Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the State Government and other authorities Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980

PART-I (To be filled by the User Agency)

- Project details: Construction of new road from Ledung Turning to Changay village-Km 1st in East Sikkim.
- (i) Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which the forest land is required.

Changay falls which is an attraction for tourists lies in the vicinity of Changay village. The above proposal will be a boon for the inhabitants and for the overall socio-economic development of the area. The Tourism and Civil Aviation Department has already tendered a project for beautification and overall faceliftment of this Changay falls. But because of unavailability of proper approach road, the work progress is very slow. Also, the beauty of the falls is not being exploited properly due to unavailability of road. So, the construction of the road will play a vital role in promoting tourism in the area thus increasing the value of the area and several means of earning livelihood for the locals. As the alignment of the road passes through forest land which is unavoidable due to hilly and steep terrain, forest land is required.

(ii) Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 Scale map.

Enclosed.

(iii) Cost of the project.

Rs. 1.64 crores (Rupees One crore and Sixty Four Lakhs) Only/-

(iv)Justification for locating the project in forest areas.

This project is the key for the overall socio-economic development of the area. As, the alignment of the road passes through forest land which is unavoidable due to hilly and steep terrain, forest land is required for locating the project in forest areas.

(v) Cost-benefit analysis (to be enclosed).

After the construction of the road, tourism sector will flourish creating job oppurtunities for the unemployed and educated.

(vi) Employment likely to be generated.

After completion, this project will prove to be boon for the tourism sector. The locals will get ample opportunities to start their carrer in tourism industry and other means of earning livelihood will also open for all

2. Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required.

Private Land: 1.9309 acres Forest Land: 0.927 acres

Total Area: 2.8579 acres

- 3. Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any.
- (i) Number of families

NA.

(ii) Number of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe families.

NA.

(iii)Rehabilitation plan (to be enclosed).

NA.

(4) Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required? (Yes/No)

No.

5. Undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and /or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration o Safety Zone etc. as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be enclosed)

Required undertaking has been enclosed.

- 6. Details of Certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions.
- (i) Form 'A' (Part I)

: 5sets

(ii) Topo sheet in 1:25000 scale showing all legends: 5 sets (iii) Joint inspection report

: 5 sets

(iv) Enumeration list of trees and poles

: 5 sets

(v) Brief project report

: 1 set

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