

No - 114 dt 20/4/24

To,

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Parvati Forest Division at Shamshi,  
Distt. Kullu (H.P.)

Sub: Diversion of 0.1982 ha. of forest land for the construction of Solid Waste Management Plant at Kasol under FCA 1980. (Online proposal No. FP/HP/Others/153006/2022)-reg.

Sir,

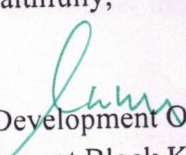
With reference to the subject cited above EDS reply are as follows:-

Sr. No.	Observation	Reply
1.	In the reply of EDS point No. 1 regarding non-site specific, you have uploaded the previous one; for which Nodal Office FCA has raised EDS. You are, therefore, requested to upload the new/fresh reply against additional information column.	The new/fresh justification regarding non-site specific has been attached and uploaded on the Parivesh portal in additional information, part-I.
2.	In the reply of Point No. 2 regarding justification for locating the project in forest area should be signed by Deputy Commissioner Kullu. Hence, you are requested to do the needful and resubmit the case to this office.	Justification for locating the project in forest area has been signed by the Deputy Commissioner Kullu (annexure-I) and uploaded on the Parivesh portal in additional information part-I.

Date: Kullu

Place: 20/4/24

Yours faithfully,

  
Block Development Officer,  
Development Block Kullu Distt. Kullu.



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Annexure-I

**Certificate/Justification w.r.t non-availability of non forest /other govt. land & its inescapability for locating the project in forest area**

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It is further submitted that alternative sites were explored, but due to involvement of more forest area, near habitation and involvement of more number of trees in these alternative sites, these alternate sites were rejected. It is further submitted that the Land holding of the people in Himachal Pradesh is very less and people / local communities are dependent on their livelihood on these small private land holdings and people are not willing to provide their private land for this project. Moreover, in Kasol village as well as in District Kullu private land is very less under the owner ship of private people & most of the land is forest land.

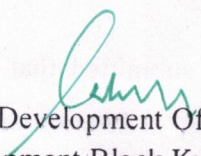
Further the people / local communities are dependent on their livelihood on these small private land holdings and local people are not willing to provide their private land for this project. Moreover, it is submitted that Kasol town & villages around Kasol area, private land holding of people is very less and they are dependent on their small landholding for their livelihood, further there is no other Govt./non-forest land available in & around the Kasol area. So accordingly the forest land has been identified for the proposed project as it is found most suitable/ feasible because it involve less forest area & less no of trees to be felled, hence cannot be escaped.

It is further submitted that establishment of this waste management plant/ Material Recovery Facility (MRF) in Kasol Area will serves as a beacon of hope, offering a sustainable solution to the mounting waste predicament. By employing modern technologies and efficient methodologies, it is going to helps in the proper segregation, recycling, and disposal of waste materials. Beyond the immediate benefit of keeping our streets clean and free from litter, the plants will significantly mitigate the environmental impact of improper waste disposal. It will



granted in public interest for the safety of forest & environment from the ill impact of unscientific disposal of garbage/waste.

Necessary Justification w.r.t inescapability for locating the project in forest area is attached as Annexure-I and Justification for locating the project has been uploaded on the portal against the column D of part-I on the Portal.



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Development Block Kullu Distt. Kullu.



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*Annexure-I*

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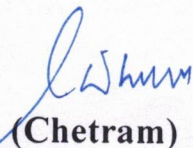
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It is submitted that alternative sites were explored, but due to involvement of more forest area, near habitation and involvement of more number of trees in these alternative sites, these alternate sites were rejected. It is further submitted that the Land holding of the people in Himachal Pradesh is very less and people / local communities are dependent on their livelihood on these small private land holdings and people are not willing to provide their private land for this project. Moreover, in Kasol village as well as in District Kullu most of the land is forest land. Further there is no other Government/non-forest land available in & around the Kasol area (*certificate submitted*). So accordingly the forest land has been identified for the proposed project as it is found most suitable/ feasible because it involve less forest area & less than 10 trees to be felled, hence cannot be escaped.

It is further submitted that establishment of this Solid Waste Management Plant in Kasol area will serves as a beacon of hope, offering a sustainable solution to the mounting waste predicament. By employing modern technologies and efficient methodologies, it is going to helps in the proper segregation, recycling, and disposal of waste materials. Beyond the immediate benefit of keeping our streets clean and free from litter, the plants will significantly mitigate the environmental impact of improper waste disposal. It will also minimize air, water, and soil pollution, thereby curbing the detrimental effects on wildlife, ecosystems, and human health.

Further it is also submitted that the establishment and proper functioning of Solid Waste Management Plant in Kasol town represent a proactive step towards environmental sustainability. It underscores our commitment to responsible waste disposal practices, fostering a cleaner, healthier, and more sustainable future for generations to come.

So it is humbly requested to consider it as special case and necessary approval to be granted in public interest for the safety of forest & environment from the ill impact of unscientific disposal of garbage/waste.



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Block Development Officer,  
Dev. Block - Kullu,



(Torul S Raveesh, IAS)  
Deputy Commissioner Kullu,  
Distt. - Kullu (H.P)

