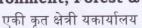


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No. SK/ROAD-82/2021/FC/76

Date: 18.03.2022

To,

The Principal Secretary-cum-PCCF,
Department of Forest, Environment & Wildlife Management,
Deorali, Gangtok,
Sikkim - 737102.

Sub: Diversion of 141.124 Ha of forest land for construction of road from Toong to Partem Pt. 4865 under Mangan (T) Range, North Sikkim by 48th Bn ITBP, Govt. of India.-reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the Government of Sikkim letter No. 1845/FCA/F&ED/597 dated 28.10.2021 and No. 1845/FCA/F&ED/817 dated 16.02.2022 on the above-mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal forwarded by the State Govt. has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and rules/guidelines framed there under.

On perusal it has been observed that the information sought at point no. 1 and 6 is not provided properly. In this regard it is requested to provide following formation for further processing of the proposal: -

- 1. On perusal of .kml file provided for diversion of forest land it reveals that it covers only 15 kms of road against 80 kms as proposed in the proposal, this may be clarified.
- 2. The area indicated against the proposed CA pocket no. 2-Khukrey, (Toong RF) is 20ha. whereas on perusal of the .kml file it appears to be 30 ha with 60 % dense forest.
- 3. The following CA area requires reconsideration:
 - a) Phodong RF, (20 ha) having 90% VDF.
 - b) Rang Rang Khasmal (20 ha) which includes roads and habitation.

c) Kipu Chowk (10 ha) having 50 % VDF and 40 % MDF with high gradient.

Yours sincerely

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Copy to:-

- 1. The APCCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Environment & Wildlife Management, Deorali, Gangtok, Sikkim-737102.
- 2. The Divisional Forest Officer, North Sikkim
- 3. Commandant 48th Battalion, ITBP.
- 4. Guard file.

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