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RATLE HYDROELECTRIC POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(A Joint Venture of NHPC Limited and JKSPDC Limited)

ANNEXURE-I

850MW RATLE HE PROJECT, DISTRICT KISHTWAR, UT JAMMU AND KASHMIR

SIX MONTHLY COMPLIANCE REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS (for the period October 2023 to March 2024)

1	Name of Project	Ratle Hydro-Electric Project (850MW)
2	Type of Project	Hydro-Electric Project (Run of the River scheme)
3	Clearance letters OM No. and date	
	(a) Environment Clearance	(a) MoEF&CC letter No. J-12011/39/2010-IA. dated 12.12.2012
		MoEF&CC letter No. J-12011/39/2010-IA. dated 27.09.2021 (approval accorded for transfer of EC in the name of RHPCL).
	(b) Forest Clearance	(b) Order No. 234-FST of 2012 dated 27.04.2012 of GOJK (for diversion of 138.93 Ha Forest land) and No. 108-FST of 2014 dated 05.03.2014 of GOJK (for diversion of 29.13 Ha Forest land). Vide communication No. 15-01/2021-Jammu dated 08.03.2022, approval accorded by MoEF&CC, GOI for change of User Agency from JKSPDC to RHPCL.
4	Locations	
	(a) District(s)	(a) Kishtwar
	(b) State	(b) Jammu and Kashmir
	(c) Latitude	(c) 33 10'43" N
	(d) Longitude	(d) 75 48 26" E



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5	Address for Correspondence					
	(a) Address of concerned Project Head (with Pin code, Telephone/Fax no.)	(a) Chief Executive Officer Ratle Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd Ratle HE Project Shalimar Colony, Tehsil and District - Kishtwar, UT Jammu and Kashmir Pin code- 182 204 Telephone:- 01995-295171 email id: rhpcl@nhpc.nic.in				
	(b) Address of concerned HOD in Corporate Office (with Pin code, Telephone/Fax no.)	(b) Regd. Office: Chief Executive Officer Ratle Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd. Room No. 08, Block No. 02, NHPC Regional Office, JDA Commercial Complex No. 01, Narwal, Jammu (UT J&K) - 180 006 email id: rhpcl@nhpc.nic.in				
6	Details of Environmental Management Plan	Environmental Management Plans to be implemented at the Project as provided in the EMP Report are as follows: SI.No.Environmental Management Plan				
		Biodiversity Management Plan				
1		2 Catchment Area Treatment Plan				
		3 Fishery Development and Management Plan				
		4 Solid Waste Management Plan				
		5 Public Health Delivery System				
		6 Energy Conservation Measures				
		7 Muck Disposal Plan				
		8 Landscaping & Restoration of Quarry & Construction Areas				
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		9 Air & Water Environment Management Plan				
		10 Reservoir Rim Treatment Plan				
		Plan				





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(a) SC/ST/Adivasis (b) Others (b) Others (c) Project cost as originally planned and subsequent revised estimates and the year of price reference (b) Rural Artisans/ Small Traders: 62 families (Above details are as per R&R Plan of Ratie HE Project approved by GOJK in 2013) (c) Project cost as originally a) Original TEA approved cost (2012): (a) Project cost as originally planned and subsequent revised estimates and the year of price reference	8 Breakup of Project affected population with enumerations of those losing house/dwelling units only, agriculture land only, both house and agriculture land and landless labours / artisians.	13 Dam Break Modelling & Disaster Management Plan 14 Local Area Development Plan 15 CSR Activities 16 Local Skill Development Plan 17 Environmental Monitoring Programme Forest Land
(b) Others approved by GOJK in 2013) Financial Details (a) Project cost as originally planned and subsequent revised estimates and the year of price reference approved by GOJK in 2013) approved by GOJK in 2013) Completion cost (2012): Rs. 5517.02 Cr (completion cost) Cabinet Investment sanction approved (2021): Rs. 5281.94Cr (Nov 2018 PL)	landless labours / artisians.	a) Scheduled Tribe : 17 families b) Rural Artisans/ Small Traders : 62 families
(a) Project cost as originally planned and subsequent revised estimates and the year of price reference a) Original TEA approved cost (2012): Rs. 5517.02 Cr (completion cost) Cabinet Investment sanction approved (2021): Rs. 5281.94Cr (Nov 2018 PL)		
	(a) Project cost as originally planned and subsequent revised estimates and the	Rs. 5517.02 Cr (completion cost)



