DIBANG MULTIPURPOSE PROJECT (2880 MW), ARUNACHAL PRADESH

SIX MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS

PROGRESS FOR THE PERIOD: ENDING MARCH' 2024

1.	Name of the Project	Dibang Multipurpose Project (2880 MW)		
2.	Type of the Project	Hydroelectric Power Project.		
3.	Clearance Letter(s) OM No. & Date a) Environmental clearance	a) Letter No. J-12011/25/2009-IA.I dated 19.05.2015.		
	b) Forest clearance	b) Letter No.8-85/2011-FC dated 15.04.2015 (FC Stage-I) Letter No.8-85/2011-FC dated 12.03.2020 (FC Stage-II)		
4.	Locations a) District(s) b) State(s) c) Latitude d) Longitude	 a) Lower Dibang Valley District & Dibang Valley District b) Arunachal Pradesh c) 28°11′50″N to 29°25′59″N d) 95°14′47″E to 95°36′49″ E 		
5.	Address for Correspondence a) Address of concerned Project Head (with pin code, telephone / fax nos.)	a) Executive Director, Dibang Multipurpose Project, NHPC Limited Mayu Sector, P.O. Roing, Distt. Lower Dibang Valley, Arunachal Pradesh - 792 110 Phone: 03803-222002		
	b) Address of concerned HOD in Corporate Office (with pin code & Telephone / fax no.)	b) Environment & Diversity Management Division NHPC Limited, NHPC Office Complex, Sector - 33, Faridabad, Haryana- 121 003 Phone: 0129-2254674		
6.	Details of Environmental Management Plans	As per Annex-I		
7.	Break-up of the Project area (land details) a) Submergence area (forest & non-forest)	Total land: 5606.70 ha a) Forest land (USF/ Community land : 3494 ha Non-Forest (Govt./ Private/WRC) land : Nil		
	b) Others	b) Forest land: 1083.84 ha. Non-Forest (Govt./ Private) land: 1028.86 ha.		
8.	Break-up of the Project affected population with enumeration of those losing houses/dwelling units only,	Fully Affected Families: 115* Fully Affected Population: 328*		

	agricultural lands only, both dwelling	Partially Affecte	ed Families: 744*		
	units and agricultural land and	Partially Affecte	ed Population: 1549*		
	landless labourers/artisans.	a) SC/ST	: 744 (All PAFs are	e STs)	
	a) SC/ST/Adivasis	b) Others	: Nil		
	b) Others	* As per Socio	-economic survey con	ducted during EIA &	
		EMP studies an	d Environment Clearan	ce	
9.	Financial details				
	a) Project cost as originally planned	a) CCEA sanct	tioned cost: ₹ 31,876.39	Crores	
	and subsequent revised estimates	·	(at Jul 2016	price level).	
	and the years of price reference				
	b) Actual expenditure incurred on the	b) ₹2306.08 (crores (as on 31.03.202	4).	
	Project so far.				
	c) Allocations made for the	c) ₹506.16 cr	rores (As per CCEA date	d 27.02.2023).	
	Environment Management Plan				
	d) Actual expenditure incurred on	d) ₹251.10 cr	rores (as on 31.03.2024).	
	EMP so far				
		(Details of total allocation and expenditure made in respe			
		of EMPs and otl	her additional plans is g	iven under <i>Annex-I</i>).	
10.	Forest Land requirements	,	pproval for diversion o	f forest land for non-	
	a) Status of approval for diversion of	forestry us	e:		
	forest land for non-forestry use		1	T	
		Diversion of		Approval by	
		Forest land	Non- forestry use	MoEF&CC	
		(ha)		Letter No. & Date	
		Dihana Valley	 v District, Arunachal Pra	doch	
		2454.86	Submergence area	Letter No.8-	
		53.00	Roads	85/2011-FC dated	
		33.00	Noads	12.03.2020	
		Lower Dihana	 Valley District, Arunach		
		1039.14	Submergence area	Letter No.8-	
		1030.84	Project components	85/2011-FC dated	
		1030.04	. Toject components	12.03.2020	
		4577.84	← Total		
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	b) The status of clear felling of trees in forest land	b) The process of demarcation of forest land and enumeration of trees is in progress. However, as per the enumeration carried out by the State Forest Department in the year 2015, total number of trees to be felled is 60,189.			
11.	Status of construction				
	a) Date of commencement (Actual and/ or planned)	a) 27.02.2023 (CCEA- Investment approval by GoI).			
	b) Date of completion (actual and/ or planned)	b) 26.02.2032			
12.	Reasons for the delay (If the project is	Not Applicable			
	yet to be started)				
13.	Details of site visits				
	a) By Monitoring Committee	a) Monitoring Committee has been constituted by Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh vide letter No. FOR. (Env)-172/2024/1503-07 dated 16.05.2024 (<i>Annex-II</i>)			
	b) By Regional office	b) Project site was visited by Jt. Director, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati from 09.02.2022 to 10.02.2022 .			
14.	Brief note on the status of compliance	The status of compliance of conditions stipulated by			
	of the conditions stipulated by	MoEF&CC while granting environment clearance to the			
	MOEF&CC.	project is enclosed as <i>Annex-III</i> .			

