

Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Forests,

No.Ft.48-1712/2008(FCA)

Dated Shimla-171002, the 15-1-13

Subject: Diversion of 17.6857 ha of forest land for construction of 130 MW Integrated Kashang Stage-II & III Hydro Electric Project in favour of M/s Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Limited in Kinnaur district of Himachal Pradesh.


Consequent upon approval of Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India vide their letter No. F.No.9HPC365/09-CHA dated 14th June 2011 under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980, Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to accord sanction for diversion of 17.6857 ha of forest land for construction of 130 MW Integrated Kashang Stage-II & III Hydro Electric Project in Kinnaur District in favour of M/s H.P. Power Corporation Limited subject to following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory Afforestation will be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.
3. Minimum number of trees will be removed as are unavoidable but in any case exceeding 475 No trees (four hundred seventy five) & 155 (one hundred fifty five) Saplings involved as proposed. Efforts will be made to retain maximum number of trees.
4. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
5. The User Agency shall implement all the conditions of the Muck Rehabilitation Plan under supervision of the State Forest Department at the project cost.
6. In addition to condition 5 above, following activities shall be undertaken by the User Agency under supervision of the State Forest Department at the project cost:-
 - (i) The User Agency should ensure that muck does not roll down the slopes. All such areas where muck has rolled down the slopes shall be

rehabilitated at the cost of User Agency and under the supervision of State Forest Department.

- (ii) Construction of check dams, retention/ toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour.
 - (iii) The dumping area should be stabilized and reclaimed and plantation of suitable species be carried out over dumping areas at the cost of the User Agency under the supervision of State Forest Department. Retaining walls and terracing shall 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 in a time bound manner as per Plan.
7. The State Government shall implement the recommendations of the Standing committee of NBWL on the EIA/EMP of the project area and its impact on Lipa and Asrang Wildlife Sanctuary.
 8. The user agency shall set up Ecological Monitoring Unit to monitor the impact of the project on flora and fauna of the area.
 9. The user agency shall keep the effect of camping labourers on the flora and fauna during the construction phase of 48 months at minimum by providing an alternate fuel for cooking and heating.
 10. The entire reservoir created due to submergence shall be declared Reserve Forest under Indian Forest Act, 1927. However, regulated fishing shall be allowed.
 11. The Catchment Area Treatment Plan should be implemented at the project cost under supervision of the State Government.
 12. Green belt of adequate width shall be raised by the user agency around the reservoir at the cost of the project.
 13. The User Agency shall implement the outcome of the basin level study on the impact of HEPs on the flora & fauna of the as per the TOR submitted to MoEF.
 14. The User Agency to consult other companies having experience in construction of roads in hilly area such as BRO to avoid frequent road blockade due to landslides, etc. and shall provide breast walls and retaining walls wherever necessary.
 15. The forest land thus diverted shall be non-transferable. Whenever the forest land is not required, it shall be surrendered to the State Forest Department under intimation to this Ministry.

16. Other standard conditions as applicable to proposals relating to Hydro Electric Projects will be applicable in this case also.
17. Any other condition that the Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) Regional Office, Chandigarh, may impose from time to time for protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area, shall also be applicable.
18. Trees involved in the proposal should be got removed through H.P. State Forest Development Corporation.
19. A lease- deed of the forest land shall be executed by the user agency with Collector -cum- Deputy Commissioner, District Kinnaur.

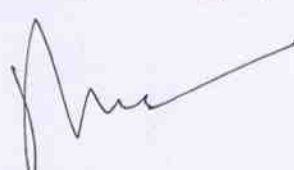

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