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F. No. 3-AS B/046/2018-SHI/3902-03
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Dated: 3rd May, 2023

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 2.22 ha (original 2.28 ha) of forest land for drilling location KHDE in Rengma Reserved Forest under Golaghat Forest Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation., Jorhat.

Ref: (i) Letter No. ECF No.65496/127 dated 27.03.2023 of Govt. of Assam.

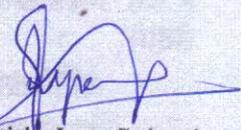
Sir,

Please refer to the State Govt letter on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980, I am directed to inform that the proposal referred above has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and rules/guidelines framed thereunder and following lacking information/documents has been observed: -

1. To submit the copy of the revised proposal as the same has not been found enclosed as mentioned in the State Govt letter above.
2. To clarify on the F(R)Act certificate as the submitted certificate is for 2.29 ha whereas; the proposed area is 2.22 ha.
3. To clarify on the submitted CA scheme as the submitted CA scheme is for 4.56 ha whereas; the actual CA area is double the degraded forest land of the proposed area i.e., $2.22 \times 2 = 4.44$ ha.
4. The clarification on aerial distance from the nearest boundary of Wildlife Sanctuary/ Protected Area/National Park as it mentioned as 34.674 km in DFO letter dated 30.01.2017 whereas mentioned as 14.31 km from Nambor Doigrung Wildlife Sanctuary in another DFO site inspection letter.
5. The Nodal Officer (FCA) recommended 2% of total project cost for HEC mitigation and wildlife conservation purposes whereas; the circle in-charge in his recommendation mentioned that the proposed site is free from any wildlife movement. State Govt to clarify on the contradictory report & recommendation.
6. The details of the total number of bore hole involved and its size.
7. The identified 4.56 ha CA area comprises of 4.282 ha moderately dense forest, 0.282 ha open forest as per DSS. State Govt is therefore to conduct site inspection of the identified CA area by an officer not below the rank of Conservator of Forest and report to be submitted mentioning vegetation and forest cover density with photographs of the inspecting officer taken at the site, or else, an alternate CA site is to be submitted along SOI maps, site suitability certificate, GPS-coordinates, shape file etc.

State Govt. is requested to furnish the above information to this office at the earliest for further processing of the proposal.

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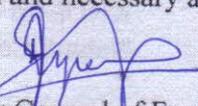


(Ms. Laetitia Jean Syiemiong)

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.



i/c Deputy Inspector General of Forests(C)