

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

Proposal for diversion of 0.5697 Hq. of Forest Land for "Diversion of forest land for construction & development of Nature Interpretation centre with nature trails at Naghidara, Nmathang, South Sikkim" by Tourism and Civil Aviation Deptt. is recommended for clearance under Sec. (2) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to fulfillment of following conditions:

- a) The forest land diverted will not be used for any other purpose other than the reason for which it is to be diverted and the status of the land will always remain the same.
- b) No labour camp, store of materials shall be allowed inside any Forest Land
- c) The trees inside the diverted forest land shall not be felled without prior approval of the Forest Department. No additional felling of trees or destruction of wildlife habitat, exploitation or removal of any wildlife including forest produce from the forest land should take place.
- d) Any construction that has to take place in the diverted forest land will only be done after the approval of the Forest Department.
- e) No firewood shall be used by the laborers. The user agency shall provide eco-friendly alternatives.
- f) Authorized Forest personnel will check the construction sites as and when required and the project authority shall make all necessary arrangements for doing so.
- g) During project execution every care should be taken so that the excavated loose soil and stone/boulders do not rolled down the forest land. Cut and fill method to be strictly adopted.
- h) No quarry shall be allowed inside the forest land.
- i) No debris and mud will be thrown in the forest area and river.

Place: Division Office, Namchi

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