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		Expenditure incurred by RHPCL : Rs. 600.74 Ci (till March 2024)
	(c) Allocation made for Environment Management	Allocations for EMP : Rs. 262.35 Cr (as approved by MoEF&CC
	Plan	
	(d) Actual expenditure incurred on EMP so far	Details of expenditure already incurred on EMF prior to formation of RHPCL i.e. 01.06.2021 shall be suitably updated upon receipt of records from JKSPDC.
		The details of expenditure incurred on EMP upto March 2024 as available with the Project is given below:-
		i)Payment released on account of Forest Clearance:
		Rs.1773.07 Lakh (including Rs.179.71 Lakh on account of Compensator Afforestation Programme)
		ii) Solid Waste Management Plan* : Rs.13.92 Lakh
		iii)Public health delivery system* : Rs.112.63 Lakh
		iv)Energy Conservation measure* ; Rs.73.03 Lakh
		v)Muck Disposal Plan* : Rs.8.97 Cr
		ví)CSR Plan : Rs.62.15 Lakh
		vii)Air & Water Environment Management Plan Rs. 99.73 Lakh
		viii)Environmental Monitoring Programme*:Rs.18.4 Lakh
		*also includes the expenditure incurred by Contractor a per the Contract Agreement
10	Forest Land Requirements	
	(a) Status of approval for diversion	(a) Sanction accorded by GOJK for diversion of
	of Forest Land for non-forestry	138.93 Ha Forest land for use vide Order No
		234-FST of 2012 dated 27.04.2012 and for
	use	use of 29.13 Ha Social Forestry land vid
		Order No. 108-FST of 2014 date
		05.03.2014. Vide communication No
		08.03.2022, approval accorded b
		MoEF&CC, GOI for change of User Agenc
		from JKSPDC to RHPCL.
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	(b) The status of clear felling of	(b) Clear felling status:- The status shall be
	trees in Forest Land	sultably updated upon receipt of record from JKSPDC.
11	Status of Construction	The work for Turnkey Execution of Ratle H
		Project has been awarded to M/s MEIL of 18.01.2022.
	(a) Date of commencement (actual and/or planned)	(a) Date of commencement of major works of the Project (actual): 18.01.2022
	(b) Date of completion (actual and/or planned)	(b) Date of completion (planned): 10.02.202 (60 months from the date of Investment approval).
12	Reasons for the delay (If the	Not Applicable.
	Project is yet to be started)	(As per Cabinet Investment sanction date
		11.02.2021, Ratle HE Project is to be execute
		by JV of NHPC and JKSPDC with completio
		period of 60 months from the date of
		Investment approval)
13	Details of Site visits	
	(a) By Monitoring Committee	******
	(b) By Regional Office	The status of visits prior to 01.06.2021, if any
		shall be suitably updated upon receipt of record
		from JKSPDC.
14.	Brief note on the status of compliance of the conditions stipulated by MOEF&CC	Details enclosed as Appendix-I.



