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अतिरिक्त मुख्य सचिव (वन) हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार, आर्म्सडेल बिल्डिंग, शिमला। (Email:- forestsecy-hp@nic.in)

- विषयः Diversion of 0.8223 ha of forest land in favour of M/S Behal Motors Plot No. 6-7, Industrial Area. Phase No.III, Suketi Khad Mandi HP, for the Construction of Jiwa-II, SHEP (1.75 MW) in Sub Division Banjar, District Kullu HP, within the jurisdiction of GHNP Shamshi Forest Division Distt. Kullu HP. (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/HYD/147118/2020).
- संदर्भः नोडल अधिकारी–सह–अतिरिक्त प्रधान मुख्य अरण्यपाल (एफ.सी.ए.), हि0प्र0 के पत्रांक 48–5530 / 2021 (एफ.सी.ए.) दिनांक 04.08.2022.

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषय पर संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करते हुए सूचित करना है कि प्रस्ताव में निम्नलिखित कमियां पाई गयी है। अतः राज्य सरकार निम्न बिन्दुओं पर आवश्यक सूचनाएं प्रेषित करने का कष्ट करें, ताकि अग्रिम कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित की जा सके:—

- 1. The DSS analysis of the proposed DA site was carried out. As per DSS analysis, the aerial distance of the proposed DA is at distance of 0.93 km from GHNP and 7.98 km from Sainj WLS. The report of PCCF, Wildlife & CWLW shows that the aerial distance of the proposed DA area is 6.0 km from the boundary of GHNP and 9.69 km from the boundary of Sainj WLS. There is huge difference in the aerial distances as per the DSS analysis and CWLW report. Therefore, differences in aerial distances may be reviewed and comments in this regard may be provided.
- 2. As per the Draft ESZ Notification, the extent of the Great Himalayan National Park Conservation Area (GHNPCA) {which covers Great Himalayan National Park, Khirganga National Park, Sainj WLS, and Tirthan WLS} varies from 500 meters to 6 Kms around the boundary of GHNPCA. The GHNPCA harbours variety of ecologically important flora and fauna, including Threatened/Endangered/Critically Endangered categories as well. As per the DSS analysis and the report of CWLW the proposed area falls within draft ESZ. Therefore, there is possibility of the adverse impact on the habitat of unique/endemic flora and fauna of GHNPCA, and hence State Govt. may review the proposal at the proposed site accordingly.
- 3. As per Para 12.3/12.4 of FCA guidelines and as per recent guidelines of MoEFCC OM dated 17th May 2022, any non-forestry activity located within the notified ESZ/located within default ESZ (i.e. 10 km from the boundary of PA) prior-approval of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife (NBWL). Therefore, comments on the same may be provided.
- 4. As per the DSS analysis, the proposed DA area falls in Very Dense Forest (VDF) Category. Therefore, State Govt. may review the same.
- 5. As per the KML file, no component is marked with distinct colours. Therefore, User Agency may mark all the components in distinct colours with name and be uploaded the revised KML file on the PARIVESH portal.
- 6 State Govt may provide the NOC/Gift deeds/Affidavit of the Non-forest land involved in the project may be provided.
- 7 It has been observed from the KML file that, diversion area is having slightly steep and prone to erosion. Therefore, State Govt. may provide details of the mitigation measures to be adopted to

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**1/10625/2022** arrest the accelerated soil erosion/land slide during/after execution of project. Additionally, the State Govt. may submit Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan along with detail cost of its implementation as per MoEF & CC vide letter No. FC11/43/2021-FC dated 07.06.2022.

