Govt. Degree College Telka Distt. Chamba(H.P.) No. EDN-GC Telka/Forest Cases/2019-20/45 dated 16/04/2021.

To*The Divisional Forest officer
Churah Forest Division Salooni
Distt. Chamba (H.P.).Subject:Diversion of 2.83 Hectares of Forest Land for Construction of building & Campus
of Govt. Degree College Telka within Jurisdiction of Churah Forest Division.
Proposal No: FP/HP/Others/42960/2019.Reference :-MoEFCC Dehradun office letter No. 8B/HP/09/60/2020/FC/255 dated
31/03/2021.

Respected Sir,

Listen - interimentation

With reference to letter referred above the area requirement has been reassessed to minimize the diversion of forest land area as desired and following clarifications are submitted to the quarter concerned for consideration please.

1)^{*} That initially some villagers whose land falls along the proposed forest land site had assured to donate some portion of private land to the college for the purpose of Auditorium, Gymnasium, Canteen , sports activities etc. At the later stage they backed out of their assurance citing the reasons of internal land dispute within family members. Auditorium is required for organising Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Cultural activities and annual functions for awarding certificates/Degrees to the Students. Govt. of India has accepted National Education Policy 2020 and Govt. of H.P has decided to implement National Education Policy 2020 w.e.f. academic session 2021-22 according to which some Colleges shall be converted into Universities and all other remaining colleges as autonomous Degree granting colleges by 2030 for which all kinds of modern facilities are must for the institute. Sufficient space is required for providing all kinds of modern facilities to the students.

2) Further, the land selected is sloped 42 degree as measured at site. The actual width available after cutting hill slope shall remain 55 metres on an average out of 90 metres, which shall automatically reduce area of approx. 0.800 hectare as calculated out of 2.830 hectares. Construction work shall be done by cut and fill method. Layout plan has been made accordingly as for safety of structures, Setback areas with strong retaining walls are required to retain the hill slope.

Hence request of User agency for diversion of 2.83 hectares of forest land may kindly be accepted as the case has been re-assessed for construction of main components and it has been observed that these components shall be constructed structurally safe due to seismic zone-v being highly vulnerable to earthquakes. Hence approval may kindly be accorded so that construction activities could be started at the earliest after the land is transferred in the name of higher education department Himachal Pradesh keeping in view the students interests and difficult topographic conditions.

> Principal Governorman Doovt. Degree College Telka Distt. Chamba (H.P.)