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STATUS OF COMPLIANCE OF CONDITIONS STIPULATED BY MoEF&CC, GOVT OF INDIA

(Environment Clearance letter No. J-12011/39/2010-IA.I dated 12.12.2012 and No. J-12011/39/2010-IA.I dated 27.09.2021)

SI. No.		Spec	ific Co	onditio	ns		Compliance Status
j	The Catchm proposed in undertaken i Department before impou	n the n cons and m	EIA/E sultatio ajor w	MP R n with ork sha	vide letter No. RATLE/CEO/Env/ 2022/271 dated 04.07.2022 for implementation of CAT Plan. - CAT Plan was again submitted to J&K		
	Item	I Year	II Year	Year	IV Year	Total	Forest Department vide letter dated 29.09.2022.
	Biological Meas	ures					- In order to review and finalize the CAT
	Afforestation (ha)	2243	1747	923	-	4913	Plan, following meetings were held by the J&K Forest Department:
	Enrichment Plantation (ha)		112	79	-	191	 by Nodal Officer(FCA)/CCF, J&K on
	Pasture Development		376	195		591	dated 25.11.2022. by Director, Department of Soil and
	Nursery Development (Nos)	3		-	-	3	Water Conservation, J&K on dated 30.01.2023. * by Additional PCCF, Jammu on
	Watch & ward (Nos)	240	240	240	240	960	dated 01.02.2023.
	Engineering Med	esures				- It has been suggested by the J&K	
	Contour Bunding (ha)	434	409	324	171	1338	Forest Department to make the CAT Plan site specific as per the relevant
	(NOs)	50	25	30	20	125	working Plans and to justify the area to be treated with respect to the
							 catchment, along with ground truthing. National Environmental Engineering Research Institute (NEERI), Nagpur has been requested for microplanning and preparation of site-specific CAT Plan. The revised CAT Plan shall be submitted to J&K Forest Department for approval and implementation.

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ii	All	the	commit	ments	made	during	the	public	
	hea	aring	shall be	fulfilled	d comp	letely.			

- Shall be complied
- The R&R Plan of the Project was approved by GOJK in 2013 after consultations with all stakeholders and duly considering the aspirations and demands of local people.
- As per provisions of MoU, the R&R Plan of Project has been updated in line with the rates provided in case of Kishanganga HE Project, J&K.
- The Standing Committee headed by Chief Secretary, UT J&K has accorded In-principle approval to the revised R&R Plan of Ratle HEP. The final approval of revised R&R Plan is under progress by GOJK.
- After final approval, the revised R&R Plan of Project shall be implemented through Commissioner R&R, Ratle HE Project (Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar).
- The details of land holding of project affected persons whose land is being acquired shall be submitted to this ministry. The R&R benefits for the land losing households will be as per the National Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy, 2007 (NRRP, 2007) or as per the State Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy, whichever is higher. Adequate publicity of the compensation package shall be made in the affected villages.
- R&R Package for Ratle HE Project was sanctioned by GOJK in 2013 vide Order No. 91-PDD of 2013 dated 21.03.2013 for a total amount of Rs. 110.00 Crore.
- The above R&R Package includes the Rehabilitation and Resettlement Plan (Rs. 20.00 Crore) prepared on the basis of NRRP 2007, Local Area Development Plan including Skill Development Plan (Rs. 60.00 Crore) and Corporate Social Responsibility Plan (Rs.30.00 Crore).
- As per R&R Plan approved by GOJK in 2013, the Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar has been appointed as Commissioner R&R for implementation of R&R Plan.
- A part of R&R benefits as per approved Plan of 2013 stand already released to the beneficiaries.