Dibang Multipurpose Project (2880 MW) Details of Allocations and Expenditure made in respect of Environmental Management Plans and Other Additional Plans till March 2024

S.	Name of Environmental Management Plans	Allocated fund	Expenditure
No.	Name of Environmental Management Plans	(₹ In lakhs)	incurred (₹ In lakhs)
1	Biodiversity Conservation and Management Plan	1,785.10	1,359.80
2	Catchment Area Treatment	2,395.71	2,395.71
3	Fish Management Plan	648.24	-
4	Greenbelt Development Plan	200.00	-
5	Geo-Environmental Management Plan (Plan for	2,312.63	
	control of landslides)		-
6	Muck Disposal Plan	648.40	-
7	Restoration Plan for Quarry Areas	189.62	-
8	Landscaping and Restoration of Construction areas	877.76	
	and Environmental Management in Road Construction		-
9	Public Health Delivery System	1021.34	-
10	Plan for Solid Waste Management Plan & Sanitation	554.78	
	Facilities in Labour Camps.		-
11	Energy Conservation Measures	170.00	-
12	Concerns raised during Public Hearing	17,100.00	
13	Plan for Protection of Cultural Identity	327.03	
14	Maintenance of Water, Air and Noise Quality	35.00	
15	Disaster Management Plan	590.00	
16	Environmental Monitoring Programme (during	406.37	
	construction phase)		
	Sub-Total (A)	29,261.98	3,755.51
17	Compensatory Afforestation	21,343.65	21,343.65
	Sub-Total (B)	21,343.65	21,343.65
18	Expenditure already incurred up to June 2016	10.84	10.84
	Sub-Total (C)	10.84	10.84
	Total (A+B+C)	50,616.47	25,110.00

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE ITANAGAR

No. FOR. (Env)-172/2024/1503-07

Dated.16th May, 2024

To

Shri.Munna kumar Shah, Scientist-E Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change Govt.of India, (IA-I Division) Indira Paryavaran bhawan, 3rd Floor, Vayu Wing Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-3

Sub: - Constitution of Multi-displinary Committee to oversee effective implementation of environment safeguards during construction of Dibang Multipurpose Project(2880 MW)Arunachal Pradesh-reg.

Ref:- <u>J-12011/25/2009-IA.I</u>

Sir,

This has reference to constitution of as above cited committee as per NHPC letter No.NH/DMP/HoP/52, Dated.15.04.2024 in compliance with clause 18 of the MoEF & CC letter No.**J-12011/25/2009-IA.I** ,Dtd.16th May,2016 for implementation of environment safeguards during construction period of Dibang Multipurpose (2880 MW) HEP.

