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दिनांक/Date: 29.11.2025

From	:	Executive Director (HSE & ESG)
To	:	Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Sub Office, Guwahati (under Regional Office, Shillong), 4th Floor, Housefed Building, Rukminigaon, Guwahati-781022. (Email : iro.guwahati-mefcc@gov.in , iro.moefcc.ghy@gmail.com)
Subject	:	Submission of Half-yearly (April 2025 to September 2025) compliance reports of the conditions stipulated in the Environment Clearance (EC) granted to Oil India Limited.

Sir,

Reference to above subject, please find enclosed herewith the Half-yearly (**April 2025 to September 2025**) compliance reports of the conditions stipulated in the Environment Clearance (EC) granted to Oil India Limited. List of the EC are tabulated below:

S.No	EC Identification No/File No.	Name of the EC proposal
1.	F. No. J-11011/413/2008-IA II (I) dated 24.01.2011	OCS Bhogpara.
2.	F. No. J-11011/1251/2007-IA II (I) dated 01.11.2011	Exploratory Drilling of 01 (One) well at Doomdooma-Pengry Area, District Tinsukia, Assam.
3.	F. No. J-11011/682/2008-IA II (I) dated 17.06.2013	Expansion of Gas field Development in Tengakhat-Naharkatia-Jorajan area and Doomdooma Pengry area, Assam by M/s Oil India Ltd.
4.	F. No. J-11011/116/2018-IA II (I) dated 07.01.2020	Onshore Oil & Gas Exploration & Development Drilling and Production in Ningru Oil & Gas Field in Districts Changlang and Namsai for Ningru PML Block (Arunachal Pradesh)
5.	F. No. J-11011/1260/2007-IA II (I) dated 09.04.2020	Onshore Oil & Gas Development Drilling and Production in Mechaki Area covering Mechaki, Mechaki Extension, Baghjan and Tinsukia Extension PMLs on District Tinsukia (Assam).
6.	F. No. J-11011/150/2016- IA II (I) dated 11.05.2020	Extension Drilling & Testing of Hydrocarbons at 7 (seven) Locations under Dibrusaikhowa National Park Area, North-West of Baghjan PML, District Tinsukia, Assam.
7.	F. No. J-11011/1253/2007-IA II (I) dated 28.12.2020	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling and production by M/S Oil India Ltd in Dibrugarh district under Dibrugarh, Chabua, Hugrijan and Tinsukia PMLs. (Dibrugarh- Bhogpara)
8.	F. No. J-11011/375/2016-IA II (I) dated 28.12.2020	Onshore Oil & Gas Development Drilling and Production (179 wells and 9 Production Installations) in North Hapjan – Tinsukia –



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		Dhola area under Tinsukia district, Assam.
9.	F. No. J-11011/35/2018-IA II (I) dated 26.02.2021	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling and production by M/S Oil India Ltd. Located in Khagorijan Oil & Gas Field in Dibrugarh & Tinsukia District under Tinsukia PML, Tinsukia Extension PML and Chabua PML District: Dibrugarh, Assam
10.	F. No. J-11011/186/2016-IA II (I) dated 03.03.2021	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling and production in Borhat-Titlagarh area, Dibrugarh, Sibsagar and Charaideo Districts under Sapkainth, Borhat, Moran Extension and Doomdooma PMLs.
11.	EC22A002AS110311 F. No. J-11011/156/2017-IA II (I) dated 28.11.2022	Oil & Gas development drilling and production (16 exploratory, 73 developmental drilling wells and 9 Production Installations) in Moran Area under Dibrugarh, Sibsagar and Charaideo districts, Assam.
12.	EC23A002AS125690 F. No. J-11011/1254/2007-IA II (I) dated 13.01.2023	Oil & Gas development drilling and production (68 developmental drilling wells and 9 Production Installations) in Khowang Shalmari Area under Dibrugarh, Sibsagar districts, Assam.
13.	EC23A002AS188131 F. No. J-11011/1257/2007- IA II (I) dated 17.04.2023	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling and production (167 wells and 7 production Installations) in Tengakhat-Kathaloni-Dikom (TKD) under Dibrugarh district, Assam.
14.	EC23A002AS198872 F. No. J-11011/388/2016-IA II (I) dated 31.07.2023	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling (67 wells) in Jorajan Area under Dibrugarh, Charaideo and Tinsukia districts, Assam.
15.	EC23A002AS146942 F. No. J-11011/546/2017-IA(I) dated 20.09.2023	Onshore Oil & Gas development drilling and production (294 wells and 2 Production Installations) in Naharkatiya-Deohali-Bogapani-Nagajan (NDBN) area under Dibrugarh & Tinsukia districts, Assam.

