

NHA/PIU-DDN/33012/Forest Issues (SHR)/NH-73/2007/13588

dt.10.10.2017

To,

APCCF & Nodal Officer,
FCA, Department of Forest,
UP, 17, Rana Pratap Marg, Lucknow

Sub.: 4-Laning of Roorkee-Chutmalpur-Saharanpur-Yamunagagar (UP/Haryana border) section of NH-73 & Chutmalpur-Ganeshpur section of NH-72A, in the state of UP & Uttarakhand.
- Compliance to the observations raised by RO, MoEF, Lucknow in r/o forest proposal Distt- Saharanpur NH-73 FP/UPROAD/17752/2016.

Ref:-

1. MOEF&CC, New Delhi letter dt. 09.10.2017.
2. Chief Wildlife Warden of Uttarakhand letter no. 668/12-1 dt. 07.09.2017.
3. RO, MoEF, Lucknow, letter no. 8B/UP/06/48/2017/FC/75 dt. 14th August 2017.

Sir,

Please refer to RO, MoEF, Lucknow, letter no. 8B/UP/06/48/2017/FC/75 dt. 14th August 2017 vide which observation at point no. 9 *"A portion of road falls within Eco Sensitive Zone of Rajaji National Park of Uttarakhand and comments of Chief Wildlife Warden of Uttarakhand shall also be incorporated with the proposal"* has been conveyed for compliance.

In this regard it is to submit that Chief Wildlife Warden of Uttarakhand vide their letter no. 668/12-1 dt. 07.09.2017 has requested to MoEF, New Delhi for clarification on the proposal (Copy enclosed). MoEF vide letter dt. 09.10.2017 has clarified as below;

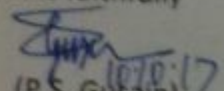
"It has been mentioned by the NHA that the aforesaid project does not require environment clearance.

As per existing policy of the Ministry, development activities located within 10 Kms zone of National Parks/wildlife sanctuaries and requiring environment clearance are required to seek recommendations of the Standing Committee of National Boards for wild life".

In light of above it is submitted that as the proposal does not require environmental clearance as per MoEF&CC OM dated 22.08.2013 therefore NBWL clearance is not required.

Submitted for kind consideration and further necessary action please.

Yours faithfully


(P.S. Gusain)

Project Director
PIU-Dehradun

Copy to: 1. Conservator of Forest, Saharanpur Circle, Department of Forests, Distt- Saharanpur, UP.
2. DFO, Shivalik Forest Division, Saharanpur.

(P.S. Gusain)
Project Director
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F.No.1-57/2017 WL
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(Wildlife Division)

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Date: 9th October, 2017

**The Chief Wild Life Warden,
Government of Uttrakhand
Dehradun.**

**Sub: Diversion of 70.201 ha of forest land in Distt. Saharanpur
Wildlife clearance of road for Roorkie- Chhutmalpur-
Saharanpur- Yamunanagar section of NH-73 and Chhutmalpur-
Ganeshpur section of NH-72A -reg.**

Sir,

Kind reference is invited to your letter dated 07.09.2017 and NHAI letter dated 21-09-2017 seeking clarifications on applicability of the wildlife clearance on the proposal of the NHAI of four lanning of Roorkie-Chhutmalpur-Saharanpur-Yamunanagar section of NH-73 and Chhutmalpur-Ganeshpur section of NH-72 A. A portion of the said road project falls in the 10 kms of the Rajaji Tiger Reserve.

It has been mentioned by the NHAI that the aforesaid project does not require environment clearance.

As per existing policy of the Ministry, development activities located within 10 kms zone of National Parks/ Wildlife Sanctuaries and requiring environment clearance are required to seek recommendations of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life.

Yours faithfully,


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Copy for kind information to:

Shri V.K.Sharma, The Chief General Manager, National Highway Authority of India, New Delhi.