



Letter No. **562/Jamrani-2/Forest/2026-27**

Date: **25/09/2026**

To,

Divisional Forest Officer (DFO),
Nainital Forest Division,
Nainital, Uttarakhand.

Sub: - Compliance Report of Forest Clearance Conditions (Period: Sept.2026) for Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project, Nainital, Uttarakhand.

Ref: - i) Forest Clearance Stage-I, Letter No. F. No. 8-36/2013-FC, dated 25.04.2018.
ii) Forest Clearance Stage-II, Letter No. F. No. 8-36/2013-FC, dated 16.01.2023.

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you that the Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project district Nainital, Uttarakhand is under implementation. The compliance of the conditions stipulated in the Forest Clearance Stage-I and Stage-II is being carried out as per the applicable conditions.

Hereby, we are enclosing the point-wise compliance report for the period September 2026 as per the conditions stipulated in the Forest clearance granted by MoEF & CC.

Enclosed: Pointwise compliances (as above) along with annexures.

Regards


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Executive Engineer

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Copy to following for information & necessary action please:

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3. Addl. PCCF/ Nodal Forest, Uttarakhand Forest Department, Indira Nagar, Dehradun.
4. General Manager, PIU Jamrani/ Superintending Engineer, Project Circle Jamrani, Haldwani.
5. Dy. General Manager-01, PIU Jamrani, Haldwani.
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Point-wise compliance of conditions

(Period: September 2026)

(User agency- PIU Jamrani),

CONDITIONS Forest Clearance, Stage-1 Letter: F. No.8-36/2013-FC, Dated:25/04/2018			
S. No.	Con. No.	Condition	Compliance – Sep. 2026
1.	1.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	Agreed. The Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2.	I.	Compensatory afforestation shall be raised over non- forest land equal to the diverted forest land. At least 1000 plants per hectare (351.55 hectares x 1000 = 351550 plants) shall be planted over identified non-forest land with-provision for ten years on subsequent maintenance.	- Compensatory Afforestation land of 351.55 ha. and an amount of Rs.9.80 Cr. have already been transferred to the State Forest Department. (Annex. - I) - Compensatory Afforestation work is being carried out by the State Forest Department as per the approved scheme and applicable conditions.
3.	II.	25% of CA cost will be deposited extra by the user agency for soil and moisture conservation (SMC) activities on the CA Land.	The Rs. 2.44 Cr. has already been transferred to State Forest Department for soil and moisture conservation (SMC) activities.
4.	III.	State Government shall submit documents indicating efforts of State Government to rehabilitate 6 villages which are coming in submergence areas including Haidakhan ashram and temple.	- PIU has already acquired 351.55 ha. of forest land and 49.471ha. of private land of 6 No. of submergence villages according to RFCLARR Act 2013. - R&R Policy for rehabilitation of the affected families has been approved by H'ble State Cabinet and R&R activities are currently underway. (Annex. -II) - Major part of the compensation has already been paid to project affected families. The compensation amount Rs. 412.75 Cr. has already been distributed among 1125 families out of 1267 families.
5.	IV.	The land identified for the purpose of CA shall be clearly depicted on a Survey of India topo-sheet of 1:50,000 scale	This condition had already been complied with at the time of getting Forest Clearance Stage-I.
6.	V.	The Civil Soyam land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in Favor of the State Forest Department before issue of the Stage-II clearance and the said non-forest land as identified for raising compensatory Afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF under Section-4 or PF under Section-20 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act, as the case may be, within a period of six months.	Compensatory Afforestation land of 351.55 ha. in Tehri district has already been transferred to the State Forest Department. (Annex. -I)

