

## भारत सरकार Government of India पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय

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F.No.3 AN C/081/2022/GHY 3954-55

Dated: 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2023

## सेवा में,

The Principal Secretary Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change Itanagar- 791111

- Sub: Proposal for diversion of 19.52 ha of forest land for establishment of Golden Pagoda at Namsai under Namsai Forest Division, Namsai District of Arunachal Pradesh by General Administration, Namsai, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh-Reg.
- Ref: (i) Letter No. FOR.14.Cons/2020/2434-37 dated 26.04.2023 of Govt of Arunachal Pradesh.
  (ii)Letter No. F. No. 3 AN C 081/2022-GHY/2584-2585 dated 22.06.2022 of Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati.

## Sir,

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With reference to the above, I am directed to inform that the submitted State Govt letter under reference (i) above has been examined and observed that State Govt has drawn the following offence report and action taken report submitted is found to be incomplete:-

- a) No.MBR/01/2004-05 dated 10.02.2005 under section 25(a) of Assam Forest Regulation, 1891 against Shri Shiv Shankar Dutta, c/o Arunachal Trade Agencies, Namsai by the Range Officer, Manubhum Forest Range.
- b) No.MBR/03 of 2016-17 dated 03.03.2017 under F(C)Act, 1980 and Assam Forest Regulation Act 1891 & V/S 72(p) subrule (2) against Shri Ranjan Modi c/o Chow Sanyok Hupak, Namsai by the Range Officer, Manubhum Forest Range.
- c) No.MBR/01 of 2018-19 dated 19.04.2018 under section 25(a) of Assam Forest Regulation Act 1981 & under section 2(ii)& 2(iii) of F(C)Act, 1980 against EE, PWD Division, Namsai by the Range Officer, Maubhum Forest Range.
- d) No. MBR/04 of 2017-18 dated 22.12.2017 under section 25(a) of Assam Forest Regulation, 1891against Chow Tungpula Hopak, Namsai by the Range Officer, Manubhum Forest Range.
- e) No.TP/03 of 2017-18 dated 23.02.2018 under section 25(a) of Assam Forest Regulation Act, 1981 & under section 2(ii) & 2(iii) of F(C)Act, 1980 against Shri Korme & 10 others from Range Officer, Tengapani.

However no details on the progress outcome on the offense report are given. In view of the above, State Govt is requested to submit the complete action taken report as per Para 1.21 on the person responsible for violation of F(C)Act, 1980 on ex post facto approval penal provisions of Handbook of F(C)Act, 1980 and Forest Conservation Rules 2003 Guidelines along with the following lacking information to this office at the earliest for further processing of the proposal:-

- 1. To clarify the delay in detection of offence by the State Forest Department and the action initiated against the forest department officials for the lapse.
- 2. The site suitability certificate of the alternate CA site identified under Tengapani Reserved Forest.
- 3. The chief secretary certificate for non-availability of the non-forest land for compensatory afforestation as the CA site has been identified in Reserved Forest.
- 4. State Govt is to conduct site inspection of the proposed alternate CA area i.e., 40 ha 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. as the identified CA area comprises of 29.429 ha very dense forest and 10.428 ha moderately dense forest as per the DSS.
- 5. State Govt to provide the current status of OA No.25/2023 filed before Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, Eastern Bench at Kolkata.

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(Ms. Laetitia Jean Syiemiong) i/c Deputy Inspector General of Forests(C)

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, O/o PCCF, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Itanagar- 791111

Regulation Act, 1981 & under section 2011 & 2011) of F(C)Act, 1980 against Shri

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i/c Deputy Inspector General of Forests(C)