The state Govt.has approved for constitution of following members as under:

SL No	Panel of Committee Members	Nomination
1.	Executive Director of 2880 MW Dibang Multipurpose Hydro Project.	Chairperson
2.	Member Secretary, State Pollution Board	Member
3.	Conservator of Forests(CF) Wildlife	Member
4.	Deputy Commissioner, Lower Dibang Valley District, Roing.	Member
5.	Deputy Commissioner, Dibang Valley District, Anini.	Member
6.	Superintendent of Police, Lower Dibang Valley District, Roing.	Member
7.	Director(Environment)	Member
8.	Addl. Director/Scientist-E, R.O, MoEF & CC Guwahati	Member (MoEFCC Representative)
9.	Divisional Forest Officer, Dibang Forest Division, Roing.	Member
10.	Divisional Forest Officer, Anini Forest Division	Member
11.	Divisional Forest Officer, Mehao Wildlife Sanctuary, Roing.	Member
12.	District Medical Officer, Lower Dibang Valley, Roing & Anini.	Member
13.	Executive Engineer, PHED, Roing & Anini.	Member

14.	District Fisheries Officers, Roing & Anini.	Member
15.	Zila Parisha Chairperson (ZPC),Roing & Anini.	Member
16.	Representative of Local NGO	Member
17.	G.M (Environment), Dibang Multipurpose Project, Roing.	Member Secretary

This is for your kind information & necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,

(**D. Dohu Robin**)
Director (Environment)

PCCF office Complex, Itanagar.

Copy to:-

- 1. The Under Secretary to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.
- 2. The PS to PCCF(EF & CC) ,Govt.of Arunachal Pradesh
- 3. Shri Gaurav Kumar, General Manager, Dibang Multipurpose Project, Mayu Sector, PO Roing, District Lower Dibang Valley, Arunachal Pradesh.
- 4. Guard file.

Status of Compliance of Conditions Stipulated by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India

Cond.	Conditions				,	Status of Compliance		
No.						·		
Part-A	Part-A: Specific Conditions							
i	The Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) plan, as proposed in EIA/ EMP Report shall be undertaken in consultation with State Forest Department and major works shall be completed before impounding of reservoir. The year-wise detail of CAT plan is as follows: Treatment 1 2 3 4 5 Total Measures year year year year year					Total allocated amount of ₹ 2395.71 lakh has been deposited with State CAMPA for implementation of Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) plan of the Project. Project vide letter No NH/DMP/HOP/2024/1006 dated 05.02.2024 (Annex-III (A)) has requested PCCF & Principal Secretary (E&F) to direct		
	Biological M			ı		1	1	
	Plantation (ha.)	121	151	236	168	94	770	concerned DFOs of Dibang and Anini Forest Divisions to initiate the
	Engineering Brushwood Check Dam (Nos.)	Measu 250	75 350	380	200	96	1276	implementation of approved CAT plan.
	Contour Bunding (Nos.)	8	20	30	14	10	82	
	Gabion Structures (Nos.)	40	67	62	50	40	259	
	Loose Boulder Check Dams (Nos.)	126	174	190	166	112	768	
	Silt Retention Dams (Nos.)	16	46	34	20	8	124	
ii.	The details	of I	and l	noldin	g of	the I	Project	The R&R plan for the PAFs has been
	Affected Pe	rsons	whos	e land	l is be	ing ac	quired	prepared based on the provisions of
	shall be su	bmitt	ed to	this	Minist	try ind	cluding	RFCTLARR, Act 2013 and the same has
	Regional Of	fice.	he R	&R be	nefits	for th	e land	been approved by the State Government
	losing house	eholds	will b	e as p	er the	Right	to Fair	on 04.12.2019 (Annex-III (B)).
	losing households will be as per the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition Rehabilitation & Resettlement Act, 2013. Additional provisions shall be given as per the State Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy, 2008.				Reset nall be	Both the Deputy Commissioners of Lower Dibang Valley and Dibang Valley Districts have submitted the draft R&R entitlement matrix to Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for necessary Govt. Directions, on 18.09.2023		

