## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM FISHERY DEPARTMENT :: DISPUR, Guwahati -06 ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

## **NOTIFICATION**

No.FISH. 138/2022/24(218932)

In view of approval by the Ho'ble Cabinet in the meeting held on  $23^{rd}$  September , 2022 , the Governor of Assam is pleased to allow the Assam Fisheries Development Corporation Ltd (AFDCL) for issuing users' rights of Beels under AFDCL to Assam Power Distribution Company Ltd (**APDCL**) for 30 years (with a provision of renewal thereafter for another period not exceeding 30 years at a time) for installation of Floating Solar Power Plants in Beels under AFDC through its own or through other modes of execution with following conditions:-

- 1. Managing Director, AFDCL shall execute an agreement with APDCL of successful completion of installation of Floating Solar Power Plants in Beels under AFDCL.
- 2. APDCL will provide 10% of the profit from this initiative to AFDCL.
- 3. The area covered is to be scientifically earmarked to ensure that Biodiversity is protected and Fish production is not affected adversely. Reasonable portion of total area of a Beel shall be targeted for installation of Floating Solar Power Plants so that there will be no any adverse impact on fish production including fish harvesting.
- 4. Users' rights of Beels under AFDCL will be handed over to APDCL within three (3) months from the date of agreement to be signed between APDCL and AFDCL.
- 5. A reasonable portion of the total area of a Beel to be identified/ targeted to the extent possible for installation of Floating Solar Power Plants so that there will be no any adverse effect on fish production including fish harvesting.
- 6. Ownership of those Beels will remain vested with AFDCL except for the installation of Floating Solar Power Plants with concurrent right of use by AFDCL .
- 7.AFDCL will carry on leasing out of those Beels as per the prevailing norms of Govt. as well as AFDCL norms with specific conditions of safety and security of the Floating Solar Power Plants.

- 8. While protecting the rights of lessee of such fisheries, AFDCL will ensure that there is no loss/damage to the installation due to negligence etc of the manpower engaged by the lessee for fishing and in such an eventuality such toss /damage shall have to be recovered from such lessee. with insertion of a Clause in the Lease Agreement.
- 9. Fishing and other mode of transportation in the Beels will be continued not withstanding the Floating Solar Power Plants to be installed keeping in mind about their involvement of the community and their uses of Beel resource.
- 10. .Implementation of project should be economically beneficial with ecological protection.
- 11 . The APDCL would not be allowed to mortgage the land (Beel) to any financial institutions or any third party.
- 12. The interest of the existing leases of the Beels shall be suitably protected.
- 13. The project should be techno-financially viable following the principle of doing 'No Harm'.
- 14. There will be no financial implication on Fishery Department, Assam and AFDCL in the project/venture.
- 15.APDCL will be authorized to use the beels under Fisheries Department for solar power generation in a phased manner.

Sd/-

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of

Assam

Fishery Department

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- 1. The Chairman, APDCL for favour of information.
- 2. The A.G. (A&E), Assam, Guwahati-29.
- 3. The Principal Secretary to C.M. Assam.
- 4. The Staff Officers to Chief Secretary, Assam.
- 5. The MD, APDCL for information and necessary action.
- 6. The MD, AFDCL, for information and necessary action.
- 7. The Judicial Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
- 8. The Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
- 9. The Legislative Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
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- 11. All Commissioner of Divisions, Assam / All Deputy Commissioners / Sub- Divisions.
- 12. The Principal Secretary, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council,

- Diphu/ N.C. Hills Autonomous Council, Haflong.
- 13. The Principal Secretary, B.T.R., Kokrajhar, Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council, Dudhnoi, Goalpara/Lalung (Tiwa) Autonomous Council, Morigaon/ Mising Autonomous Council, Gogamukh, Dhemaji.
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Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Fishery Department