

Part - IV

(To be filled up of the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest Department).

17. Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks ;

(While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forest should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).

The proposal for diversion of 0.012 Ha of Forest Land for construction of Suspension Foot Bridge over Seti Khola at Palitam under Namthang Maneydara GPU, South Sikkim by Rural Development Department, Govt. of Sikkim, is accepted and recommended for forest clearance under General Approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 & Forest (Conservation) Rules 2003, subject to compliance of the following conditions by the User Agency :-

- (1) The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) The amount of Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) shall be paid and any revision, thereof, shall be borne by the User Agency.
- (3) There shall be no damage to surrounding forests, environment, wildlife & natural resources.
- (4) Minimum tree felling shall be done in the project area, that too which are unavoidable due to project activity. The blank areas shall be covered up with the plantation after the construction of the project.
- (5) There shall be no labour camp on any diverted forests land.
- (6) All the natural steams and water bodies in surrounding area shall be protected.
- (7) During and after the construction period of the project, the project authority shall continue to assist the State Forest Department for conservation and development of natural resources of the State.
- (8) The muck, debris and materials generated out of the construction, if any, shall not be spilled down on slopes and be disposed off in the predetermined areas only.
- (9) The User Agency shall demarcate the forest land to be diverted with boundary pillar of atleast four feet high with forward and backward bearing before taking up the project activity in the diverted land at project cost.

Signature :

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