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From: - CCF Rampur.

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

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) –regarding.

Memo:

Kindly refer to GoI letter dated 11.03.2024 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply to the observations is furnished as under:-

SL No.	Observations	Reply
i.	The proposed forest land for diversion is falling inside the Rupi Bhaba Wildlife Sanctuary. Comments from PCCF (Wildlife)/CWLW in this regard may kindly be submitted.	DCF Rampur has intimated that the comments of CWLW has already been uploaded by user agency as additional information at Sr No. 24 of Part-I.
ii	Part of the proposed forest land is overlapping with the Nanti Power House. The said power house has been constructed after 14/06/2014 as per the Google imagery. Clarification whether the Nanti Power House is connected with the present project may kindly be submitted.	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.
iii	Further, copy of approval obtained, if any, for the said project may be submitted alongwith with compliance reported.	The user agency has uploaded Project Allotment letter 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.
iv	Complete component wise/purpose wise KML has not be uploaded/ submitted alongwith the proposal. The same may kindly be submitted for the purpose of DSS analysis.	The user agency has uploaded component wise KML file on the online portal Part-I against column C.

This is submitted for favour of further action at your end please.

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rampur Bsr, H.P