		and 05.12.2023 respectively (Annex-III (C) & Annex-III (D).
iii.	A Monitoring Committee for R&R shall be constituted which must include representatives of Project Affected Persons including from SC/ST category and a woman beneficiary.	A Monitoring Committee for R&R shall be constituted in consultation with the State Government, simultaneously with the implementation of R&R plan by the respective DCs, being Administrator R&R.
iv.	All the commitments made during the public hearings shall be fulfilled completely by the developer.	Shall be complied.
V.	Dumping and consolidation/compilation of the muck shall be carried out only in the designated muck dumping sites as submitted in the EIA/EMP report. As per the proposed muck disposal plan given in your EIA/EMP out of the 233 lakh m³ of muck to be generated (with 25-60% swelling factor) 35 lakh m³ will be utilized for construction purpose and remaining 198 lakh m³ will be dumped at 3 designated disposal sites in an allocated area of 112.62 ha. The dumping sites shall be more than 30 m away from the HFL of the river and the Toe walls for Muck disposal sites shall be constructed at least 30 m away from the HFL of River Allocated grant of ₹ 648.40 lakhs shall be fully utilized and not to be diverted for any purpose.	Shall be complied.
vi.	A minimum environmental flow of 20 cumecs shall be maintained throughout the year though an un-gated opening. Moreover, at least one turbine out of 12 turbines shall be operated 24 hours in full/part load throughout the year, which will provide the sufficient discharge downstream of TRT outlet with adequate depth and velocity of water for sustenance of the aquatic life in the downstream continuous monitoring system for the flow measurement shall be installed and data be displayed at appropriate site for civil society and stacke holders. Six monthly results shall submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry and SPCB.	Shall be complied.

vii. Proposed compensatory afforestation program in 9155.68 ha of land at in Dibang Forest Division, Lower Dibang Valley District; Anini Forest Division, Dibang Valley District & Namsai Forest Division, Lohit District in consultation with Forest Department. A budget of ₹ 15585.21 has been allocation for this purpose shall be fully utilized and not to be diverted for any other purpose.

₹ 21,343.65 lakh has been deposited with State CAMPA for compensatory afforestation programme of the Project.

Following CA areas were identified against the diversion of 4577.84 ha forest land:

S. No.	Location	Area (ha)				
1.	Dipa RF	1192.3269				
2.	Likabali RF	466.767				
3.	Jaidhol PRF	2500.767				
4.	Dibang RF	868.862				
5.	Deopani RF	555 .949				
6.	Bhismaknagar	173.12				
	VRF					
7.	Kerim RF	113.699				
8.	Tengapani RF	1000.00				
9.	Amartala RF	2286.00				
	Total	9157.49				

In this regard, DFOs of the concerned Forest Divisions i.e. Dibang, Namsai, Likabali and Khellong / Bhalukpong have informed that the CA works have been completed at the designated sites of CA (copies enclosed as **Annex-III (E)**

Project vide letter No. NH/DMP/HOP/2024/1006 dated 05.02.2024 (Annex-III (A)) has requested PCCF & Principal Secretary (E&F) that the status of fund utilization of CA works carried out under Dibang Multipurpose Project be got submitted.

To enhance the environment of project site, greenbelt as proposed in the EIA / EMP Report, shall be developed. The proposed greenbelt along the periphery of reservoir and project appurtenances shall be undertaken on approximately 200 hectare of area @ 1600 plants per hectare using 27 different plant species should be undertaken in consultation with State Forest Department. The allocation budget at ₹ 200 lakhs shall be fully utilized for this purpose and not to be diverted to any other purpose.

viii.

Shall be complied.

