GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR CIVIL SECRETARIAT, FOREST DEPARTMENT

Subject:- Diversion of Forest Land for construction of 330 MW Hydro Electric Project (Kishenganga) at Gurez/Bandipora of Bandipora Forest Division.

Reference:- Cabinet Decision No. 1/Cir dated 13.01.2005.

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Sanction is accorded to the diversion of forest land measuring 126.00 Ha. of forest carea falling in Compartment NOs, 49, 52,54,55,56,57,58,59,65, and 66/Gurez and 82,83 and 84/Khuihama, Range Gurez and Khuihama of Bandipora Forest Division for construction of 330 MW Hydro Electric Project (Kishenganga) at Gurez/Bandipora on the following terms and conditions:

- i. The proprietary status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- ii. The forest land so diverted shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it has been diverted. It shall not be transferred to any other agency without approval of the Forest Department.
- iii. The forest land so diverted shall not be mortgaged, re-assigned or sub-leased by user agency in any manner whatsoever to any other agency.
- iv. The user agency shall pay compensation of land on account of change of land use equivalent to Rs.4,03,00,000/-.
- v. The user agency shall pay Rs.5,52,07,124/- on account of compensation of 16132 number of trees of different dia-classes @ two times of the standard rate of 1992.
- vi. The user agency shall pay Rs.1,51,20,000/-on account of Compensatory Afforestation to be carried over 252 Ha. of degraded forest land.
- vii. The user agency shall construct complete retaining/breast walls on the both sides of the road and take other necessary steps, so as to minimize soil erosion/land slides.
- viii. The extraction of trees shall be done by SFC/Forest Department on the basis of marked list duly approved by Conservator of Forests, Working Plan Circle.
- ix. Any damage done to the forest by the user agency or its employees, contractors or people employed by them shall be charged from the user agency @ ten times the standard rate of 1992 as penalty.
- x. The forest land so diverted shall return to the Forest Department, when it is no longer required by the user agency without any cost.
- xi. The user agency shall deposit the amount of Compensation for the forest land to be diverted and the compensation for 16132 trees felled and damage done with the DFO Bandipora. However the cost of compensatory afforestation shall be deposited with the Chief Accounts Officer in the office of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K Govt., as per SRO-203 dated 13.04.2000.
- xii. The Environment Impact Assessment shall be made by the user agency.

The proposal stands cleared/approved by the Advisory Committee in its 27th meeting held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary on 01.12.2004.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

Principal Secretary/Secretary to Government, Forest Department.

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NO:- FST/Land/38/2004

Dated: 17 .01.2005.

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Copy to the:-

- 1. Principal Secretary and Secretary to Government General Adm.Department.
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K Jammu.
- 3. Conservator of Forests, Working Plan Member Secretary (Advisory Committee)
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