

No. 27/51/2021-For & Emt
GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
SECRETARIAT: FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

Imphal, the 19th April, 2023

To, ✓

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)
North East Regional Office, Law-U-Sib, Lumbatngen
Near M.T.C. Workshop, Shillong-793021 (Meghalaya)

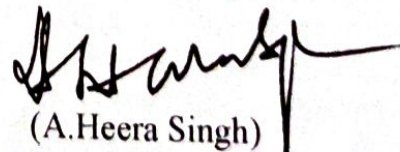
Subject: - Submission of additional information for diversion of 5.5 ha of forest land for Quarrying of Sandstone/road metal, Murum and Shaly/Slaty Earth at Lhongchin Village, Kangpokpi District by M/S Noren Enterprises, Brahmapur Nahabam, Imphal-reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to send herewith a copy of letter No.7/251/2019/Forests/39, dated 22/02/2023, along with its enclosures from Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Manipur regarding the additional information for diversion of 5.5 ha of forest land for Quarrying of Murum and Shaly/Slaty Earth at Lhongchin Village by M/s Noren Enterprises, Brahmapur Nahabam, Imphal for taking further necessary action.

Encl : As above.

Yours faithfully,



(A.Heera Singh)
Deputy Secretary (For., Emt. & CC)
Government of Manipur

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- 1) P.P.S. to Minister (For., Emt & CC), Manipur
- 2) P.S. Addl. Chief Secretary (For, Emt & CC), Government of Manipur
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Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Climate Change and FCA)
Imphal: Manipur

R.P. No. 647 Dt. 24/2/23
Addl. Chief Secretary (For & Env.)
Government of Manipur.

No. 7/251/2019/Forests: 139

Imphal, the 22nd February, 2023

To

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

R.R. No. 169
Dated. 28-2-23
Forests & Env. Section
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)

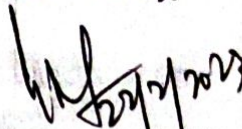
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iv	Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 27.02.2012 in the matter of Deepak Kumar Vs State of Haryana and others in SLP NO. 19628-19629 of 2009 has issued certain directives for grant of leases for minor minerals. State Govt to submit comments if 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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Enclosed: As above.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr. Aditya Kumar Joshi)

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoEF
Dr. Aditya K. Joshi
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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.

ANNEXURE - I

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 5.5 Ha of Forest Land for quarrying of sandstone/road metal, Murum and shally earth at Lhongchin village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur in favour of M/s. Noren Enterprises -reg.

Comments on the observations of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India:

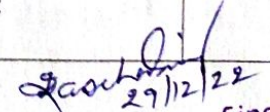
Sl.No.	Para No.	Comment from Director of Trade, Commerce & Industries, Manipur
1	<p><u>Para No. i.</u> Provisions of creation of separate corpus for undertaking rehabilitation and reclamation of mined out area, similar provisions also envisaged in the Progressive Mine Closure Plan.</p> <p>The State Government 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.</p>	<p>Yes, a separate corpus has been created by opening a separate account with M/s. Manipur State Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Whose Account No. 70601068400 dated 04/03/2021. All applicants holding necessary approvals from all concerned require to submit Financial Assurance along with the Progressive Mine Closure Plan for Reclamation and Rehabilitation of mine out areas before execution of Quarrying Lease Deed.</p>
2	<p><u>Para No.ii:</u> As per layout Plan of the Cluster -I, there seems to be 4 quarry area delineated for mining.</p> <p>The details 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.</p>	<p>Yes, there are four proposed quarrying lease areas in the Cluster-I namely, Quarry-I, Quarry-II, Quarry-III and Quarry-IV. Details of these four proposed quarry areas are given in Table-I. Likewise details of quarrying lease areas in Cluster-II and Cluster-III are given in Table-II and Table-III respectively. No a single quarry area in Cluster-I, Cluster-II and Cluster-III has obtained Forest Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.</p>
3	<p><u>Para No.iii:</u> State Government has notified 3 clusters in Kangpokpi and Thoubal Districts in addition to 11 other quarries.</p> <p>Whether notification of such clusters is based on any scientific assessment of reserves and their sustainable harvest or otherwise.</p>	<p>Yes. Minor minerals like sandstone, shale, murrum, road metals, stones, etc are all exposed on the surface and old quarry pits with or without soil covers. Respective sites were</p>

