

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 चौथी मंजिल, हौसेफेड इमारत, जी एस रोड, रुक्मणी गाँव, गुवाहाटी- ७८१०२२ 4th Floor, Housefed building, GS Road, Rukmini gaon, Guwahati -781022 दरभाष /Tel Fax: 0361-2962350, E-mail: iro.guwahati-mefcc@gov.in



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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 C 096/2022/GHY/2572-2573

- Sub: Proposal for diversion of 9.23 ha forest land for 11 Nos. tower location (123 to 136 A) of 132 KV S/C Haflong-Jiribam Transmission line in Borail Wildlife Sanctuary (East Block) under Cachar Diision in favour of Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd.
- Ref: (i) Letter No. FRS.60/2022/86 dated 06.06.2022 of Govt of Assam.
 (ii) Letter No. 3-AS C 096/2022-GHY/2399-2400 dated 29.04.2022 of Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati.

Sir,

With reference to the subject and letter cited above, I am to inform that State Govt letter under reference (i) above has been examined in this office and observed the following lacking information:-

- 1. The consent of NBWL is to be submitted as the proposed area falls within the Borail Wildlife Sanctuary (East Block) under Cachar Forest Division, Silchar as the proposal is to be placed before the REC Meeting.
- 2. The forest clearance approval letter for the existing 11 Nos. towers of transmission line which are to be shifted for construction of 4-laning Balachera to Harangajao section of NH-54 (Ext) from Km 275.00 to 244.00 Km, if no forest clearance letter available, the reason thereof.
- 3. Justification on each 3 alternate route examined by mentioning the ecological parameters like forest cover, density of the forest, habitation etc. and the reason for selecting the proposed route as the submitted justification is vague.
- 4. The no objection certificate issued by PGCIL to NHIDCL for the use of the existing 11 Nos. tower location (123 to 136 A) of 132 KV S/C transmission line.
- 5. The comment of the State Govt as the proposed area is "INVIOLATE" due to the presence of hydrological layer as per the DSS report.
- 6. The identified CA area comprises of 20 ha moderately dense forest and 1 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, or else, an alternate CA site is to be submitted along with SOI maps, site suitability certificate, GPS-coordinates, shape file etc.

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

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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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