

PART- III
(To be filled by the concerned Conservator of Forests)

14. Whether site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection & observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.

◇ **Yes, on the 3rd November 2015. (Inspection note enclosed).**

15. Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part- II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.

◇ **No.**

16. Specific recommendations of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.

◇ **Though the area is under Protected Forests Area C/7 and is a barren land, it was observed that 4733 sq.ft. falls under the area of Upper Shillong Protected Forest, and 667 sq.ft. falls under the land of Hima Myllem.**

◇ **As per the site inspection, it was noticed that there is sufficient flat land which belongs to Hima Myllem as indicated in the Photographs (uploaded). It can be clearly seen that the area outside the Protected Forests under Hima Myllem can be utilized for the construction of the Basketball Court by State Sports Council.**

◇ **The protected forest around Shillong acts as the green lungs and form part of the catchment area of the different drinking water sources of Shillong Town and the adjoining areas. Moreover, if the diversion is allowed, this will set a precedent to all the other villages and communities residing around the Protected & Reserve Forest in Shillong who will come forward for more diversion of forest land. This will lead to reduction and fragmentation of the protected forest area and thereby deprived the citizen of their fundamental rights of clean air, water and environment as a whole.**

Therefore, the diversion of the forest land is not recommended.

Date: 3rd November, 2015

Place: - Shillong.


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