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			 Now, as per MoU, the rates of previously approved R&R Plan have been revised and the updated R&R Plan has been submitted to GOJK on 07.09.2021 for examination and approval thereof.
			 In September 2022, BOD of RHPCL has accorded approval to the revised Cost Estimate of R&R Plan.
			 The In-principle approval has been accorded to the R&R Plan of Ratte HE Project by the Standing Committee headed by Chief Secretary, J&K.
			 The final approval of R&R Plan by GOJK is under progress.
			 After final approval, the revised R&R Plan of Project shall be implemented through Commissioner R&R, Ratle HE Project (Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar).
	iv	A Monitoring Committee for R&R shall be constituted which must include representatives of project affected persons from SC/ST category and a women beneficiary.	 The proposal for constitution of Monitoring Committee shall be submitted in line with final approval of the R&R Plan by GOJK.
	٧	Consolidation and compilation of 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, out of 24.4	 The approach roads to Muck Disposal sites -I & II (downstream of Dam site) on right bank and left bank of river Chenab respectively, have been developed by the Contractor.
		lakh m3 of muck to be generated due to excavation, about 50% (i.e.12.2 lakh m3) will be utilized for construction purpose and the remaining 12.2 lakh m3 will be dumped at the 3 designated areas in an allocated area of 30.59 ha. The identified muck dumping sites shall be	 As per the details provided by the Contractor, most of the excavated muck has been utilized in processing of aggregates, Tunnel works, construction of approach roads, protection works (Crate walls, RR Masonry walls etc.).
		at-least 30m horizontally away from the edge of the river corresponding to high flood level (HFL).	 The disposal of muck is being carried out at designated muck dumping site as per Muck Disposal areas proposed in the EMP Report.
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		 In the meantime, to avoid any spillage of muck, the Contractor has been asked to also explore the possibility for temporary stacking/ dumping of muck at some alternate location within Project land, which should be far away from the river.
vi	Muck dumping sites should be handed over to Forest Department only after restoration including plantations etc.	 The Muck dumping sites shall be handed over to Forest Department only after their complete restoration.
vii	A provision of an additional unit of 30 MW has been made in the project, which will be running for 24 hours continuously to maintain a minimum discharge of 33.43, cumecs/sec, during the lean season from November-February (About 27% of lean season) at the downstream, shall be strictly adhered-to. Monsoon flow shall be at least 30% of the Monsoon discharge.	The stipulated seasonal-flows shall be maintained during Project operation.
viii	An Auto mechanism / by pass arrangement in dam design shall be made to ensure release of environmental flow water in event of the 30 MW turbine or when it is put under maintenance.	Shall be complied To ensure continuous release of environmental flow, the maintenance of 30MW turbine shall be planned only in Monsson season when all main Units are in operation 24X7. Also to ensure continuous release of environmental flow in the event of 30MW turbine being under maintenance, the provision has been kept in Plant Control & Monitoring (SCADA) system for control of reservoir level and downstream release consideration for environmental flow.
ix	Continuous Monitoring system for environmental flow measurement shall be installed and data shall be displayed at appropriate site for information of civil society, stake holders and regulators. Six monthly results shall be submitted to the regional Office of the Ministry and SPCB.	Shall be complied
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- An Automatic Water Level Recorde
(AWLR) has been installed on river. Chenab (upstream of Dam site), as part of Early Flood Warning System. - An All-Weather Station has also been installed in the colony area and is operational.
 An amount of Rs.1773.07 Lakh has been paid to J&K Forest Departmentowards diversion of Forest land for Ratle HE Project out of which Rs.179.71 Lakh has been paid towards Compensatory Afforestation Programme. Vide letter No. RATLE/GM(E)/2023/E-39 dated 16.10.2023, J&K Forest Department has been requested to provide the physical and financial progress of Compensatory Afforestation works carried out for Ratle HE Project, however, the details from Forest Department are awaited. The Utilization Certificates shall be taken from J&K Forest Department to ensure that allocated grant is fully utilized and not diverted for any other purpose.
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	to expedite the approval of said Plan.
	 Subsequently, the matter was discussed with J&K Forest Department in review meeting held by Nodal Officer (FCA)/Chief Conservator of Forests, UT J&K on dated 25.11.2022 and with Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle, Doda at Kishtwar on 15.03.2023.
	 Vide letter No. Ratle/CEO/2023/E-49 dated 09.11.2023, J&K Forest Department has been requested for an early finalization and approval of Biodiversity Conservation and Management Plan and its timely implementation.
Indigenous plant species should be used for implementation of Biodiversity Management Plan and for Compensatory Afforestation. Expertise from R&D Centers may be used for propagation techniques. Provision should also be made to include researchers to implement these Plans and carrying out plantation.	Shall be complied
Equipment likely to generate high noise levels shall meet the ambient noise standards as notified under the noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules 2000, as amended in 2010 under Environment Protection Act (EPA), 1986. For this, necessary insulation arrangement etc. to be ensured.	Being complied
A provision of Rs. 30 Crores earmarked towards the Local Area Development Activities (LADA) shall be fully utilized and not to be diverted for any other purpose. The implementation of activities as submitted to the Ministry shall be taken up as soon possible. In addition, a grant of Rs. 30 Crores earmarked for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Rs.30 Crores for skill development purpose shall also be duly utilized and not to be diverted for any other purpose.	Implementation of Local Area Development Activities, Corporate Social Responsibility activities and Skill Development Plan shall be ensured by Commissioner R&R / Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar in line with final approval of R&R Package by GOJK.
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xvii	LADA activities may be undertaken by M/s Ratle Hydro Electric Project Pvt. Ltd to enhance delivery mechanism for operational point of view.	 Implementation of LADA activities shall be ensured by Commissioner R&R/ District Administration in line with final approval of R&R Package by GOJK.
xviii	Tie-ups shall be made with existing city hospitals for disposal of Bio-medical waste in case district hospital at Kishtwar does not have the facility for handling biomedical waste as proposed in the report.	Shall be complied
xix	Any other clearance from other organization/department, if required, shall be obtained before commencement of the project	Shall be complied
SI. No.	General Conditions	Compliance status
i	Adequate arrangement for providing free fuel like kerosene/wood/LPG shall be made at project cost for the labour engaged in the construction work so that indiscriminate felling of trees is prevented.	 Common mess facilities have been developed by MEIL for their workers at
ii	Medical facilities as well as recreational facilities shall also be provided to labourers.	 One Dispensary has been set up by Contractor at Project site which is being manned by One Doctor and 13 paramedical staff.
		 Further, two Ambulances have also been deployed to cater to the health requirements of their staff and labour force.
		In addition, one First Aid Centre has been established by Ratle Project at Shalimar Colony which is being manned by one Doctor and 2 paramedical staff.
		Recreational facilities shall also be ensured by the Contractor.



