

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST DEPARTMENT
DISPUR, GUWAHATI -6.**

Dated Dispur, the 11th June, 2021

No. FRS.89/2020/109

From : Shri I. Kalita, ACS
Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Environment and Forest Department.

To : The Inspector General of Forest (Central)
Integrated Regional Office
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Bormotoria, Guwahati, Assam 781036

Sub : Proposal for diversion of 3.411 Ha. Forest land for drilling location DGR in
upper Dehing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division in favour of
Oil.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to submit herewith the report regarding compliance of the conditions enlisted in the Central Government's "In Principle Approval" issued vide letter F. No. 3-AS B 111/2020-SHI/3065-66 dtd. 01.01.2021 for the above mentioned forest division proposal is given below :

Govt. of India letter No.3- AS B 111/2020-SHI/3065- 66 dtd. 01.01.2021	Information Provided
Point No. 1	The recommendation in Form-A, Part-V is at Annexure-XII
Point No.2	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the total forest area involved in the Dumduma PML of 149.63 sq. km as Annexure-I As per the decision support system (DSS) the total forest area in Dumduma PML is 151.02 sq. km.
Point No. 3	The User Agency (OIL) has deposited an amount of Rs. 31.21 Crore against 2 % NPV of the Dumduma PML (Forest area 14963 ha) to the Ad-hoc CAMPA account New Delhi on 06.10.2019 (copy enclosed as Annexure-II)
Point No. 4	The User Agency (OIL) stated that the one bore hole to be drilled and size 26 inch.
Point No. 5	Aerial distance of the proposed area from the nearest Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary is 4.5 KM as reported by the DFO, Digboi Division (copy enclosed as Annexure-III). Therefore it falls within 10 KM from Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary.
Point No. 6	The cost of the project is Rs. 3000/- lakhs.
Point No. 7	The User Agency (OIL) has applied for 3.411 Ha. Forest diversion proposal for Form-A, Part-I.
Point No.8	The User Agency (OIL) stated that the present well is already diverted land prior to Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. However the diversion for approach road & plinth is also included in the present proposal.

Point No. 9	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the specific names of the local names or the local name of the tree species list. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-IV)
Point No. 10	The Compensatory Afforestation scheme has been technically approved by the Conservator of Forests, Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat (copy enclosed as Annexure-V)
Point No. 11	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for payment of Additional Net Present Value (copy enclosed as Annexure-VI)
Point No. 12	As per DFO, Digboi Division report, the proposed area is part of the Dehing Patkai Elephant Reserved.
Point No. 13	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the Net Present Value calculation sheet. (copy enclosed as Annexure-VII)
Point No. 14	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for payment for extraction charges of the trees to be removed from the propose area. (Copy enclosed as Annexure-VIII)
Point No. 15	The DFO, Digboi Division has submitted the SOI Toposheet map including the proposed Compensatory Afforestation site alongwith GPS coordinate. (copy enclosed as Annexure-IX).
Point No. 16	The User Agency (OIL) has submitted the undertaking for Forest Right Act, 2006 certificate. (copy enclosed as Annexure-X).
Point No. 17	A copy of Environment Clearance certificate is enclosed herewith as Annexure-XI.
Point No. 18	The User Agency OIL is a Central PSU, hence as per para 2.5 (f) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (amended 2019) the Compensatory Afforestation area should be allotted inside the Reserved Forest. So, the Chief Secretary certificate for non-availability of non-forest land for the proposed Compensatory Afforestation area may not be required.

This for favour of your kind information and necessary action for issuing final approval for the forest diversion proposal.

Enclosure: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,



Addl. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
Environment and Forest Department.

Memo No. FRS. 89/2020/109-A

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Copy to :-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.

By order etc.,



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