

No.Ft.48-5537/2021 (FCA),
H.P. Forest Department.

From: Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)
O/o Pr.CCF, H.P, Shimla-1.

To: The Regional Officer,
Integrated Regional Office,
Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
CGO Complex, Shivalik Khad, Longwood, Shimla,
Himachal Pradesh-171001.

Dated Shimla-1, the **3 MAR 2023**.

Subject: **Diversion of 1.0188 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Gytri Hydro Project Pvt. Ltd., Mohalla Charpat P.O. Tehsil and Distt. Chamba for the construction of Banula Baroond-I, SHEP (2 MW), within the jurisdiction of Chamba Forest Division, Distt. Chamba, Himachal Pradesh (FP/HP/HYD/148103/2021).**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No. F.No. FC/HPB/01/161/2022 dated 29.11.2022 on the subject cited above.

2. The pointwise reply to the observations as raised vide your above referred communication is submitted as below:

1. The forwarding letter of the State Government has been uploaded with the reply.
2. The details of the mitigation measures to be adopted to arrest the accelerated soil erosion/land slide during/after execution of the project has been given in the Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan alongwith detail of cost of its implementation as per MoEF & CC letter No. FC11/43/2021-FC dated 07.06.222. The copy of same has been uploaded by the user agency at Sr. No. 35 of additional information detail in Part-I.
3. The KML file has been revised by the user agency and uploaded alongwith layout plan in Part-I.
4. An undertaking to submit all annexures of FRA certificate has been uploaded at Sr. No. 35 in additional information detail in Part-I.
5. No trees are standing over the forest land proposed for dumping site. Certificate in this regard has been uploaded with the reply at Sr. No. 35 of additional information detail in Part-I.
6. Muck Management plan showing the mitigation measures to be adopted has been uploaded in additional information detail at Sr. 34. at Part-I.
7. In the Joint Inspection Report, 5 number of dumpings sites are mentioned. The copy of Joint Inspection Report has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 7.
8. NOC from the IPH Department has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 35 with the complete reply from the user agency.
9. NOC from the Fishery Department has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 25.
10. Undertakings for the submission of TEC & IA has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 31.
11. Beneficiary villages have been marked in the KML file.
12. Revenue map (Tatima) an Jamabandi of diversion area has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-II at Sr. No. 5.

13. Legible copy of the layout plan has been uploaded against additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 32.
14. The user agency has reported that all 28 numbers of trees are required to be felled & has also assured that they will try to reduce the felling of trees during construction activity.
15. Necessary correction in this regard has been made.
16. Most of the documents have been authenticated by the DFO concerned and uploaded on the web portal accordingly.
17. The KML file and digital map of the CA site has been reviewed and corrected accordingly.
18. The abstract of the trees showing the Khasra numbers has been uploaded in Part-II at Sr. No. 14.
19. As per MoEF & CC directions given on 13.05.2022 for all Hydel Projects of Himachal Pradesh, information as desired is given as below:
 - (i) Detailed list of the proposals approved/existing/proposed in the river basin area to be provided alongwith KML files/maps and their distance from nearest PA/ESZ and approved capacity of the river/rivulet has been uploaded in additional information detail in Part-I at Sr. No. 35.
 - (ii) The KML file and geo-referenced map showing boundaries of nearest Protected Area (Pas) and their Eco-Sensitive Zone alongwith the distance of each HEP in the area/landscape from these Pas and their ESZ has been uploaded on the web portal.
 - (iii) Approved capacity of river/rivulet is 2559.56 MW out of which 1399.36 has been harnessed and different project of capacity 1160.2 MW are in pipe line.
 - (iv) The detailed E-flow mechanism regarding water availability and utilization for running the project with release of 20 % discharge in nala and undertaking for maintaining the same has been uploaded on the web portal.
 - (v) It is pertinent to be mentioned here that the proposed project is concerning to the catchment of Ravi basin for which independent Cumulative Impact Assessment and Carrying Capacity study is carried out as an integral Part of the previous project of the State of H.P. with German collaboration and identified the potential of Ravi Basin to generate power as 3237.12 MW. The hydel Project upto 25 MW does not cover under the provision of EIA notification 2006 hence may not involve preparation of EMPs. However, it is incorporated as an additional condition that the State Government/user agency shall ensure adherence to stipulated E-Flow, as recommended by the conservation and development of aquatic flora and fauna. Further, the detail regarding to potential harnessed/used so far and Potential yet to be utilized in Ravi Basin has been uploaded with the reply at Sr. No. 35 in additional information detail in Part-I.
20. (i) to (iii). In this regard, DFO Chamba has submitted that CA land was declared DPF vide HP Govt. Notification No. FtsF-15-53/79 dated 13.06.1981. The CA land is suitable for plantation and certificate in this regard has already been uploaded on the web portal.
21. Part-II column No. 14 geographical area of the district has been reviewed and corrected.
22. Bahtova DPF has been proposed in protection working circle in Sh. A.K. Gupta IFS working plan mainly on the basis that it is a scrub forest supporting shrubs. No major timber species were available in the area. And as such could not be allotted to Deodar Kail WC and Chil WC or Fir Spruce Working Circle. Also the area is not suitable for raising plantation due to low soil depth and precipitous slopes. It is clearly written in C.H. Planted

Litsia *constituent* *Quercus*
file that the area is a shrub area. These include prinsepia, Desmodium etc.
Trees are rare and *Litsia* is main constituent along nala and rare *Quercus*
above. Due to grazing pressure/legal limitation is allotted to the
Protection Working Circle.

Your faithfully,

[Signature]
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