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7.	VI.	The State Government shall provide DGPS map/shape file identify for balance plantation. The shape file may also be provided.	This condition has already been complied at the time of getting Forest Clearance Stage-I.
8.	VII.	The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	The amount of Rs.9.80 Cr. has been deposited to the State Forest Department
9.	VIII.	The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into Ad-hoc CAMPA account of the State Concerned;	The amount of Rs.29,70,59,570 has been transferred to State Forest department dated 29.03.2019.
10.	IX.	The approved Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan shall be implemented at the cost of the user agency and commensurate funds shall be deposited through online in the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA account	The CAT plan was approved & amount of Rs.47.00 Cr. has been transferred to State Forest department dated 30.10.2019.
11.	X.	The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;	This condition had already been complied with at the time of getting Forest Clearance Stage-I.
12.	XI.	The user agency should ensure that the compensatory levies (CA cost, NPV, etc.) are deposited through challan generated online on web portal and deposited in appropriate bank online only. Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage- I clearance;	This condition had already been complied with at the time of getting Forest Clearance Stage-I.
13.	XII.	The Forest clearance will be for a period co terminus with the lease period specified in the lease agreement. The State Government will submit the lease agreement document specified in the lease agreement.	The Land transferred for the specified purpose is not concerned under the lease agreement.
14.	XIII.	The state Govt. ensure that the user agency shall implement the R&R Plan as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy, Government of India before the commencement of the project work. The said R&R Plan will be monitored by the State Government/Regional Office of MoEF & CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones;	- The R&R Plan is being implemented as per the approved R&R Policy and RECTLARR Act, 2013. Major activities including approval of the R&R Policy, census of affected families and approval of R&R schemes have been completed. Payment of compensation/rehabilitation assistance and resettlement site development activities are being implemented as per the approved schedule. (Annex. -III) - State Government & Regional Office of MoEF&CC are monitoring the same.

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15.	XIV.	The user agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Birds nests artificially made out of eco-friendly material shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project.	The user agency has been coordinating with State Forest department to create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna and installation of artificial nests made of eco-friendly material, as applicable
16.	XV.	The boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates;	This condition has already been complied at the time of getting Forest Clearance Stage-I.
17.	XVI.	The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in terms of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted and submit the documentary evidence as prescribed by this Ministry in its letter No. 11-9/1998-FC (pt.) dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013, in support thereof.	No forest dwellers are residing in this zone
18.	XVII.	The user agency shall carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites in such a manner so as to avoid its rolling down. 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.	• The muck generated during construction activities is being disposed at approved site with all necessary measures. • The gabion wall has been constructing at the periphery of mucking disposal site to arrest the rolling of muck. • Muck from the approved dumping sites is being reused for construction works and other filling purposes.
19.	XVIII.	The State Government and the user agency shall ensure that the trees available between full reservoir level (FRL) and FRL-4 meters are not felled;	This condition is being complied by the State Forest Department.
20.	XIX.	The User agency shall undertake afforestation along the periphery of the reservoir.	• Preparation of Reservoir Rim Treatment plan (RRTP) of the project is under progress. • Afforestation along the periphery of the reservoir will be done under RRTP.
21.	XX.	User agency shall provide free water for the forestry related projects.	Agreed, this condition shall be complied.
22.	XXI.	The User agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required,	• The User agency obtained EC vide letter No. J-12011/04/2007-IA-I, Dated:13/12/2019. (Annex. -IV)
23.	XXII.	Any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department	The Agency for tree felling is Van Vikas Nigam, Uttarakhand in supervision of the State Forest Department.

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24.	XXIII.	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	Noted, This condition shall be complied.
25.	XXIV.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	No Labour camp established yet in the forest land
26.	XXV.	User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labours and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;	, Alternate fuels already provided to the labours and the staff working at the site.
27.	XXVI.	The user agency will abide by the applicable recommendations of the State Government including State Forest/Wildlife Departments;	Noted, the condition shall be complied.
28.	XXVII.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal and forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	Agreed, forest land is not being used for any other purpose without prior approval of the Central Government.
29.	XVIII.	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	Agreed, the condition is being complied.
30.	XXIX.	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report In respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year;	The user agency shall submit the self-compliance report annually.
31.	XXX.	Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;	Agreed, the condition shall be complied.
32.	XXXI.	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and National Green Tribunal Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	Agreed, the condition shall be complied.

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Forest Clearance, Stage-2
Letter: F. No.8-36/2013-FC, Dated:16/01/2023

