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GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS
ITANAGAR.

No. FOR 835/CONS/2018/ 1872-74

Itanagar dated 25th July 20.

To

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C),
Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
North Eastern Regional Office, LAW-U-SIB,
Lumbatngen, Near M.T.C Workshop,
Shillong-793021.

Sub:- Renewal for diversion of 7.111 ha of forestland for oil drilling location "KUP" & "KUL" under Ningru Petroleum Mining Lease (PML), Nampong Forest Division, Jairampur in Changlang District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Oil India Limited, Duliajan, Assam-regarding.

Proposal No. - FP/AR/MIN/37058/2018.

Ref: Your letter No. 3-ANC 013/2020-SHI/4269-70 dtd. 16/03/2020 and meeting through Vedio Conference held on 21/07/2020.

Sir,

Please refer to above letter on the subject. In this connection, it is to inform you that this is the proposal for renewal of forest clearance for diversion of 7.111 ha of forestland for oil drilling location at "KUP" & "KUL" which was accorded by the then Ministry of Environment & Forests, GoI vide No. 8-556/89-FC dtd. 08/07/1991 in favour of Oil India Limited (*Annexure-I*). All stipulated conditions of forest clearance have been complied including transfer of fund to an amount of Rs.2,03,725/- against CA cost by the User Agency (*Annexure-II*).

Further, the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh, vide letter No. DGM/ML/OIL/77/96(Pt-II)/378-89 dated 4th May 2018 has re-granted Petroleum Mining lease (PML) for Ningru Block over an area of 427.058 Sq. Km under Rule 5(I) (ii) of the Petroleum & Natural Gas Rules, 1959 for a period of 20 years from the effective date i.e. 27.11.2003 subject to certain terms and conditions mentioned therein. The above diverted area of 7.111 ha falls within Ningru PML which was re-granted for 20 years i.e upto 26/11/2023 and co-terminus with each other under Guidelines 7.3(iii) of guidelines issued under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. Hence, renewal for diversion of 7.111 ha of forestland for oil drilling location "KUP" & "KUL" under Ningru Petroleum Mining Lease (PML) is required now. The information/documents for **fresh diversion** of forestland if submitted earlier are **inadvertently and inconvenience as caused is regretted.**

The following additional information/documents as asked vide your above No. are furnished as below:-

Sl. No.	Queries	Reply
1	The number of bore holes required for drilling in location KUP & KUL and for additional wells KUAU, KUAX, KUAV & Loc-G from Loc-KUP and KUAW, KUAT & Loc. E&F from Loc-KUL, if any.	Total number of Bore holes are 10. i) The drilling of additional wells in location KUP is 5 Nos. (namely KUP, KUAU, KUAX, KUAV & Loc. G) ii) The drilling of additional wells in location KUL is 5 Nos. (namely KUL, KUAW, KUAT & Loc. E&F)
2	As per FORM-'B' PART-I Environment Clearance is required, copy of EC if any available and copy of Environment Clearance File No. IA-J-11022/116/2018-IA-II (I) dated 04.05.2018 as mentioned in PART-I (H)(ii) may be provided.	Enclosed at <i>Annexure-III</i>