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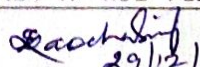
		inspected and took necessary measurements for assessment of reserves and quality. Based on measurement mining plan was prepared. Based on availability of required minor minerals and locational aspect of one quarry area in relation to other quarry area in different locations clusters have been formed and notified. Moreover, for 11 (eleven) lone quarries notified earlier no forest clearance has been obtained so far. All mines can be sustained for their quarrying lease periods.
4	<p>Para No.iv: Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 27/02/2012 in the matter of Deepak Kumar Vs State of Haryana and others 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>	Yes, all proposals for grant of quarrying lease in forest land and non-forest land always takes up as per direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 27/02/2012.

TABLE-I: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-I:

Sl.No.	Name of Quarry	Applicant	Area, location	GPS Co-Ordinates of boundary points	Status
1	Quarry-I	Shri L. Noren Singh, Proprietor, M/s. Noren Enterprises, Brahmapur Nahabam, Imphal East District, P.O. Imphal, Manipur.	5.50 Ha.(including 0.23 Ha approach road) at Lhongchin village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur	1: 24° 46' 33.723" N: 93° 47' 20.407" E, 2: 24° 46' 31.168" N: 93° 47' 20.233" E, 3: 24° 46' 29.997" N: 93° 47' 17.835" E, 4: 24° 46' 31.509" N: 93° 47' 14.278" E, 5: 24° 46' 29.396" N: 93° 47' 09.614" E, 6: 24° 46' 26.157" N: 93° 47' 07.941" E,	Application for Forest Clearance (FC) has been applied and under process.


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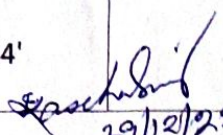
				7: 24° 46' 26.375" N: 93° 47' 03.218" E, 8: 24° 46' 30.225" N: 93° 47' 01.167" E, 9: 24° 46' 33.687" N: 93° 47' 05.992" E, 10: 24° 46' 33.128" N: 93° 47' 11.101" E, 11: 24° 46' 31.921" N: 93° 47' 13.353" E, 12: 24° 46' 31.053" N: 93° 47' 16.362" E, 13: 24° 46' 29.755" N: 93° 47' 20.113" E,	
2	Quarry-II	Shri Kangujam Rajen Singh, Managing Partner, M/s. K.K. Works, Bashikhong, Imphal East District, Manipur.	5.0 Ha. at Namthanjang village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur	1:N24°46'37.515": E93°47' 5.015" 2:N24°46'41.689": E93°47' 1.597" 3:N24°46'39.462":E93°46'57.641" 4:N24°46'44.954":E93°46'55.624" 5:N24°46'42.990":E93°46' 0.487" 6:N24°46'39.424": E93°46' 47.690" 7:N24°46'37.141": E93°46' 43.377" 8:N24°46'34.415": E93°46' 42.666" 9:N24°46'33.904": E93°46' 49.975" 10:N24°46'33.726":E93°46'57.117" 11:N24°46'35.705":E93°47' 5.168"	LOI was issued. However, no Mining plan was submitted. No application for FC was applied yet. LOI has been lapsed.
3	Quarry-III	Shri Konthoujam Sandeep Singh, Konthoujam village, Imphal West District	5.10 Ha, at Bijang village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	B1:N24°46' 50.0" : E93°46' 41.43" B2:N24°46' 51.68": E93°46' 41.24" B3:N24°46' 52.78": E93°46' 41.98" B4:N24°46' 53.91": E93°46' 41.94" B5:N24°46' 54.56": E93°46' 41.66" B6:N24°46' 55.23": E93°46' 40.17" B7:N24°46'55.37" : E93°46' 38.91" B8:N24°46' 52.82" : E93°46' 33.47" B9:N24°46' 51.62" : E93°46' 29.47" B10:N24°46'50.60": E93°46' 27.50" B11:N24°46'48.48": E93°46' 29.66" B12:N24°46'49.36": E93°46' 38.48"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. No application for FC was applied for.
4	Quarry-IV	Shri Maibam Sanjit Singh, Proprietor, M/s. Sanjit Stone	5.0 Ha. At Longa Kolreng, Kangpokpi	A :N24°47'0.02" : E93°46' 35.20" B :N24°47'6.43" : E93°46' 32.43" C :N24°47' 7.14" : E93°46' 26.07" D :N24°47' 4.31" : E93°46' 24.57"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved.


