FORM- 'A'

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the State Governments and other authorities

Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

PART-I

(To be filled up by user agency)

Sikkim State having an area of 7096 square km is a land locked State bounded by the State of West Bengal in South and by the foreign Countries in the rest. Though small in size, the State enjoys the climates ranging from tropical to alpine and is endowed by pristine mountains to valleys rich in flora and fauna. Except the road transportation there is no other mode of transportation in the State. Lower Jitlang (Kerabari) is a small village situated near the bordering town of Rangpo in East Sikkim. The construction of link road will serve as a vital link for the people of Lower Jitlang (Kerabari) and the proposal will be a boon to the inhabitants and as well as for the overall socio-economic development of the area. Therefore, the need for the Construction of road from Rangpo Duga road to Lower Jitlang (Km. 0.00 to Km. 1.00) is an outmost importance.

The total land involved for Construction of road from Rangpo Duga road to Lower Jitlang is about 0.631 Ha falls in Reserve Forest.

- (ii)- Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50000 Scale Map: Map on 1:50000 Scale, Survey of India Topo sheet enclosed
- (iii). Cost. Of project:

The present cost of the project is Rs. 42,38,496.00.

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

There is no other alternative route without involving through portion of land which is under the Reserve Forest.

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

 Not Application (Area less than 5 ha)
- (vi). Employment likely to be generated.

(i) During construction period: Unskilled labour 4250.00 mandays
(ii) After commissioning: Management staff Nil

Purpose- wise break-up of the total land required:

The total land involved for the construction of the project is about 1.20 Ha out of

Which:

- (a). Total Private land involved=0.569Ha
- (b.) Total Govt. Land involved=0.0000 Ha
- (c). Total Forest Land involved=0.631 Ha
- Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any
- i. Number of families

Nil

ii. Number of Scheduled caste/Scheduled Tribe families

Nil

iii. Rehabilitation plan (to be enclosed)

N/A

 Whether clearance under Environment (protection) Act, 1986 required, Yes/NO).

Not required

- 4. Undertaking to bear the cost of rising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and/or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of safety zone, Etc, as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be enclosed)
 - The required undertaking has been enclosed as annexure

 Details of certificate/document enclosed as required under instruction:
- Form 'A' Part- I filled in with complete details
- Map on 1:50000 Scale SOI topo sheet.
- Undertaking certificate for compensatory afforestation & NPV etc.

Brief Project Report.

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Undertaking for Muck disposal.

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