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)

1. Project Details:

(i). Short narrative of the proposal and project/scheme for which the forest land is required:

Gangtok is a small hill town at the foothills of the Himalayas and also the capital of Sikkim. It has a population of nearly 1.50lakhs which is increasing everyday as people from nearby villages and outside the state have started migrating to find a better way of life. This has resulted in a considerable rise in traffic in and around Gangtok leading to traffic jams and inconvenience to the general public. Therefore the need for the Construction of link road from NH10 (near Old India Press, Burtuk) towards ICDS and Gurung Gaon, Burtuk via Gurung Crematorium connecting Lower Burtuk and Indra Bye Pass road as an alternative route is of utmost importance.

The total land involved for Construction of link road from NH10 (near Old India Press, Burtuk) towards ICDS and Gurung Gaon, Burtuk via Gurung Crematorium (Part – II) is about 0.240Ha 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.

(iii). Cost of the project:

The present cost of the project is Rs.2.35 crore.

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

Since the proposed alignment follows the left Bank of the NH10 (near old India Press) without the possibility of an alternative route, it has to pass through portion of land which is under the Reserve Forest.

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

Not Applicable (Area less than 5Ha)

(vi). Employment likely to be generated.

During construction period: Skilled labour 4200.00 mandays
Unskilled labour 12000.00 mandays.

ii After commissioning: Management staff Nil (permanent)

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

The total land involved in the construction of the Project is about 0.240 Ha out of which:

- (a). Total Private land involved= 0.0000Ha
- (b). Total Govt. land involved= 0.0000Ha
- (c). Total Forest land involved = 0.2400Ha
- 2. Details of displacement of people due to the project, if any:
 - i. Number of families.

- ii. Number of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribe families. NIL
- iii. Rehabilitation plan (to be enclosed)

3. 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

- 6. Details of Certificates/documents enclosed as required under instructions:
- 1. Form 'A' Part- I duly filled in with complete details.
- 2. Map on 1:50000 Scale SOI topo sheet.
- 3. Undertaking certificate for compensatory afforestation & NPV etc.
- 4. Brief Project Report
- 5. Undertaking for Muck disposal.

SIGNATURE:

(Name in Block letters G.T. DHUNGEL DESIGNATION: PCE-cum-Secretary

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State serial No. of proposal.....

(To be filled up by the Nodal Officer with date of receipt)