The Biodiversity Conservation and Wildlife As per the approved EMP, total cost ix. earmarked for Biodiversity Conservation Management Plan shall be taken up as outlines and Management Plan is ₹ 17.85 crore, in the EMP and as submitted vide letter no. out of which State Forest Deptt. has NH/PD/Env..115/521 dated 06.03.2014 and allocated ₹ 11.21 crore for Wildlife implemented in consultation with the State Management Plan (part of Biodiversity Forest Department without any diversion of Conservation & Management Plan), ₹ funds. The allocated budget of ₹ 1785.10 lakhs 1.52 crore for Zonal Wildlife Conservation for this purpose shall be fully utilized and not to Plan in and around Mehao Wildlife Sanctuary and ₹ 0.59 crore for Alternate be diverted for any other purpose. A report of Habitat/Home for Avifauna. implementation shall be included in the six monthly progress and compliance report to be The above stated funds have already been submitted to the Ministry including its Regional deposited by NHPC in State CAMPA. Office. Project vide letter No. NH/DMP/HOP/2024/1006 dated 05.02.2024 (Annex-III (A)) has requested PCCF & Principal Secretary (E&F) to direct the concerned DFOs i.e DFO Mehao WLS, DFO, Dibang Forest Division and DFO, Anini Forest Division to initiate the implementation of the requisite plans accordingly. Further it has been requested that balance works as per the approved Biodiversity Conservation and Management Plan (excluding the above three components), amounting ₹ 4.53 crore may also be got initiated through the concerned DFOs. Being complied at construction sites Equipment likely to generate high noise levels х. shall meet the ambient noise standards as through the Contractors in place. notified under Noise Pollution (Regulation & Detailed report is enclosed as Annex - III Control) Rules 2000 as amended in 2010 under (1) the Environment Protection Act (EPA) 1986 for this necessary insulation arrangements etc. to be ensured. The fishery conservation and management plan Shall be complied, χi as proposed in the EMP shall be implemented completely with the Fisheries Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh. The development fish hatchery for warm water fish at Ashupani & cold water fish of Etalin shall be taken up with the help of State Fishery Department. A budget of ₹ 648.24 lakhs

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	provided for fishery conservation and			
	management plan should be fully utilized for			
	this purpose and not be diverted for any other			
	purpose.			
xii	The environmental clearance is subject to	Requisite Forest clearances (Stage-I &		
	obtaining prior clearance from forest angle and	Stage-II) have already been accorded by		
	wildlife angle, including clearance from the	MoEF&CC vide letters dated 15.04.2015		
	Standing committee of the NBWL , if required.	and 12.03.2020, respectively		
		Project is not falling under any protected		
		area, as such clearance from Standing		
		Committee of NBWL is not required.		
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xiii	Grant of environmental clearance does not	Requisite Forest clearances (Stage-I &		
	necessarily imply at forest clearance shall be	Stage-II) have already been accorded by		
	automatically granted to the project as forest	MoEF&CC separately.		
	clearance shall be considered by the respective			
	authorities on their merits and decision taken			
	accordingly.			
xiv	If any investment is made in the project, based	Requisite Forest clearances (Stage-I &		
	on environmental clearance so granted, in	Stage-II) have already been accorded by		
	anticipation of the clearance from forest and	MoEF&CC separately.		
	wildlife angle, shall entirely be at the cost and	. ,		
	risk of the project proponent for which Ministry	Project is not falling under any protected		
	of Environment , Forests, & Climate Change	area, as such clearance from Standing		
	shall not be responsible in this regards in any	Committee of NBWL is not required.		
	matter.			
XV	Any other clearance required from any other	Consent to Establish has been obtained		
XV		from Arunachal Pradesh State Pollution		
	organization/ department should be obtained before commencement of works and	Control Board vide letter No. APSPCB-		
	commissioning of the Project, as applicable.	90/2023/DMP/1891-95 dated 14.09.2023		
		(Annex - III (F)).		
Part: I	B General Conditions			
i.	Adequate arrangements for providing free fuel	Adequate Number of LPG gas cylinders		
	like kerosene/wood/LPG shall be made at the	have been provided by the Contractors to		
	project cost for the consumption of labourers to	labourers/ workers engaged in various		
	be engaged in the construction work so that	construction works/ activities of the		
	indoctrinate felling of trees is prevented.	Project, which is summarized as under:		
		S. Months No. of Rate Total		
		N. LPG (in Rs.) Amt.		
		Cylinders (in ₹)		
		1 Oct. 26 1890.5 49,163 2023		
		2 Nov. 34 1993 67,762		
		2023		

3	Dec. 2023	26	1936	50,336
4	Jan. 2024	33	1936	63,888
5	Feb. 2024	27	1993	53,811
6	March 2024	33	1962	64,746
Tot	al	179		3,49,696/-

Detailed report of M/s L&T Ltd. and M/s Dibang Power (Lot 4) Consortium is enclosed as Annex - III (G) & Annex - III (H).

ii. Medical facilities as well as recreational facilities shall also be provided to the labourers.

