

No./Misc/ 314

HP Forest Department.

Date 28/4/2025

From -

DFO Bharmour

To: - C.F. (T) Chamba

Subject :-

**Diversion of 3.7463 hectares of forest land in favour of Chamba Hydro Ventures, Hotel Alps Resorts, PO and Tehsil Dalhousie, District Chamba HP for the construction of Ghatore Top SHEP (4.98M.W.) within the jurisdiction of Bharmour Forest Division Distt. Chamba HP (Online Proposal NoFP/HP/HYD/155802/2022)**

Dear Sir,

In reference to Online Proposal No. FP/HP/HYD/155802/2022 EDSs raised by IRO Chandigarh on dated 21-03-2024 on the subject cited above., it is submitted that the observation as raised vide letter under reference have been attended pertaining to User Agency, the necessary point wise reply is furnished as under:-

Sr. No.	OBSERVATIONS	REPLY
1	In Para E of part -I regarding employment likely to be generated, permanent/ regular employment is mentioned as 4 for permanent and temporary employment(number of person days) is mentioned as 4000 which does not appear to be correct keeping in view the cost of the project which mentioned as Rs. 40,51,000/- in Para A-I(VII). State Govt. shall clarify the same and provided justification.	Regarding employment from this project the 14 persons will be get engaged permanently after commissioning of the project and during execution of this project 37000 men days of temporary employment will be generated. The needful correction has been done and uploaded on web portal by the U.A.
2	Under Column M (ii) of part I, the total area in command has been mentioned as 0. Therefore, the State Govt. may review and rectify the same.	The needful correction has been done under this column by user agency.
3	Need to revise DGPS map PDF because Latitude and Longitude from side i.e. 32 25 41.7078 and 76 23 22.988 does not match with the project site.	Needful correction has been done and uploaded on portal by user agency .
4	The component wise detail proposed in forest land need to be duly authenticated by the concerned DFO.	Needful correction has been done in Online Portal.
5	In pursuance of the MoEF&CC advisory dated 27.12.2023 wrt to HEP and for the want of the cumulative ecological impact of the project; details of the Commissioned, under construction and proposed Hydro Electric Project(HEPs)in the catchment area of the proposed stream need to be submitted.	Ecological Impact on the Hydro Projects report has been uploaded on the Portal with E -flow mechanism and undertaking for same. The details of the projects in catchment area of this project with their status has also been uploaded on portal.
6	A detailed list of approved/exiting/ proposed projects in the river basin area is to be provided along with KML file/maps	The detailed list of approved/existing/approved projects in the Ghator river basin has been



	and their distance from the nearest PA/ESZ	uploaded with map and their distance from nearest Pas/Eco sensitive zones. The KML file cannot be uploaded in portal in additional documents so kml is being sent on the email.
7	Since the proposed area falls under distt. Chamba, the local measurement unit especially used (i.e 1Karam=1.48mtr) by the state Forest Dep. Implications of the same in the extant proposal need to be provided by the State Authority.	In Distt. Chamba of HP the Local measurement unit 1 Karam=1.42 Mtrs. Is used for all revenue works and the area cannot be acquired in metres and below 1 Karam. So this Local unit for measurement has been used in the extant proposal for land acquisition.
8	A detailed and approved Power Evacuation plan (with relevant marking on appropriate scale map) along with Transmission line Details (dimension, length, RoW, Capacity, etc.) is required to be uploaded on the PARIVESH portal.	Needful has been done and uploaded on the Portal by user agency.
9	State Govt. need to clarify while proposing the construction of SHEP on the mountainous, steep slope whether comments of geologist has been sought or not?	Presently the Project is under clearance stage and have no need of geologist comments. After diversion of proposed land and during construction stage the geologist will be engaged for checking the bearing capacity where the large components of the project will be installed. If any deficiency is found in this matter then appropriate measures will be taken to remove it.
10	The proposal involves felling 57 trees in an area 3.7463 hac. However as per DSS report the VDF and MDF of more then 1 sq is observed, hence, the comments of DFO is required.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) 700 Mtr Tunnel totally underground from weir site to D-Silting &amp; forway tank.</li> <li>2) Project is linear and, trees falling under diverted land is less can be seen as compared to tree density seen in DSS analysis.</li> <li>3) Other components like Transmission Line &amp; Approach Road falls in blank patches.</li> </ol>
11	<p>Clarification needs to be submitted for muck Disposal Sites:-</p> <p>(i) State Govt may reduce the number of duming sites proposed in the forest area by consolidating them at a single point for reclamation point of view. Comments of the concerned DFO may be provided.</p> <p>(ii) A document showing the capacity of muck dumping sited, muck dumped, balance capacity, and the amount of muck to be</p>	<p>The proposed dumping site for the generated muck dumping has been taken minimum and essential for proper muck dumping and can't be reduce keeping in view to maintain the environmental and ecological balance. After mucking in these dumping sites the plantation will be done.</p> <p>Uploaded on the Online portal by user agency.</p>



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	<p>dumped in the tabulated form, duly authenticated by the concerned DFO may be provided.</p> <p>(iii) The UA needs to provide undertaking that no muck will be disposed off in the nearby forest, River/Stream except for the diversion area. Further, the Muck disposal plan needs to be duly authenticated by concerned DFO.</p> <p>(iv) The number of trees standing in dumping sites needs to be provided separately.</p>	<p>An Undertaking regarding this matter has been uploaded on the portal by user agency.</p> <p>There is no any tree standing in the Dumping sites. A certificate has been uploaded on the portal.</p>
12	As per the DSS report it seems that proposed CA site is landslide prone area and presently approx.02 (Ha.) appears under landslide prone area, out of 7.5 (ha.). Comments from the concerned DFO required.	The CA land has been changed & accordingly Land Use Map, Topo Sheets CA site alongwith KML file are enclosed herewith and the same are uploaded on MOEF online Parivesh portal part-II.
13	State Govt. shall prove the certificate of non availability of NFL as per format in schedule-III from Chief Secretary for proposing DFL under special provision Para 2.2 (iv) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) rules, 2023 MoEF&CC.	The Certificate of non availability of Non forest land as per format in SCHEDULE_III from Chief Secretary has been uploaded in additional information documents by user agency.
14	As per Para 13(3) (c), of the consolidated guidlines and clarifications issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, if the proposed CA land is a wasteland falling under the category of protected forest and is neither demarcated on the ground nor transferred and mutated in the name of forests department in revenue record has to be declares as PF under IFA 1927. The state Govt. is requested to send clarifications in this regard for the CA land submitted in the instant proposal.	As per working plan & revenue record the lands falls under Kuthed DPF.
15	In Part II, column -14, the District profile and Geographical area are incorrect. Needful may be done in this regard.	Needful has been done online Parivesh portal part-II.

  
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