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

Dated Dispur, the November, 2023

eCF No.251053/105

From:

Smti. Neera Daulagupu, ACS,

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

To : The Deputy Inspector General of Forest (Central),

Government of India,

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,

Sub office, Guwahati,

4th Floor, Housefed Building,

G.S Road, Rukminigaon, Guwahati-781022

Sub: Forest diversion proposal of 1.44 Ha. of forest land for ROU for oil flow line from Well No. KSAG to KSAB in Kasomarigaon area in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC – reg.

Ref : Government of India letter F. No. 3-AS B/047/2018-SHI/4070-71 dated 20.06.2023.

Sir.

In inviting reference to your letter on the subject cited above, I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the letter No. FG.27/FCA/Drilling location/ONGC/KSAG to KSAB dated 26.10.2023, along with its enclosures, received from the Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act), Assam, which speaks for itself, for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Enclo: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

Signed by Neera Daulagupu

Date: 98-th/02023 Alsh: 52:42

Environment and Forest Department

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS AND HEAD OF FOREST FORCE, ASSAM

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No. FG.27/FCA/Drilling location/ONGC/KSAG to KSAB

Email: addlpccf.nodal@gmail.com Date: 26.10.2023

To,

The additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.

Sub:

Forest diversion proposal of 1.44 Ha. Forest land for ROU for Oil flow line from Well No. KSAG to KSAB in Kasomarigaon area in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favor of ONGC, Jorhat.

Ref:

Government of India letter No. 3-AS B/047/2018-SHI/4070-71 dated 20.06.2023

Sir,

With reference to the subject above, it may kindly be noted that as stated by the User Agency, KSAG is an exploratory cum appraisal well drilled from the existing well plinth of exploratory well KSAC, to explore hydrocarbon potential of Tipam sand in Kasomarigaon area. The FC for exploratory well KSAC was granted vide MoEF&CC's letter No. 3-ASB035/2011-SHI/1609-11, dated 21st Aug, 2012 (copy enclosed). The same has been verified by the DFO, Golaghat during his site inspection on 19.10.2022.

In light of the above mentioned information, this instant proposal may not be construed as a case of violation of F(C) Act, 1980, as the well KSAG is an appraisal well and has been drilled from the existing plinth of exploratory well KSAC for which the forest land already stands diverted.

The above information may kindly be sent to The Govt of India, MoEF&CC, Sub-Office Guwahati accordingly.

Enclose: - As stated above.

(Dr. C Muthukumáravel, IFS)

Yours Faithfully

Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act), Assam O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Assam

Copy to:

The Divisional Forest officer, Golaghat Division, Golaghat for information.

The deputy General Manager, Head HSE, Jorhat Asset, ONGC, Jorhat- 7857,045 for information.

(Dr. C Muthukumaravel, IFS) Chief Conservator of Forests &

Nodal Officer (FC Act), Assam O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Assam





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No.3-ASB 035/2011-SIII/1609-11

21th August, 2012

To

The Secretary (Forests)
Government of Assam
Guwahati

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 1.78 ha (revised 2.55ha) of forest land for exploratory drilling of proposed location KSAC under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC.

This has got reference to the State Government's letter No.FRS.51/2010/66 dated 21.02.2011 and No. FG.27. Nodal Drilling location/ONGC/KSAC dated Guwahati the 6th August 2012 on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with section 2 of the FCA. 1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to inform that the Central Government hereby conveys its Final approval for diversion of 1.78 ha (revised 2.55ha) of forest land for drilling of proposed location KSAC under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC at Dayung RF under Golaghat Division subject to following conditions:-

(i) The legal status of the forest land shar remain unchanged.

(ii) Compensatory afforestation shall be raised by the State Forest Department over 5.10 ha of degraded forest land identified at Golaghat Range in Golaghat Forest Division of Golaghat district as per the scheme furnished by the State Govt, and fund to be deposited by the user Agency.

(iii) Permanent demarcation of forest land proposed for diversion shall be done on the ground at project cost before handing over the forest land to the User Agency.

(iv) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the

(v) The User Agency shall not expand its occupation or use surrounding forest/forest and in any manner otherwise expressed in this clearance.

(vi) Land so diverted shall revert back to the Forest Department in case it is not needed for the above use after due restoration to its original status (as far as possible and to (vii) The Livert to the satisfaction of state Forest Deptt.).

(vii) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions & care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their actions/activities.

. (viii) Tree felling shall be done only when absolutely unavoidable and such removal, if any, shall be done under the supervision of the Forest Department.

- ther Marther applicable clearances. NOCs under different rules / regulations / local laws and under Lorest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act. 2006 as required vide MoEF. Now Delhi guideline No. 11-9/1998-FC(Pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with.
- (1) Any other conditions as may be found appropriate in future for the betterment of environment & wildlife, may be imposed by CCF (C), North Eastern Regional

Yours faithfully.

Ve Chief Conservator of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt. of Assam, Rehabari,

2. The Nodel Officer. () a Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt. of

(B. S. Kharmawphlang) Le Chief Conservator of Forests (C)