This is for your kind information please.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
For Oil India Limited

(Arindam Bhattacharyya)

Executive Director (HSE & ESG)

Nodal Officer (EC, FC, NBWL)

For Resident Chief Executive

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3. Chairman, Assam Pollution Control Board, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati-781021, Assam.
4. Chairman, Arunachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board, Office of the Principal Chief and Secretary (E&F) Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar-791111, Arunachal Pradesh.

- **Name of the Project:** Extension Drilling & Testing of Hydrocarbons at 7 (Seven) locations under Dibrus-Saikhowa National Park Area, North-West of Baghjan PML, District Tinsukia, Assam by M/s Oil India Ltd.
- **Clearance L.No and date:** J-11011/150/2016- IA II (I) dated 11.05.2020.
- **Period of Compliance Report:** April 2025 to September 2025.
- **Status of the Project:** No drilling activity has been started.

Specific Condition:

Sl. No.	Specific Condition	Compliance status
1.	No drilling shall be conducted in forest areas without obtaining prior permission under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.	Complied. The Plinth areas of the proposed project are falling outside the forest area. However, for the drilling below the Dibrus-Saikhowa National Park area, Forest Clearance proposal has been submitted vide proposal No. FP/AS/MIN/28749/2017, dated 04.09.2017. OIL will drill the well after obtaining permission from MoEF&CC.
2.	Drilling in the National Park/Wildlife Sanctuaries are subject to the recommendations of orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court recommendations of Standing Committee of NBWL, recommendations of the State Chief Wildlife Warden and strict compliance of the conditions imposed therein.	Complied. Condition will be complied before project execution. NBWL clearance for the proposed project is obtained. Copy of the same enclosed as Annexure- I
3.	Necessary permission as mandated under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, as applicable from time to time, shall be obtained from the State Pollution Control Board.	Will be Complied Consent To Establish (CTE) and Consent To Operate (CTO) will be obtained before commencement of drilling activities.
4.	As proposed by the project proponent, Zero Liquid Discharge shall be ensured and no waste/treated water shall be discharged to any surface water body, sea and/or on land. Mobile ETP along with RO plant shall be installed to treat the waste water.	Will be complied. Zero Liquid Discharge will be maintained at the drilling locations. Mobile ETP coupled with RO will be installed to treat the wastewater.
5.	To control source and the fugitive emissions, suitable pollution control devices shall be installed to meet the prescribed norms and/ or the NAAQS. The gaseous emissions shall be dispersed through stack of adequate height as per CPCB/SPCB guidelines.	Will be Complied Adequate Stack heights will be provided in DG sets as per CPCB guidelines.
6.	Necessary authorization required under the Hazardous and other Wastes (Management and Trans-Boundary Movement) Rules, 2016, Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 shall be obtained and the provisions contained in the Rules shall be strictly adhered to.	Will be Complied Hazardous Waste Authorization was obtained from Pollution Control Board, Assam vide No. WB/T-311/21-22/329 dated 13.10.2022.

7.	Ambient air quality shall be monitored at the nearest human settlements as per the National Ambient Air quality Emission Standards issues by the Ministry' vide G.S.R. No. 826 (E) dated 16 th November, 2009 for PM ₁₀ , PM _{2.5} , SO ₂ , NO _x , CO, CH ₄ , HC, Non-methane HC etc.	Will be Complied Ambient Air Quality will be monitored as per NAAQS, 2009.
8.	During exploration, production, storage and handling, the fugitive emission of methane, if any, shall be monitored using Infra-red camera/ appropriate technology.	Will be Complied Portable Multi-gas detector & Explosimeter shall be used to detect fugitive emissions of Methane (if any).
9.	The project proponent also to ensure trapping/storing of the CO ₂ generated, if any, during the process and handling.	Will be Complied CO ₂ generated (if any) will be trapped/stored.
10.	Approach road shall be made pucca to minimize generation of suspended dust.	Will be Complied Approach road to the drilling locations will be made pucca to minimise generation of suspended dust.
11.	The company shall make all arrangements for control of noise from the drilling activity. Acoustic enclosure shall be provided for the DG sets along with the adequate stack height as per CPCB guidelines.	Will be Complied Acoustic enclosures shall be provided around DG sets and also adequate Stack Height shall be provided for DG sets as per CPCB guidelines.
12.	Total fresh water requirement shall not exceed 20 cum/day. Prior permission shall be obtained from the concerned regulatory authority. Mobile ETP coupled with RO shall be installed to reuse the treated water in drilling system. Size of the waste shall be equal to the hole volume + volume of drill cutting and volume of discharged mud if any. Two feet free board may be left to accommodate rain water. There shall be separate storm water channel and rain water shall not be allowed to mix with waste water. Alternatively, if possible pit less drilling be practiced instead of above.	Will be Complied Total freshwater consumption will be within the permitted limit. Groundwater abstraction by Oil India Ltd for drilling activities are exempted from obtaining NOC from Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) as per the Public Note dated 01.08.2023. Copy of the same is enclosed as Annexure – E . Also, ETP coupled with RO will be installed to treat the effluent generated from the drilling location.
13.	The company shall construct the garland drain all around the drilling site to prevent runoff of any oil containing waste into the nearby water bodies. Separate drainage system shall be created for oil contaminated and non-oil contaminated. Effluent shall be properly treated and treated wastewater shall conform to CPCB standards.	Will be Complied Garland drains will be constructed around the drilling location to prevent runoff any oil containing waste into the nearby water bodies. Separate drainage system will be created for oil contaminated and non- oil contaminated.
14.	Drill cuttings separate from drilling fluid shall be adequately washed and disposed in HDPE lined pit. Waste mud shall be tested for hazardous contaminants and disposed	Will be Complied Drill cuttings separated from drilling fluid will be adequately washed and disposed in HDPE lined pit. No effluent/ drilling mud

