

## भारत सरकार Government of India पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, गुवाहाटी/Integrated Regional office, Guwahati



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सेवा में,

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

F. No. 3-AS B/ 099/2022/GHY/2529 - 2530

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 2.569 ha of forest land for drilling 6 Nos. of drill development wells from KHDH, KHDX, KHDY, KHDZ, KHEA and KHEB in Rengma reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC, Jorhat.

Ref: (i) Letter No. FRS.63/2022/56 dated 20.05.2022 of Govt of Assam.

Sir,

Please refer 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 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. State Govt to clarify whether any drilling activities has been carried out in drilling site 'KHDH' or not as the Conservator of Forest in Part III form mentioned that the proposal is for development of KHDH drilling site in Rengma Reserved Forest, if any, forest clearance detail is to be provided.
- 2. To clarify on the 6 Nos. of drilling location area as it is mentioned to be located in "Nambor South Reserved Forest" in the submitted justification for locating the project in forest land by the user agency, whereas; the same is mentioned as 'Rengma Reserved Forest' in the forwarding letter of State Govt.
- 3. As per the detail submitted at Sl. No. 8 in Part II form *"the entire RF is encroached by human being and not a habitat of wildlife animal"*. State Govt to provide the current status of the encroachment in the proposed area 2.569 ha.
- 4. The calculated revised rate of Net Present Value amount of the forest land being diverted in respect of this instant proposal as per the Ministry letter File No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 21.03.2022.
- 5. To submit the corrected site suitability certificate of the identified CA area in lieu of proposed diversion mentioning correct names of the proposed diversion i.e.6 Nos. development wells.
- 6. State Govt to clarify whether 2% NPV of the forest area involved in the "Khoraghat EXTN-1 PML" over an area of 88.97 Sq. Km in Golaghat District, Assam" has been

realized or not; and whether grant of forest clearance of the forest area involved in the PML as per Ministry's guideline dated 24.06.2015 has been completed or not.

- 7. The total forest area involved in the "Khoraghat EXTN-1 PML".
- 8. The number of bore hole and size involved in the proposed drilling location.
- 9. The current status of the Environment clearance of this instant proposal.
- 10. The undertaking certificate for NPV of this proposed site from the user agency.
- 11. The current status of Forest Right Act, 2006 certificate in respect of this proposed area.

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

Yours faithfully,

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(i) 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.

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