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To,

Member Secretary, EAC-Industry Projects 2,
Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Baugh, New Delhi -3

Sub: Reply to Additional Detail Sought (ADS) dated 13.07.2020 for the project
"Development (2Nos.)/Exploratory (3Nos.) wells, Group Gathering station and
pipe line Kasomarigaon by M/s Oil and Natural Gas Corporation"

Ref File: F. No. J-11011/30/2012-IA-II(I)

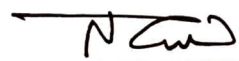
Sir,

This is in reference to the ADS raised for the said case. The following reply is
submitted herewith for your kind consideration:

SI no	Additional Detail Sought	Reply
1	Please provide the following information for further action into the matter: Whether the user agency had sought permission for exploration by applying on form C or form A need to be ascertained	Permission for exploration was sought by applying in Form-A. Supporting documents enclosed as Annexure-1
2	Copy of approvals granted under FCA 1980 may kindly be provided for confirmation.	Copy of approvals enclosed as Annexure-2

This is for your kind perusal and necessary action at your end.

With Regards,


14/07/2020
Niva Tamuli
Head HSE, Jorhat Asset
ONGC, Jorhat

FORM-'A'

(As per rule 6)

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposal by the state Govt. and authorities (see rule-4)

PART-I

(To be filled by user agency)

1. Project details: (i) Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which land is required.	<p>Proposal for Diversion of Forest land for Drill site KSAC for exploration of hydrocarbon as below:</p> <p>(1) For drillsite 130M X 130M = 1.69 Hectare.</p> <p>(2) For approach road = 0.869 Hectare.</p> <p>Total Land = 1.7796 \approx 1.78 Hectare.</p>
(ii) Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 scale map.	Map enclosed with highlight in the respective forest area (Plate-I).
(iii) Cost of the project	Rs 4 crores to 5 crores (Approx. cost of Total Project i.e., cost of road, cost of drill site including total cost of drilling)
(iv) Cost benefit analysis (to be enclosed)	Not applicable as per handbook of Forest Conservation Act 1980, Forest Conservation Rules, 2003, Guidelines and Clarifications at page 61, Annexure-VI (a). Exploration of hydrocarbon is of national importance, no alternative site is feasible as this site is released after elaborate scientific studies of that area.
(v) Justification for locating the project in the forest area.	During execution of work, local people shall get temporary employment avenue as casual labor besides value addition to the national economy which can not be assessed at this stage.
(vi) Employment likely to be generated.	1.78 Hectares (As per point I above).
2. Purpose-wise break up the local land required.	
3. Details of displacement of people due to project if any	
(i) Number of families	Nil
(ii) Number of SC/ST families	Nil
(iii) Rehabilitation plan (to be enclosed)	No rehabilitation required.
4. Whether clearance under environment Act 1986 required (Yes/No)	Applied for.

5. Undertaking to bear the cost raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of safety zone, etc. as per the scheme prepared by the State Govt. (undertaking to be enclosed).	Cost of compensatory afforestation will be paid by ONGC.
6. Details of certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions.	Enclosed.

Date:

Place: Jorhat.

Signature

Dhruba Jyoti Borthakur
01/02/10

(Name in Capital Letters): DHRUBA JYOTI BORTHAKUR

Designation: SG(S),

I/C LAQ

Address of the user agency: LAQ Section

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd,

Assam and Assam Arakan Basin,

Dhansiri Bhawan, Cinnamara Complex

Jorhat, Assam.

State Serial No. of the proposal: _____

(To be filled in by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest).

KSAB- (DAYANG RESERVE FOREST)

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposal by the state Govt. and authorities (see rule -4)

PART-I

(To be filled up by user agency)

1. Project details :

- (i) Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which their land is required. : Proposal for permission of drilling for oil exploration at KSAB in Dayang Reserve Forest.
- (ii) Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 scale map. : Annexure I
- (iii) Cost of the project: : Cannot be assessed at this stage. approximately 3-4 crores.
- (iv) Cost benefit analysis (to be enclosed) : Cannot be assessed at this stage. It is an exploratory drilling.
- (v) Justification for locating the project in forest area. : For exploration of hydrocarbon in geologically in the favourable structure. Any alternative from the proposed site may hamper the exploration of project.
- (vi) Employment likely to be generated. : On successful completion of exploration the nearby public will be economically benefited besides National income that cannot be assessed at this stage.

2. Purpose wise break up of the total land required.

for drill site area $130m \times 130m = 1.69$ Hec
app. road $15m \times 15m = 225$ sm = 0.025 Hec
 $70m \times 7.5m = 525$ sm = 0.025 Hec
total = 1.74 Hec

3. Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any

- (i) Number of families : NIL
- (ii) Number of SC/ST families : NIL
- (iii) Rehabilitation plan (to be enclosed) : No Rehabilitation involved.

4. Whether clearance under environment (protection) act 1986 required? (yes/no)

N/A

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5. Undertaking to bear the cost raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of safety zone, etc as per the scheme prepared by the state Govt (undertaking to be enclosed).

: Cost of compensatory afforestation as for Annexure

6. Details of certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions.

: Enclosed.

Signature

(Name in capital block letters) : (ALOK MISRA)

Designation : DGM-I/C, HR-ER

Address (of user agency) :

Oil and Natural Gas Corpn. Ltd

Assam & Assam Arakan Basin

Cinnamara, Jorhat (Assam)

Date:

Place:

State serial no of the proposal _____
(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest.)



