

HIMACHAL PRADESH
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

No. PW-SD-WA-Forest Cases/2020-21-

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Dated 19-10-21

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
Churah Forest Division
Salooni Distt. Chamba (HP).

Subject: -

Diversion of 3.677 Ha. of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of link road from Naddal to village Jutrahan km 0/0 to 7/00 within the jurisdiction of Churah Forest Division, Distt. Chamba (HP).

Reference: -

Your office letter No. 3111 dated 05/10/2021.

Sir,

The pointwise reply to the observations as raised by CCF Chamba letter dated 27.09.2021 is submitted as below: -

1. Point No. 1 is pertaining to your good office.
2. Point No. 2 is pertaining to your good office.
3. In this regard it is submitted that the 3.677 Ha. of forest land has been proposed for diversion under FCA 1980 for the construction of subject cited road having total length of 7.00 km and overall, 932 number trees mostly of Ban species are coming in this alignment. Site has also been inspected by Chief Conservator of Forest dated 03.09.2021 and found that barest 3.677 Ha. of land involving 932 trees are unavoidable for the construction of said road. Every possibility has been explored earlier and again in compliance of above letter during the joint inspection of the said road on dated 16.10.2021 along with your good self it's found that no other alternative alignment possible wherein the number of trees is less than the number in the above proposal after working / exploring each possible alternatives for construction of the above road. In the proposed alignment, the least number of trees are coming and connects obligary habitations with easy gradient and non erodible strata than other alternatives.
4. The revised KML file of 7.354 Ha. sent to your office by e-mail and also CD (Compact Disk) attached herewith.
5. Point No. 5 is pertaining to your good office.
6. Point No. 6 is pertaining to your good office.
7. Cost estimate of dumping plantation part of 0.627 Ha. has been attached at page No. 82 (a to d).
8. Needful has been done.
9. Point No. 9 is pertaining to your good office.
10. All documents are attested by undersigned.

DA/As above


Executive Engineer
Salooni Division
HPPWD Salooni

JUSTIFICATION REGARDING INVOLVEMENT OF 932 TREES OVER 3.677 HECTARE IN THE ALIGENMENT PROPOSED FOR DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NADAL TO JUTRAHAN.

In this proposal diversion of 3.677 hectare forest land is proposed for construction of link road from Nadal to Jutarahan (Km 0/0 to 7/000) within the jurisdiction of Churah Forest Division, this alignment involves 932 trees for felling.

To reduce the number of trees, the committee consisting of all the concerned department has explored three alternatives to construct this road, after exploring the alternative, committee come to the conclusion and the selected alignment is found best suitable from all point of view. In selected alternative forest land proposed is unavoidable and barest minimum, also the number of trees coming in this alignment are unavoidable and barest minimum as compared to other alternatives. The other alignments were also on the loose strata which may raise the soil erosion issue in future.

Besides, the site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has also been done by Chief Conservator of Forests Chamba on dated 03.09.2021 and found that as per site condition the requirement of 3.677 hectare forest land involving 932 number of trees as proposed in this proposal is unavoidable and barest minimum.

However, in compliance to your EDS, today i.e on 16/10/2021 the site has been once again inspected by User Agency and me (i.e. DFO Churah), but, no any alternative to reduce the number of trees to be felled is found feasible. The requirement of forest land (3.677 hectare) and trees (932 numbers) as proposed in this proposal are unavoidable and is bare minimum for the construction of proposed road. No rare/endangered/unique species of flora & fauna were found in the area. The forest forms part of high altitude conifer forests mainly consisting of Chil and other miscellaneous broadleaved species. **Most of trees enumerated are of class IV & V. Out of total 932 trees approx. 800 trees are under the class of IV & V.**



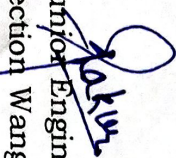
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Salooni

CERTIFICATE

Joint Inspection on dated 16.10.2021

Alternative I				Alternative II				Alternative III (Proposed alignment)			
	Total length	Forest in Ha.	Non forest in Ha.	Total length	Forest in Ha.	Non forest in Ha.	Total length	Forest in Ha.	Non forest in Ha.		
Area involved	8.280 km	4.17	0.46 Ha.	7.890 km	3.99	0.44 Ha.	7.000	3.677	0.39		
Nos of trees coming in the alignment	1254 numbers			1208 numbers			932 numbers				
Longitudinal Gradient	Steep			Steep			Smooth				
Strata	Loose/Conglomerate			Maximum Loose/ Fragile/ Erodible			Conglomerate/Firm				
Population directly benefited	970			800			1288				
Touches obligatory Points/Habitations	Partly			Partly			Yes				
Feasible	No			No			Yes				


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