

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

No. 7/251/2019/Forests: /39

Imphal, the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023

To

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


Sub:- Submission of additional information for diversion of 5.5 ha of Forest Land for Quarrying of Sandstone/road metal, Murum and Shaly/Slaty Earth at Lhongchin Village, Kangpokpi District by M/S Noren Enterprises, Brahmapur Nahabam, Imphal.

Sir,

With reference to the letter No. No. 3 MN C 036/2021-SHI/2550-51 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-I, there seems to be 4 quarry area delineated for mining. 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 - II 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)

o/c

  
Dr. Aditya K. Joshi  
PCCF & HOFF  
Government of Manipur

iv	<p>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.</p> <p>State Govt to submit comments if the proposal is in consonance with the directions contained in the Supreme Court order dated 27.02.2012.</p>	<p>Comments from Directorate of Trade, Commerce and Industries, Govt. of Manipur enclosed as ANNEXURE-I (Para 4)</p>
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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 Noren Enterprises, Brahmapur Nahabam Bachaspati Leirak, Imphal East, Manipur.