will pay reasonable compensation to land owners for any damage of land, their crops, Zirat, House and other properties while doing the survey and construction works.

Given under my hand and seal today the 20th July 2015.



Deputy Commissioner,
Bongaigaon.

Dated, Bongaigaon the 29th July 2015

Memo No. 20/2015/9 -A

Copy to:

1. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt of Assam, Revenue & DM (LR) Deptt for favour of information.
2. The Senior manager, 132 KV Salakati Grid Sub-Section, AEGCL for information.
3. The SDO(C), North Salmara/ Bijni for information.
4. The Circle Officer, Bongaigaon /Boitamari/Srijangram/ Dangtal /Bijni Rev. Circle for information.
5. Office order file


Deputy Commissioner,
Bongaigaon

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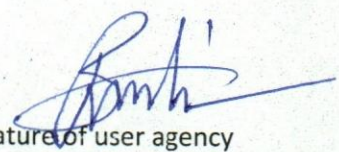
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UNDERTAKING FOR PAYMENT OF EXTRACTION CHARGES OF TREES TO BE REMOVED.

This is to certify that, I/we, **Borsing Engti**, Asstt General Manager, 220 KV Salakati Grid Substation have applied for the diversion of **1.9413 hectares** of forest area for the purpose of construction of 132 KV S/C transmission line on D/C tower from Salakati Grid Substation to Jogighopa Grid Substation. I/We, hereby undertake to pay the entire amount against the extraction charges of the trees to be removed in forest area.

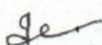
Place:

Date:



Signature of user agency

Counter-signed by:


Divisional Forest Officer,
Haltugaon Forest Division,
Kokrajhar.

Office seal Divisional Forest Officer
Haltugaon Division, Kokrajhar

Official Seal:-

Asstt. General Manager
220KV Salakati Grid Sub-Station
AEGCL:: Salakati