

File No: **FP/JK/ROAD/121506/2021**

Date of Proposal: **03.02.2021**

**Site inspection report by an officer not below the rank of DCF/DFO**  
**(For the forest land to be diverted under FCA)**

1. A proposal has been received by this office from Executive Engineer, PWD (R&B), Division Billawar, for diversion (under FCA, 1980) of 1.505 ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The subject envisages the use of forest land for Construction of road from Bani to Billawar Via Dhaggar, Dhaman and Deri-Gala Under CRF Phase 1st. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on 07.01.2023. On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the User Agency is a forest land measuring, 1.505 ha located in **Ishu Reserve Forest in Compartment No. 25b/Blr & 26a/Blr of Malhar Range**. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project.
2. Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area? If so, the details thereof: No
3. 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. No
4. **The UA has not violated the provisions of the FCA, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction**

5. **Specific recommendations for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal:**

In view of the fact that the project is likely to provide enhanced connectivity to the remote villages located along the alignment and shall connect the two major towns (i.e., Billawar & Bani) of the hilly region of Kathua District, uplifting the local rural economy and enhanced connectivity resulting in ease of services delivery in the area thereof; and given the fact that the likely damage to be caused by the road construction shall be mitigated by the corresponding CA Plan, the present FCA Case is recommended for the grant of approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Place: Billawar

Date: 07.02.2023

(Signature)  
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