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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,
Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, H.P

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: **Diversion of 0.4148 ha. of additional forest land in favour of Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Pvt. Ltd. for the construction of Integrated Kashang HEP Stage-II & III(130MW) for some modification in the Project component construction of Silt Flushing Tunnel (SFT) within the jurisdiction H.P of Kinnaur Forest Division, Distt. Kinnaur, H.P.(Online No.FP/HP/HYD/49387/2020).**

Sir,

Kindly refer to Your office letter No. FC/HPB/01/177/2022 dated 13-05-2023 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise observation raised vide above referred communication is attended as under:-

1. In this regard CCF Rampur has intimated that the KML of explored alternative sites has been uploaded, along with the approved alignment plan and evacuation plan for the proposal No.9-HPC-366/09-CHA, dated 14.06.2011. Although additional land required is adjacent to the existing/approved ongoing Integrated Kashang HEP Stage-II & III Balancing Reservoir (BR) for the construction of SFT Drain and Flushing Tunnel, which cannot be changed. It is not possible to change the proposed site as per its technical, geological and environmental consideration. The proposed site is best suitable site selected for construction keeping its specific technical requirement for SFT drainage/outfall.
2. The CB in ratio form duly countersigned is being uploaded against column No.- G (a) in online Part-I by the user agency.
3. The necessary correction has been made by the user agency in component detail against column No. B 2.4 & KML file in online Part-I.
4. CCF Rampur has intimated that the proposed diversion is a part of already diverted FC case of 17.6875 ha. Vide MoEF&CC No. 9-HPC-366/09-CHA, dated 14.06.2011. IA (Implementation Agreement) may not be required for the proposed diversion. Since the said project is a State Government owned Project. Its has been allotted to HPPCL in the way back in year 2010 and at the time of allotment, IA was not required for aforesaid project being a State Govt. owned project. Present proposed diversion case is a part of it. (Implantation agreement). Copy of the letter in respect the non-requirement of

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IA in one of HPPCL another project has been uploaded against Sr. No. 23 in additional information. As Annexure – B.

5. The user agency has submitted the Integrated Kashang HEP Stage II & III as per approved EMP, 8 numbers of designated Dumping sites were approved for dumping of muck are as under:-

Sr. No.	Dumping site	Capacity (cum.)
1	DS-I	166000
2.	DS-4	10000
3	DS-5,6&7	20000
4	DS-9&10	400000
5.	Ds-II	56630
Total capacity		6,52630

6. The user agency has submitted the revenue records (Field Book and Jamabandi and its Tatimas) and the same has been uploaded against Sr. No. 25 in additional information Part-1.
7. The the user agency has submitted the Layout plan of approved proposal along with the Proposed Diversion (DA) in distinct Color along with the Evacuation plan dully authenticated countersigned by the DFO and the same has been against Sr. no. 24 by the UA.
8. The proposed diversion area/site has been selected after considering the best possible ways to minimize/least demerges to the existing trees. Project proponent will also tries to replicate its past practice same as in case of stage II & III where on the site Only 241 Nos of trees were felled (Total 630 No. of Trees marked for felling PP has felled only 241 Nos) even after cost of trees fully paid to the Forest Department . Same could be replicated in the present case (DA) ,During the Construction, user agency will try to escape the maximum No. of trees for felling,
9. The enumeration list of trees has been uploaded in additional information online web portal part-II at Sr. No.19.
10. The necessary correction has been made in part-II Para 14.

Yours faithfully,

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