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File No. D-III. 152/ Himachal Pradesh Forest Department.

Dated Shamshi; the /18-04-2023

From: DFO Parvati-cum-Wildlife Warden(T). To: CF Kullu.

Subject: - Diversion of 1.49 ha of forest land for construction of Kasol SHEP (5MW) in favour of M/S Beena Butail Palampur, Bundla Tea Estate Palampur, Tehsil Palampur Distt. Kangra

Memo:

Kindly refer to Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, GoI office EDS No. 8B/HP/01/57/2020/FC -55264/2023 dated 12-10-2023 on the subject cited above.

In this context, it is submitted that proposed project does not fall within the boundary of Kanawar Wild Life Sanctuary, whereas it falls within the Eco-sensitive Zone of Kanawar Wild Life Sanctuary notified vide GoI MoEF & CC Notification No. S.O. 4615 (E) dated 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2021.

Keeping in view the fact as narrated above, the proposed project falls within the Eco-Sensitive-Zone of Kanawar Wild Life Sanctuary, which is within the jurisdiction of Parvati Forest Division, so being a Territorial Wild Life Warden of Territorial Division, i.e. Parvati Forest Division, it is intimated that: -

- 1. The **aerial** distance of proposed project site i.e. weir site is 40 mtr and Power House is 500 meter from the boundary of Kanawar Wild Life Sanctuary and falls within the boundary of Eco Sensitive Zone.
- 2. The overall impact of proposed project to flora and fauna/biodiversity of Eco-sensitive Zone is assessed as Low.
- 3. The Wild Life Mitigation Plan has been prepared by the undersigned in consultation with Wild Life experts or DFO (WL) Kullu with the objective to minimize the impact of the proposed Small Hydro Electric Project on flora & fauna. Further Wild life Mitigation Plan is attached for the perusal and further necessary action please.

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Therefore, your good self is requested to take up the matter with Chief Wild Life Warden i.e. PCCF (WL) for comments, necessary comments be sent to Nodal Officer (FCA) O/O Pr. CCF Talland, Shimla, H.P. so that the necessary approval can be accorded as per FCA 1980. Encl: Wild Life Mitigation Plan.

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Deputy Conservator of Forest, Parvati Forest Division at Shamshi.

## Copy is also forwarded to:-

- 1. Copy is forwarded in advance to PCCF (Wild Life) Shimla for information and necessary action please.
- 2. Copy is also forwarded to CCF (WL (GHNP) Kullu for information and further necessary action.

Deputy Conservator of Forest, Parvati Forest Division at Shamshi.