

No.Ft. 48-3687/2017(FCA),
Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh.

From: Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)
O/o Pr. CCF, H.P. Shimla-1.

To: The Dy. Director General of Forests (Central),
Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Regional Office, (North-Central Zone) 25, Subhash Road,
Dehradun-248001(Uttarakhand)

Dated Shimla-1, the 12 8 JAN-2021

Subject: **Diversion of 7.4268 hectare of forest land in favour of Vimla Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd., for the construction of Upper Kurmi (8 MW) Small Hydro Power Project, within the jurisdiction of Rampur Forest Division, Distt. Shimla, H.P.**

Sir,

Kindly refer to Your office letter No. 8B/HP/01/46/2020/FC/413 dated 19.06.2020 on the subject cited above.

2 The pointwise reply to the observations as raised vide your above referred communication is submitted as below:-

1. Legible copy of geo-referenced digital map has not been uploaded against cololumn No. C(iii) of Part-I.
2. FRA certificate is under process. As and when is received, same will be supplied to your office.
3. Revised Implementation Agreement is under process. As and when is received, same will be supplied to your office. An undertaking as submitted by the user agency has already been placed in the proposal folder at Page No. 108 (N).
4. CWLW certificate stating that it does not require any animal passage plan is enclosed herewith.
5. The comments of CWLW are enclosed herewith.
6. Revised muck management plan is enclosed herewith.
7. It is submitted that there is no need for correction at Para 8(iii) in view of CWLW comments as enclosed herewith.
8. As all the Govt. waste land is considered as forest land in view of the 1952 notification of Govt. of H.P. Hence, there is no availability of suitable non forest land within the jurisdiction of Rampur Forest Division for raising of compensatory afforestation. In this regard, a certificate DC Shimla has already been placed in the proposal folder and same has also been uploaded in online Part-II.

9. Revised KML file of CA site has been uploaded in online Part-II against appropriate column.

10. In this regard, it is, submitted that previously, the user agency has taken 2.3203 hectare area for diversion having all components excluding area under transmission line corridor wherein 134 number of trees were shown to be felled. Now, the enumeration list of trees of all components including transmission line has been done and 198 trees are coming in the alignment. Revised enumeration list is enclosed herewith.

11. In this regard, it is submitted that Cumulative Impact Assessment and Carrying Capacity Study for Satluj basin was awarded to Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education, Dehardun. The study has been completed and is in the processs of approval of MoEF & CC, GoI. Hence, current status of the study and the relevant information can be obtained from IA Division of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, GoI, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Zor Bhag Road, New Delhi.

Yours faithfully

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Encls: As above.

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Dated Shimla-1, the

28 JAN 2021

Copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

1. CF Rampur w.r.t his office Memo. No. 5590 dated 14.01.2021.
2. DFO Rampur.
3. M/s Vimla Hydro Power Pvt. Ltd., VPO Sarahan Tehsil Rampur, Distt. Shimla, H.P.

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