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No.3-AS B 035/2011-SHI/1609-11

21th August, 2012

To

The Secretary (Forests)
Government of Assam
Guwahati

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 1.78 ha (revised 2.55ha) of forest land for exploratory drilling of proposed location KSAC under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC.

Sir,

This has got reference to the State Government's letter No.FRS.51/2010/66 dated 21.02.2011 and No. FG.27./Nodal/Drilling location/ONGC/KSAC dated Guwahati the 6th August 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 of the State Government, I am directed to inform that the Central Government hereby conveys its Final approval for diversion of 1.78 ha (revised 2.55ha) of forest land for drilling of proposed location KSAC under Golaghat Division in favour of ONGC at Dayang RF under Golaghat Division subject to following conditions:-

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) Compensatory afforestation shall be raised by the State Forest Department over 5.10 ha of degraded forest land identified at Golaghat Range in Golaghat Forest Division of Golaghat district as per the scheme furnished by the State Govt. and fund to be deposited by the user Agency.
- (iii) Permanent demarcation of forest land proposed for diversion shall be done on the ground at project cost before handing over the forest land to the User Agency.
- (iv) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- (v) The User Agency shall not expand its occupation or use surrounding forest/forest land in any manner otherwise expressed in this clearance.
- (vi) Land so diverted shall revert back to the Forest Department in case it is not needed for the above use after due restoration to its original status (as far as possible and to the satisfaction of state Forest Deptt.).
- (vii) The User Agency shall take all possible precautions & care all the time not to impact adversely the surrounding forests and forest land by their actions/activities.
- (viii) Tree felling shall be done only when absolutely unavoidable and such removal, if any, shall be done under the supervision of the Forest Department.

- (ix) All other applicable 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. 11-9/1998-FC(Pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with.
- (x) Any other conditions as may be found appropriate in future for the betterment of environment & wildlife, may be imposed by CCF (C), North Eastern Regional Office.

Yours faithfully,



(B. S. Kharmawphlang)

I/c Chief Conservator of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt. of Assam, Rehabari, Guwahati.
2. The Nodal Officer, O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Govt. of Assam, Rehabari, Guwahati.



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Ministry of Environment & Forests
North Eastern Regional Office

No. 3- AS B 061/2007-SHI/1209-11

June 12, 2008

To

The Secretary (Forests)
Government of Assam
Guwahati

Sub : Proposal for diversion of 1.80 ha of forest land for drilling location KSAB under Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. FRS. 33/2007/23 dt. 12.06.2007 & No. FRS. 104/2008/13 dt. 28.05.2008 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 of the State Government of Assam, the Central Government hereby **conveys its approval for diversion of 1.80 ha of forest land for exploratory drilling location KSAB** under Doyang Reserved Forest under Golaghat Division of Golaghat District, Assam, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) Compensatory Afforestation shall be carried over double the area in degraded forest land i.e. 3.53 ha under North Nambor Reserve Forest (outside Nambor Doigrung Wildlife Sanctuary) of Golaghat Range, Golaghat Division at the cost of User Agency by the State Forest Department.
- (iii) Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (iv) All the above funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred to the CAMPA Fund (CAF) in **Account No CA 1588** of Corporation Bank, Block 11, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110 003 OR Union Bank of India, Sunder Nagar Branch, New Delhi (A/c No.344901010070128)
- (v) The user agency shall not reassign any part of the exploratory drilling to any other organization or individual.
- (vi) The user agency shall not utilize more than the area approved for diversion of exploratory drilling.

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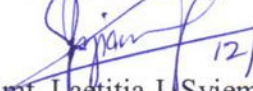
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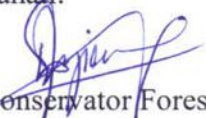
- (vii) Exploratory drilling shall commence after prior intimation to DFO of the area and shall commence and be completed under the overall supervision of the DFO of the area.
- (viii) Drilled material shall neither be disposed off over the adjacent forest area nor the oil/rejects from the drills be allowed to flow over it. Waste drill mud/cuttings and other solid wastes arising from exploratory drilling shall be disposed off in a secured landfill.
- (ix) The forest area shall promptly be handed over to the State Forest Department when no longer required by the user agency. However, user agency will undertake reclamation according to the reclamation plan to be prepared in consultation with the concerned DFO.
- (x) Environmental/pollution control measures shall be implemented according to the stipulations issued by the competent authority. Monitoring report on compliance of air, water, noise and solid wastes quality shall be submitted to the regional office. All parameters should confirm to the prescribed norms.
- (xi) Permission of exploratory drilling does not ipso-facto imply any commitment on the part of the Central Goyt. for permanent diversion of forest land for production of oil/gas in the event of the success of exploratory efforts.
- (xii) All the projects which were accorded forest clearance for exploratory drilling and which have been subsequently taken up for further oil development works shall be submitted for obtaining fresh forest clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act.
- (xiii) In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions the Nodal Officer, Assam shall suspend the non-forest use of land and submit a report to this office.
- (xiv) Any other conditions as may be found appropriate on future for the better conservation of environment & wildlife may be imposed by CCF (C), North Eastern Regional Office.

Yours faithfully,


(Smt. Lactitia J. Syiemiong)
Dy. Conservator Forests (C)

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