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The Divisional Forest Officer
Forest Division Ayodhya

Date: 27/01/2023

Subject: Proposed Protected Forest Land for Exit/Entry Approach to Proposed HPCL Retail Outlet on Sultanpur-Faizabad Road NH-330 (Old NH-96) In Km. No. 121 (CH. No. 120.846, LHS) At Khasra No-14, Village:- Sherpur Para, Tehsil:-Bikapur, District:- Ayodhya(U.P.) (**Online Forest Proposal no.FP/UP/Approach/143065/2021**).

Reference: Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Lucknow; Letter no. 8B/U.P./06/02/2023/F.C./835, dated 18.01.2023.

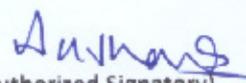
Respected Sir,

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1	As per the PARIVESH portal an existing petrol pump has been observed on the same side of the road at a distance of approx. 353 meter from the proposed site. This needs clarification.	<p>The establishment of retail outlets (i.e. Petrol Pumps) along road, at first required permissions NOC from concerned NHAI/PWD department.</p> <p>So, as per the MORTH standards for Petrol pump proposal use of forest land for approach/exit roads to petrol pump will purely on basis of NHAI/PWD approved Layout plan.</p> <p>The Ministry (MOEF) in consultation with the Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways issued guidelines under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 regarding the procedure for utilizing the land for approach/exit roads to petrol pumps.</p> <p>As per guidelines (F.No. 11-268/2014/FC) of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (FC Division) dated 11th July, 2014:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "requirement of forest land for construction of acceleration/de-acceleration lane and exit/entry openings shall be based on approved layout plan provided in guidelines issued by the Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways".• "if 2 or more fuel stations are to be constructed in closed proximity or adjacent to each other for some reasons, a common access and exit shall be provided". <p>For the above mention reason, Forest land area calculation & development of digital maps & KML file has been done in accordance with the approved Layout plan.</p>
2	As per Google earth imageries dated 25.05.2022, plantation activity (pits) has been observed on the proposed CA land. This need rectification/clarification.	As per the objection raised, Revised CA Digital Map, KML File and Toposheet and related document has attached.

The guideline has been attached for your reference.

So, we humbly request you to kindly consider it and accept the proposal.

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