

**PART - II**

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest)

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**NAME OF THE PROJECT:** Proposal for Diversion of 2.87 ha Forest Land for Extension of three phase 11Kv Weasel line and Installation of 25 KVA Outdoor type Distribution Sub-Station along with Extension of LT Line at Sakhimdara, Dhoban & Nayapatal (72nd Battallion SSB Outpost along Indo-Nepal Border) at Geyzing, West Sikkim.

**7. Location of the project / scheme:**

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| i) State/ Union Territory:                              | Sikkim                                       |
| ii) District :  | West   |
| iii) Forest Division:                                   | Gyalshing Range<br>West Territorial Division |
| iv) Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in Ha): | 2.87   |
| v) Legal Status of forest :                             | Reserve Forest                               |
| vi) Density of Vegetation :                             | below 40%.                                   |

vii) Species – wise (scientific names) and diameter class – wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed).  
In case of irrigation/hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed.:- **Enumeration enclosed**

viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion:

**The proposed land for diversion does not form a part of any seriously eroded areas except which is due to natural factors. However, all measures shall be taken to minimise and control the erosion and protect the area during and after the construction of the project.**

ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.

**Within Forest land.**

x) Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc. ( if so details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed)

**No component of the proposed forest area falls within the above said protected areas.**

xi) Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area – if so details thereof.

**Not reported but if found all measures would be taken to conserve and protect such species and its habitat.**

- xii) Whether 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.

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**No such structure of any archaeological/heritage /defence or any important monument is located within the project area site.**

8. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part – I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If so, recommended area item – wise details of alternative examined.

**The land involved and proposed for diversion is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project.**

9. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of work did, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.

**No violation has been observed till date.**

(Declaration, attached herein, given by the User Agency to this effect is relied upon)

10. Details of compensatory afforestation scheme

- a) Details of non-forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, sizes of each patch.  
**Enclosed**

- b) Map showing non – forest/degraded forest area identified for Compensatory Afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries  
**Map showing the location and area is enclosed**

- c) Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing Agency, time schedule, cost structure etc.  
**Detailed Compensatory Afforestation Scheme enclosed**

- d) Total Financial Outlay for compensatory Afforestation scheme: **Rs. 32,59,313.00**

- e) Certificates from the competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view  
**- Enclosed**

11. Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting the facts asked in Col. 7 (XI, XII), 8 and 9 above – **Enclosed**



12. Division/District profile as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 Forest Conservation Act, 1980

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- a) Geographical area of the district: 116600 Ha
- b) Forest area of the district:- 86473 Ha
- c) Forest cover of the district: 77390 Ha  
(as per FSI report – 2019)
- d) Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases: 62 cases  
Area:- (169.065 Ha)
- e) Total Compensatory afforestation stipulated in the District/Division since 1980 on (date) 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020:
- i) Forest land including Penal Compensatory Afforestation: 247.759 Ha
- ii) Non Forest Land : 7.782 Ha  
255.541
- f) Progress of Compensatory Afforestation till date on (date) 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020:
- i) Forest Land : 195.605 Ha
- ii) Non-Forest Land: 7.782 Ha
- Total : 203.387 Ha

13. Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons:

The proposal is recommended with the view to make the proposed area more clean and hygienic in all respect and to propagate Solid Liquid Resource Management under Swachh Bharat Mission (GRAMIN). The extension of three phase 11KV Weasel line and Installation of 25 KVA Outdoor type Distribution Sub-Station along with Extension of LT line at Sakhimdara, Dhoban and Nayapatal at Gyalshing, West Sikkim involving diversion of 2.87 ha of Forest Land involves the barest minimum of Forest Land to be diverted. The diversion of Forest Land is recommended for approval subject to conditions laid by the State and Central Government and removal of minimum number of tree and poles wherever found to be absolutely unavoidable.

The forest land diverted will not be used for any other purpose other than the reason for which it is diverted.

- a. The status of the land will always remain as forest land
- b. Labour camp, storing of materials shall not be allowed in the forest land other than the diverted land.
- c. The trees falling within the diverted shall not fell without prior approval of the forest department.
- d. No firewood shall be used by the labourers. The user agency shall provide kerosene/LPG or other eco-friendly alternatives.
- e. During the execution of the project, every care should be taken to ensure proper disposal of excavated soil /stone/boulders. No rolling down of soil/stone/boulders in the forest land is permitted. Cut and fill method to be strictly adopted.
- f. No quarry shall be allowed inside the forest land. The User agency shall make payments for all building materials like sand, loose stone, stone chips etc.
- g. Any damage of forest crops/ wildlife in the non-diverted land shall be compensated by the user agency.

- h. Strict measures should be taken to protect the saplings planted under State Green Mission Programme of the government.
- i. No debris will be thrown in the forest area and river.
- j. If within the five years of the proposal the user agency is unable to obtain approval, the project will be deemed De-novo.



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