	according to HWMH Rules, 2016. No effluent/drilling mud shall be discharged/disposed off into nearby surface water bodies. The company shall comply with guidelines for disposal of solid waste, drill cutting and drilling fluids for onshore drilling operation notified vide GSR.546 (E) dated 30 th August, 2005.	will be discharged/disposed off into nearby surface water bodies. OIL will comply with the guidelines for disposal of solid waste, drill cutting and drilling fluids for onshore drilling operation notified vide GSR.546(E) dated 30 th August, 2005.
15.	Oil spillage prevention and mitigation scheme shall be prepared. In case of oil spillage/contamination, action plan shall be prepared to clean the site by adopting proven technology. The recyclable waste (oily sludge) and spent oil shall be disposed of to the authorized recyclers.	Will be Complied In case of Oil spillage/ contamination, action will be taken as per the Oil spill contingency plan prepared by OIL. Recyclable waste (oily sludge) and spent oil will be sent to Pollution Control Board, Assam authorized recyclers.
16.	The company shall take necessary measures to prevent fire hazards, containing oil spill and soil remediation as needed. Possibility of using ground flare shall be explored. At the place of ground flaring, the overhead flaring stack with knockout drums shall be installed to minimize gaseous emissions during operation.	Will be Complied Fixed firefighting system will be installed at drilling locations and in case of any oil spillage necessary remediation actions will be taken as per the Oil Spill Contingency Plan.
17.	The company shall develop a contingency plan for H ₂ S release including all necessary aspects from evacuation to resumption of normal operations. The workers shall be provided with personal H ₂ S detectors in locations of high risk of exposure along with self-containing breathing apparatus.	Will be Complied Contingency Plan for H ₂ S release was in place. OIL never encountered H ₂ S and no such evidence exists in our field of operation. However, multi-gas detector and Self Containing Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) are kept available to meet the emergency situation, if any.
18.	The company shall carry out long term subsidence study by collecting base line data before initiating drilling operation till the project lasts. The data so collected shall be submitted six monthly to be Ministry and Regional Office.	Complied. Copy of Long-term Subsidence Report enclosed as Annexure - II .
19.	Blow out Preventer system shall be installed to prevent well blowouts during drilling operations. BOP measures during drilling shall focus on maintaining well bore hydrostatic pressure by proper pre-well planning and drilling fluid logging etc.	Will be Complied Blow Out Preventer (BOP) system will be installed to prevent blowouts during drilling operations.
20.	Emergency Response Plan shall be based on the guidelines prepared by OISD, DGMS and Govt. of India.	Will be Complied OIL has site specific Emergency plan and contingency plan and Disaster management plan (DMP) based on relevant and realistic emergency scenarios.
21.	On completion of the project, necessary measures shall be taken for safe plugging of	Will be complied