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		Mining & Cluster, Heirangoithong Maibam Leikai, Imphal West District, Manipur.	District, Manipur.	E :N24°47' 2.08" : E93°46' 26.29" F :N24°46' 59.73" : E93°46' 28.76" G:N24°46' 59.46" : E93°46' 30.76" H:N24°46' 59.03" : E93°46' 31.64" I :N24°46' 58.68" : E93°46' 32.46" J :N24°46' 58.92" : E93°46' 33.70" K:N24°46' 59.54" : E93°46' 34.39"	Application for FC was applied and under process. No Forest Clearance has been obtained.
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TABLE-II: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-II:

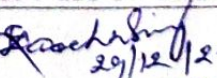
Sl.No.	Name of Quarry	Applicant	Area, location	GPS Co-Ordinates of boundary points	Status
1	Quarry-V	Shri Huidrom Vikramjit Singh, Managing Director, M/s. HVS Construction Materials Pvt. Ltd. Patsoi, Imphal West District, Manipur.	5.16 Ha.(including 0.16 Ha approach road) at Kotlen, Longa Koireng village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	B1:N24°47'48.11" : E93°44' 24.72" B2:N24°47'51.25" : E93°44' 27.13" B3:N24°47'53.48" : E93°44' 29.71" B4:N24°47'53.30" : E93°44' 32.65" B5:N24°47'50.38" : E93°44' 35.60" B6:N24°47'46.93" : E93°44' 33.03" B7:N24°47'44.31" : E93°44' 30.59"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was applied and under process. No Forest Clearance has been obtained.
2	Quarry-VI	Shri N. Romen Singh, Tera Sapam Leirak , Sagolband, Imphal West District.	5.0 Ha. in Longa Koireng village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	P: N24°47'31.52": E93°44' 15.17" Q: N24°47'35.58": E93°44' 18.25" R: N24°47'36.76": E93°44' 23.04" S: N24°47'37.20": E93°44' 27.79" T: N24°47'34.63": E93°44' 30.00" U: N24°47'33.19": E93°44' 28.42" V: N24°47'31.51": E93°44' 24.92"	LOI was issued. No mining plan was submitted. No application for FC was applied. LOI has been lapsed.


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3	Quarry-VII	Soraisham Shyamchand Singh, M/s. Shyamchand & Son, Sagolband Khamnang Leirak, Imphal West District, Manipur.	5.5 Ha. at Longa Koireng village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	B1:N24°47'16.75": E93° 44' 11.96" B2:N24°47'19.78": E93° 44' 11.95" B3:N24°47'22.73": E93° 44' 11.49" B4:N24°47'26.33" : E93° 44' 9.74" B5:N24°47'27.96" : E93° 44' 16.97" B6:N24°47'19.44" : E93° 44' 19.14"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was applied and under process. No Forest Clearance has been obtained.
4	Quarry-VIII	Sorokhaibam Birjit Singh, M/s. S.B. Stone Boulder Supply & Co., Uripok, Imphal West District.	5.75 Ha At Longa Koireng village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	1:N24°47' 8.317" : E93°44' 11.721" 2:N24°47' 7.284" : E93°44' 15.311" 3:N24°47' 5.845" : E93°44' 17.381" 4:N24°47' 6.291" : E93°44' 19.686" 5:N24°47' 5.584" : E93°44' 21.975" 6:N24°47' 1.536" : E93°44' 18.792" 7:N24°46'58.243": E93°44' 14.596" 8:N24°47' 0.051" : E93°44' 12.301" 9:N24°47' 2.934" : E93°44' 10.921" 10:N24°47' 6.208" : E93°44' 10.424"	LOI was issued. No mining plan was submitted. LOI has been lapsed.

