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No.- MC/PCA/ROHRU-691  
Office of the Municipal Council Rohru  
Distt. Shimla H.P.

Dated:- Rohru the 27/04/2024.

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Rohru Forest Division.

**Sub:-** Diversion of 0.252 ha of forest land in favour of Municipal Council Rohru Distt. Shimla, H.P., for the construction of Solid Waste Management Plant at Rohru, within the jurisdiction of Rohru Forest Division, District Shimla, Himachal Pradesh -reg.

Sir,

This is with reference to the subject cited above. In this context this is to inform you that the EDS raised by the forest department has been attended and parawise reply for the same is as under:-

Sr. No.	Observation	Reply
1.	Since the extant proposal is a non-site specific project, as per Para 1.10 of Consolidated Guidelines and Clarifications on Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, MoEF&CC issued on 29.12.2023 "Utilization of forest area for establishing industries, construction of residential colonies, institutes, rehabilitation of displaced persons, etc. are non-site-specific activities and cannot be considered on forest land as a rule. For that matter, no non-site specific proposal can be entertained for considering approval under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980". Therefore, State Govt. shall explore the Non-forest land for the proposed Diversion area	The land holdings in Himachal Pradesh is very less and land acquisition is not possible as most of the population are dependant on their land holdings for their livelihood. Moreover, <b>Rohru is one of the dense town in HP</b> and population is increasing day day as Rohru Town is Headquarter of Jubbal and Rohru Tehsil of District Shimla. Further, <b>there is only 30-36% non-forest land under the possession of local people available within the jurisdiction of Rohru Town</b> and all other land is forest land. Further, the SWM Plan needs to be established far away from habitation for proper functioning of SWM Plant and recycling of waste produced from different sources. <b>The waste produce is being disposed in the River Pabbar and surrounding areas, especially in the off hours by notorious elements due to lack of SWM site, which is creating danger to ecology &amp; nature</b> and to overcome this problem SWM is essentially required for Rohru Town. The patch of land identified for the said proposal is most feasible as per requirement of the project and much needed to keep the Town and environment neat and clean as per the guidelines of "Swach Bharat Mission". However, The feasibility report of the said project has been uploaded against additional information detail in online Part-I.

Further, Copy of NGT Orders and CWP 2369 dated 23.03.2024 is enclosed herewith for clarification & information please.

Executive Officer  
Municipal Council Rohru  
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