	wells with secured enclosures to restore the drilling site to the original condition. The same shall be confirmed by the concerned regulatory authority from environment safety angle. In case of hydrocarbon not found economically viable, a full abandonment plan shall be implemented for the drilling site in accordance with the applicable Indian Petroleum Regulations.	On completion of the drilling activity, plugging of abandoned wells will be carried out as per the OIL's Well Abandonment, Site Restoration and Reclamation policy.
22.	Atleast 2% of the total project cost shall be allocated for Corporate Environment Responsibility (CER) and item- wise details along with time bound action plan shall be prepared and submitted to the Ministry's Regional Office.	Will be complied.
23.	No lead acid batteries shall be utilized in the project/site.	Will be complied. No lead acid batteries will be utilized at the drilling location
24.	Occupational health surveillance of the workers shall be carried out as per the prevailing Acts and Rules.	Will be complied. Occupational Health Surveillance of workers engaged in drilling operation will be carried out on regular basis.
25.	Oil content in the drill cuttings shall be monitored by some Authorized agency and report shall be sent to the Ministry's Regional Office.	Will be complied.
26.	Company shall prepare operating manual in respect of all activities, which would cover all safety & environment related issues and measures to be taken for protection. One set of environmental manual shall be made available at the drilling site/ project site. Awareness shall be created at each level of the management. All the schedules and results of environmental monitoring shall be available at the project site office. Remote monitoring of site should be done.	Complied. SOPs for all the operations covering safety and environment related issues are prepared. OIL has prepared Environmental manual which will be made available at the drilling location. Copy of the same is enclosed Annexure – B . Also, all the environmental monitoring reports related to ambient air quality, Stack Gas monitoring, ETP effluent, Noise level will be maintained at the drilling location.

General Condition:

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1.	The Project Proponent shall obtain all other statutory/ necessary permissions/ recommendations/ NOCs prior to start of construction/ operation of the project, which inter alia include permission / approvals under the Forest (Conservation) Act. 1980; the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972; the Coastal Regulation	Will be complied.

	Zone Notification, 2019 as amended from time to time, and other Office Memorandum/ Circular issued by the Ministry Of Environment, Forest and Climate Change from time to time, as applicable to the project.	
2.	The project proponent shall ensure compliance of 'National Emission Standards', as applicable to the project, issued by the Ministry from time to time. The project proponent shall also abide by the rules/ regulations issued by the CPCB/SPCB for control/ abatement of pollution.	Will be complied. Ambient Air Quality monitoring will be carried out as per NAAQS, 2009.
3.	The project authorities shall adhere to the stipulations made by the State Pollution Control Board/ Committee, Central Pollution Control Board, State Government and any other statutory authority.	Will be complied.
4.	The project proponent shall prepare a site-specific conservation plan and wildlife management plan in case of the presence of Schedule - I species in the study area, as applicable to the project, and submit to Chief Wildlife Warden for approval. The recommendations shall be implemented in consultation with the State Forest/ Wildlife Department in a time bound manner.	Will be complied. Copy of the Site-Specific Wildlife Conservation and Management Plan was submitted to Chief Wildlife Warden for approval. Copy of the same is enclosed as Annexure – III .
5.	No further expansion or modifications in the plant, other than mentioned in the EIA Notification, 2006 and its amendments, shall be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change/SEIAA, as applicable. In case of deviations of alterations in the project proposal from those submitted to this Ministry for clearance, a fresh reference shall be made to the Ministry/SEIAA, as applicable, to assess the adequacy of conditions imposed and to add additional environmental protection measures required, if any.	Will be complied. No further expansion or modification other than mentioned in the EIA Notification, 2006 and its amendments, will be carried out without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
6.	The energy source for lighting purpose shall be preferably LED based, or advanced having preference in energy conservation and environment betterment.	Will be complied. LED lights will be utilized for lighting purposes at the drilling locations.
7.	The locations of ambient air quality monitoring stations shall be decided in consultation with the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) and it shall be ensured that at least one station each is installed in the upwind and downwind direction as well as where maximum ground level concentrations are anticipated.	Will be complied. Location of Ambient air quality monitoring stations will be decided in consultation with the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB)
8.	The National Ambient Air Quality Emission Standards issued by the Ministry vide G.S.R. No. 826 (E) dated 16 th November, 2009 shall be	Will be complied. Ambient Air Quality monitoring will be carried out as per NAAQS, 2009.

