F. No. IA-J-11011/575/2017-IA-II(I) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (IA- II Section)

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Dated: 22nd February, 2018

To

M/s Oilmax Energy Private Limited 3-A, Omkar Esquare, Chunnabhatti Signal Eastern Express Highway, Sion (E) <u>Mumbai</u> - 400 022

Sub: Onshore oil and gas development & production in Duarmara Block, Margherita, District Tinsukia (Assam) by M/s Oilmax Energy Private Limited - Terms of Reference - reg.

Sir,

This has reference to your proposal No. IA/AS/IND2/71746/2017 dated 21st December, 2017, with project documents including Form 1, draft Terms of References and Pre-feasibility Report (PFR) on the above subject matter.

- 2. The proposal is for terms of reference to the project for onshore oil & gas development and production in Duarmara Block covering an area of 9 sq km at Margherita, District Tinsukia (Assam) by M/s Oilmax Energy Private Limited. For the present, 9 wells are proposed to be drilled covering an area of 110 m X 110 m per well location.
- 3. The estimated project cost is Rs. 30.00 Crores. Total capital cost earmarked towards environmental pollution control measures is Rs. 50.0 Lakhs and the recurring cost (operation and maintenance) will be about Rs. 5.0 Lakhs per annum. Total Employment will be for 100 persons as direct & about 250 persons indirect.
- 4. There are no national parks, wildlife sanctuaries, Biosphere Reserves, Tiger / Elephant Reserves, Wildlife Corridors etc. within 10 km from the project site. River Deihing is flowing at a distance of 10 km in South direction.
- 5. Total water requirement is 20 cum/day and will be met from Tanker supply. Effluent of 5.0 KLD will be treated through mobile Effluent Treatment Plant and treated effluent will be used for green belt development.

Power requirement per well will be 2250 KVA and will be met from DG sets of adequate capacity (Approx. 2000 KVA for rig operation & 250 KVA for Camp). Stack (height of 18m & 10 m) will be provided as per CPCB norms to the proposed DG sets.

6. The project/activity is covered under category A of item 1(b) 'Offshore and onshore oil and gas exploration, development & production' of the Schedule to the Environment Impact Assessment Notification, 2006, and requires appraisal at central level by the sectoral Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) in the Ministry.

- 7. The proposal and draft terms of reference (ToR) was considered by the EAC (Industry -2) in its meeting held on 22-24, January, 2018. The committee has recommended the project for grant of terms of reference for preparation of EIA/EMP reports, to enable consideration of the proposal for environmental clearance. The ToR shall include the standard ToR as specified/notified for such projects/activities, and the additional condition as under:-
 - (i) Public hearing/consultation to be conducted by the State Pollution Control Board as per the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006.
- **8.** Based on recommendations of the EAC, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, hereby accords terms of reference stated in para 7 above to the project for preparation of EIA/EMP reports, as stipulated by the Committee.
- 9. You are required to submit the final EIA/EMP report prepared by the consultants accredited with the Quality Council of India/National Accreditation Board of Education and Training (QCI/NABET) to the Ministry within three years, for consideration for environmental clearance.

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- 1. The Additional PCCF (C), MoEF&CC Regional Office (NEZ), Law-U-Sib, Lumbatngen, Near MTC Workshop, Shillong
- 2. The Member Secretary, Pollution Control Board Assam, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati (Assam)- 21
- 3. Guard File/Monitoring File/Website/Record File