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To

The Secretary
Government of Tripura,
Department of Environment & Forests,
Kunjaban, Agartala.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 1.96 ha of forest land for construction of drill site and waste pit and approach road at location TIDF under District Forest Officer, Sepahijala.

Ref: Letter No. F.6-1077/FC/For-2015/635-39 dated 25.01.2018 of Govt of Tripura.

Sir.

Please refer to the State Government's letter in the reference on the subject cited above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. The proposal referred above has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and rules/guidelines framed thereunder. State Govt is requested to kindly furnish the following information for further processing of this proposal:

- (i) Status of NBWL consent as the proposed area is in Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary.
- (ii) To clarify whether the submitted proposal is for prospecting/exploration or for exploitation/ extraction/harvesting of hydrocarbon/natural gas.
- (iii) A copy of the approved mining Plan dated 04.02.2009 as mentioned in the submitted form Form-A, Part I.
- (iv) To clarify whether any drilling activities had been taken up earlier in the proposed area as it is mentioned that out of 12 no wells drilled in Tichna PML, 03 wells were tested and declared as gas and moreover, 9 No of bore hole drilled in the forest area as submitted form Form-A, Part I.
- (v) The status of Environment Clearance of the proposed area.
- (vi) The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the proposed diversion of forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization/revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- (vii) The GPS coordinates of the proposed area in Degree Minutes second format.
- (viii) The cost benefit analysis of the project, if the proposal is for exploitation/extraction/harvesting of hydrocarbon/natural gas as per the new format.

(ix) The corrected shape/kml file of the proposed area as the submitted shape file is having 2.066 ha which is different from the proposed area submitted in hard copy.

Yours faithfully,

(R.L. Sanga) Conservator of Forests(C)

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(1) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Department of Environment & Forests, Government of Tripura, Agartala.

(R.L. Sanga)
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