

No.D.IV.617/ 6997
H.P. Forest Department

Dated: Kullu, the 17.02.23

From:

CF Kullu.

To: Pr.CCF (HOFF) HP Shimla.

Subject:

Diversion of 2.4957 ha. of forest land in favour of Bholenath Power Construction Company Pvt. Ltd. for the construction of 5.0 MW Pakhnoj-II SHEP within the jurisdiction of Kullu Forest Division, Distt. Kullu, H.P. (Online No.FP/HP/HYD/145089/2021).

Memo:

Kindly refer to IRO, MOEF& CC Letter No. FC/HPB/01/160/2022 on dated 29.11.2022 on the subject cited above.

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The shortcomings as pointed out by Gol, MOEF & CC are attended as under:-

1. All the Components of the proposed project have been marked in distinct colours in KML file and uploaded in the portal against column no. C (ii). Geo-referenced map, toposheet and layout plan have been uploaded in Parivesh Portal on Column no. C(iii) & (iv).
2. As reported by RFO Naggar, the proposed diversion area is passing through Forest land and there is no Non-forest /private land involved in the proposal. As far as encroachment is concerned, the matter is being taken up with Assistant Collector-Ist Grade Manali for carry out the demarcation of land in question, so that encroached area could be identified and action could be taken against the encroaches/defaulting if any found as per Rules and Laws applicable. However, it is also informed that User Agency has not violated the provisions of FCA, 1980.
3. Total 7 No's of trees fall in the alignment of the project and all the trees are required to be felled as the same is unavoidable for the construction above mentioned SHEP.
4. The user agency has reported that TEC and IA will be provided before final approval of FCA-1980. Undertaking has been uploaded online as additional information in Part-II.
5. NoC of Fisheries department has been uploaded online as additional information in Part-II.
6. Revenue maps (Tatima) of diversion area has been uploaded online by User Agency as additional information on Parivesh.
7. Power Evacuation Plan has been uploaded online by User Agency in the additional information. And underground transmission line length and width has been uploaded online as additional information in Part-II.
8. The User Agency has reported that the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting held on 11th May, 2022 said that "approval granted under the FCA Act, 1980 for mining project mostly carries conditions pertaining to preparation of Wild Life management or Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan by the State in Consultation with the Institute of repute". However, they have submitted an undertaking to pay the necessary fund for implementation of Wild Life Management or Soil And moisture Conservation Plan if any required (copy enclosed)

9. The User Agency has reported that length and width of the proposed road is already mentioned in Component wise breakup in check List No. 31 and separately they have provided the length and width of proposed road which has been uploaded online in part-II.
10. The User Agency has reported that FRA certificate is under process with Deputy Commissioner Kullu and will be provided before the final approval.
11. Cumulative Impact Assessment of River Basin study of Beas River in CD shape is attached as Annexure-I.
12. As per MoEF &CC direction given on 13.02.2022 the detail of all hydel projects of HP under point no i,ii, iii &iv has been already supplied to your office and the same has also been re-submitted in online portal as additional information in Part-II.
13. The issue pertains to the Nodal office.
14. The Proposed forest land is UPF Barsai-III and is not managed by the Working Plan. The status of land is a waste lands notified under HP Govt. notification 1952 and it is in the possession of the HP. Forest Department. The same is being managed by Forest Department as per the provision of the Forest Rules, Acts and instructions issued time to time by higher ups/Govt.
15. The area for Compensatory Afforestation has been proposed in UPF Barsai-III. The status of land is a waste land as notified under HP Govt. Notification 1952. The said land is in the possession of the HP Forest Department.
16. Needful has been done.
17. All the alternates have been explored, but no suitable non- forest land is available for muck dumping. Further, it is also informed that during the joint inspection proposed alignment of DA has been found geographically more stable, involves minimum forest land etc. Further no trees are standing on the muck dumping site.

Submitted for favour of your kind information and further necessary action at your end please.

Encl: As Above

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Conservator of Forest
Kullu Forest Circle, Kullu