



Government of Jammu and Kashmir  
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER KATHUA

To Whom It May Concern

**Subject: Issuance of Forest Right Act (FRA) Certificate and Minimum Demand of Forest Land Certificate for forest land coming under the land alignment for construction of road from Towara to Dodla, Stage-1, length:- 3.50 kms, Pkg No. JK07-119, Phase-X, Block:- Basohli District Kathua.**

In compliance with the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98-FC (pt) Dated: 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition) of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA,) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated: 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain exemption/relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 10.385 hectares of forest land is proposed to be diverted in favour of PMGSY Division Kathua required for the construction of PMGSY road projects in PMGSY Division Kathua, in District Kathua. Detail of the roads/projects is detailed below:

S. No.	Name of the road	Package No.	Phase	Stage	Forest land proposed to be diverted for PMGSY projects (In Ha.)
1.	Towara to Dodla	JK07-119	X	1 <sup>st</sup>	1.38 Ha.

It is further certified that:

(a) The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 1.38 hectares of forest area proposed for diversion. As per MoEF letter No. F.No.11-9/98-FC (pt), Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2013 for linear projects like construction of roads, there is no requirement of resolution (meeting/consent) of Gram Sabha of that area for forest land, use of which is proposed to be diverted. Hence, no such records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s) Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District Level Committees are enclosed.

(b) Joint inspection of the above said road has been conducted by the user agency, (PMGSY) alongwith concerned Officers/Officials of Forest Department and Revenue Department, wherein, it has been reported by the joint inspection team that "during the course of inspection, it has been observed that from 0.0-2.3000Kms (approx.) the length of the proposed road alignment is under Forest area and the remaining length i.e 2.300-3.500 (approx.) comes under Private ownership/Shamlat. Hence, no recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre Agricultural Committees (PAC) shall be affected in diversion of forest land



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for non forest use for construction of above mentioned PMGSY road project in PMGSY Division Kathua".

Further, Addl. Deputy Commissioner, Basohli vide his office Communication No. ADC/BSL/2021-22/6124-25 Dated:19-01-2022 has reported that as per the report received from BDO Bhoond vide letter No.: BDO/BH/2021-22/751 Dated:07-01-2022 and copy of Gram Sabha resolution submitted by BDO Bhoond. No FRA case for the Panchayat Dodla is pending for disposal with his office. **FRA cases be considered as settled for Panchayat Dodla.**

Hence, Forest Rights Act certificate is issued for forest land measuring 1.38 Ha. hectares required for above mentioned PMGSY roads in PMGSY Division, Kathua.

No.: DCK/SQ/2021-22/3671-75  
Dated: 29 -01-2022

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1. Chief Engineer, PMGSY (JKRRDA) Jammu for information.
2. Superintending Engineer, PMGSY Circle, Jammu for information.
3. Divisional Forest Officer, Basohli for information.
4. Executive Engineer, PMGSY Division, Kathua for information. This is in reference to your letter No. EE/PMGSY/KUA/1656-59 Dated:16-11-2021.