	followed.	
9.	The overall noise levels in and around the plant area shall be kept well within the standards by providing noise control measures including acoustic hoods, silencers, enclosures etc. on all sources of noise generation. The ambient noise levels shall conform to the standards prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 Rules, 1989 Viz 75 dBA (day time) and 70 dBA (Night time)	Will be complied. Noise level at the drilling locations will be kept within the permissible limits by providing acoustic enclosures around the DG sets.
10.	The Company shall harvest rainwater from the roof tops of the buildings and storm water drains to recharge the ground water and to utilize the same for process requirements.	Will be complied.
11.	Training shall be imparted to all employees on safety and health aspects of chemical handling. Pre-employment and routine periodical medical examinations for all employees shall be undertaken on regular basis. Training to all employees on handling of chemicals shall be imparted.	Will be complied. Training will be imparted to all employees on safety and health aspects of chemical handling and PME shall be carried out on regular basis.
12.	The company shall comply also with all the environmental protection measures and safeguards proposed in the documents submitted to the Ministry. All the recommendations made in the EIA/EMP in respect of environmental management, and risk mitigation measures relating to the project shall be implemented.	Will be complied. All the environmental protection measures proposed in the EIA – EMP shall be implemented.
13.	The company shall undertake all relevant measures for improving the socio-economic conditions of the surrounding area. CER activities shall be undertaken by involving local villages and administration and shall be implemented.	Will be complied.
14.	The company shall undertake eco-developmental measures including community welfare measures in the project area for the overall improvement of the environment.	Will be complied.
15.	A separate environmental Management Cell (having qualified person with Environmental Science/Environmental Engineering/ specialization in the project area) equipped with full-fledged laboratory facilities shall be set up to carry out the Environmental Management and Monitoring functions.	Complied. OIL has Environment Cell along with laboratory facilities to carry out environmental management and monitoring functions. Details are enclosed as Annexure – A.
16.	The company shall earmark sufficient funds towards capital cost and recurring cost per annum to implement the conditions stipulated by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change as well as the State Government along with the implementation schedule for all the	Will be complied. Project not yet started. Condition will be complied prior to Project Execution.

	conditions stipulated herein. The funds so earmarked for environment management/ pollution control measures shall not be diverted for any other purpose.	
17.	A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the project proponent to concerned Panchayat, Zilla Parishad/ Municipal Corporation, Urban local body and the local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions/ representations, if any, were received while processing the proposal.	Complied.
18.	The project proponent shall also submit six monthly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated Environmental Clearance conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) to the respective Regional Office of MoEF&CC, the respective Zonal Office of CPCB and SPCB. A copy of Environmental Clearance and six-monthly compliance status reports shall be posted on the website of the company.	Complied EC compliance report for the period October 2024 to March 2025 was submitted to Sub-Office (MoEF&CC), Guwahati, Zonal Office CPCB, Shillong and Chairman-Pollution Control Board Assam vide L.No. S&E/E/43C-1/624 dated 29.05.2025. Also, copy of the EC and Six-monthly compliance report are uploaded to OIL website under the links https://www.oil-india.com/environmental-compliance-grants & https://www.oil-india.com/environmental-compliance-reports respectively.
19.	The environmental statement for each financial year ending 31 st March in Form-V as is mandated shall be submitted to the concerned State Pollution Control Board as prescribed under the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, as amended subsequently, shall also be put on the website of the company along with the status of compliance of environmental clearance conditions and shall also be sent to the respective Regional Offices of MoEF & CC by e-mail.	Will be Complied.
20.	The project proponent shall inform the public that the project has been accorded environmental clearance by the Ministry and copies of the clearance letter are available with the SPCB/ Committee and may also be seen at Website of the Ministry and at https://parivesh.nic.in/ . This shall be advertised within seven days from the date of issue of the clearance letter, at least in two local newspapers that are widely circulated in the region of which one shall be in the vernacular language of the locality concerned and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry.	Complied. Copy of Newspaper Advertisement is enclosed as Annexure- IV .
21.	The project authorities shall inform the Regional office as well as the Ministry, the date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the	Will be complied.

	concerned authorities and the date of start of the project.	
22	This Environmental Clearance is granted subject to final outcome of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble High Court, Hon'ble NGT and any other Court of Law, if any, as may be applicable to this project.	Agreed



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Date: 9 August 2017

To
All Members
Standing Committee of NBWL

Sub: Minutes of 44th Meeting of the Standing Committee of NBWL- reg.

Sir/Madam,

Kindly find enclosed copy of the Minutes of 44th Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife held on 29th July 2017 at 1.00 PM in Teesta Conference Hall, I Floor, Vayu Block, Indira Paryavarn Bhavan, New Delhi under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

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- (I) Once the work of creation of barrage and associated canals are completed the project proposes to build the Religious City and Hi-tech City covering both the banks of Ganga River. The project proposes to divert 7395 sq.km area of the Sanctuary. This will negatively affect the population of endangered swamp deer, sambar and host of other rare and threatened species of Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary. This may also have negative impact on the adjacent to Ramsar Site.
- (e) The project is based on the premises of drawing a minimum of 6000 cusec of water from the Ganga River for sustaining the project. The Ganga river is already water stressed. As evident from the 48527 cusec of water is already being extracted before the proposed site (CPCB 2016). Diverting 6000 cusec of water from the barrage will render the downstream to the project site ecologically dead. The unregulated extraction of water without ecological consideration is one of the major factors that is affecting the integrity of the Ganga.