Best practices have been adopted by the Contractors for providing medical facilities to labourers /workers. A well-equipped First Aid Room along with Ambulance facilities has been provided at the construction site for the preliminary treatment of the labourers/ workers. Also, for the major injury, the Contractors tie up with Hospitals furnished with all facilities providing medical facilities to labourers/ workers.

Numbers of labourers/ workers examined by M/s L&T Ltd. during the period from Oct 2023 to March 2024 as under:

S. N.	Months	No. of labourers examined	Remarks
1	October 2023	57	Nil
2	November 2023	68	Nil
3	December 2023	39	Nil
4	January 2024	97	Nil
5	February 2024	106	Nil
6	March 2024	102	Nil
	Total	469	

		Detailed report of M/s L&T Ltd. and M/s Dibang Power (Lot 4) Consortium is
		enclosed as Annex -III(G) & Annex –III(H).
iii.	The labourers to be engaged for construction works shall be thoroughly examined by health personal and adequately treated before issuing them work permit periodic health checkup during construction period may also be taken up.	Labourers/ workers are properly being examined by health professionals and adequately treated before issuing them work permit. A Periodic health check-up is also being taken up. Detailed report of M/s L&T Ltd. and M/s Dibang Power (Lot 4) Consortium is enclosed as Annex - III (G) & Annex - III(H).
iv.	Water sprinkling arrangements shall be made to suppress the fugitive emissions/dust.	Water sprinkling to check the fugitive emission / dust is deployed as a mandatory part of construction activities. Water sprinkling is being done at construction sites of the Project on regular basis.
		Detailed report of M/s L&T Ltd. and M/s Dibang Power (Lot 4) Consortium is enclosed as Annex - III(G) & Annex - III(H) .
V.	Potable drinking water and proper sanitary facilities shall be provided for the labour force. Also proper disposal facilities for solid waste is to be ensured.	Proper arrangements have been made by contractors for providing potable water facilities to labourers/ workers engaged in different construction activities. RO system is also installed for providing safe drinking water to labour force.
		Sufficient number of temporary toilets has been constructed to provide proper sanitary facilities to labourers/ workers and proper disposal of waste is being ensured by the contractors. Detailed report of M/s L&T Ltd. and M/s Dibang Power (Lot 4) Consortium is enclosed as Annex - III(G) & Annex - III(H).
vi.	Restoration of construction area including dumping sites of excavated materials shall be ensured by levelling filing up of borrow pits, landscaping etc. The area should be properly treated with suitable plantation.	Shall be complied at appropriate stage.
vii	Environmental parameters shall be monitored and six monthly monitoring reports shall be	M/s L&T has hired services of M/s Envirocon, Tinsukia, Assam, a NABL

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	submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change. New Delhi including	certified Laboratory, for Water and Air Quality Monitoring at various
	its Regional Office for their review.	construction sites and locations. Tests results are enclosed as Annex - III (I)
viii	Solid Waste management & sanitation facility will have to be provided for the labour.	Collection and segregation of solid waste is being done by the contractor in different color-coded dust bins and disposal has been conducted as per norms of Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016. Adequate nos. of temporary toilets have been constructed for labourers/workers at the site and labour camps.
ix	Disaster Management Plan shall be prepared in consultation with the District Authorities and early warning telemetric system shall be installed.	Detailed Disaster Management Plan shall be prepared in consultation with the concerned District Authorities. The establishment of early waring (telemetric) system is in progress.
x.	As proposed in the EMP, an Environment Management Cell (EMC) shall be established at the project level with sufficient manpower, The head of the EMC shall report directly to the head of the Project for speedy implementation of EMP & related issues.	Project has a separate Environment Division having officers working exclusively for Environment related matters. The head of the Environment Division is reporting directly to the head of the Project regarding environmental related matters and their compliances.

