No.Ft. 48-3687/2017 (FCA), **Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh** 

- From: Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.
- To: The Deputy Inspector General of Forest, Sub Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, HP.

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan ) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s Vimla Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd. for non-forestry use of 7.4268 ha. of forest land for construction of Upper Kurmi (8 MW ) Small Hydro Power Project, within the jurisdiction of Rampur Forest Division, District Shimla in the State of Himachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/HYD/42328/2019).

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No. 8B/HP/01/46/2019/FC dated 11.03.2024 on the subject cited proposal.

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

- 1. The comments of CWLW has been uploaded by user agency as additional information at Sr No. 24 of Part-I.
- 2. The user agency has submitted that Upper Nanti Hydro Electric Project has been constructed after the year of 2014 as also shown in Google imagery. User agency has further submitted that the electricity generated from Upper Kurmi SHEP (8 MW) will be connected in the common transmission line near the switchyard of Upper Nanti HEP. The overlapping seen refers to this in KML file.
- 3. The Project Allotment letter has been uploaded as additional information at Sr. No.36 of Part-I, in addition to this, TEC issued by Directorate of Energy GoHP dated 23.02.2017 is also uploaded at Sr. No. 3. No compliance report as sought is currently available with user agency, as they await the diversion of forest land under FCA to begin construction work on the proposed site.
- 4. The user agency has uploaded KML file with all component in the online portal Part-I against column C.

Yours faithfully,

HPFD-F05/5/2025-FCA-HIMACHAL PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT