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To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests--Cum Principal Secretary Deptt. of Forests, Environment & Wildlife Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh Itanagar.

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 3.12 ha. of forest land for construction of Dikshi Hydro Electric Project (24 MW) in West Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Devi Energies Pvt. Ltd.

Sir.

This has got reference to the State Government's letter No FOR. 401/Cons/2011/2823-26 dated 05.12.2012 on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. After careful consideration of the proposal, In-principle approval was granted vide this office letter of even number dated 06.05.2013 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The State Government has furnished compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval and has requested the Central Government to grant final aproval.

- 2. In this connection and on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. FOR. 401/Cons/2011/6865-69 dt. 21.11.2013, final approval of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion 3.12 Ha forest land for construction of Dikshi Hydro Electric Project (24 MW) in West Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh by M/s Devi Energies Pvt. Ltd, subject to the following conditions:
- (1) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation (CA) shall be carried out over 6.5 ha. of degraded Community Forest land at Thungri Village under Rupa Range in a single patch as per the fund deposited by the User Agency & scheme furnished by the State Govt.
- (3) As per guidelines of MoEF (No. 8-84/2002-FC dt. 03.02.2004) the degraded Community Forest Land which has already been mutated in favour of State Forest Department shall be declared RF / PF under Section 4 & 20 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or other equivalent laws under State Acts at the earliest.
- (4) Additional amount of the Net present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land becoming due after finalization/revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India shall be charged by the State Govt from the User Agency.
- (5) The user agency shall carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites in a proper manner so as to avoid its rolling down into valley / river / water channels etc.

(6) The dumping area for muck shall be stabilized and plantation of suitable species shall be carried out over stabilized dumps on the cost of the user agency under the supervision of State Forest Department. Retaining walls and terracing shall also be carried out to hold the dumping material in place. Stabilization and reclamation of such dumping sites shall be completed before handing over the same to the State Forest Department as per schedule & plans.

(7) The Catchment Area Treatment Plan shall be implemented at the project cost under the

supervision of State Government.

(8) The planting of native species shall be undertaken on vacant land along the banks of reservoir.

(9) No tree felling in the area between FRL and and FRL-4 m. levels shall be carried out.

- (10) The User Agency shall provide fuelwood, preferably alternate fuel to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on adjacent forest areas.
- (11) The The User Agency shall not collect any toll tax from the vehicles carrying forest officers on duty.
- (12) The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 as per Hon'ble Supreme Court order Dated 27.2.2012 in I.A. No.12-13 of 2011 in Sc (C) No. 19628 19629 of 2009 in matter of Deepak Kumar etc. Vs. State of Haryana and Ors as circulated vide Ministry's O.M. No. L-11011/47/2011-IA II (M) Dated 18.5.2012 in all stone, sand, earth, mines/quarries. State Govt. to comply with O.A. No. 171 of 2013 Dated 5.8.2013 order of National Green Tribunal.
- (13) The User Agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for stone, river sand, river boulders in forest land.
- (14) No labour camp shall be set up or any habitation shall be allowed to come up either over diverted or non-diverted forest land in the vicinity.
- (15) There shall be no damage done to the surrounding forests, environment, wildlife, natural resources and other properties; the same shall be compensated along with the reclamation measures in case a damage is found.
- (16) All the components of the Environment Management Plan (EMP) shall be implemented by the User Agency in co-ordination with the different agencies of the State Government.
- (17) All other clearances / NOCs under different rules / regulations / local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF, New Delhi guideline No. 11-9/98-FC(Pt) dated 05.02.2013 shall be complied with.
- (18) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (19) Any other conditions as may be found appropriate in future for the betterment of environment & wildlife, may be imposed by North Eastern Regional Office.

This is issued with the approval of Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (C).

Yours faithfully,

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