

Government of Manipur
Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Climate Change and FCA)
Imphal: Manipur

No. 7/256/2020/Forests: /40
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Imphal, the 22nd February, 2023

The Addl. Chief Secretary (For & Env.)
Government of Manipur

Sub:- Proposal for diversion of 5.0 ha of forest land for Quarrying of Sandstone/ road metal at Murum and Shaly Earth in favour of M/s Sanjit Stone Mining & Crusher at Longa Koireng, Kangpokpi District, Manipur. **Submission of Additional Information – Reg.**

Sir,

With reference to the letter No. No. 3 MN C 035/2021-SHI/2552-53 dt. 02/12/2022 from Integrated Regional Office, Shillong, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India (copy enclosed) on the subject cited above, the required information sought is hereby submitted for onward submission to the Ministry.

Sl. No.	Additional Information	Remarks
i.	Provisions of creation of separate corpus for undertaking rehabilitation and reclamation of mined out area, similar provisions also envisaged in the Progressive Mine Closure Plan. The State Govt to submit the comments to confirm whether the corpus proposed to be created is in conformity with the provisions of Progressive Mine Closure Plan or otherwise.	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 1)
ii.	As per layout Plan of the Cluster-II, there seems to be 4 quarry area delineated for mining. The State Govt to submit the detail of leases proposed in these quarry areas and status of approval, if any, has obtained under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Similarly, status of other quarries proposed in cluster-I and III may also be indicated for taking a holistic view in the matter.	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 2)
iii.	State Government has notified 3 clusters in Kangpokpi and Thoubal Districts in addition to 11 other quarries. Whether notification of such clusters is based on any scientific assessment of reserves and their sustainable harvest or otherwise.	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 3)
iv.	Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 27.02.2012 in the matter of Deepak Kumar Vs State of Haryana and others in SLP NO. 19628-19629 of 2009 has issued certain directives for grant of leases for minor minerals. State Govt to submit comments if the proposal is in consonance with the directions contained in the Supreme Court order dated 27.02.2012.	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 4)

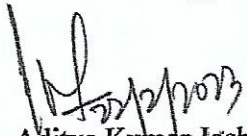
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vi.	As per details submitted in the proposal area of safety zone has been indicated as 0.404 ha while the same is considered as 0.58 ha in the Mining Plan. Discrepancy in the land use needs to be rectified by the State Govt.	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 5). Comments from DFO Bishnupur enclosed as ANNEXURE – A(v)
vii.	No component pertaining to approach road has been proposed in the proposal. The State Govt to submit comments on the same along with details of evacuation plan of the minor minerals from their lease area,	Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 6). Comments from DFO Bishnupur enclosed as ANNEXURE – A(vi)
viii.	The certificate about non-availability of non-forest land issued by the Chief Secretary is based on the report of concerned DFO and DM of the concerned area and not the availability of non-forest land in the entire State. The State Govt may submit clarification on the above.	Certificate issued by the Chief Secretary dated 16/06/2021 pertains to the entire State of Manipur.

Enclosed: As above.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. Aditya Kumar Joshi)
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
Government of Manipur

Copy to:

1. The Dy. Inspector General of Forests (Central), IRO, MoEF & CC, Government of India, Shillong.
2. The Proprietor, M/S Sanjit Stone Mining & Crusher.