- 8 All the dumping sites (7 no) are proposed in forest land. Therefore, the State Govt. may explore the non-forest area for muck dumping. If, the dumping sites are necessarily to be proposed in the forest land, the number of dumping sites and the area of the forest land involved must be reduced. State Govt. may provide/upload the Separate enumeration list of the dumping sites.
- 9 FRA Certificate along with all prescribed annexures including records of all consultations & meetings with Gram Sabha (s) & FRC (s) of all the concerned villages are not provided. Therefore same may be provided.
- 10. In Part-I, Additional Information Detail-4, the NOC of gram panchayat "Dehuridhar" has been given, however in the population detail is submitted for village "Raila" and sub village "Bhiyali". Therefore, State Govt may provide the complete list of villages benifited from the proposed project.
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- 12. Legible copy of Layout Plan showing all the components with distinct colours duly authenticated by the concerned DFO is required to be submitted and the same shall be uploaded on the PARIVESH portal as well.
- 13. In part-I, Para-I, status of the Wild clearance (Whether the Project or a part thereof is located in any Protected Area or their Eco sensitive zone?) is mentioned as "No", however as per the comments of PCCF (CWLW) the proposed area is falls inside the ESZ of GHNP. Therefore State Govt. may rectify and review the same.
- 14. Beneficiary village/s is required to be marked on the KML.
- 15. In Part II, Para 8 (i), it is submitted that there is no wildlife present in and around the DA site. However, the DA area falls in ESZ of GHNP, which is habitat of many endangered/vulnerable/endangered/critically endangered species of fauna. Therefore, State Govt may fill the full details of wildlife present over the proposed DA area.
- 16. As the proposed diversion area falls GHNPCA, therefore the State Government may provide Wildlife Management Plan along with detail cost of its implementation as per recent guidelines of MoEF & CC dated 7th June, 2022.
- 17. Large number no. of Ecologically important trees (*Quercus leucotrichophora*) Salix Spp. and (*Rhododendron arboretum*) are proposed for felling. Therefore, possibility of reducing the numbers of trees to be affected may be explored or rationalisation to be done in the layout of the proposal to reduce green felling. Further, a list of trees which are required to be felled and retained may be provided.
- 18. State Govt may provide/upload the Abstract of trees, duly authenticated by DFO concerned.
- 19. The revised NPV calculation sheet/bill as per revised NPV rates by MoEF & CC dated 06.01.2022 may be provided.
- 20 (i) Brief note on the project has been provided, however it does not mention about how the power will be evacuated from power house through transmission line.

(ii) The State Govt. may further clarify whether the transmission line will be under ground or above ground

21 (i) Detailed list of proposals approved/existing/proposed in the river basin area/landscape and their impact shall be provided.

(ii) KML files/digital map showing location of these HEPs and their distances from nearest PA and their final/draft notified ESZ as mentioned in MoEF & CC OM dated 13.05.2022 for various hydel projects of Himachal Pradesh may be provided.

(iii) Approved capacity in terms of hydro-electricity generation potential of the river/rivulet may be provided.

22. (i) The status of proposed CA land along with the documentary proof may be provided, whether it is a Govt. Wasteland declared as UPF under HP Govt. notification, 1952 or is notified as UPF/DPF under IFA, 1927 and is in possession of H.P Forest department or not.

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- (ii) State Govt. may submit document regarding the suitability of land for CA in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion in terms of its vicinity to the area being proposed for DA and/or contiguity with the existing forest area and also ensure the manageability as per the latest Guidelines of MoEF & CC vide letter No. 11-423/2011-FC dated 13.07.2022.
  - 23. State Govt. may provide the details regarding the power Evacuation Plan mentioning capacity of transmission line and mode of transmission. Also, State Govt. may clarify whether transmission line is underground or above ground.
  - 20. An undertaking that User agency shall ensure adherence to stipulated e-flow as recommended by the Govt. of HP and other regulatory authority for the conservation and development of aquatic flora and fauna.

यदि चाही गई सूचना पत्र जारी होने की तिथि के 60 दिनों के भीतर (अधिकतम 90 दिन) इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं हुई तो प्रस्ताव को निरस्त किया जा सकता है।

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