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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.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 2.1 ha of forest land for exploratory location KSAI in Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division in favour of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd., Jorhat.

Ref: (i) Letter No. FRS.85/2022/68 dated 11.07.2022 of Govt of Assam.

Sir,

Please refer the State Govt letter FRS.85/2022/68 dated 11.07.2022 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. The comment of the State Govt on the "INVIOLATE" status of the proposed area due to the presence of hydrological layer (Ox bow lakes) as per the DSS analysis.
- 2. The approved human elephant conflict mitigation and wildlife conservation plan by CWLW as recommended by the State Govt.
- 3. The local/scientific names of 50 Nos. of trees as mentioned in the submitted enumeration list.
- 4. The current status of the F(R) Act, 2006 certificate of the proposed area.
- 5. The number of the bore hole and its size involved in this proposal.
- 6. The current status of the forest clearance of the forest area of Kasomarigaon (addl.) Block PML of 56 sq Km under section 2 (iii) of F(C) Act, 1980.
- 7. The validity of the Kasomarigaon (PML) additional block area of 56 sq Km.
- 8. The status for realization of 2% NPV by State Govt of the forest area involved in the PML.
- 9. The revised NPV calculation of the proposed area as per the Ministry letter File. No. 5-3/1011-FC (Vol-I) dated 21.03.2022.
- 10. The cumulative impact study report of all the drilling/extraction sites located in the block of "Kasomarigaon Addl. PML" where the drilling location "KSAI" has been proposed.
- 11. The total forest area involved in the Kasomarigaon (addl.) Block PML.
- 12. The detail list of all the drilling & development sites located in the Kasomarigaon (addl.) Block PML area of 56 sq. Km with legal status of land and its forest clearance status.

13. The current status of the environment clearance of this instant proposed exploratory drilling location "KSAI".

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

Yours faithfully,

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