

कार्यालय प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, पिथौरागढ़ वन प्रभाग, पिथौरागढ़ ।

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पत्रांक:- 501 /12-1 दिनांक, पिथौरागढ़, 26 जुलाई, 2023 ।

सेवा में,

वन संरक्षक,
उत्तरी कुमाऊँ वृत्त,
उत्तराखण्ड, अल्मोड़ा ।

विषय:- जनपद पिथौरागढ़ में तहसील मुनस्यारी अन्तर्गत प्रस्तावित सिरकारी भ्योल रुपसियाबगड़ जल विद्युत परियोजना के नव निर्माण हेतु 29.997 हे० वन भूमि का यू०जे०वि०एन० लिमिटेड को प्रत्यावर्तन के सम्बन्ध में(प्रस्ताव सं० : 119861/2021) ।

सन्दर्भ:- कार्यालय पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायू परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, देहरादून की पत्र सं० 8बी/यूसीपी/01/81/2022/एफ०सी०/1402 दिनांक 09.01.2023 ।

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक सन्दर्भित पत्र से लगाई गयी आपत्तियों का प्रस्तावक विभाग द्वारा निराकारण कर अनुपालन आख्या निम्नवत प्रेषित है ।

Sl No	Observations	Replies
1-	The existing road of BRO is crossing the components of the propose hydel projects at few locations for which necessary NOCs under the provisions of guideline 5.6 of the handbook is require to furnish.	UJVNL is in process to acquire NOC from BRO. Letter in this regards is attached.
2-	The cost benefit analysis should be revised on the bases of revised NPV rates.	Updated cost benefit analysis on basis of revised NPV rates is attached.
3-	The area proposed for CA is seen difficult for raising plantation. Therefore the concern DFO is requested to submit the comments in this regard.	A joint inspection visit has already been conducted for same and report alongwith Comments of DFO, Pithoragarh is attached.
4-	The state govt, has not explained the provisions for evacuation of power to be generated in this project. Therefore, the State Govt in requested to submit the detailed evacuation plan to this office.	Power shall be evacuated through 220KV DC line upto 220 KV Substation of PTCUL. Letter from PTCUL in this regards is attached.
5-	State Govt is requested to submit the soil moisture conservation plan as per the prescribed guideline dated June, 2022.	An undertaking is attached.
6-	State Govt is requested to submit the comments on to maintain environmental flow(E-Flow) in order to sustain the forest water ecosystem in the said region.	MoEF vide letter no J-12011/12/2015-IA-I dated 20/01/2016 issued ToR for the project on basis of Standard ToR. As per Standard ToR (April 2015) the Environmental flow release should be 20% of the average of the 4 lean months of 90% dependable year during the lean season and 30% of Monsoon flow during monsoon season. The same has been adopted:

		Relevant Page of Standard ToR is attached.
7-	State Govt, in requested to submit the separate enumeration list for the dumping sites selected in the project.	Enumeration list for the dumping site is attached.
8-	The state Govt in requested to submit a closure plan for this site along with the method of query	Restoration Plan for Quarry Sites from EIA/EMP report, already submitted to MoEF&CC, is attached.
9-	The proposal involves felling of 104 trees for area of 29.997 ha However, in the DSS analysis the VDF of more than 1 sq is observed foe which comments of concerned DFO is required by the state Govt.	Area of 29.997 ha & 104 trees is for entire project however, the VDF of 1 sq is above Desilting Chamber and Head Race Tunnel (HRT) region which are underground structures hence felling of trees above Desilting chamber and HRT, on ground surface, is not envisaged.
10-	In the geologist report it is mentioned that in front of power house there is landslide zone is available. The state Govis requested to describe that what kind of mitigative measures they going to take while doing construction in the area and also submit the budgetryprovisision to define the same.	Proposed powerhouse is to be constructed underground and location of TRT outfall has been shifted to downstream end to avoid any effect of Landslide on project component in compliance of observations of GSI & HCD, CWC.
11-	In the DSS analysis, the areaproposed for diversion is found 33.50 ha rather proposed 29.997 ha. The state area Govt is requested to do the necessary corrections in the KML file	Corrected KML file with project area 29.997 Ha is attached alongwith Updated DSS analysis on basis of corrected KML file.
12-	The state Govt is requested to submit the administrative approval/ Techno-Economic clearance for the project to this office.	GoU vide letters dated 09/12/2004 and 06/10/2005 allotted the project for DPR preparation and development. Copy of letters attached.
13-	Total 28 patches have been provided for CA in about 60 ha area and most of these patches are very small. In fact, half of these patches are less than 1.0 ha each. It will be difficult to manage such small isolated patches. State Govt. should provide consolidated patches for CA each of which should be 5.0 ha or more in extent and sitespecific separate CA scheme should also be provided for each patch.	In continuation to replies submitted at Point no 3, it is to mention that only area jointly inspected by Forest department, Revenue Department and UJVNL team is found suitable for compensatory afforestation in the region.

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भवदीय

(जीवन मोहन दगाड़े)

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