No. 27/52/2021-For & Envt GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR SECRETARIAT: FORESTS, ENVIRONMENT & CC DEPARTMENT

Imphal, the 19th April, 2023

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

Subject:- Proposal for diversion of 5.00 ha of forest land for Quarrying of Sandstone/Road metal, 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/Madam,

To.

I am directed to send herewith a copy of letter No.7/256/2020/Forests/40, dated 22/02/2023, along with its enclosures from Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Manipur regarding the additional information for diversion of 5.00 ha of forest land for Quarrying of Sandstone/Road metal, Murum and Shaly Earth in favour of M/s Sanjit Stone Mining & Crusher at Longa Koireng, Kangpokpi District, Manipur for taking further necessary action.

Encl : As above.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

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

No. 7/256/2020/Forests:/40

Imphal, the 22 ... February, 2023

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary (For & Envt.) 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.		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)
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	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)

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,

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- 2. The Proprietor, M/S Sanjit Stone Mining & Crusher.

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

SI.No.	Para No.	Comment from Director of Trade, Commerce & Industries, Manipur
	Para No. 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 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.	Yes, a separate corpus has been created by opening a separate
2	Para No.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 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-I and III may also be indicated for making a holistic view in the matter. M. Inaocha singh Geologist Geologist Govt. of Manipur	The layout Plan of the Cluster-II should be the layout plan of the Cluster-I. And instead of Cluster –I and III they should be Cluster-II and III. There are four proposed quarrying leases in the Cluster-I namely, Quarry-I, Quarry-II, Quarry- III and Quarry-IV. No Forest Clearances for these four proposed quarry areas are obtained till date. As per sources the process for FC has been under progressed in MoEF. Three mining plans for Quarry-I, III and IV have been received and approved. No application for obtaining FC had been applied for Quarry-II and III. No Forest

		Clearances for all quarry areas in the Cluster-II & III have been obtained. The details of proposed quarrying leases in Cluster- I, II and III are given in TABLE-1, TABLE-2 and TABLE-3.
3	Para No.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.	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 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	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. State Govt to submit comments if the proposal is in consonance with the directions contained in the Supreme Court order dated 27/02/2012.	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.
5	As per details submitted in the proposed area of safety zone has been indicated as 0.404 Ha while the same in considered as 0.58 Ha in the Mining Plan. The State Govt to submit comments on the same along with details of evacuation plan of the minor minerals from lease area.	As per mining plan safety zone area was earmarked. However, the proposed quarry area is very closed to National Highway-37, there is much more possibility of further road expansion toward quarry area and will affect safety zone. Therefore, keeping safety zone

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		adjacent to the National Highway will not be effective in view of the above reason. Therefore, proposal for safety zone adjacent to the national highway has been removed thereby reduced the area to 0.404 Ha. The minor mineral will be evacuated through "Entry & Exit point located near Boundary Pillar I. The evacuation plan of minor mineral is shown in Figure-1 as appended.
6	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.	The proposed quarrying lease area lies adjacent to National Highway - 37 (NH-37). The quarry site can be directly approached from NH-37 at Entry and Exit point near boundary point "I" as shown in Figure-1. Therefore, approach road was not proposed.

TABLE-1: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-I:

SI.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, 7: 24° 46' 26.375'' N: 93° 47' 03.218'' E, 8: 24° 46' 30.225'' N: 93° 47' 01.167'' E,	FC has been applied. However not received yet.

