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H.P. Forest Department.

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

To: The Deputy Inspector General of Forest,
Sub Office, Ministry of Environment,
Forest and Climate Change,CGO Complex,
ShivalikKhand, Longwood, Shimla,H.P .

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: **Diversion of 406.79 hectare of forest Land in favour of Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation LTD. for the construction of Thana Plaun HEP 191 MW, Within the jurisdiction of Jogindernagar and Mandi Forest Division, Distt. Mandi H.P. Online Proposal No.FP/HP/HYD/8255/2014.**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No. 8-21/2021-FCdated 20-02-2023 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply to the observations as raised your above referred communication is submitted as below:-

1. The said study has been conducted by Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG). Dehradun and the report of the same is uploaded on the online portal as additional information Para-I Sr. No. 46.
2. the approved mining plans (5 no. Quarries). Of the project have been uploaded on the online portal as additional information Para-I Sr. No. 46.
3. Generally locations of the dumping sites are selected keeping in view the closest approach to project site. In case of Thana Plaun HEP due to;(i) terrain of the area downstream of the project (narrow valley) and (ii) Large length of submergence area (16.5 Kms). Upstream of the project. There was no area available closest to the project sites of the dumping sites. Thus. After detailed investigation undertaken during Survey & Investigation work of the project the location of dumping sites were more than 6 kms. Downstream of the project construction site. The same were approved by Central Electricity Authority (CEA) while according concurrence in favour Thana Plaun HEP on dated 07.09.2021 under Electricity Act. 2003 Also one crushing unit for the project is proposed to be set up in one of the Dumping sites has been uploaded on the online portal as additional information Para-I Sr. No. 46.However. Keeping in view of observation raised by FAC. MOEF&CC, GOI the proposed forest land for the dumping sites was not again got re-verified from District Collector, Mandi and certificate for non-availability of Non forest

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land for dumping sites has been granted in favour of the project. The same is uploaded on the online portal as additional information Para-I Sr. No. 46.

4. The area proposed for the crushers is already included under Dumping yard-I and Quarry site-4 the present proposal.
5. The locations of the proposed Crusher Unit (2 nos.) has been duly marked on the project location map and same is uploaded on the online portal as additional information Para-I Sr. No. 46.
6. Additional suitable CA patches of 105 hectare (70 ha. for Mandi Forest Division and 35 ha. for Joginder nagar Forest Division). Have been provided copy land identified for CA (Checklist 16). And copy of the same has been uploaded at additional information in PARIVESH as well as updated at requisite field of CA.

Yours faithfully,

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