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Commandant Home Guards, 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion Kullu (H.P.)

The Divisional Forest Officer, Kullu Forest Division at Kullu. Distt. Kullu (H.P.)

Dated Kullu-175101

97 January, 2025

Subject :

Diversion of 0.044 ha of forest land in favour of Commandant Home Guards for the construction of Home Guards Company Office 7/5 company Naggar (Marchi) with in the jurisdiction of Kullu Forest Division, Distt Kullu HP.

Sir,

Please refer to Deputy Inspector General of Forest (Central) online letter received from on dated 09-10-2024 On the subject cited above, In this connection, the alternative sites have been marked on the KML file uploaded against column No.C ii (a) and factual justification for establishing the project in the forest area has been uploaded against additional information of Part-I. Further, the detail of trees over the alternative sites have been submitted to your office by the concerned Range Forest Officer.

Encl : As above.

Commandant Home Guards, 7th Battalion Kullu (H.P.)

**Proposal:** Diversion of 0.044 hectare of forest land in favour of Commandant Home Guards 7<sup>th</sup> Batalion Kullu for the construction of Home Guards Company Office 7/5 Company Naggar (Marhi) within the jurisdiction of Kullu Forest Division, Distt. Kullu, HP. (FP/HP/Others/145759/2021).

## Justification of the Project in forest area

It is submitted that the most of the private land in Kullu District is agricultural/horticultural land divided into small chunks with many share holders and people are dependent on it for their subsistence. Therefore, non-forest land is not available for the proposed project for which non-availability certificate issued by Deputy Commissioner Kullu has already been submitted. At present there exist no Home Guard Company Office in Naggar and surrounding area and keeping in view the need of the hour, this company office has been proposed in the area from where maximum villages and population can be covered during natural calamities and disasters. The establishment of this office will benefit around 15000 people of the villages situated in Naggar area of Kullu District. The three different alignments were explored for the purpose out which alignment 1 & 2 were rejected due to higher forest area and number trees as compared to alignment-3 which has been selected. Moreover, the proposed area is adjacent to the road and is technically more feasible as compared to the other alternatives.

Therefore, the reasons as narrated herein above, non-availability of non-forest land and to reach out the maximum population, 0.044 hectare of forest land has been proposed for the construction of Home Guard Company Office.

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