	A.	Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land to user agency by the State Government:	
1	I.	The State Govt. shall ensure the complete compliance of FRA, 2006; It should also be ensured that the FRA certificate issued by District collector is complete with letter number, date, name, signature and official seal, as required in the certificate;	This condition was already complied with before the subjected land was handed over. (Annex. -V)
2	II.	The User Agency shall implement the R&R Plan as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy, Government of India before the commencement of the project work and implementation. The said R&R Plan will be monitored by the State Government/Regional Office of MoEF & CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones;	- PIU has already acquired 351.55 ha. of forest land and 49.471ha. of private land of 6 No. of submergence villages according to RFCLARR Act 2013. - R&R Policy for rehabilitation of the affected families has been approved by H'ble State Cabinet and R&R activities are currently underway. (Annx. -II) - Major part of the compensation has already been paid to project affected families. The compensation amount Rs. 412.75 Cr. has already been distributed among 1125 families out of 1267 families.
3	III.	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.	The User agency obtained EC vide letter No. J-12011/04/2007-IA-I, Dated:13/12/2019. (Annex.-IV)
	B.	Conditions which need to be complied after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Govt.:	
4	I.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;	Noted. The Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
5	II.	The proposed forest land i.e. 351.55 ha shall be handed over to the User Agency only when the User Agency has acquired the required non-forest land, if any, for the project;	PIU has already acquired 351.55 ha. of forest land and 49.471ha. of private land of 6 No. of submergence villages according to RFCLARR Act 2013.
6	III.	Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over identified equivalent non-forest Civil Soyam land i.e. 351.55 ha and balance seedlings shall be planted by the Forest Department on the identified 143.0 ha degraded forest land with provision for ten years on subsequent maintenance. The plantation shall be undertaken within three years of this approval;	- The amount of Rs. 9.80 Cr has already been transferred to State Forest Department for Compensatory Afforestation activities on 29/03/2019 by the User Agency. - The Compensatory Afforestation work is being implemented by the State Forest Department as per the approved scheme.
7	IV.	The State Government shall ensure that the identified non-forest land to be transferred and mutated in Favor of the State Forest Department for raising Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified as reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest	Regarding the declaration of 352.001 ha land selected in District Tehri for compensatory afforestation of the Jamrani Dam Project as Protected/Reserved

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		Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal officer must report compliance within a period of 6 month from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the local Forest Act as the case may be, to this Ministry for information and record;	Forest under the Indian Forest Act, 1927, the Government of Uttarakhand has issued two Government Orders (GOs): • G.O. No. 337/X-3-22/1(99)/2015 dated 06.04.2022 & Corrigendum 462/X-3-22/1(99)/2015 dated 19.05.2022 (231.282 ha) • G.O. No. 686/X-3-22/1(99)/2015 dated 24.06.2022 (120.719 ha). (Annex-I)
8	V.	The State Government shall ensure that the user agency will carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites in such a manner so as to avoid its rolling down. 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 super vision 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;	• The muck generated during construction activities is being disposed at approved site with all necessary measures. • Gabion wall has been constructed along the periphery of the muck disposal site to prevent the rolling of muck. • Muck from the approved dumping sites is being reused for construction works and other filling purposes. • The approved dumping sites are under State Government Revenue Land.
9	VI.	User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and trees shall be felled under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;	The Agency for tree felling is Van Vikas Nigam, Uttarakhand in supervision of the State Forest Department.
10	VII.	The felling of trees shall be restricted to FRL-4 meter only and felling of trees shall be carried out by the State Forest Department. Number of trees to be removed shall be kept at barest minimum during the execution of the project;	This condition is being complied by the State Forest Department.
11	VIII.	The State Forest Department shall implement the approved Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan from the funds already deposited by the User Agency;	The CAT plan was approved & an amount of Rs.47.00 Cr. has been transferred to State Forest department dated 30.10.2019 by the User Agency.
12	IX.	User agency shall undertake afforestation along the periphery of the reservoir;	• Preparation of Reservoir Rim Treatment plan (RRTP) of the project is under progress. • Afforestation along the periphery of the reservoir will be done under RRTP.
13	X.	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;	Noted, This condition shall be complied.
14	XI.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	No Labour camp has been established on the forest land.
15	XII.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labour after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;	Alternate fuels already provided to the labours at the site.
16	XIII.	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;	This condition has already been complied.

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17	XIV.	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;	Noted, The condition is being complied.
18	XV.	The State government shall ensure that the user agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Birds' nests artificially made out of Eco-friendly material Shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project.	The user agency has been coordinating with State Forest department to create and maintain habitat for avi-fauna.
19	XVI.	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;	Noted.
20	XVII.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	Noted.
21	XVIII.	User agency shall provide free water for forestry related activities/ projects;	Agreed.
22	XIX.	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;	Noted.
23	XX.	The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;	Noted
24	XXI.	The Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the para 1.21 of comprehensive guidelines issued vide this Ministry F. No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28th March, 2019;	Noted
25	XXII.	The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Act, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT Order (s) and relevant Hon'ble Court Order (s), if any, pertaining to this project for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	Agreed.
26	XXIII.	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife, subject to the approval of the competent authority.	Agreed & shall be complied.
27	XXIV.	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above conditions and also to the conditions stipulated in Stage -I clearance to the State Government, concerned Regional and this Ministry by the end of March of every year regularly.	Agreed.

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