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F.No. 3 AS C/136/2022/GHY/3612-13

16th February, 2023

सेवा मे,

अतिरिक्त प्रमुख सचिव/ Addl. Chief Secretary,
असम सरकार/Govt of Assam,
पर्यावरण और वन विभाग/Environment and Forests Department,
दिसपुर/Dispur, गुवाहाटी/Guwahati-781006.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 14.56 ha of forest land for widening/up-gradation of NH-29 from 2 lane to 4 lane divided NH from Daboka to Lahorijan in Sildharampur Reserved Forest and Patradisa & Longit DCRF under Karbi Anglong East Division, Diphu by NHIDCL.

Ref: (i) Letter No. ECF No.221358/182 dated 20.01.2023 of Govt of Assam.
(ii) Letter No.3-AS C/136/2022/GHY/3458-59 dated 03.01.2023 of Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati.

Sir,

With reference to the subject and letter cited above, I am directed to inform that the State Govt letter under reference (i) above has been examined in this office. However, as per the Para 44(e) of the judgement of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Re: T. N. Godavarman Thirumulpad Vs Union of India and Ors. reported in 2022 Live Law(SC) 540 dated 03.06.2022 as reproduced below:-
"44. (e) No new permanent structure shall be permitted to come up for whatsoever purpose within the ESZ". Moreover, in respect of this, MoEF&CC had filed an appeal I.A. on 07.09.2022 for modification/clarification and decision is still awaited from the Hon'ble court. However, in anticipation of a positive outcome in the Hon'ble Supreme Court State Govt is requested to expedite obtaining NBWL clearance of this instant proposal for further processing of this proposal.

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(Ms. Laetitia Jean Syiemiong)

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i/c Deputy Inspector General of Forests(C)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt of Assam, Environment and Forest Department, Aranya Bhawan, Rop Konwar Jyoti Prasad, Agarwal Path, Near Srimanta Sankardev Kalakhetra, Panjabari, Guwahati-781037 for kind information and necessary action.

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