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				9: 24 ⁰ 46 ⁷ 33.687 ⁷⁷ N: 93 ⁰ 47 ⁷ 05.992 ⁷⁷ E, 10: 24 ⁰ 46 ⁷ 33.128 ¹⁷ N: 93 ⁰ 47 ⁷ 11.101 ¹⁷ E, 11: 24 ⁰ 46 ⁷ 31.921 ¹⁷ N: 93 ⁰ 47 ⁷ 13.353 ¹⁷ E, 12: 24 ⁰ 46 ⁷ 31.053 ¹⁷ N: 93 ⁰ 47 ⁷ 16.362 ¹⁷ E, 13: 24 ⁰ 46 ⁷ 29.755 ¹⁷ N: 93 ⁰ 47 ⁷ 20.113 ¹⁷ 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"	LOI was issued. However, no Mining plar was submitted. No application for FC was applied yet. LOI has been
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' 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' 29.46' 29.47" B10:N24°46'48.48": E93°46' 27.50" B11:N24°46'48.48": E93°46' 29.66" B12:N24°46'49.36": E93°46' 38.48"	lapsed. 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 Mining & Cluster, Heirangoithong Maibam Leikai, Imphal West	5.0 Ha. At Longa Koireng, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.	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' 26.29" 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"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was applied and under process.

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6	District, Manipur	l :N24°46' 58.68" : E93°46' 32.46"
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		K:N24°46' 59.54" : E93°46' 34.39"

TABLE-2: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-II:

SI.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.
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.
3	Quarry-VII	Soraisham Shyamchand Singh, M/s. Shyamchand & Son, Sagolband	5.5 Ha. at Longa Koireng village, Kangpokpi	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'	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was applied

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		Khamnang Leirak, Imphal West District, Manipur.	District, Manipur.	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"	and under process.
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"	LOI was issued. No mining plan was submitted. LOI has been lapsed.
				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"	

TABLE-2: Details of quarry areas in Cluster-III:

SI.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, Imphal East Dist.	6 Ha. Waithou Toronglaobi village, Thoubal District, Manipur.	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' 35.907" 5:N24°39'59.674":E93°57' 35.907" 5:N24°39'59.674":E93°57' 37.606", 6:N24°39'57.989 : E93°57' 36.286" 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"	LOI was issued. Mining Plan was approved. Application for FC was applied. However, FC was not obtained.

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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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FIGURE-1



AND EARTH ROAD METAL, MURUM LONGA KOIRENG QUARRYING LEASE AREA OF SANDSTONE/

& CRUSHER, **PROPRIETOR, M/S. SANJIT STONE MINING** MAIBAM SANJIT SINGH,

ANNEXURE - A



GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER BISHNUPUR FOREST DIVISION; BISHNUPUR

No. 1/16/2019/DFO-B/

Bishnupur, the 2nd January, 2023

The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer/FCA Govt. of Manipur

Subject: 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 – Reg.

Madam,

To,

In inviting a reference toletter No. 7/256/2020/Forests/267 dated the 13th December, 2022 of the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Climate Change & FCA) on the subject cited above, I have the honour to submit the clarification on queries Ref: Letter No.3 MN C 035/2021-SHI/2552-53 dt. 02/12/2022.

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- As per Mining Plan, safety zone area was earmarked as 0.58 Ha. Out of this 0.58 Ha, around 0.18 Ha is along the NH-37 and the safety zone is almost non-existent and hence the safety zone has been reduced to 0.404 Ha.
- vi. The proposed quarrying lease lies adjacent to National Highway-37. The quarry site can be directly approached from NH-37 at entry and exit point near the Boundary Pillar I. Therefore, an approach road was not proposed.
- vii. The certificate of non-availability of non-forest land for CA site signed by DFO and DM has been already submitted.

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It is, therefore, submitted for favor of your kind information and necessary action.

Copy To:

Kebihas (Dr. Rebika Soibarn Chanu) Divisional Forest Officer, **Bishnupur Forest Division** Govt. of Manipur Divisional Forest Officer The Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, Govt. of Manipur.
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Yours Faithfully,

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2nd December, 2022

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अतिरिक्तप्रमुखसचिव / Addl. Chief Secretary. वनऔरपर्यावरणविभाग/ Forest and Environment Department

मणिपुरकीसरकार / Government of Manipur.

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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 5.0 Ha of Forest Land for quarrying of sandstone / road metal at Murum and Shally Earth in favour of M/s Sanjit Stone Mining and Crusher at Long Koireng, Kangpokpi District, Manipur -reg.

Sir,

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iv.

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:

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.

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Discrepancy in the land use needs to be rectified by the State Govt.

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The State Govt may submit clarification on the above.

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

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