

Government of West Bengal Directorate of Forests,

Office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Purulia Division.

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Memo No. 889/8-5/2(a),

Dated, Purulia, the

21/04/2017

From:

Divisional Forest Officer, Purulia Division.

Ranchi Road, Purulia

To

The Chief Engineer, Pump Storage Project Department

WBSEDCL, Vidyut Bhavan (5th floor),

Block – DJ, Sector – II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata – 700 091.

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Sub

Proposal for diversion of 234.00 ha. Forest land in favour of

WBSEDCL for construction of 1000 MV Turga Pumped Storage Project

in Ajodhya Hills under Purulia Forest Division

Proposal No. FP/WB/HYD/8214/2014)

Sir,

In connection with the said Project, the undersigned visited the proposed project site on the 31st March, 2017 in presence of the Divisional Engineer (Civil), PPSP, WBSEDCL, ADFO/Purulia Division, Asst. Engineer (Civil), PPSP, WBSEDCL and Range Officer, Baghmundi Range. During the visit, it was agreed that the user Agency shall do the following in order to facilitate the undersigned process the proposal.

- 1. Providing land schedule of forest land to be diverted.
- 2. Conducting a Joint GPS Survey of the Proposal area by the Range Officer, Baghmundi in presence of representatives of user agency.
- 3. Exploring possibilities of minimizing requirement of forest land by re-assessing road construction and avoiding proposal for use of multiple Rock quarries. Accordingly, a land schedule has been submitted by the user agency and a Joint GPS survey has been carried out by Beat Officer, Baghmundi and Beat Officer, Kalimati on 10.04.2017, 11.04.2017 and 12.04.2017 in presence of Divisional Engineer (Civil), PPSP, WBSEDCL and Assistant Engineer (Civil), PPSP, WBSEDCL.

After Survey of the Proposed area it has been found that the actual area as per GPS survey works out to be 272.507 ha. as against 234.00 ha. vide the said Proposal i.e. 38.507 ha. more than the proposed area and area as per land schedule submitted by you.

It appears that there are few new road alignments which can be avoided and in stead existing road alignment may be developed to make the suitable with an object of minimizing damage to forest.

You are, therefore, requested to make necessary amendments in the proposal and then submit a marking list of trees falling on land proposed for various construction sited in order to facilitate speedy disposal from this end.

Yours faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer,
Purulia Division.

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Copy forwarded for kind information, to:-

- 1. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/CAMPA & Nodal Officer, Forest Conservation Act, 1980, West Bengal.
- 2. The Chief Conservator of Forests, South-West Circle, West Bengal

Sd/Kumar Vimal, I.F.S.

Divisional Forest Officer, Purulia Division