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iii	All the labourers to be engaged for construction works shall be thoroughly examined by health personal and adequately treated before issuing them work permit.	Health measures for labourers being taken up by the major Contractor.
iv	No fugitive dust emissions should be observed at the construction sites. Water sprinkling arrangements should be made to suppress the fugitive emissions.	 Regular water sprinkling at work sites is being carried out to supress the fugitive dust emissions. Fleet of three water Tankers is in service to cater to regular water sprinkling.
٧	Potable drinking water and proper sanitary facilities shall be provided for the labour force and the local area people.	Being complied
vi	Restoration of construction area including dumping site of excavated materials shall be ensured by levelling, filling up of burrow pits, landscaping etc. The area should be properly treated with suitable plantation.	 Restoration of construction areas with proper treatment and plantation of suitable species shall be taken up upon completion of construction activities.
vii	Environmental parameters shall be monitored regularly and six monthly reports shall be submitted to the regional Office of the Ministry and State Pollution Control Board for review.	 The sampling & monitoring of environmental quality parameters has been carried out at Project sites. The test reports are enclosed herewith as <u>Appendix-II</u>.
viii	The project proponent shall also submit six monthly compliance reports of the stipulated EC conditions (both hard copies as well as by e-mail) to the respective Regional Office of MoEF and State Pollution Control Board. Monitoring report and compliance report shall be up-loaded on the web-site of project proponent.	O6 monthly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions are being regularly submitted and the same are also being put on the website of RHPCL i.e. www.rhpcindia.com.
	Other Conditions mentioned	in the EC Letter
5.	The Project Proponent shall provide full cooperation and all required documents, data and access to the Officials of Regional Office of MoEF who would be monitoring the implementation of environmental safeguards.	Being complied



