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**SITE INSPECTION REPORT**

The undersigned along with DFO Billawar inspected the project site of the proposed Ujh Multipurpose Project on 05-07-2020 to examine the status of compliance, to stipulated conditions, by the User Agency and Divisional Forest Officer for processing of the case under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Prior to recommending the same to the Nodal Officer, the mandatory requirements completed were noted and the observations are as follows;

1. The User Agency (UA) placed an indent for diversion of 1100 ha of forest land and later revised it to 680 ha. This is however not yet corrected in their indent form. All the calculations and processing of the case is based on the revised requirement of 680 ha forest land. This makes the UA liable to identify and handover 680 ha non-forest land or 1360 ha of land on which the provisions of FC Act, 1980 are applicable to the Forest Department for Compensatory Afforestation (CA).
2. The Deputy Commissioner Kathua, vide Letter No. DCK/LA/2020-21/85-89 dt. 20-06-2020 of AC(R) communicated the identification of 1260 ha of non-forest land to be handed over to Forest Department. However on ground verification and due to the category of land, the effective area for CA is calculated to be 653 ha. The shortfall of CA area of 32 ha should be proposed in double in extend of the area which will be 64 ha and the same is communicated to the UA. The process of identification of 1314 ha area for CA has started but is not complete.
3. The UA has completed the laying of Permanent Bench Mark (PBM) in the submergence area at FRL, FRL -2m and FRL -4 m. Enumeration of trees is completed in the submergence area, FRL -2, FRL -4m, LMC, RMC and HRT totalling 3,38,288 nos.
4. The CA plan for the non-Forest land proposed to be handed over to Forest Department was prepared for 1260 ha only instead of 1314 ha because the area identification and delineation is not complete. Additional CA for the balance area will be prepared after the UA completes the exercise and hands over the areas to the Forest Department.
5. The initial survey of the non-forest areas which are identified and delineated indicated that it is not possible to plant the mandated 1000 plants per ha in those areas. Therefore, the balance plants have been proposed to be planted in 1667 ha of Degraded Forest land






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having crown density below 40 percent spread in six territorial forest divisions as per working plan prescriptions and will be implemented by seven Divisions.

6. The UA has not submitted the required maps of the forest land proposed to be diverted in the prescribed format and therefore is once again requested to provide the same along with 5 hard copies of the indent before site inspection by the Regional Office.
7. The KML files and the geo referenced maps of the non-forest land for CA was not ready so could not be uploaded. The UA is also requested to expedite the process of identification and delineation of the non-forest land for CA to the tune of 1314 ha at the earliest and provide the KML files of all the patches of the 1314 ha before the site inspection by the Regional Office.
8. The following mandatory undertakings have not been provided by the UA and therefore could not be uploaded. The UA is requested to submit before the site inspection by the Regional Office.
  - a. Undertaking for payment of cost of Compensatory Afforestation (CA).
  - b. Undertaking for payment of Net Present value (NPV) of forest area.
9. The proposal is therefore recommended and forwarded to the Nodal Officer with the note that further revision will be done as and when the UA submits the required documents.



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4. Chief Engineer, I & FC/RTIC, Jammu.
5. Chief Engineer, CI & D JKSPDC, Jammu.
6. Superintending Engineer RTIC, Jammu.
7. DFO Kathua, Billawer and Samba.
8. Pvt. Secy. to Commissioner/Secretary Jal Shakti Deptt. for information to the Commissioner/Secretary.