



## GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER WEST TERRITORIAL DIVISION GYALSHING

Memo No 967 /WD/T.

Date 23 8 17

## JOINT CERTIFICATE FOR NON AVAILABILITY OF NON FOREST LAND FOR COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION.

This is to Certify that non-forest lands are not available under the territorial jurisdiction of West Forest Division for Compensatory Afforestation to be raised in lieu of forest land to be diverted for the non-forestry purposes of User agency, mentioned below:-

a. Name of Proposal with Location:- The Construction of new approach road

from Tikjuk Mechanical Workshop to Nhishang Gumpa via Byadong-Tikpotam,

in West Sikkim.

b. Name of User Agency:-

Roads and Bridges Department, Govt. of

Sikkim

c. Area of Forest Land to be diverted:-

1.02 ha.

The geographical area of <u>West</u> District of Sikkim is <u>116600</u> ha while the Forest Land has been recorded to the extent of <u>77200</u> ha. only, which is found to be more than 50% of the geographical area as per the State of Forest Report 2015

The Joint Certificate is granted as per the Rule & Guideline Para 3.2(v) of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 - Guidelines & Clarifications and recent Guidelines received from the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India in connection with the diversion of forest land for non-forestry purposes under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Non-availability of Forest Land for creation of Compensatory Afforestation vide letter No. 11-423/2011-FC dated the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

Divisional Forest Officer (T),

West Division, Gyalshing.

District Collector (West),
District Collectorate, Gyalshing.

District Collector West District, Gyalshing