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6. Besides the above stated conditions, M/s Ratle hydro Electric Project Pvt. Ltd and Government of Jammu & Kashmir shall also implement all other environmental safeguards, as proposed in the EIA/EMP report and other reports from time to time. The J&K Government may also like to monitor implementation of EMP at regular interval.	
 Any change in the scope of the Project shall be intimated to the Ministry and fresh approval, it required, shall be taken from the Ministry. 	approval shall be taken from MoEF&CC, GOI.
10. A Multi-disciplinary committee for monitoring the implementation of environmental safe guards during construction shall be constituted by the Project Proponent in consultation with the Ministry as early as possible. The Proponent shall suggest the members and their profile for approval of the Ministry. Proponent shall organize six monthly meetings of the committee and submit the monitoring report to the Ministry.	submitted to MoEF&CC, sub Office, Jammu for constitution of multi-disciplinary committee to oversee the implementation of environmental safeguard measures at Ratle HEP. - Subsequently, as suggested by MoEF&CC sub Office, Jammu the
A copy of the clearance letter shall be sent by the Proponent to local Panchayat, Zila parishad/Municipal Corporation, Urban local body and local NGO, if any, from whom suggestions / representations were received while processing the proposal. The clearance letter shall also be put on its web-sites by the project proponent.	HE Project has been put on the website of RHPCL i.e. www.rhpcindia.com, (status shall be suitably updated upon receipt of records from JKSPDC)
The proponent should advertise at least in two local newspapers widely circulated in the region around the project, one of which shall be in the vernacular language of the locality concerned informing that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and copies of clearance letter are available with the State Pollution Control Board/committee and may also be seen at Website of the Ministry of Environment and Forests and the state of the ministry of of t	HE Project has been put on the website of RHPCL i.e. www.rhpcindia.com. (status shall be suitably updated upon receipt of records from JKSPDC)
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13	After 5 years of the commissioning of the Project, a study shall be undertaken regarding impact of the project on the environment and downstream ecology. The study shall be undertaken by an independent agency, to be decided in consultation with the Ministry.	Shall be complied
14	The project proponent shall also submit six monthly reports on the status of compliance of the stipulated EC conditions including results of monitored data (both in hard copies as well as by e-mail) including the respective Regional office of MoEF and Zonal Office of CPCB and SPCB.	O6 monthly reports on the status of compliance of stipulated EC conditions are being regularly submitted.

^{*}The previous records of Project regarding implementation of EMPs in compliance to the EC conditions are yet to be handed over by JKSPDC. The above information shall be suitably updated upon receipt of records and shall also be submitted to MoEF&CC for kind information.



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ANNEXURE-II

Ratle HE Project (850 MW)

(Status Report as on 31.03.2024)

Ratle Hydro-Electric Project is a run-of-river scheme proposed on river Chenab in District Kishtwar of UT Jammu and Kashmir with installed capacity of 850MW. The Project envisages construction of 133mtr high (from deepest foundation level) Concrete Gravity Dam, an underground Power House to accommodate 4 units of capacity 205MW each and one Auxiliary Unit of capacity 30MW.

Initially, the construction of Project was taken up by J&K State Power Development Corporation through M/s GVK however the work was stopped in 2014. The plan for execution of Project was revived by Ministry of Power, GOI in 2018 in consultation with Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir. The MoU was signed on 03.02.2019 and subsequently, supplementary MoU was signed on 03.01.2021 between NHPC (51%) and JKSPDC (49%) for formation of new Joint Venture for execution of Ratle HE Project. The new JV with the name "Ratle Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd." was incorporated on 01.06.2021 for execution of 850MW Ratle HE Project.

