## **CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKING**

The Department of Rural Development hereby give the undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) as well as the cost of protection and regeneration as per the scheme prepared by the department of Forest, Environment and Wildlife Management, Government of Sikkim in respect of diversion of Khasmal/Gaucharan forest land for the project "Rural Connectivity Road from NSH via Tadong to Upper Phodong" in North Sikkim, and also undertake that:-

- 1) For public welfare schemes of the non-commercial government ventures like Schools, Rain water harvesting, tanks, sewer lines, Village roads which are meant for public welfare, the NPV may not be charged and that in case it is finally decided by the Supreme court such projects are not exempt from the payment of NPV, the user agency, the Rural Management & Development Department will pay the amount of NPV as determined and as per the order of the Supreme Court.
- 2) The Rural Development Department hereby gives additional undertaking that in case of any upward revision of the rate of NPV (as per the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Supreme Court and final decision in this respect by the Supreme Court) the department shall pay the amount of differential NPV.

Signature of the Head of the Department and seal

Pr Secretary
Rural Development Deptt.
Gov of Sikkim