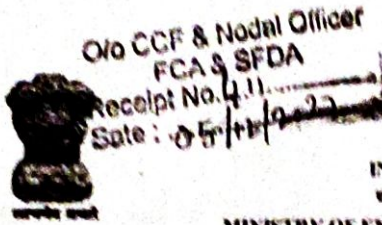
TABLE-III: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-III:

Sl.No.	Name of Quarry	Applicant	Area, location	GPS Co-Ordinates of boundary points	Status
1	Quarry-IX	Laishram Noren, Proprietor, M/s. Noren Enterprises, Brahamapur Nahabam,	6 Ha. Waithou Toronglaobi village, Thoubal District,	1:N24°40'10.501":E93°57' 34.491", 2:N24°40'6.114" :E93°57' 35.177" 3:N24°40'3.192" :E93°57' 33.816", 4:N24°40'1.275" :E93°57' 35.907" 5:N24°39'59.674":E93°57' 37.606", 6:N24°39'57.989 : E93°57' 36.286"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was


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		Imphal East Dist.	Manipur.	7:N24°39'56.258 : E93°57' 34.920" 8:N24°39'57.605" : E93°57' 32.425" 9:N24°40'0.905" : E93°57' 29.689" 10:N24°40'4.144" : E93°57' 29.931" 11:N24°40'8.017" : E93°57' 28.362" 12:N24°40'9.458" : E93°57' 31.419"	applied. However, FC was not obtained.
2	Quarry-X	Laishram Noren, Proprietor, M/s. Noren Enterprises, Brahamapur Nahabam, Imphal East Dist.	5.5 Ha. Waithou Laimang Konjil, Waithou village, Thoubal District, Manipur.	1:N24°39'46.714" : E93°57' 25.502" 2:N24°39'53.714" : E93°57' 20.730" 3:N24°39'56.888" : E93°57' 22.958" 4:N24°39'59.038" : E93°57' 18.237" 5:N24°40'0.490" : E93°57' 13.160" 6:N24°40'1.278" : E93°57' 9.795" 7:N24°40'2.166" : E93°57' 9.947" 8:N24°40'0.557" : E93°57' 18.235" 9:N24°39'58.938" : E93°57' 25.656" 10:N24°39'53.145" : E93°57' 26.204" 11:N24°39'46.381" : E93°57' 26.869"	LOI was issued. Mining plan was approved. No application for FC was applied.
3	Quarry-XI	Kangujam Rajen Singh, Managing Partner, M/s. KK Works, Bashikhong, Imphal East District.	8.0 Ha Lipokpi Tangjeng village, Thoubal District	1:N24°40'2.344" : E93°57' 9.988" 2:N24°40'3.677" : E93°57' 16.951" 3:N24°40'3.908" : E93°57' 24.726" 4:N24°40'7.224" : E93°57' 22.580" 5:N24°40'10.177" : E93°57' 19.264" 6:N24°40'11.110 : E93°57' 19.457" 7:N24°40'13.959" : E93°57' 23.409" 8:N24°40'7.934" : E93°57' 28.228" 9:N24°40'0.808" : E93°57' 29.437" 10:N24°39'59.133" : E93°57' 25.645" 11:N24°40'1.050" : E93°57' 16.891"	LOI was issued. No mining plan was submitted. LOI has been lapsed.

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सेवा में,

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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 5.5 Ha of Forest Land for quarrying of sandstone / road metal, Murum and Shally Earth at Lonchin village, Kangpokpi District, Manipur in favour of Noren Enterprises- reg.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to inform you that this instant proposal has been received back in IRO from Ministry, New Delhi. It is to be mentioned that the proposal has been examined in detailed at all level in the Ministry, New Delhi where Ministry has also observed on the following:

- 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.
- 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.
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State Govt to submit comments if the proposal is in consonance with the directions contained in the Supreme Court order dated 27.02.2012.

In view of the above, the State Govt is requested to furnish the above details at the earliest for taking further necessary action.

भवदीय,

(Mrs.L.J.Sviemiong)

उपवनमहानिरीक्षक (केंद्रीय)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C)

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