Status of Clearances:

Clearance	Status
Appraisal by CEA	TEA accorded by CEA on 19.12.2012. TEA further transferred in the name of RHPCL vide communication No. CEA-SY-25- 50/1/2019-PAC Division/438-43 dated 29.12.2021
Forest Clearance	Accorded by GOJK in favour of JKSPDC on 27.04.2012 (for diversion of 138.93 Ha Forest land) and on 05.03.2014 (for diversion of 29.13 Ha Forest land) respectively. Vide communication No. 15-01/2021-Jammu dated 18.01.2022 and 08.03.2022, approval accorded by MoEF&CC, GOI for change of User Agency from JKSPDC to RHPCL.
Environment Clearance	Accorded by MoEF&CC vide letter No. J-12011/39/2010-IA.I dated 12.12.2012. The EC was transferred by MoEF&CC in the name of RHPCL vide communication No. J-12011/39/2010-IA.I dated 27.09.2021.
Indus water Clearance	Accorded by MoWR (Indus Wing) on 16.08.2012. Vide letter dated 02.07.2021, MoWR (Indus Wing) has confirmed the validity of IWT Clearance of the Project in favour of RHPCL.
PIB/CCEA Clearance	Cabinet has accorded the Investment sanction of Rs. 5281.94Cr for implementation of 850MW Ratle HE Project communicated vide MoP letter dated 11.02.2021.
R&R Plan Approval	Vide Order No. 91-PDD of 2013 dated 21.03.2013, GOJK had accorded the sanction to R&R Package of the Project for a total



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amount of Rs. 110 Crore. As per provisions of MoU, the R&R Plan of Project has been updated in line with the rates provided in case of Kishanganga HE Project, J&K and submitted to GOJK for approval. The In-principle approval to the updated R&R Plan has been accorded by the Standing Committee headed by Chief Secretary, J&K. The final approval of the R&R Plan by GOJK is under progress.

2. Award of construction works

The work for Turnkey Execution of Ratle HE Project has been awarded to M/s MEIL on 18.01.2022. The diversion of river Chenab through Diversion Tunnel has been achieved on 27.01.2024. The excavation of MAT and CVT has also been completed whereas the work on other associated components viz. TRTs, Pressure shafts, Power House, Surge chamber and Dam stripping is under progress by the Contractor. As per Investment sanction accorded to the Project by GOI, the Project is scheduled to be completed by February 2026.

3. Status of Land Acquisition and transfer of land to RHPCL

As mentioned in GOJK Order No. 55-JK (PDD) of 2022 dated 10-05-2022 (in terms of Administrative Council Decision No. 48/3/2022 dated 15-03-2022), State land measuring 233.96 Ha and Private land measuring 55.52 Ha has been acquired by JKSPDC through concerned Revenue Collectorate(s) of J&K Govt. for construction of Ratle HE Project in terms of Jammu and Kashmir State Land Acquisition Act. The Awarded amount on account of acquisition of land stands already deposited with concerned Revenue Collectorate(s) and the Land Awards have been issued by GOJK in favour of JKSPDC. Vide aforementioned Govt. Order dated 10.05.2022, JKPDD has been authorized to lease out land acquired by JKPDC for development of 850MW Ratle HEP to RHPCL. The sanction has also been accorded by GOJK for use of land measuring 138.81 Ha falling under river bed. The land acquired for Ratle HE Project has been physically taken over by RHPCL from JKSPDC. However, the formal lease deed for Project land is yet to be executed for which the matter is being regularly pursued with JKSPDC/JKPDD.

4. Status of R&R Plan Implementation

Vide Order No. 91-PDD of 2013 dated 21.03.2013 issued by GOJK in terms of Cabinet decision No. 44/7/2013 dated 15.03.2013, the sanction had been accorded to the R&R Package of 850MW Ratle HE Project for a total amount of Rs. 110.00 Crore. The above R&R Package sanctioned by GOJK includes the R&R Plan (Rs. 20.00 Crore), Local Area Development Plan including Skill Development Plan (Rs. 60.00 Crore) and Corporate Social Responsibility Plan (Rs.30.00 Crore). A part of R&R benefits as per the approved Plan stands already released to the beneficiaries.