3	The C.A. Scheme submitted has not been technically approved by Competent Authority. The same is to be re-submitted after duly approved.	The CA plantation for 14.222 ha has already been raised as per the fund realized from the UA in accordance with the stipulated condition of forest clearance. Hence, may not be required now as per reasons stated in Para 1 & 2 above.
4	Purpose wise breakup may be furnished, since the GPS-Coordinates for proposed diversion of 7.11 ha shows the Approach road, Plinth area, Boiler area and Flare area.	i) Approach Road - 0.747 ha. ii) Plinth area - 6.189 ha. iii) Boiler area - 0.071 ha. iv) Flare area - 0.104 ha. Total - 7.111ha Details are shown in the map at <i>Aneexure-IV</i> as submitted by the UA.
5	The Sol Toposheet map depicting the proposed compensatory afforestation may be furnished and duly signed by DFO, concerned along with KML/Shape file for the same with GPS Coordinates.	May not be required as stated at Sl. 3 above.
6	The Sol Toposheet map showing the exact location of each well within the proposed diversion site may be furnished.	The Sol Toposheet map showing the exact location of each well within the proposed diversion site is enclosed at <i>Aneexure-V</i> .
7	Site Suitability Certificate of compensatory afforestation from the concerned DFO.	May not be required as stated at Sl. 3 above.
8	Copy of Approved Mining Plan as mentioned in FROM 'B' PART-I sl. No. M(iii)	The User Agency has now informed that the Ningru PML area in which the FC proposal under reference falling is covered under PNGR 1959. Under the PNGR, the State Govt. grants the PML on prior approval of the Central Govt.. Therefore, approved Mining Plan in this case is not applicable. The copy of the PML as granted is enclosed at <i>Annexure-VI</i>
9	Undertaking Certificate for payment of CA, NPV, Addl. NPV etc.	Enclosed at <i>Annexure-VII</i>
10	Status of the 2% NPV over and above the normal for the PML area involved as per Ministry's guideline No. 8-118/2006-FC dated 24.06.2015.	The 2% NPV amounting to Rs.71,54,80,974/- has been transferred by UA with clubbed amount of Rs.74,00,00,000/- vide UTR No. SBIN525419854823 to the A/C No. 344902010105408, Union Bank of India, Sundarnagar Branch, New Delhi which is confirmed by the Ad-hoc CAMPA, New Delhi (<i>Annexure-VIII</i>).
11	The Cost Benefit Analysis should be submitted as per the latest guideline dated 01.08.2017.	The proposal is for renewal of forest clearance already granted, hence may not be required.
12	The status of processes and documentary evidence under Forest Right Act 2006.	The copies of FRA as submitted during the time of granting of Ningru PML by MoEF&CC's are enclosed at <i>Annexure-IX(A) in respect of Changlang District & XI(B) in respect of Namsai District</i> .
13	Proposal is for exploratory drilling, the duration of exploration may be mentioned.	The proposal is for development drilling as stated by the User Agency.

14	Status of extraction/production, if any, from the already dug well.	No well has been drilled in the area as intimated by the User Agency.
15	The User Agency is to prepare general outline of socio-economic issues addressal scheme for stake holder/surrounding village as part of their corporate responsibilities.	<p>The User Agency has informed that Oil India Limited has a well-framed CSR policy for the operational areas of the Company. The copy of OIL CSR Policy attached at Annexure-X(A).</p> <p>They have also informed that in compliance of EIA Notification 2006 and a process for obtaining Environment Clearance from the MoEF&CC, a Public Hearing meeting pertaining to Onshore Oil & Gas exploration, Development Drilling and Production in Ningru PML area was conducted on 19/06/2019 at 10.00 am at Kumchai Deori Village, Diyun Circle, Changlang District. The issues raised in the meeting by the public of the nearby project areas regarding employment, development, pollution control, health care facilities and CSR activities. In response to the issues raised by the Public in the meeting, the details reflected in the minutes at Annexure-X(B).</p> <p>Further, OIL has sanctioned Rs.4.25 crores for repairing and construction of road in the areas of Changlang and Namsai District. It was also suggested that OIL should take remarkable project like water supply in the area. In this regards, a few of the CSR activities done by OIL is attached at Annexure-X(C).</p>

It is also pointed out here that the above is monitored by the PMO regularly which is one of the ambitious scheme for development of the country as well as concerned state.

It is therefore, requested to kindly convey the approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India for renewal of forest clearance for diversion of 7.11 ha of forestland for oil drilling location "KUP" & "KUL" co-terminus with Ningru PML in favour of Oil India Limited, Duliagan, Assam.

Yours faithfully


(R. K. Singh)

Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (A&V)
& Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to:-

1. The Resident Chief Executive, Oil India Limited, Duliagan-786602, Assam for information. He is requested not to send any information directly to MoEF&CC, Shillong in future since the complete informations were called from this department not from them.
2. Smti Debajani Bose, CGM & HOD Environment, DGH office, Gr Floor, Tower-A, OADB Bhawan, Plot No.-2, Sector-73, Noida-201301 for information.


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