

No.
H.P. Forest Department,

Dated Rampur, the

From: CCF Rampur .

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

Subject: Renewal of lease of 0.0934 ha (instead of 0.2898 ha) of forest land for already established Stone Crusher at Pashada and approach road to quarry site at Pashada in favour of M/s Bushahar Laghu Udyog VPO Jhakri, Tehsil Rampur Bushahar, Within the jurisdiction of Rampur Forest Division, Distt. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. (online No. FP/HP/Ind/35171/2018).

Memo:

Kindly refer to GoI letter No. 1/102334/2025 dated 18.03.2025.

2. In this context, the point wise reply to the observation raised by GoI is furnished as under:-

Sr. No.	Observation	Reply
1.	In reference of the observation No. 2, NPV bill/calculation sheet was sought from State Govt. In reference to this observation, State Govt has submitted the NPV bill as per the ECO-CLASS-VI, Veg density - open. However as per the S.No-4 (i), ECO class-V is mentioned. Therefore, State Govt shall submit the revised NPV bill/calculation sheet as per the details mentioned in S.No-4(i).	The necessary correction has been done in Sr No. 4(i) of Part-II and accordingly revised bill of NPV uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 4 of Part-II.
2.	In reference of the observation No. 5, Clarification regarding the EIA was sought from State Govt. In reference to this, user agency intimated that the EIA for mining area has already been applied and is under process with Environment Department. Same is required to be submitted before Stage-II approval.	DCF Rampur has intimated that the proposal No. FP/HP/MIN/34194/2018) for mining is linked with this proposal. The application to obtain EIA has been submitted to HPSEIAA Shimla vide Online Application No. SIA/HP/MIN/31499/2019 Dated 18.05.2019. The same will be granted after approval of diversion of forest land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980 from the concerned authority. Copy of letter from HPSEIAA has been uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 22 of Part-I.
3.	In reference of the observation No. 6, clarification regarding the mismatching of the area mentioned in the forwarding letter as well as Site Inspection Report	DCF Rampur has intimated that the area in the forwarding letter has been mistakenly mentioned as 0.093 instead of 0.0934 Ha. and

	<p>was sought. In reference to this State Govt submitted that, the revised documents have been submitted mentioning that the proposed area for stone crusher is 0.0934 ha and the renewal of lease is required for the said area only. The total area mentioned is 0.2988 has been approved under FCA, 1980 and 0.1964 area has been surrendered and does not required renewal. Therefore, State Govt. shall clarify whether the proposed area has been surrendered or not. If yes, copy of the same may be provided.</p>	<p>the same may be read as 0.0934 Ha.</p> <p>Further, user agency had surrendered the area comprising 0.1964 ha. on dated 10.09.2018 and was transferred with Reclamation Plan of DA to State Forest Department. Copy of inspection report conducted by RO Rampur on dated 02.05.2024 has been uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 2 of Part-II.</p>
4.	<p>In reference of the observation No. 8, brief note of the project was sought from State Govt. In reference to this observation, State Govt has submitted the brief note of the project mentioning that, “....MOEFCC accorded approval for DA of 0.2898ha of forest land for Mining lease (0.1964 ha) and est. of Stone Crusher for which sufficient quantity of mineral is available in the nearby forest area to feed the already estb. Stone crusher. Hence 2.1532 ha forest land is required proposal is already submitted by State Govt (FP/HP/MIN/34194/2018)”, and the components mentioned in B-2.4 is not matching with the details of components mentioned in "BRIEF NOTE ON THE THE PROJECT". State Govt shall clarify the same.</p>	<p>The user agency has uploaded the revised brief note of the project after making necessary correction as additional information at Sr. no. 21 of Part-I.</p>
5.	<p>In reference of the observation No. 10, approach access/ road was not mentioned in component Part I, Para-B-2.4. State Govt submitted that, same has been included in the part-I. However, we may sought clarification from the State Govt whether this approach is also part of the approach to mining area or not. Also, same is required to be marked in the KML/layout.</p>	<p>DCF Rampur has intimated that the Stone Crusher site is adjacent to National Highway for which access permission has already been applied and is under process with NH & MORTH. However, the approach road to mining site is within the proposed area for mining lease (proposal No. FP/HP/MIN/34194/2018) which is not part of this proposal and dealt separately where component of haulage road is proposed. The Stone Crusher site and proposed Lease area is adjacent to each other. Revised KML file has been uploaded in the appropriate column of online Part-I.</p>
6.	<p>In reference of the observation No. 13 & 14, it has been observed from the</p>	<p>Revised KML has been uploaded after marking all components in appropriate</p>

	KML of Mined out area that the area is intersecting the instant proposal area (Crusher area). State Govt shall mark all the components in the KML/layout i.e. already approved area/ Mined area, surrender area, crusher plant, approach access and boundary of linked project (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/MIN/34194/2018).	column of Part-I and revised Layout Plan uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 20.
7.	In reference of the observation No. 19, NoC for establishment of Stone Crusher, issued by the competent authority of HPSPCB was sought from State Govt. same not found uploaded. State Govt shall upload the NoC from HPSPCB before Stage-II along with the CTO (Consent to operate) and CTE (Consent to establish) from the SPCB, duly authenticated by competent authority.	DCF Rampur has intimated that the crusher was already installed before enactment of FCA 1980. Hence, the process of obtaining renewal of CTO from HPSPCB is under process and will be submitted before getting Stage-II approval. Undertaking in this regard is uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 19 of Part-I along with SOP clearly mentioning that “Grant Order is mandatory” to obtain renewal of CTO.
8.	In reference of the observation No. 21, the uploaded Letter of Intent (LOI) has been expired. State Govt shall upload the fresh Letter of Intent (LOI).	The validity period of Letter of Intent (LOI) has been extended for a period of Two Years w.e.f. 25.08.2023 onwards for the purpose of obtaining environment/forest clearance from competent authority. The extension validity of LoI has already been uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 7 of Part-I.
9.	The State Government is requested to clarify if the CA land proposed in the instant case is in accordance with orders from Hon’ble Supreme Court of India dated: 03.02.2025 and 04.03.2025 in CWP(C) No 1164 of 2023.	DCF Rampur has intimated that in this case CA was already done before the orders passed by Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in CWP (C) 1164 of 2023. The scheme in this regard has already been uploaded as additional information at Sr No. 7 of Part-II.

This is for favour of information and further necessary action at your end please.

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Rampur Forest Circle, H.P.