After discussions the Standing Committee decided to reject the present form of the proposal and requested the State Government to submit the revised proposal for the consideration of the Standing Committee of NBWL.

42.3.2 Proposal of the Oil India Limited to Extract Hydrocarbon beneath 3900-4000 meters of Dibrugarh Saikhowa National Park

The IGF(WL) briefed the Committee on the proposal and stated that the proposal of the Oil India Limited was considered by the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife in its 42nd meeting held on 15th May 2017, wherein the comments were sought from the State Government of Assam on the proposal. The State Government of Assam vide its letter 24th May 2017 gave their comments and has stated that, they are not in a position to submit the desired proposal for obtaining clearance from the Standing Committee of NBWL.

Further IGF(WL) stated that as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court Order vide dated 17.07.2017 in I.A. No.3934 in W.P.(C) 202/1995, a meeting was convened on 24th July 2017 under the chairmanship of DGF&SS. It was decided that the State Government of Assam would submit the proposal. The State Government of Assam submitted the proposal very recently. He

mentioned further that the State Chief Wildlife Warden has recommended the proposal with the following safety and mitigation measures:

1. Environment Impact Assessment and Environment Management Programme (EIA/EMP)
2. Preventive measures to ensure there is no contamination of surface water
3. Flaring of gas
4. Measure to prevent noise pollution
5. Measures to prevent oil spills
6. Measures to prevent fire hazard
7. To erect 10 feet high barricade around the drilling plinths of each well. Also a safety zone of 7.5 meters around the barricade may be fenced with chain link fencing and planted with indigenous plant species to prevent any injuries / mortality of wildlife and also environmental damage and pollution in the mining locality.

In addition to the above specified safety measures certain protection and mitigation measures are to be taken by the Forest Department for the welfare of the existing wildlife population as well as to prevent environmental damage and pollution in and around the vicinity of the National park. Thus the user Agency shall have to provide a reasonable amount to PCCF, WL & CWLW, Assam as Corpus Fund, which will be utilized for wildlife conservation and other allied activities in the interest of the wildlife prior to allowing the use of the area.

Accordingly the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal along with the conditions imposed by the State Chief Wildlife Warden.

43.1.19 Realignment of area of the buffer area of Indravati Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh

The IGF(WL) briefed the Committee on the proposal and stated that the proposal was considered in the 43rd meeting of SC-NBWL held on 27th June 2017 and the Standing Committee suggested to seek the recommendations of the CWLW for further consideration. He also mentioned that recommendation of the State Chief Wildlife Warden has not been received.

The Chief Wildlife Warden, Chhattisgarh informed that the recommendations would be submitted in two weeks. Consequently the Standing Committee decided to defer the proposal.

Project Report
On
MONITORING OF LAND SUBSIDENCE DUE TO
HYDROCARBON EXTRACTION IN ASSAM

A collaborative project between



National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC)
Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
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The conservation priorities of the habitats within the study area as defined in the following sections;

HABITATS

The available terrestrial habitats within the study area are agricultural lands, tea gardens, homestead plantation areas and forests. Of the aquatic habitats, species of conservational significance are mostly confined to Brahmaputra River and small streams, Maguri Beel and village ponds within the study area. The species identified within the aquatic and terrestrial habitats are provided in Table 1

Table 1: Species of Conservation Priorities in Habitats within the Study Area

Sl. No	Scientific Name	Schedule WPA, 1972	IUCN Category
1.	Indian or Ganges Softshell Turtle (<i>Nilssonia gangetica</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix I
2.	Indian Peacock Softshell Turtle (<i>Nilssonia hurum</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix I
3.	Spotted Pond Turtle (<i>Geoclemys hamiltonii</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix I
4.	Burmese Rock Python (<i>Python bivittatus</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix I
5.	Bengal Monitor (<i>Varanus bengalensis</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Least Concern / CITES Appendix II
6.	Water Monitor (<i>Varanus salvator</i>)	Sch I (Part II)	Least Concern / CITES Appendix II
7.	White backed Vulture (<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Critically Endangered/CITES Appendix II
8.	Black Kite (<i>Milvus migrans</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II
9.	Shikra (<i>Accipiter badius</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II
10.	Black-Winged Kite (<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II
11.	Common Kestrel (<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II
12.	Short-toed Snake Eagle (<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>)	Sch I (Part III)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II
13.	Common Leopard (<i>Panthera pardus</i>)	Sch I (Part I)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix I
14.	Fishing Cat (<i>Prionailurus viverrinus</i>)	Sch I (Part I)	Least Concern/CITES Appendix II

Sl. No	Scientific Name	Schedule WPA, 1972	IUCN Category
15.	Western Hoolock Gibbon (<i>Hoolock hoolock</i>)	Sch I (Part I)	Endangered/ CITES Appendix II
16.	Slow Loris (<i>Nycticebus coucang</i>)	Sch I (Part I)	Vulnerable/ CITES Appendix II
17.	Gangetic Dolphin (<i>Planatista gangeticus</i>)	Sch I (Part I)	Endangered/CITES Appendix I

The detailed conservation plan is provided in Table 2.

