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Date - 13.12.2016

The Additional Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Gol
Central Regional Office,
Pearson Road, FRI Campus
P.O. New Forest Dehradun
Uttarakhand – 248006

Dear Sir,

Sub: Bajoli Holi Project, District Chamba, Himachal Pradesh -Annual compliance report of diversion of forest land (75.304 Ha)

Ref: i) GoHP letter no Ft.42-164/2013 (FCA) Dt. 28-Jan-13
ii) MoEF letter no 8-43/2011-FC Dt. 26-Oct-12

As you are aware that Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF), Gol and Forest dept., GoHP had accorded permission for diversion of 75.304 Ha forest land for the implementation of Bajoli Holi HEP (180 MW) located in District Chamba of Himachal Pradesh vide letters dated 26-Oct-12 and 28-Jan-13 respectively.

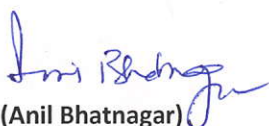
As per the condition no 14 of the above referred letters, user agency is required to submit annual compliance report of the conditions mentioned in the approval letters. Accordingly, we hereby submit the compliance report for the Fourth year (Nov' 2015 to Oct' 2016). We trust this meets the requirement.

We are willing to provide additional details in this regard.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

For GMR Bajoli Holi Hydro Power Private Limited



(Anil Bhatnagar)
Project Director

Encl: As Above

Copy to: Under Secretary (Forest), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Civil Secretariat, Shimla-171002

4th Yearly Compliance report for GoHP letter dated 28-Jan-13 & MoEF letter dated 26-Oct-12 for Forest land Diversion

Sr. No.	Conditions of GoHP letter	Status on 31-Oct- 2016
1	Legal status of diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	Noted.
2	The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) will be raised and maintained over double the area proposed for diversion in a degraded forest land at the cost of User Agency	Implemented by Forest Dept., GoHP. Payment of Rs. 2.52 Cr already made by GBHPL to Forest Dept. in Sept-2011 towards CA.
3	The User Agency shall pay the additional NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.	Noted.
4	The State Government shall ensure that minimum flow at all time is maintained as per the recommendation of cumulative impact assessment study.	Noted and will be complied.
5	The user agency shall set up Ecological Monitoring Unit to monitor the impact of the project on flora and fauna of the area.	The "Ecological Monitoring Unit" establishment at project site is under way. Second Ecological Monitoring report for year 2014 was submitted to DFO, Bharmour, HP on 29th June 2015. Being undertaken at site
6	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 alternate fuel for cooking and heating.	
7	The entire reservoir created due to submergence shall be declared Reserve Forest under Indian Forest Act, 1927. However, regulated fishing shall be allowed.	Discussion with Forest department, GoHP is underway to do the needful for declaration of Reserve Forest. The regulated fishing will be allowed as per GoHP policy.
8	Catchment Area Treatment Plan should be implemented at the project cost under the supervision of the State Government.	Payment of Rs. 43 Cr already submitted to Dept. of Forest, GoHP. Implementation is being done by Dept. of Forest, GoHP.
9	Green belt of adequate width shall be raised by the user agency around the reservoir at the cost of the project.	Till date 2200 plantation is being done. Next plantation will be done from June to Aug, 2017.
10	The user agency shall carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites in such a manner so as to avoid its rolling down.	Muck is disposed off at pre designated sites and we are submitting the Muck Dumping Statement to HPSPCB on

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		Monthly basis.
11	The dumping area for muck disposal shall be stabilized and reclaimed by planting suitable species by the user agency at the cost of project 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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted, after filling of full capacity of Dumping sites & its utilization for aggregate production during construction stage, reclamation work will be undertaken with the consultation of Forest department, GoHP. Stabilization work is continued as per direction HPSPCB,
12	The User agency to consult other companies having experience in construction of roads in hilly areas such as BRO to avoid frequent road blockade due to landslides etc. and shall provide breast walls and retaining walls wherever necessary.	Noted.
13	Other standard conditions as applicable to proposals relating to Hydro Electric Projects will be applicable in this case also.	Noted.
14	The user agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the State Government and to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry regularly.	Being complied regularly.
15	Any other condition that the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chandigarh, may impose from time to time for the protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area.	Noted & will be complied
16	Minimum number of trees will be removed as are unavoidable but in case not exceeding 4915 No trees (Four thousand nine hundred fifteen) as proposed. Efforts will be made to retain maximum number of trees. Trees involved in the proposal should be got removed through H.P. State Forest Development Corporation.	Total 4279 Tree felling were carried out by H.P. State Forest Development Corporation.
17	A lease- deed of the forest land shall be executed by the user agency with Collector-cum Deputy Commissioner. District Chamba.	Noted. Execution of lease deed has been done successfully
18	The forestland thus diverted shall be non-transferable. Whenever the forest land is not required, it shall be surrendered to State Forest Department under intimation to this Ministry.	Noted and will be complied as per GoHP rules.

Approved