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Full Title of the Proposal: The Construction of Road from Sumwal to Sarail Choa (JK 14-402).

File No.: FP/JK/ROAD/46670/2020.

Date of Proposal:- 16-07-2020.

Site Inspection report by an officer not below the rank of DCF/DFO (For the forest land to be diverted under FCA)

- 1. A proposal has been received by this office from Sh. Satish Bhagat, Executive Engineer, for diversion (under FCA, 1980) of **0.73 Ha.** of forest land for nonforestry purpose. The subject envisages the use of forest land for the Construction of Road from Sumwal to Sarail Choa (JK 14-402). The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on 22-02-2021. On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the User Agency is a forest land measuring **0.48 Ha.** The requirement of forest land as proposed by the UA in Col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project.
- 2. Weather any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area? If so, the details thereof:- No.
- 3. Weather any protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area? If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required:- No.
- 4. (a) The UA has not violated the provisions of the FCA, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.
- 5. Specific recommendations for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal:

"The Construction of Road from Sumwal to Sarail Choa (JK14-402) is sanctioned in Phase-X under PMGSY. Some stretches of road pass through forest/Wildlife area. The road namely Sumwal to Sarail Choa takes off from the existing road Dhar road Larey to Sumwal in village Sumwal. The total length of road is 3.225 Killometers and 6 mtr width. The project area falls inside the sanctuary is 2.345 Hectares. Out of the 2.345 Hectares, 1.865 Hectares falls on private land.

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The net forest area needs to be diverted from wildlife sanctuary is **0.48 Hectares** and 17 number of trees/saplings of mainly broadly species are coming under the alignment of the proposed road.

On completion of the road from Sumwal to Sarail Choa shall give benefit to local when completed and provide connectivity to a population of about 295 souls inhabiting this village. Therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Clearance under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 may be accorded.

Date: 16-03-2021. Place: Kathua.

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