Table 2: Conservation Plan for Species and Habitats of Conservational Priority Species in the Study Area

Sn.	Species	Source of its Occurrence	Habitats within Study Area	Threats	Broad Conservation Actions	Responsibilities	Actions Required
1	Reptiles-turtles	Secondary sources- Discussion with forest department and locals	At the riparian habitats near Brahmaputra, Dangori and Dibru Rivers	Threats within the study area is identified as hunting, mortality due to fish bycatch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify basking sites of this species and enhance protection of these sites through village communities. Awareness campaigns to be carried out among village communities, focusing on local schools for protection of the species Involve local communities in celebration of wildlife week and create awareness to conserve these species. 	Primary-Forest and Wildlife Department Secondary – Assistance from OIL	Awareness campaigns to be conducted for conservation of Schedule I species, their ecosystem and values.
2	Reptiles-Snakes and Lizards	Secondary sources- Discussion with forest department and locals	Monitor lizards can be found in variety of habitats depending upon their food resource. In the study area the species was predominantly found in the forest habitats and homestead plantation areas	Threats within the study area is identified as hunting and road kills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> While laying approach road, measures will be taken to keep natural drainage unhindered, by construction of culverts, which will provide crossing points for reptiles and 		

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					minimize risk of road kill.		
3	White backed Vulture (<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>)	Primary Survey	Covering all available habitats	The anthropogenic threats to these species is mortality by electrocution from power transmission lines and entanglement in the protective net/nylon strings covers over the fish culture ponds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness campaigns to be carried out among village communities, focusing on local schools. • Birds of prey may sometimes select Awareness 		
4	Shikra (<i>Accipiter badius</i>)	Primary Survey		entanglement in the protective net/nylon strings covers over the fish culture ponds.		campaign will be carried out in local villages, on	
5	Short-toed Snake Eagle (<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>)	Primary Survey				conservation of birds of prey and their ecosystem	
6	Black Winged Kite (<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>)	Primary Survey				services and values.	
7	Black Kite (<i>Milvus migrans</i>)	Primary Survey					
8	Common Kestrel (<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>)	Primary Survey					
9	Common Leopard (<i>Panthera</i>)	Secondary sources- Discussion	The distribution of Common Leopard is primarily confined to the	The primary threats to Leopards are habitat fragmentation through	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of forest areas and leopard habitats 		

<i>pardus)</i>	with forest department and locals	reserve forests areas and tea gardens within the study area	degradation of forest habitats, reduced prey base and conflict with livestock and game farming	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness campaign will be carried out in local villages, on conservation of
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Sn.	Species	Source of its Occurrence	Habitats within Study Area	Threats	Broad Conservation Actions	Responsibilities	Actions Required
10	Western Hoolock Gibbon (<i>Hoolock leuconedys</i>)	Secondary sources- Discussion with forest department and locals	The distribution of the species is primarily confined to the ecologically protected areas within the study area.	The primary threats are habitat fragmentation through degradation of forest habitats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of forest areas and habitats of the Schedule I species • Awareness campaign will be carried out in local villages, on conservation of 	leopards and their ecosystem services and values.	
11	Slow Loris (<i>Nycticebus coucang</i>)	Secondary sources- Discussion with forest department	The distribution of the species is primarily confined to the ecologically protected areas within the study area.	The primary threats are habitat fragmentation through degradation of forest habitats			
12	Asian Elephant (<i>Elephas maximus</i>)	Secondary sources- Discussion with forest department and locals	Elephant activity is present within the DSNP. Elephant activity is not reported in the villages in proximity to the proposed well sites.	The primary threats are habitat fragmentation through degradation of forest habitats; blockage of movement corridors			
13	Gangetic Dolphin (<i>Platanista gangeticus</i>)	Secondary Sources- Discussion with forest department	At Brahmaputra and Dangori River in proximity ERD surface locations	Entanglement at fishing nets. Pollution of the river		Campaign will be carried out about awareness generation and conservation of these Cetacean species in the coastal villages, schools and	

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"I thank the Madhya Pradesh government for lending support in the hour of need," said Sikkim Chief Minister PS Golay. "My heart goes out to the bereaved family, and on behalf of the government, I have announced an ex gratia of Rs 2.5 lakh each for her daughter and son," he said.

