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Dated Shimla-1, the 11/05/2022

From:

Principal CCF Wildlife and To: Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)

CWLW, HP Shimla.

O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) Shimla.

Subject:

Diversion of 4.7 hectare of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of Kiari to Khinna road (Kms. 0/0 to 7/820), within the jurisdiction of Solan Forest Division, District Solan, HP.

(Online No. FP/HP/Road/28558/2017)

Memo.

Kindly refer to your office memo No. Ft.48-3645/2021 (FCA) dated 29.09.2021 on the subject cited above.

In this regard, it is informed that the above proposed road falls in the Eco-Sensitive Zone of Chail Wildlife Sanctuary of Solan Forest Division. As per the Notification of ESZ of the said sanctuary, the recommendations of the Monitoring Committee under para 4 & 5 is required. Accordingly, the matter was referred to CF Solan being Chairman of the Monitoring Committee. The Monitoring Committee has convened a meeting in this regard on 07.02.2022 (Copy enclosed) and has recommended the proposal and also submitted the additional report to this office on 27.04.2022 in this regard which is as under:-

- 1. That the provisions of additional causeways/slab culverts to provide free corridor to the wild animals have been proposed throughout the stretch of above road and causeways/slab culverts have been designed in a way to cater smooth movement of small mammals & reptiles etc. without any hindrance.
- 2. That the provisions for construction of water bodies to harvest rain water for wild animals have been made in the DPR. These water bodies shall also help to restore ground water level of the area.
- 3. CF Solan further stated that the PWD has undertaken to plant fruit bearing trees all along the road at the distance of 3 meters from the road and PWD has also undertaken that they would make necessary changes in the plan w.r.t. number of structures, locations etc. as and when desired by Forest Deptt. at any stage.

P.T.O.

on 07.02.2022, the proposal is sent for your information and further necessary action.

However, while taking further necessary action in the matter it may be ensured that all the instructions, rules, stipulations and guidelines on diversion of land within the ESZ are strictly observed and adhered to.

Encls: As above.

CWLW, HP