Chandra Subba was part of a group of 160 Sikkim residents being evacuated from Gujarat. Her sister, who was also travelling with her, has been admitted to hospital as she was not feeling well. Initial reports have diagnosed dengue as the cause. The results of COVID-19 tests are awaited.*

Soon after their arrival around 5 am, the state authorities conducted necessary procedures prior to their return to their respective districts. The law enforcing agencies, the people in maintaining order buses to ply within her private transport. Private emial train from Bengaluru with 1,450 people, who were 43 buses for their respective movement. All the first special train outside Sikkim to enter on a weekly basis, but in the same transit camp, shopping res and bars. Education institutions will except for on-learning.

Expressing concern about the stranded workers and stranded in the country, the NPCC said, "With the lockdown, many lost their jobs and are living on the streets after being

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Sd/- Director, DNP Ltd

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PRESS RELEASE**

Dated - 18.05.2020

No. AHSEC/SOS/11/19/4814 (II) : The results of the Higher Secondary Level Examination, B-Block, 2019 of the Assam State Open School conducted by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council will be declared on 19th May, 2020 at 10.00 A.M. The results will be published in the Council's website - www.ahsec.nic.in

Sd/- Secretary,
Assam Higher Secondary Education Council
Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21

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The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), GOI has accorded Environmental Clearance for Extension Drilling & Testing of Hydrocarbons at 7 (seven) locations under Dibrugarh-Saikhowa National Park Area, North West of Baghjan PMS in District Tinsukia, Assam by M/s Oil India Limited.
The copies of Environmental Clearance, F. No. J-11011/150/2016-IA-II (I) dated 11th May 2020, are available for reference with MoEF&CC, Pollution Control Board, Assam (PCBA) and may also be seen at websites of MoEF&CC and OIL.
The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, GOI has accorded Environmental Clearance for the said project under the provisions of EIA Notification, 2006.
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ANNEXURE - A**ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT CELL OF OIL INDIA LIMITED - FHQ, DULIAJAN**

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4.	Sri. Akash Neel Das	Superintending Engineer (HSE)	B.E (Mechanical Engineering), PG Diploma (Fire & Safety Management), PGDM
5.	Sri. Bantupalli Sai Venkatesh	Superintending Engineer (Environment)	B.E (Civil Engineering), M.Tech (Environmental Engineering)
6.	Sri. Jiban Jyoti Das	Superintending Engineer (Environment)	B.Tech (Computer Science and Engineering), M.Tech (Environment Engineering and Management)
7.	Sri. Vinay Yadav	Senior Officer (HSE)	B.E (Civil Engineering), M.Tech (Environmental Engineering)
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Ministry of Jal Shakti

Department of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation
Central Ground Water Authority

PUBLIC NOTICE No. 11/2023

New Delhi, Dated 1st August, 2023

(In supersession of the Public Notice no. 06/2023 dated 11.05.2023 regarding
“Exemption to obtain NOC for ground water well drilling used for scientific study by
Government Organisation/Institute”)

**Sub: Exemption to obtain NOC for ground water well drilling used for scientific
study by Government Organisation/Institute – reg.**

Whereas the Central Government constituted the Central Ground Water Authority (hereinafter referred to as the Authority) vide notification Number S.O. 38(E), dated 14th January, 1997, followed by notification number S.O. 1124(E) dated 6th November, 2000 and S.O. 1121 (E) dated 13th May, 2010 of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment & Forests, for the purposes of regulation and control of ground water development and management in the whole of India and to issue necessary regulatory directions.

And whereas, the Ministry of Jal Shakti has issued ‘Guidelines to control and regulate ground water extraction in India’ vide notification number S.O. 3289(E) dated 24th September, 2020, notified by Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti.

And whereas an Amendment Notification dated 29.03.2023 has been further issued by Ministry of Jal Shakti, published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (ii), vide Notification number S.O. 1509 (E).

This is to bring to the notice that:-

- Government organizations/Institutes dealing in ground water well drilling, such as drilling of Exploratory well, Piezometer, Observation Well, Pilot well etc. for scientific studies and exploration activities, **and such PSUs like ONGC, Oil India Ltd. etc. involved in research and exploration activities requiring site-specific temporary borewells**, shall remain exempted from seeking of No Objection Certificate for Ground Water extraction for the period of scientific studies, from Central Ground Water Authority.
- However, such Government organizations/Institutes shall be required to submit details of the drilling to the concerned Regional Office of CGWB.
- In case, another agency uses the well for ground water extraction, after the completion of scientific studies and exploration activities, the same shall be required to obtain No Objection Certificate from CGWA as per the due process.

Member Secretary
CGWA